



Determined Birmingham School Admission Criteria 2026-2027

School name	Walmley Junior School		
School address	Walmley Ash Road, Sutton Coldfield B76 1JB		
Headteacher	Mr Stuart Pearson	Tel no:	0121 351 1346
Admission Number:	90		

	<p>The school admits 90 children into Year 3 each September. Places are given in the first instance to all children transferring from Walmley Infant School.</p> <p>Applications made outside the normal admissions round (in-year admissions) should be made directly to the school. Parents/carers can apply for a place for their child at any time and to any school.</p> <p>On receipt of an in-year application, the school will notify the local authority of both the application and its outcome, to allow the local authority to keep up to date with figures on the availability of school places in Birmingham.</p> <p>Parents should note that admissions to Walmley Infant School will not result in automatic admission to Walmley Junior School for older siblings. The admission of older siblings will be dependent on a place being available if they are entitled under the admissions criteria.</p> <p>Where further applications for admissions exceed the number of places within Year groups, the following criteria will be applied to decide which children are admitted:</p>
Criteria	<p>1. Looked after or previously looked after children</p> <p>Children who are looked after or immediately after being looked after become subject to an adoption, child arrangement order or special guardianship order. This includes any child/young person who is subject to a full care order, an interim care order, accommodated under Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989, is remanded or detained into Local Authority, accommodation under Criminal Law or who has been placed for adoption.</p>
	<p>2. Children with siblings already at the school or still at Walmley Infant School ('The Local Authority's 'Sibling' definition has been adopted'). Priority will only be given if siblings will still be in attendance at the date of admission.</p>
	<p>3. Where there are medical grounds (supported by a Doctor's Certificate).</p>
	<p>4. Proximity of child's home to school measured by straight line distance (the Local Authority's 'Distance' definition has been adopted). Distances are calculated from the applicant's home address to the school office. In cases of shared responsibility 'the home' will be determined as the address where the child lives the majority of the week. In cases where it is not possible to decide between applications i.e. where the address is the same (e.g. twins, blocks of flats), the local authority will use a computerised system to randomly select the child to be offered the final place. Proof of address to be provided.</p>

Transfer to Year 3	<p>Parents with a child attending Walmley Infant School in Year 2 who would like their child to transfer to Walmley Junior School in Year 3 will be required to complete a Local Authority Preference Form for a place at the school.</p> <p>Where there are more applications than places available the following over-subscription criteria will apply</p>
	<p>1. Looked after or previously looked after children.</p> <p>Children who are looked after or immediately after being looked after become subject to an adoption, child arrangement order or special guardianship order. This includes any child/young person who is subject to a full care order, an interim care order, accommodated under Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989, is remanded or detained into Local Authority, accommodation under Criminal Law or who has been placed for adoption.</p>
	<p>2. Children on register at Walmley Infant School at the end of Year 2.</p>
	<p>3. Children with siblings already at the school or still at Walmley Infant School ('The Local Authority's 'Sibling' definition has been adopted'). Priority will only be given if siblings will still be in attendance at the date of admission.</p>
	<p>4. Where there are medical grounds (supported by a Doctor's Certificate).</p>
	<p>5. Proximity of child's home to school measured by straight line distance (the Local Authority's 'Distance' definition has been adopted). Distances are calculated from the applicant's home address to the school office. In cases of shared responsibility 'the home' will be determined as the address where the child lives the majority of the week. In cases where it is not possible to decide between applications i.e. where the address is the same (e.g. twins, blocks of flats), the local authority will use a computerised system to randomly select the child to be offered the final place. Proof of address to be provided.</p>
Appeals	<p>Appeals are coordinated by Birmingham Local Authority. Parents who wish to appeal against the decision of the Governors to refuse their child a place in the school should contact Birmingham Local Authority to request an appeal form. Appeals will be heard by an independent panel.</p>
Waiting list	<p>Waiting lists are held in strict oversubscription criteria order for every year group until at least the first term of each academic year. Each child added will require the list to be ranked again in line with the oversubscription criteria.</p>
Children with a statement of special educational needs	<p>Children with a Statement of Special Educational Needs that names the school must be admitted. This will reduce the number of places available to applicants. This is not an oversubscription criterion.</p>