LINDRIDGE ST. LAWRENCE C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL
ADMISSIONS POLICY
2010/11

The school's admission number is 15 in any year group

Parents considering applying to the school are most welcome to visit the school by arrangement. Please telephone the school secretary or the Headteacher to make an appointment.

Applications for places should be forwarded to the school no later than the 22nd of January 2010. The school admits all reception age children in September. Children must, by law, start school by the beginning of the term after their fifth birthday. A parent may defer a child's entry to the school, but not beyond the academic year for which the application is accepted. Parents may discuss this with the Head Teacher. Reception age children are allowed the flexibility of attending for the full day or mornings only, prior to the age of five.

If the number of children applying for entry exceeds the places available we admit children according to the following criteria and in the following order of priority:

1. A child who is defined as 'looked after' under the guidance issued by the Local Authority.
2. A child residing in the school's catchment area which is the Parish of Lindridge.
3. An out of catchment child who will have a sibling (this includes step children and legally adopted children living in the same household) still attending the school at the time the younger one starts.
4. A child whose parents are committed Christians and attend church on a regular basis, i.e. at least once a month for a period of 12 months prior to application. A letter of support from a church minister will be required.
5. A child living outside the school's catchment area who does not fall into any of the above categories.

A child with a Statement of Special Educational Need will receive a place in whichever school is named on the statement.

In the case of oversubscription in any category, priority will be given to those living closest to the school by the nearest available walking route determined using the LA process. In the event of equi-distance applicants, lots will be drawn for any available place. This lottery will be supervised by a person independent of the governing body.

You will be notified by the L.A. whether or not your child has been allocated a place, by the 26th April 2010.

In the event of your child being unsuccessful in securing a place, you have the right to appeal. Your appeal must be directed in writing to the Chairman of the Governing Body, Lindridge CE Primary School, within ten working days of receiving notification that your child has not been allocated a place.

Late applications will be added to the waiting list which will be maintained by the Clerk to the Governing Body and will be prioritised according to the oversubscription criteria above. Parents will be informed should places become available. This list will be kept up to and including 31st August 2010, unless parents inform us of their wish to remain on the list.

In year applications and those outside the normal round of admissions, will be accepted where there is a place available and will be co-ordinated by the Local Authority.

Lindridge School operates the Worcestershire Fair Access policy which can be accessed on the Worcestershire Web site.