



Whiteknights Primary School - Nursery Admissions 2024/2025

Whiteknights Primary School Nursery aims to serve its local community by providing high quality education within an inclusive framework. It will incorporate no faith criteria in its admissions code. We believe that parents who choose this Nursery for their child will do so knowing that it is part of a school which will provide their children with 21st-century skills focusing on entrepreneurial competencies and thus preparing them for a life in a rapidly-evolving society.

In January 2022, Whiteknights Primary School joined Bellevue Place Education Trust (BPET), a multi-academy trust with nine primary schools across London and Berkshire. As the maintaining authority, the trustees of BPET are delegated the authority to oversee the admissions arrangements for the school.

The trustees of Bellevue Place Education Trust (BPET) are its own Admissions Authority. The Admissions Policy will be in full accordance with the School Admissions and Appeals Codes.

Nursery Admission Criteria

Allocation of places (Oversubscription criteria)

Nursery places will be offered first, to children who are aged 3 by **31st August** before the start of the next academic year, using the following oversubscription criteria:

1. Looked after children and children who were looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order (see note 1).
2. Children applying for 30 hours whose permanent home address is inside the designated area for the school (see note 3).
3. Children applying for 30 hours who, at the time of admission, have a sibling attending Whiteknights Primary School, or who will enter the setting (see note 2).
4. Children applying for 30 hours, whose parent is a member of staff at Whiteknights Primary School in either or both of the following circumstances:
 - (i) where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made, and is still employed at the date of admission, and/or
 - (ii) the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
5. Children applying for 15 hours, whose parent is a member of staff at Whiteknights Primary School in either or both of the following circumstances:
 - (i) where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made, and is still employed at the date of admission, and/or
 - (ii) the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
6. Children applying for 15 hours whose permanent home address is inside the designated area for the school (see note 3).
7. Children applying for 15 hours who, at the time of admission, have a sibling that is attending Whiteknights Primary School, or will enter the setting (see note 2).
8. Children applying for 30 hours whose permanent home address is not inside the designated area for the school.
9. Children applying for 30 hours who, at the time of application, do not have a sibling attending Whiteknights Primary School.
10. Children applying for 15 hours whose permanent home address is not inside the designated area for the school.
11. Children applying for 15 hours who, at the time of application, do not have a sibling attending Whiteknights Primary School.

Notes

1. A child looked after is a child in the care of a local authority or provided with accommodation by that authority in accordance with Section 22 of the Children Act 1989. An adopted child is defined by section 46 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002 or section 12 of the Adoption Act 1976. A child arrangement order is defined by section 14 of the Children and Families Act 2014. A special guardianship order is defined by section 14A of the Children Act 1989.
2. A sibling is a brother or sister (that is, another child of the same parents, whether living at the same address or not), or a half-brother or half-sister, step-brother or step-sister, or adopted or foster children living at the same address. It includes children who at the time of application have a sibling for whom the offer of a place at Whiteknights Primary School has been accepted, even if the sibling is not yet attending.
3. Schools designated catchment area check: [Schools and catchment or 'designated' areas - Wokingham Borough Council](#)

Waiting Lists

A waiting list will be held of unsuccessful applicants, in case spaces become available during the year. Applicants will remain on the waiting list until the end of their nursery phase.