



November 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

**NURSERY ADMISSIONS ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2022/23
(for children born between 1st September 2018 to 31st August 2019)**

Broadfield Academy has 30 places in our morning nursery offering 15 hours per week Monday to Friday (term time only) we do not offer the 30 hour entitlement.

Parents/carers will need to apply directly to Broadfield Academy for a Nursery place. In partnership with local Dacorum schools nursery admissions, Broadfield Academy will adhere to the following timetable when dealing with admissions:

Deadline to apply to Broadfield Academy	Friday 25th February 2022
Offer letters sent to parents/carers	Monday 7th March 2022 (by email or 1st class post)
Deadline to accept place and return paperwork	Friday 18th March 2022

Section 324 of the Education Act 1996 requires the governing bodies of all maintained schools to admit a child with an EHCP (Education, Health and Care Plan) that names the school.

If there are fewer applications than places available at a school all applicants will be admitted. If there are more applications than places available, the criteria outlined below will be used to prioritise applications.

Oversubscription Criteria

- Rule 1 Children looked after** and children who were previously looked after, including those who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England, and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order¹ or a special guardianship order².
- Rule 2 Medical or Social:** Children for whom it can be demonstrated that they have a particular medical or social need to go to the school.
- Rule 3 Sibling:** Children who have a sibling on the roll of the school. *This applies to reception through to Year 5, or if the sibling is in the school's final year as long as they will be in attendance at the time of admission.*
- Rule 4 Children of Staff:** Children of staff can only be admitted in the following circumstances:
- if the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made, and/or



- if the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

For the purposes of satisfying these criteria, a member of staff is defined as a permanent member of the teaching staff, or a permanent member of the non-teaching staff. This definition does not include contract staff. This definition does not include peripatetic staff employed by Hertfordshire County Council.

The member of staff must be employed at the individual school. Children of staff employed by the MAT or at a “linked” or federated school cannot be prioritised under this rule. The child must be living permanently with the member of staff including step children and the children of partners living permanently in the same house.

Rule 5 Nearest School: Children for whom it is the nearest school or academy. This includes all schools except those which allocate places on the basis of faith (membership or practice) before allocating on the basis of distance/location.

Rule 6 Distance: Children who live nearest to the school.
Children not considered under Rule 5 will be considered under Rule 6.

These rules are applied in the order they are printed above. If more children qualify under a particular rule than there are places available, the next rule will be used to further prioritise children

Tie Break

When there is a need for a tie break where two different addresses are the same distance from a school, in the case of a block of flats for example, the lower door number will be deemed nearest as logically this will be on the ground floor and therefore closer.

Continuing Interest

After places have been offered, the school will maintain a continuing interest (waiting) list. A child’s position on a CI list will be determined by the admission criteria outlined above and a child’s place on the list can change as other children join or leave it.

The school will use the same definitions and measuring system as outlined in Hertfordshire County Council’s admissions literature, which is available at www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions.

Fair Access

The school will admit children under the Fair Process Protocol before those on continuing interest, and over the Published Admission Number (PAN) if required.