

# Hill Avenue Academy

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## Admissions Policy

## Admissions to Hill Avenue Primary School

Any parent or carer wishing their child to come to Hill Avenue Academy needs to contact school admissions who are the admitting authority to the school. We admit children into our nursery at once they have reached their third birthday.

The law does not require a child to start school full time until the start of the term following their child's fifth birthday. Wolverhampton schools now have one intake in September. At Hill Avenue (and all other Wolverhampton schools) children whose fifth birthdays occur between 1st September and 31st August will normally be admitted to full time school at the beginning of the autumn term in September.

Forms to request a school place will be given to families of Wolverhampton children already in our nursery. The Local Authority has all of the completed forms and the Local Authority will let you know as soon as possible if your child has been allocated a school place. We will invite you to a new parents meeting so that you and your child can get to know the school and the staff.

In the case of over subscription, places will be allocated in accordance with the Authority's admission criteria by the Local Authority (as they are the admitting authority for the school), as follows:

### 1: Special Educational Needs

A child with a statement of Special Educational Needs which specifies the school concerned in part 4 of the statement

### 2: Children Looked After (as defined by section 22 of the Children Act 1989)

A child who is in the care of a local authority or provided with accommodation by that authority

### 3: Medical/ Social

Whether there are specific medical or social circumstances that can be met only by the child's attendance at the preferred school

Please note that only in very exceptional cases are places allocated in respect of child's/parent's medical/social grounds

### 4: Siblings

Whether siblings attend the school (or associated Junior School) and will still be attending the school when the new child starts.

### 5: Religious Reasons

To a child who has religious reasons for attending the preferred voluntary controlled school (Hill Avenue is a Community school) and for whom it can be demonstrated that s/he has strong church connections. These reasons will only be taken into consideration if the preferred school is the nearest Church of England (voluntary aided or voluntary controlled) school to the child's home address.

## 6: Distance

How close the child lives to the school requested with those living closest to the main entrance to the school by a straight line measurement (as measured by the GIS software used by the authority for this purpose) gaining the highest priority.

Please Note:

- If there is insufficient number of places to accommodate all the children of a particular criterion the next criterion will be used to assess the applications concerned in order to determine the allocation of places
- The Local Authority is the admissions Authority for admissions to Hill Avenue Primary School
- The planned admission number is 45

What is a Sibling?

For admission purposes, a sibling is a child who resides at the same address as the child for whom a place is being requested, and is one of the following:

- Brother/ sister
- Half brother/ sister (i.e. share one common parent)
- Or stepbrother/ sister (i.e. related by a parent's marriage)
- Any other child (e.g. foster child) for whom it can be demonstrated that s/he is residing permanently at the same address (e.g. under the terms of a residence order).

The sibling connection only applies where families have a sibling attending that school at the time of the application as well as at the time of admission.