

**Christ the King Roman Catholic Primary School**  
Newton Heath  
Manchester

**Admission Policy for September 2020**

Christ the King is a Roman Catholic Primary School under the trusteeship of the Diocese of Salford. It is maintained by Manchester Local Authority. As a Voluntary Aided School the School's Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for taking decisions on applications for admission to the school. The co-ordination of admission arrangements is undertaken by the Local Authority.

For the School Year commencing **September 2020**, the Governing Body has set its planned admission number at **60**

Admission to the school will be made by the Governing Body. All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of Admissions Criteria used to form a priority order if there are more applications for admission than the school has places available.

1. Baptised Catholic Looked After Children and Baptised Catholic previously Looked After Children.
2. Baptised Roman Catholic children, resident in the parish, who will have a sibling attending the school at the time of admission.
3. Baptised Roman Catholic children who are resident in the Parish of Christ the King.
4. Baptised Roman Catholic children, resident in another parish, who will have a sibling attending the school.
5. Baptised Roman Catholic children, resident in another parish.
6. Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children.
7. Other children who are resident in the Parish of Christ the King.
8. Other children

**NOTES:**

- a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions which is **15<sup>th</sup> January 2020**.
- b) A Looked After Child is a child who is (a) in the care of a Local Authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a Local Authority in the exercise of their Social Services functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989. A previously Looked After Child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.
- c) For a child to be considered as a Roman Catholic, evidence of such Baptism will be required.

- d) It is the duty of governors to comply with regulations on class size limits at Key Stage One. The Governing Body may exceed the regulations for twins, siblings in the same year group and children from multiple births, where one of the children is the 30<sup>th</sup> child admitted.
- e) If in any category there are more applications than places available, priority will be given on the basis of distance from home to school. Distance will be measured in a straight line from the front door of the child's home address (including the community entrance to flats) to the main entrance of the school, using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, with those living nearer to the school having priority. If the distance is the same for two or more applicants, where this would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place.
- f) The admission of non- Catholic child in a year when there are vacancies remaining after the demand from Catholics is met does not guarantee a place for a sibling in a year when the Catholic demand is greater.
- g) Where a child lives with parent with shared responsibility, each for part of a week, the child's "permanent place of residence" will be determined as the address of the parent who normally has responsibility for the majority of school days in a week.
- h) Sibling is defined as a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.
- i) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admission Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list, which will not be operated for longer than the end of the Autumn Term
- j) For 'In Year' applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available, then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. Direct application to the school can now be made under this heading. If there are places available but more applicants than places, then the published oversubscription criteria will be applied.
- k) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. Parents must be allowed at least twenty school days from the date of notification that their application was unsuccessful to submit that appeal. Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on all parties.
- l) Parents can request that the date their child, if below compulsory school age, is admitted to school is deferred to later in the school year or until the term when they reach compulsory school age.
- m) The Governing Body reserve the right to withdraw the offer of a school place where false evidence is received in relation to baptism, sibling connections or place of residence.