



Baycroft School

Admissions Policy



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ADMISSIONS CRITERIA AND POLICY



Facilities and Resources

1. Baycroft School is a day special school for children with learning difficulties. It offers support to children with a statement of special educational needs in small groups, delivering the full range of the National Curriculum suitably differentiated to the individual needs of the child.
2. The school is registered for children in the age range 11 to 16 years.
3. Whilst the school's registration with the DCSF is for children with 'Moderate Learning Difficulties', the school offers support to children with a broad range of needs that can affect their learning and cause generalised difficulties.
4. Where a child's difficulties require additional specialist expertise, equipment or staffing levels not normally available in the school, those facilities and resources will be negotiated with external providers.
5. Children are normally taught in small groups. Those levels of staffing are facilitated by the Hampshire County Council Local Management of Special Schools Scheme.

Admission Process

1. Admissions to the school are determined by the Local Education Authority through discussion at the Assessment and Placement Advisory Group meetings. The decision of the responsible Education Officer is final.
2. The number of children to be admitted to the school is normally determined by the Agreed Place Number that has been set in agreement with the Local Education Authority as the basis of funding through the LMSS scheme. Any child admitted above that agreed place number will be subject to retrospective funding as set out in the LMSS scheme.
3. Prior to admission, all relevant papers will be passed to the school. The school will meet with the parents and child (and any other interested or relevant party) to determine the arrangements for the child's admission.
4. All placements are subject to annual review according to the requirements of the Education Act 1993, the Code of Practice for Identification and Assessment of Children with Special Needs and/or any modifications to that legislation of requirement as issued by the DCSF and Hampshire County Council.
5. Children will normally be admitted in the Autumn Term of Year 7 following Annual Reviews at primary school in preparation for the phase transfer. Children will also be admitted at other times according to need and as required by the Local Education Authority.
6. Whilst the school normally expects to admit children from the local area, it is a county resource and may be required to admit a child from any part of Hampshire.

Commitments

1. The school is committed to providing the highest quality educational opportunities for its children. The school makes that commitment without reservation or qualification.
2. The school expects that any child who attends the school will be equally committed to taking advantage of those opportunities.
3. The school expects that any child and his/her parents in accepting a placement at the school also accept the school's behaviour for learning policy (given to all students and parents at the time of admission).



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DESIGNATION/RESPONSIBILITY	SIGNATURE	DATE
Head Teacher		Date
Chair of Governors:		Date:
This policy was Adopted and Ratified at the WGB meeting on		Date:
The policy will be reviewed		Summer Term 2011