# Admissions criteria for entry September 2022

Moneymore Primary School
Northland Drive

Controlled Primary School

Magherafelt Enrolment Number: 223
BT45 7QT Admissions Number: 32

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

The Board of Governors draws up the admissions criteria and may delegate to an Admissions Sub-Committee, which includes the Principal, the responsibility for applying these criteria. Any reference herein to the term the Board of Governors includes any Sub-Committee appointed by the Board of Governors for the purposes of applying the admissions criteria set out herein.

### **ADMISSIONS CRITERIA**

During the admissions procedure when applying the criteria <u>punctual applications</u> will be considered before <u>late applications</u> are considered. The application procedure opens on 10 January 2022 at 12noon (GMT) and an application submitted by the closing date of 28 January 2022 at 12noon (GMT) will be treated as a <u>punctual application</u>. An application received after 12noon (GMT) on 28 January 2022 will be treated as a <u>late application</u>.

In the event of there being more applications than places available the Board of Governors will apply the following criteria in the order indicated to identify which children should be admitted either at initial admission to education or on transfer from another school. 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 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 school.

Priority will be given to children who will have attained compulsory school age at the time of their proposed admission.

In selecting children for admission, children resident in Northern Ireland at the time of their proposed admission will be selected for admission to the school before any child not so resident.

Please note: The indication of a preference for this school is an acknowledgement that parents accept and agree to abide by the philosophy, ethos, policies and procedures of the school.

Admissions criteria to be used in the event of the school being oversubscribed. The criteria are listed in order of priority.

- 1. Children who will have brothers or sisters (including half/step) in attendance during the 2022-2023 school year. This must be stated on the application.
- 2. Children who are presently enrolled in Moneymore Nursery Unit.
- 3. Children whose brothers and sisters (including half/step) previously attended the school. This must be stated on the application.
- 4. Children of permanent employees at the school. This must be stated on the application.
- 5. The remaining places will be allocated on the basis of the proximity of the child's home\* to the school, as measured by walking distance. Priority will be given to those living nearest to the school. (Walking distance from home will be measured on Google Maps UK.)

If the final places to be allocated have identical measurements as identified by Google Maps UK, selection will be on the initial letter of surname (as entered on birth certificate) in the order set out below:

#### F J V C U A M H S E G R Y W I K B O P D N Z X T L Q

This order was determined by a randomised selection of letters of the alphabet. In the event of surnames beginning with same initial letter the subsequent letters of the surname will be used in alphabetical order. In the event of two identical surnames the alphabetical order of the initial of the forename will be used, and if necessary the subsequent letters of the forenames.

\*Home is the child's permanent place of residence. It is not the child-minders or a relative's address. Walking distance will be measured from the child's home to the main entrance of Moneymore Primary School on Northland Drive. In the event that a Google Maps measurement is not available for a newly built house the governors will follow the Google Maps route and measure the walking distance – the measurements and final decision will rest with the Governors.

#### **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.

All applicants will be required to verify information by providing the following documents directly to the school, by noon on 4 February 2022:

- 1. Birth Certificate (original document) in order to verify the age of the child.
- 2. Any two of the following eight documents to verify the address of the child's residence on the application:
  - (i) Bank or building society statement;
  - (ii) Utility bill (for instance electricity, gas, Television Licence, telephone);
  - (iii) Addressed payslip;
  - (iv) Letter awarding Child Benefit to the child or another letter relating to this benefit;
  - (v) Mortgage statement;
  - (vi) Current Driving Licence;
  - (vii) Land and Property Services rates demand;
  - (viii) Rental agreement.

NB any documents being used to verify address should not be more than three months old.

### **WAITING LIST**

Should a vacancy arise after placement letters have been issued all applications to Primary 1 that were initially refused, new applications and applications where new information has been provided will be treated equally and the published criteria applied. This waiting list will be in place until the end of the academic year. The school will contact parents in writing if a child gains a place in the school by this method. A child's name will be automatically added to the list. Parents should contact the school if they wish for their child to be removed from the list.

## **ADMISSION TO P2 - P7**

Admission to P2 to P7 is subject to the enrolment number not being exceeded and to any admission not being prejudicial to the efficient use of resources.

Applications and Admissions to Primary 1		
Year	Total Applications	Total Admissions
2019/2020	39	35
2020/2021	35	32
2021/2022	30	30