

# **St Aidan's Church in Wales VA School**



## **ADMISSIONS POLICY**

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**This policy will apply to admissions during 2010-2021**

The admissions authority for this school is the Governing Body. This policy is reviewed annually with all Pembrokeshire primary phase schools – VA, VC, community 3-11 and both 3-16 schools, the Diocesan Director and Pembrokeshire, Carmarthenshire and Ceredigion Local Authorities are consulted.

Our admission policy has been developed to ensure a consistent and fair system for admitting pupils to our school, especially if spaces are likely to be limited due to reaching the admission number of 17.

St Aidan's V.A. School is a Church in Wales' school which essentially serves the community within the parishes of Llawhaden, Walton East, Clarboston Road, Slebech and Wiston and the admissions policy reflects this in its prioritised list of criteria.

In the event of oversubscription, priority will be given to the admission of pupils in the following order:

1. Any children identified on the Looked After Children (LAC) register and any children who were previously LAC
2. Children from the parishes of Llawhaden, Walton East, Clarboston Road, Slebech and Wiston.
3. Children with brothers or sisters, these being determined as foster, adopted or permanently living at the same address, who attend the school at the proposed admission.
4. Children from families whose parents wish them to be educated in an Anglican Church School.
5. Children from families of other Christian denominations whose parents wish their children to be educated in an Anglican Church School.
6. In the event of a tie, places will be offered to pupils living nearest to the school, measured by the shortest distance from the nearest available school gate to a point where the pupil's private dwelling meets the public highway.

For the purposes of school admission, term starting dates are 1<sup>st</sup> January, 1<sup>st</sup> April and 1<sup>st</sup> September. Compulsory education however does not have to begin until the term following a child's fifth birthday.

The normal age for admission to school in Pembrokeshire, in a school like St Aidan's with nursery provision, is the start of the term following the child's third birthday.

Admission deadlines adhere to the admissions application timetable as published by Pembrokeshire County Council admissions authority.

### Appeals

- 1) If a child is refused admission the parent may, within a period of 14 days, appeal against the decision to a Panel constituted for that purpose in accordance with the provisions of the Education Acts. Information on how to appeal will be given by the Headteacher at the time of the original decision. All appeals must be submitted to the Chairperson of St. Aidan's Governing Body. There is no right of appeal in relation to nursery admissions.