



Admissions Policy

Abbey Wood Nursery School and Children's Centre is able to offer places for 2-3 year olds and up to 156 places for 3-4 year olds.

The places in Sunshine Room (2-3yrs), for parents who are working or in full time education, are for 48 weeks of the year between 8am--6pm and there is a charge for this service, unless you are eligible for the '2 year old entitlement' (Please see Children's Centre staff for information about 'Together for two's').

The places in the Main School are mainly part time—children are entitled to 15 hours per week usually from 9-12am or 12.15 -3.15 pm. We have a limited number of extended day places for children of working parents. This is also for 48 weeks of the year, from 8-9am and 3-6pm and there is a charge for this service.

The demand for nursery provision in this area means that we are unable to offer a place to every child on the application list. Our policy is reviewed regularly to ensure it follows the advice given by Greenwich Education Service in the booklet "Choosing a Nursery School in Greenwich". A copy of this booklet is available on request.

You may fill in an application form for a nursery place after your child's second birthday. Filling in an application form does not guarantee a place for your child, nor give your child priority over late applicants.

The school endeavours to keep a balance of 3 and 4 year olds.

Three terms is usually regarded as the minimum time that children should spend in the school although there can be exceptions to this.

The nursery admits children according to Greenwich Admissions Criteria and will give priority in the following order:

1. "Looked after children"; who is a child in the care of the local authority
2. Children with social, medical or educational need for education in a nursery school
3. Children who have attended Sunshine Room
4. Greenwich children for whom this is the nearest nursery school or class. (the address of a registered childminder may be taken into account)
5. Children who have a brother or sister already on roll at the nursery
6. Greenwich children for whom this is not the nearest nursery school or class
7. Children living in other boroughs

When your child starts attending this school he/she will be offered a place in line with their entitlement of 15 hours. We try to give the preferred session, as far as possible.

WE ARE NOT ABLE TO GUARANTEE THAT ANY CHILD WILL BE ALLOCATED ANY ADDITIONAL HOURS

Although Alexander McLeod Primary is our nearest school, attendance at Abbey Wood does not guarantee a place there.

An application form must be filled in for the primary school of your choice and sent to Greenwich Primary Admissions, The Woolwich Centre, Woolwich.

Further information about primary schools can be obtained from Greenwich Education Service (0208 854 8888) or by talking to the headteacher at Abbey Wood Nursery School and Children's Centre.