

Meldreth Primary School Admission Arrangements

- All admissions to maintained schools, including Academies, must be made in accordance with the School Admissions Code which ensures that school places are allocated in an open and fair way.
- If you live in Cambridgeshire, all school admissions are managed by the School Admissions Team.
- All children must legally start school in the term following their 5th birthday. In Cambridgeshire places are offered in Reception from the September following your child's 4th birthday.
- You must make an application for a school place – places are not allocated automatically.

As a community primary school these are our criteria for admission to Meldreth Primary School, in order of priority:

1. Children whose Statement of Special Educational Needs specifies the provision of a place at the school. Children with a special medical need which has been certified by a doctor or psychologist. The statement must state that the child attend Meldreth Primary School.
2. Children living in the village of Meldreth who have a sibling already attending the school
3. Children living in the catchment of Meldreth
4. Children outside the catchment area with a sibling already at the school
5. Children outside the catchment area
6. Children who are out of catchment and their catchment school is oversubscribed and Meldreth Primary would be the nearest school

Where there are more applicants for places than we can offer our oversubscription criteria are as follows:

1. Children in Care, also known as Looked After Children (LAC), and children who were looked after but ceased to be so by reason of adoption, a resident order or special guardianship order;
2. Children living in the catchment area with a sibling at the school at the time of admission.
3. Children living in the catchment area.
4. Children living outside the catchment area who have a sibling at the school at the time of admission.
5. Children living outside the catchment area who have been unable to gain a place at their catchment area school because of oversubscription.
6. Children who live outside the catchment area, but nearest the school as measured by a straight line.

In cases of equal merit in each set of criteria, priority will go to children living nearest the school as measured by a straight line.

To apply for a place at Meldreth Primary School or any other primary school please contact Admissions at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/admissions or telephone on 01223 699200/ 699662