

# Bloxham CE Primary School



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## Admissions September 2024-September 2027

### Admissions Policy

Children are admitted into school in accordance with Oxfordshire County Council admissions arrangements which are published on the County Council website:-

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/public-site/school-admission-rules-and-policies>

### Admissions Criteria

Bloxham Primary School welcomes all applications for admission to school up to the standard admission number, which is currently 60 children per year group. When the number of applications exceeds this number, the County Council, who is the admissions authority, will allocate places in accordance with their published admissions arrangements. The current criteria in descending order of priority is as follows:-

1. Children who are "looked after"<sup>2</sup> (LAC) by a Local Authority within the meaning of Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989 at the time of their application, and all "previously looked after" children<sup>3</sup> (PLAC), including those who appear to this Admissions Authority to have been in state care outside England (IAPLAC)<sup>4</sup> and ceased to be in state care having been adopted. Evidence of the previously looked after status and/or the adoption will be requested.
2. Children who live in the designated catchment (formerly known as designated) area and have a brother or sister on roll at the time of application who will still be attending at the time of entry.
3. Children who live in the catchment (formerly known as designated) area.
4. Children who have a brother or sister on roll at the time of application who will still be attending at the time of entry but live outside the catchment (formerly known as designated) area.
5. All other children who do not live in the catchment (formerly known as designated) area and also do not have a brother or sister on roll at the time of application who will still be attending at the time of entry.

In categories 2 to 5 above, priority will be given to children who are eligible for Service Pupil Premium and then to children who live closest to the school by the straight-line distance as calculated by Oxfordshire County Council.

A child is of compulsory school age at the beginning of the 1st term after their 5th birthday, so:

- children who turn 5 between 1st January and 31st March will be of compulsory school age at the beginning of the school term after 31st March;
- children who turn 5 between 1st April and 31st August will be of compulsory school age at the beginning of the school term after 31st August;
- children who turn 5 between 1st September and 31st December will be of compulsory school age at the beginning of the school term after 31st December.

All F1 children are expected to join the school part of the Partnership Foundation Stage Unit at the beginning of the academic year in which the child is 5.

### Parents who wish their child to join Bloxham Primary School in later years

Parents of children transferring from other schools should apply to the school for a place via the local authority. [OCC 2025-26 Determined In-Year Admissions Scheme \(oxfordshire.gov.uk\)](https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/occschemes)