



King's Meadow School

## Admissions Arrangements

### ADMISSION TO THE SCHOOL

Admission to King's Meadow School is determined by the criteria and guidelines in the Oxfordshire Education Authority Admissions Policy.

The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) applies to children from birth to the end of the reception year. Children enter the Foundation Stage at KMS at 2 different points depending on their date of birth in either Nursery or Reception.

Nursery	Reception
Turning 4 during the academic year in all instances	Turning 5 during the academic year in all instances
15hr (am only)	Full time pupil
15hrs (pm only, as required)	
30hrs (all day)	
36 places in any am or pm session	60 places

### Nursery Admissions:

Nursery aged children can attend for either 15 or 30 hours. Fifteen hours will take the format of five mornings or five afternoons (if over-subscribed for the morning session) and 30 hours will be over 5 full days. For those parents whose children are eligible 30 hours places will be funded, however parents are welcome to fund the additional hours if they so wish. There is a maximum of 36 places available in both the am and pm Nursery sessions irrespective of whether the child has a 15 or 30 hour place. For further information please visit on 30 hours places please visit <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk>.

Parents whose children attend nursery, particularly from outside the designated area of the primary school, should be reminded that their child is not guaranteed a place at the school when he/she reaches the normal school starting age (i.e. the September of the academic year in which the child will be five).

In the event of being over-subscribed, priority will be given to those requesting 30 hours and those families who are known to be in receipt of Pupil Premium funding.

Application for Nursery places should be received by the end of the first of March 2023. Places will then be allocated before the Easter holiday.

Prior to starting in the Nursery, parents will be asked to attend a parent's information evening followed by two play and stay sessions. The stay and play sessions are intended for the child starting school and their parents. Unfortunately, we are unable to accommodate other siblings at these sessions. There will also be an opportunity to sign up for a home visit at these sessions which will take place in September prior to your child starting school. Children will begin to start school once the home visit have been completed and will be staggered but completed before the end of week 2 of Term 1.

## **Reception Admissions**

For a full-time reception place parents must apply through the normal County Council school admissions procedures. Admission for full time places is determined by Oxfordshire County Council. All pupils who are awarded a place should attend full time in the September after their 4th birthday. For clarification on applications and admissions you are advised to visit the school office and review the information and application procedures (including application deadlines) on the Oxfordshire website <http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions>. For clarification you may also contact the Oxfordshire LA Admissions Team on 01865 815175. There is a maximum of 60 places available in Reception.

Visitors to the school are always welcome and prospective parents can arrange a mutually convenient time for a visit, when the Headteacher will be pleased to talk with parents and arrange a tour of the school.

All Reception children will have an introductory visit to the Foundation Stage in the term prior to their admission. During this session all new children will spend time in the classroom getting to know their teacher, and parents will be invited to attend an Induction Meeting when issues relating to starting school will be discussed, both collectively and on an individual basis, if appropriate. In addition, those children who have not attended our Nursery setting will be offered a home visit in term 6 prior to their start date in September. Children will enter school via a staggered entry, using the following criteria, children who have attended our Nursery, children with siblings in already in school and finally children who are completely new to Kings Meadow.

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