

## *Priory School Admissions Policy*

At Priory School we believe that all children are entitled to a high standard of education and, therefore, subject to availability, will offer a place to all pupils who apply if in the sole discretion of the Proprietor we are sure that this is the best environment for the child.

The main entry points are 5+, 11+ and 18+ although applicants will be considered for all years in which there are places available and on the Isle of Wight do transfer at all levels in their school career. Each applicant is considered strictly as an individual in every case.

A registration form must be completed and signed by a parent or guardian and forwarded to the school office in order for the application to be considered.

No applicant will be treated less favourably during the application process on the grounds of their skin colour, race, nationality or ethnic or national origin, gender, religious faith, disability, orientation, or socio-economic group.

The School is a family school with a strong Christian ethic. It therefore as a matter of principle as well as law considers every child, whatever his/her needs be they social, physical or educational of equal value or worth. It will not treat an applicant less favourably on any grounds whatsoever.. However, at present, its facilities, physical and otherwise, for the disabled and those with special educational needs are limited but it will do all that is reasonable to comply with its legal and moral responsibilities under the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 (as amended by the *Special Educational Needs and Disability Act 2001*) in order to accommodate the needs of applicants who have disabilities for which, with reasonable adjustments, the School can cater adequately. The school will consult with parents or guardians about the adjustments which can reasonably be made for the applicant both during the admission process and later as a pupil and any attendant costs which may be borne by the parents/guardians if over and above current provision

We have a very limited number of places per class and, therefore, registrations are on a first come first served basis. Should a class become full, we will establish a waiting list, again on a first come first served basis.

Upon admission pupils will be allocated to a class, usually the chronological year, , and a school house. If a new pupil has a sibling or relative in school the new pupil will be allocated to the same house.

The houses are the names of ancient sees in England:

Canterbury  
Lincoln  
Winchester  
York

Each has a colour and a badge.