

## Springfield School 2011/12



If the school is oversubscribed, applications will be considered according to the following priorities in the order set out below:

- 1) Children who are looked after by a local authority (i.e. in their care or provided with accommodation by the authority for a continuous period of more than 24 hours).
- 2) Children who have a significant medical, physical or psychological condition, which must be supported by written evidence from the medical professional involved stating clearly why your preferred school is the most appropriate for your child and reasons why other schools in the city are inappropriate. All applications received under this category are considered by a multi-disciplinary team of the local authority.
- 3) Children whose parents have a religious and/or philosophical conviction for attending the school. Relevant evidence must be attached to support your application, including a letter of support from your religious/community leader. Your evidence must clearly state why the school is the most appropriate for your child and reasons why other schools in the city are inappropriate.
- 4) Children living within the school's designated catchment area. This area is generally identified as that lying to the north of the A27; east of the High Street, Cosham, and London Road, south of the city boundary (including Greenlea Close, Hilltop Crescent, Christchurch Gardens, Hoylake Road and Portsdown Hill Road) and west of the city boundary (including Beverley Grove, Rectory Avenue and East Lodge Park). If the school cannot admit all applications from the catchment area, priorities 5(i) to (iii), will be used.
- 5) Children living outside the school's catchment area in the following priority order:
  - i) children who have a brother or sister (living within the same household) already on roll and who will still be attending the school the following academic year; Note – this category does include step-brothers/step-sisters, adoptive brothers/sisters living within the same household or children whose parents are married or cohabiting and live together within the same household.
  - ii) children attending a feeder junior/primary school (Court Lane Junior, Highbury Primary, Solent Junior);
  - iii) children who live closest to the school, based on the shortest distance from home to school, measured 'as the crow flies'. (This distance will be used where necessary to prioritise applications. Please see Distance Criterion on page 65.)

Note: Should a school be oversubscribed from within any of the criteria 5 (i) to 5 (ii) above, then distance as given in 5 (iii), will be used to prioritise applications within these categories. Should there be two or more identical distances requiring prioritisation, this will be done by casting lots.