



## **ADMISSIONS POLICY**

### **Criteria for Admission**

- All pupils at Parkside School have Learning Difficulties and other complexities of need and are the subject of an EHCP under the Children and Families Act 2014.
- The plan generally indicates the pupil's primary need and the level of learning and other associated difficulties. This makes it necessary for the school to provide an alternative or modified curriculum which meets the differentiated needs of the pupil. These learning difficulties may be accompanied or aggravated by physical/medical disabilities and/or emotional or behavioural difficulties.
- That the school can meet the needs of the pupil as identified in professional reports.

### **Admissions Selection**

Selections for admissions are collected and prioritised by EHCP staff in conjunction with other professionals. The school identifies vacancies within the school. The Local Authorities Admissions Co-ordinator organises an admissions meeting in the Autumn Term at which Special School Head Teachers and Special Education Needs Officers decide placements of pupils. Admissions selection is based primarily on pupil need balanced against the need to maintain stable curriculum provision within schools.

It is also essential to take into consideration the balance of needs within each year group.

A significant factor for this school is the support given by parents/carers working in partnership with the school in the education and development of their child.

### **Long Term Internal class organisation**

The needs of the pupils and specialised facilities demand small class sizes. To allow for a broad and balanced curriculum the school aims to organise its classes as follows:-

Year groups will be organised:-

<u>Lower School – 5classes</u>	<u>Middle School – 4 classes</u>	<u>Upper School – 6 classes</u>	<u>Pathways</u>
<u>Currently years 3 – year 6</u>	<u>Currently years 7 – 8</u>	<u>Currently years 9 – 11</u>	<u>Year 12</u>
Badger			
Squirrel	Sparrow	Rowan	1 class.
Butterfly	Blackbird	Beech	
Tadpole	Robin	Sycamore	
Ladybird	Jay	Maple	
		Willow	
		Holly	

**Reviewed Summer 2018**



Total school population 160 pupils. (Plus up to 12 Students at Pathways College)

Typical admissions will, therefore, be:-

10 Year 3 / 4 pupils  
10 Year 7 pupils

Vacancies in other year groups can be filled as appropriate Including Pathways College.

Classes can be more than 10 if the balance across the class is considered appropriate.

Evaluation

This policy will be evaluated every Summer Term by the Senior Leadership Team. They will look at the school population and the capacity of the school to meet the numbers required by the Local Authority.

The total number of admissions will then be agreed by the Local Authority ready for the Autumn admissions programme.

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Dated.....02/01/2019.....

(To be reviewed Summer 2019)

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