

Spire Junior School

Admissions Policy

Spire Junior School is a mainstream state school for girls and boys aged from 7 to 11 delivering the National Curriculum.

Junior School Admissions

For admissions into Y3 applications for a place must be made through Derbyshire County Council.

- Online at www.derbyshire.gov.uk/admissions
- By phone - Call Derbyshire on 08456 058058
- By post – by sending a DCC admission form to the
Children's Services Department
Derbyshire County Council
School Road, Off Sheffield Road,
Whittington Moor
Chesterfield S41 8LJ
Tel. 01629 533257 (VOIP 33257)

For queries regarding applications contact the Admission and Appeals team:-

Tel: 01629 533257

E-mail: admissions@derbyshire.gov.uk

Spire Junior School published admission number for 2016/2017 is 50.

Y4, Y5 and Y6 In-Year Admissions

For admissions into Y4, Y5 and Y6 or in-year admissions (i.e. part way through the school year/term), applications for a place should be made through Derbyshire County Council. If a year group is not fully subscribed, pupils may be admitted. If the number of pupils in a year group is below Planned Admission Numbers a pupil will

be admitted. If however the number of pupils in the year group concerned is at or above the Planned Admission Number (even if there are spaces in other year groups) the pupil cannot be admitted but parents have a right to appeal.

Over Subscription Criteria

In accordance with the Derbyshire County Council Admissions Criteria preference for a Junior School place in the first instance is given to:-

1. Children in care who are “looked after” at the time of application and admission.
2. Children living in the catchment area at the time of application and admission.
3. Children not living in the catchment area but who have brothers or sisters attending the school at the time of their admission.
4. Other children who have requested a place.

Where, in the case of 3 and 4 above, choices have to be made between children satisfying the same criteria, those children living nearest to the school (measured by the nearest available route) will be given preference.

Appeals Procedure

When parents are unable to obtain a place for their child at the school they want, they can appeal against the decision to an appeal panel independent of the council and the school.

More information and to make an appeal

Online at www.derbyshire.gov.uk/admissions

By phone - Call Derbyshire on 08456 058058

The decision reached by the independent panel will be binding on the council and parents. A further application in respect of the same school will not be entertained in the same academic year unless significant and material changes in circumstances arise.

Waiting Lists

Derbyshire County Council maintain waiting lists for oversubscribed schools For further information on waiting lists go to

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/admissions

Withdrawing an offer of a place

Any offers of a place found to be made on the basis of inaccurate information can be withdrawn. Such examples include fraudulent applications, intentionally misleading applications, a false claim of residence in the catchment area and the failure of a parent to respond to an offer within a reasonable amount of time.