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Maintained Primary School

Enrolment No. 490

Admissions No. 70

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### Respective Functions of the Board of Governors

The Board of Governors draws up the admissions criteria and delegates to an Admissions Sub-Committee, which includes the Principal, the responsibility for applying these criteria.

### Admissions Criteria

During the admissions procedure when applying the criteria punctual applications will be considered before late applications are considered. The application procedure opens on 9 January 2024 at 12noon (GMT) and an application submitted by the closing date of 26 January 2024 at 12noon (GMT) will be treated as a punctual application. An application received after 12noon (GMT) on 26 January 2024 and up to 4 pm on 31 January 2024 will be treated as a late application, this is also the last date and time for processing a change of preference in exceptional circumstances. After 4 pm on 31 January 2024 no applications will be processed until after the close of procedure on 25 April 2024.

**NB: Applicants should note that they will be required to produce documents verifying THEIR address using a verifiable utility bill/bank statement as well as verifying the address where the CHILD resides.**

When considering which children should be selected for admission, the Board of Governors will only take into account information which is detailed on the application or provided directly to the school. Parents/Guardians should therefore ensure that all information pertaining to their child and relevant to the school's admissions criteria is stated on the application or provided directly to the first preference school. Examples of such information include whether the child has brothers/sisters attending the school, or is the eldest child in the family.

Priority will be given to children who will have attained compulsory school age at the time of their proposed admission, including those children whose parents **deferred their admission to primary school in September 2023** as defined by the new School Age (NI) Act (both groups to be treated equally).

Priority will be given to children resident in Northern Ireland at the time of their proposed admission to the school before those who are not so resident.

### Year 1 Intake

If the school is over-subscribed pupils will be admitted according to the following criteria applied in the order below:

- (a) Have a brother/sister or half-brother/half-sister, enrolled in St Aloysius Primary School or will have in September of this school year (if sibling fails to attend, P1 place will be withdrawn).
- (b) Are attending St Aloysius Nursery Unit;
- (c) Whose parent/parents are past pupils of St Aloysius Primary School and reside in the Parish of Blaris;
- (d) Are the eldest or only child in the family who reside in the Parish of Blaris
- (e) Reside outside the Parish of Blaris.

## Admissions criteria for entry September 2024

**In the event of being over-subscription, in any one of the above criteria, taken in order, the following sub-criterion will be applied:**

- (a) the proximity of the home to the school as measured by a straight line from home to the front gates of the school, using the measurement tool 'measure distance' on Google Maps or an equivalent tool.

**Additional documentation MUST be provided with the application and provided to the first preference school, namely:**

- 1) **Copy of child's Birth Certificate**
- 2) **Proof of Address – Parent(s)**
- 3) **Proof of Address – CHILD - this could include Medical Card, letter from GP, appointment letter from health trust**

### **Duty to Verify**

The Board of Governors reserves the right to require such supplementary evidence as it may determine to support or verify information on any application.

If the requested evidence is not provided to the Board of Governors by the deadline given, this will result in the withdrawal of an offer of a place. Similarly, if information is supplied which appears to be false or misleading in any material way, the offer of a place will be withdrawn.

### **Waiting List Policy**

Should a vacancy arise after the **27 April 2023** all applications for admission to Y1 that were initially refused, new applications, late applications and applications where new information has been provided will be treated equally and the published criteria applied. This waiting list will be in place until **30 June 2024**.

The school will contact you in writing if your child gains a place in the school by this method.

Your child's name will be automatically added to the list. Please contact the school if you wish for your child's name to be removed from the list.

**The admission criteria for entry into Y1 after the beginning of the school year and for admission to Y2 - Y7 are as above.**

### **Y2-Y7 Admissions**

- Applications will be considered within the limits of the school's total enrolment numbers where places are available in a year group.
- The criteria listed above will be applied.

### **Application for Admission to Primary 1**

Maximum admissions number for each year level (Y1 - Y7) is 70.

<b>APPLICATIONS AND ADMISSIONS TO PRIMARY 1</b>		
<b>Year</b>	<b>Total Applications</b>	<b>Total Admissions</b>
<b>2021/2022</b>	56	56
<b>2022/2023</b>	50	50
<b>2023/2024</b>	55	59