

Dr Walker's C of E Primary School



An Exceptional Place to Flourish

Though your beginning was small,
your future will flourish indeed.
Job 8:7

STATUTORY POLICY

Admissions Arrangement Policy

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Pre-amble: School Vision, Ethos and Values

Dr Walker's is a mixed Church of England Voluntary Controlled Primary School in Fyfield, Ongar, Essex.

Dr Walker's Church of England Primary School is a school where every child is loved, developed, and educated into becoming a successful British Citizen, through promoting the fundamental British values of:

- **Democracy**
- **The rule of law**
- **Individual liberty**
- **Mutual respect and**
- **Tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs.**

We aspire that all pupils succeed in reaching their God given potential at Dr Walker's - An Exceptional Place to Flourish, by:

- **Believing** in God, self and others by developing confidence, respect and trust;
- **Engaging** in a love for learning by nurturing curiosity and independence; and
- **Excelling** in reaching personal potential by being resilient and showing positive behaviour.

Our **CHRISTIAN VALUES** are reflected in:

- *Standing with **COURAGE** for what is right.*
- *Using **CREATIVITY** in problem solving and making life beautiful.*
- *Treating every person and everything with **RESPECT**.*
- *Having **COMPASSION** for others.*
- *Completing every task with **PERSEVERANCE**.*
- *Taking **RESPONSIBILITY** for ourselves.*
- *Living with **HOPE** for a better future.*

Introduction

All schools have admission criteria to decide which children get places. The school or local council usually set these.

Admission criteria are different for each school. They may give priority to children:

- Who live close to the school.
- Who have a brother or sister at the school already.
- From a particular religion (for faith schools).
- Who pass an entrance exam (for selective schools, for example grammar schools).
- Who went to a particular primary school (a 'feeder school').
- Who are eligible for the pupil premium or the service pupil premium.
- Whose parent has worked at the school for 2 years or more.

<https://www.gov.uk/schools-admissions/admissions-criteria>

Admissions

- Our Admissions Policy is managed by the LA and states:
 - Published Admission Number (PAN) : 15
 - Indicated Admission Number (IAN) : 15

With effect from September 2024.

Contact details: Essex County Council School Admissions

- Contact Essex County Council’s Admissions Team regarding information about our school’s criteria and how to apply.
- Email: admissions@essex.gov.uk
- Telephone: 0345 603 2200
- The website link is for online applications is: <https://www.essex.gov.uk/topic/admissions>

Criteria

Dr Walker’s CoE will take part in the Local Authority co-ordinated admission process for admissions.

Criteria for oversubscription

In the event of oversubscription, places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1) Looked after children and previously looked after children.	<p>All state-funded schools must give top priority to admitting children who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• are in care or being looked after• have been in care <p>A looked after child is a child in the care of the Local Authority or provided with accommodation by the Local Authority (as defined in Section 22 of the Children Act 1989) at the time of application.</p> <p>Previously looked after children are children who were looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted).</p>
2) Children with a sibling attending the school the	
3) Children living in the priority admissions area	
4) Remaining applications.	

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight-line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Exceptional medical circumstances, (supported by medical evidence), may override the above.