

## **Forton Primary School**

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### **Forton School's Preschool Class ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS Academic year 2018-19**

**Please note: Admission to Preschool Class does not give automatic entry to the Reception class in the main school.**

Forton Primary School is a Community school and is maintained by Lancashire Local Authority. The school's Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for taking decisions on applications for admissions.

For the school year commencing September 2017 the Governing Body has set its planned admission number for preschool age children at ten.

#### **Making an application**

Applications for admission to the school's preschool class from September 2018 should be made using the school's Preschool Class application form.

As required by law all children with a Statement of Special Educational Need naming the school, or children in exceptional circumstances will be admitted before the application of the over subscription criteria.

Where more applications are received than the planned admissions number for the school the over subscription criteria will be applied in the following order

If the school is oversubscribed, the following criteria will be applied in priority order:

- (a) Looked after children and previously looked after children, then
- (b) Children with older brothers and sisters who will still be attending the school when the younger child starts, (see \* below), then
- (c) Children for whom the County Council accepts there are exceptionally strong medical, social or welfare reasons for admission associated with the child and/or family which are directly relevant to the school concerned,\*\* then
- (d) the remaining places will be allocated according to where children live. Those living nearest to the school by a walking route recognised by the Local Authority will have priority.

\* *Brothers and sisters include stepchildren, half brothers and sisters and adopted and foster children who are living with the same family at the same address.*

\*\* *This may include some non-statemented pupils who have special educational needs. Pupils who have a statement of special educational needs which names the particular school have priority for admission and are considered under a separate admissions procedure.*

#### **Notes**

- (i) If category (a) (b) and/or (c) above is oversubscribed, category (d) will be used as a 'tie-breaker'.
- (ii) Children will not normally start at a new school other than at the beginning of a term, unless they have moved into the area, or there are exceptional circumstances.