



Grandpont
Nursery School & Childcare

Admissions Policy

Grandpont Childcare

Date agreed and ratified by Governing Body: June 2022

The purpose of the Childcare provision is to assist the largest number of families possible and to maximise places so that the provision is financially viable whilst catering for the needs of the community.

The Daycare is registered for up to 25 children aged under 3 years, and for up to 24 children aged from 3 to 7 years.

Grandpont Daycare is open for 50 weeks per year between the hours of 8am and 6pm.

Admission to the childcare is obtained by completing an application form in order to be placed on the waiting list.

Before children can be registered, their birth certificate and proof of address must be produced and a deposit paid.

Children may be registered from birth.

Grandpont welcomes applications from all children as detailed in the equal opportunities policy.

Availability of places will need to take into account the staff/child ratios, the age of the child and registration requirements.

Whilst recruitment of qualified staff remains an issue, children over the age of 2 will be given priority on the waiting list.

When more applications are received than there are places available, as long as we are aware, all applications will be added to the waiting list, set out in the following priority order;

- Children over 2 years old who are looked after by a local authority
- Disabled children, who are over 2 years old, and need to be admitted to a school on the grounds of physical accessibility. The definition of disability is that contained within the Equality Act 2010.
- A child over 2 years old with siblings currently attending Grandpont
- A child over 2 years old whose parent works for Grandpont
- A child over 2 years old who already attends the Nursey School on a part time basis.
- Those children who do not meet any of the above criteria. Priority for any remaining places will be given to those children over 2 years old who have been on the waiting list the longest
- Children who are looked after by a Local Authority

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- A child with siblings currently attending Grandpont
- A child whose parent works for Grandpont
- A child who already attends the Nursery School on a part-time basis
- Those children who do not meet any of the above criteria
- Priority for any remaining places will be given to those who have been on the waiting list the longest

Under 3s

Bookings for children under 3 are all year round (50 weeks)

Along with full day sessions, morning sessions (8am to 1pm) and afternoon sessions (1pm to 6pm) are also available.

Children must attend for at least 2 sessions per week.

3 to 7 year olds

Bookings for 3 to 7 year olds are term-time only, with a choice of sessions to provide wraparound care.

Priority is given to childcare and nursery children aged 2 to 5 years, and only then will wraparound places be offered to Primary School children on an age basis, youngest first. **We can only guarantee bookings for whole term.**

We will try and accommodate all of your requests and we will follow the following admissions criteria when allocating places.

1. Grandpont Nursery Children
2. St Ebbe's children with siblings at Grandpont
3. St Ebbe's children that have recently left Grandpont. By leaving date.
4. St Ebbe's children by age – with youngest allocated first

Holiday Club

In the school holidays we provide a holiday playscheme for up to 8 children, aged between 3 – 7 years old on a first-come first-served basis.

Criteria for Funded Twos

We offer 8 places for children eligible for two year old funding, places are offered against this criteria:

- Children who are looked after by a local authority

- Disabled children who need to be admitted to a school on the grounds of physical accessibility. The definition of disability is that contained within the Equality Act 2010.
- A child with siblings currently attending Grandpont
- Those children who do not meet any of the above criteria Priority for any remaining places will be given to those who live closest to the school by the nearest designated public route as defined on the County Council Education Sufficiency & Access Geographic Information System.

Please note: The admissions policy of Grandpont Nursery School and Grandpont Daycare are separate, and admission to one cannot be taken as a guarantee to a place in the other. We will endeavour to ascertain from parents their requirements and promote the most appropriate available provision for the family.