



**School Admission Arrangements for  
Somerset County Council  
Schools within The Priory Learning Trust  
2024-25**

## 1. Introduction

The Priory Learning Trust is a Multi-Academy Trust of primary and secondary schools.

The Priory Learning Trust grew from a passion to bring the power of partnership and sharing to bear and provide a first-class education to a wide range of children, of all abilities and social class groupings, in Somerset and North Somerset.

We believe that this approach will create happy, confident, and high-achieving students. This truly collaborative approach will also develop great staff relationships and improve staff wellbeing. It promotes healthy competition.

The Priory Learning Trust will:

- Support the aspirations of young people and their ambitions for their future success.

- Contribute to producing aspirational, well-rounded, confident and active citizens.

- Offer a broad range of qualifications.

- Be inspirational learning centres offering exceptional education.

- Combine, share and utilise the highest academic standards and levels of expertise across our academies and partners to design and develop an innovative and inspiring curriculum – learning is at the centre of what we do

- Provide a strong duty of care to nurture and support students' wellbeing and self-esteem.

- Maintain the unique nature of all of the schools within the Trust.

- Give Academy Councils the freedoms to focus on the challenge and support for the improvements in teaching, learning and the curriculum.

Priory Community School – an Academy, Worle Community School – an Academy, St

The Priory Learning Trust, however their admissions arrangements are a separate policy which is linked to North Somerset Council.

In accordance with the School's Academy status, the school is the Admissions Authority.

The arrangements comply with the requirements of the [2021 School Admissions Code](#) and the 2012 [School Admission Appeals Code](#) issued, issued under Section 84 of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998.



1. Children in Care Children who are in the care of a Local Authority or have previously been and are now formally adopted or subject to a residence/child

not include staff who work on the school site for other employers (see important note 3)

4. Children living in the catchment area, with a sibling at the school at the time of admission, and who live at the same address
5. Children living in the rural catchment area (see important note 4)
6. Children living in the catchment area
7. Children living outside the catchment area, with a sibling at the school at the time of admission, and who live at the same address
8. Children not satisfying a higher criterion

Within each criterion, priority will be given to children living closest to the school measured in a straight line.

This policy does not apply for applications to the Sixth Form at The King Alfred School -

<https://www.tkasa.org.uk/6th-form-apply>

## **West Huntspill Primary Academy**

1. Children in Care Children who are in the care of a Local Authority or have previously been and are now formally adopted or subject to a residence/child arrangement order or special guardianship. (See important note 1)
2. Children identified with a sensory, physical or medical disability (High Needs Pupils), where a multi-agency professional team has identified the school as the

## 8. Children not satisfying a higher criterion

Within each criterion, priority will be given to children living closest to the school measured in a straight line.

### **Important Notes:**

1. Children in Care are defined as follows:  
Children in Care are children who are (a) in the care of a local Council or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local Council in the exercise of their

### 3. Starting at a primary, infant, junior or secondary school

The following information should be read in conjunction with the 2024-2025 Coordinated Admission Scheme published by the Local Authority in the area which the child lives (the home Local Authority).

Applications must be submitted to the home LA. If this is Somerset, applications can be made on-line at [www.somerset.gov.uk/admission](http://www.somerset.gov.uk/admission). Paper applications are available to download from the Somerset County Council website at [www.somerset.gov.uk/admission](http://www.somerset.gov.uk/admission), or upon request by telephoning Somerset Direct on 0300 123 2224.

Applications must be received by:

Primary, Infant and Junior schools: **15 January 2024**

Secondary schools: **31 October 2023**

Otherwise, the application will be recorded as late. Late applications will be considered after those received on time. Please see the Somerset LA co-ordinated scheme for full details.

Outcomes for on time applications will be sent out by email (for on line applicants) or second-class post sent out on:

Primary, Infant and Junior schools: **16 April 2024**

Secondary schools: **1 March 2024**

### 4. In year school transfer applications

In year applications must be submitted directly to the school using the LA in-year application form (hard copy only).

weekly basis with a 4pm deadline every Friday (term time only)

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professional. A representative of the LA may carry out a home visit/s without prior

An address used for childcare arrangements cannot be used as a home address for the purpose of applying for a school place. Fraudulent claims relating to the home





If a request for delayed admission for a starting school child is refused, the parent must decide whether to accept the offer of a school place for the normal age group, or to refuse it and make an in year application for admission to year 1 for the September





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