

St John the Baptist Primary School (Portadown)
(Including Irish Medium Unit – Bunscoil Eoin Baiste)
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Maintained Primary School

Enrolment Number: 495 (including Irish Medium Unit)
Admissions Number: *71 (Including Irish Medium Unit)

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RESPECTIVE FUNCTIONS OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS AND PRINCIPAL IN RELATION TO ADMISSIONS

The Board of Governors draw up and apply the criteria for admissions.

The school will assign places to all applicants to Primary 1/Rang 1 on a quota basis as follows:-

***Primary 1 – Main School 60 places *Rang 1 – Irish Medium Unit 11 places**

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA FOR MAINSTREAM

During the admissions procedure when applying the criteria punctual applications will be considered before late applications are considered. The application procedure opens on 7 January 2021 at 12 noon (GMT) and an application submitted by the closing date of 29 January 2021 at 12 noon (GMT) will be treated as a punctual application. An application received after 12 noon (GMT) on 29 January 2021 will be treated as a late application.

When considering which children should be selected for admission, the Board of Governors will only take into account information which is detailed on the application or provided directly to the school. Parents/Guardians should therefore ensure that all information pertaining to their child and relevant to the school's admissions criteria is stated on the application or provided directly to the first preference school. Examples of such information include whether the child has brothers/sisters attending the school, or is the eldest child in the family.

The Board of Governors will apply the following criteria to identify which children should be admitted at initial admission to education.

- 1 Children resident in the Parish of Drumcree whose parents intend them to complete their primary education in St John the Baptist Primary School.
- 2 Children resident outside the Parish of Drumcree whose parents intend them to complete their primary education in St John the Baptist Primary School.

In the event of oversubscription in any one of the criteria the following sub-criteria shall apply:-

- (a) Children who have a brother(s)/ a sister(s)/ (half-brother/half-sister) presently enrolled in the school;
- (b) Children with special circumstances (social, medical or security). The special circumstances must be made known at the time of application. The Board of Governors reserves the right to seek confirmation of the special circumstances from a statutory body;
- (c) Proximity of the child's home to the school, priority being given to those living nearest to the school. Distance will be measured using the child's address stated on application form to the school by Google Maps.

Sub-criterion (c) will also be used as a deciding factor in the event of oversubscription within a sub-criterion.

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA P2 - P7 MAINSTREAM

The Board of Governors will apply the same criteria as that stated for Year 1 entry.

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA FOR BUNSCOIL

Admissions criteria for entry September 2021

When considering which children should be selected for admission, the Board of Governors will take into account information which is detailed on or attached to the application form. Parents should therefore ensure that all information pertaining to their child and relevant to the school's admissions criteria is stated on the application form or attached to it.

The Board of Governors will apply the following criteria to identify which children should be admitted either at initial admission to education (Rang 1) or on transfer from another school.

- 1 Children of compulsory school age, resident in the Parish of Drumcree, who have attended a Naiscoil for at least two terms/1 year, whose parents would like them to be educated through the medium of Irish.
- 2 Children of compulsory school age, resident outside the Parish of Drumcree, who have attended a Naiscoil for at least two terms/1year, whose parents would like them to be educated through the medium of Irish.
- 3 Children of compulsory school age, resident in the Parish of Drumcree, whose family speak Irish in the home as the main language, and whose parents would like them to be educated through the medium of Irish.
- 4 Children of compulsory school age, resident outside the Parish of Drumcree, whose family speak Irish in the home as the main language, and whose parents would like them to be educated through the medium of Irish.
- 5 All other children whose parents have expressed an interest in Irish medium education for their child.

In the event of over subscription in any one of the criteria the following sub-criteria shall apply:-

- (a) Children who have a brother(s)/sister(s) (half-brother/half-sister) presently enrolled in St John the Baptist Primary School, including Bunscoil Eoin Baiste;
- (b) Children with special circumstances (social, medical or security). The special circumstances must be made known at the time of application. The Board of Governors reserves the right to seek confirmation of the special circumstances from a statutory body;
- (c) Proximity of the child's home to the school, priority being given to those living nearest to the school. Distance will be measured using the child's address stated on application form to the school by Google Maps.

Sub-criterion (c) will also be used as a deciding factor in the event of over-subscription within a sub-criterion.

DUTY TO VERIFY

The Board of Governors reserves the right to require such supplementary evidence as it may determine to support or verify information on any application.

If the requested evidence is not provided to the Board of Governors by the deadline given, this will result in the withdrawal of an offer of a place. Similarly, if information is supplied which appears to be false or misleading in any material way, the offer of a place will be withdrawn.

WAITING LIST POLICY

The school does not currently operate a Waiting List.

ADMISSION TO P2-P7 BUNSCOIL

The Board of Governors will apply the same criteria as that stated for Year 1 entry.

APPLICATIONS AND ADMISSIONS TO PRIMARY 1		
Year	Total Applications	Total Admissions
2018/2019	64	64
2019/2020	68	68
2020/2021	73	73

