



## Askam Village School

### Admissions Policy 2023-2024

The Governors of Askam Village School are the Admissions Authority for the school and are responsible for setting the admissions criteria. We have a responsibility to review this on a 7-year basis and the criteria listed below have been agreed by the board of Governors on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2021 following consultation during September 2019 to January 2020.

Governors have set the published admission number (PAN) for access to Reception and Key Stage 1 and 2 classes as **30** pupils. An application for entry in September 2023 must be made by the closing date, which is the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

Places at this school will be allocated according to the Admissions Criteria listed below and the Local Authority's Coordinated Admissions Scheme. A letter/email informing parents of the success or otherwise of their application will be sent out by the Local Authority. Parents of children who have not been offered a place will be informed of the reason and offered an alternative school by the Local Authority.

All children will be admitted unless there are more applicants than places. We do not discriminate on the basis of ability, financial status, parental occupation or education, religion, race, or disability. Where there are more applications than places available at Askam Village School, applications will be prioritised using the criteria below:

#### **Compulsory Criteria**

- Looked After Children and/or previously Looked After Children
- Educational Health Care Plan naming Askam Village School

#### **Additional Criteria**

1. Children of Staff at Askam Village School\*
2. Within the Catchment Area<sup>†</sup> **and** have Siblings<sup>‡</sup> at Askam Village School
3. Outside the Catchment Area **and** have Siblings at Askam Village School
4. Within the Catchment Area
5. Outside the Catchment Area

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\* Employed for at least 18 months at the time of application or has been recruited to fill a vacant post with a demonstrable shortage.

<sup>†</sup> Distance from Askam Village School will be used as an over-subscription criterion, measured by a straight line between the centre of the pupil's home address and the school's front entrance. Measurements will be made using Digimap for Schools (<https://digimapforschools.edina.ac.uk/>).

<sup>‡</sup> Siblings are classed as : brother/sister, step brother/sister, adopted, foster, living at the same address.

**Explanatory Notes [These notes are part of the policy]**

Note 1 - A child looked after is a child in public care, who is looked after by a local authority within the meaning of Section 22 of the Children Act 1989. Children previously looked after are children who were looked after but have ceased to be so because they were adopted (under the terms of the Adoption and Children Act 2002) or became subject to a Child Arrangements Order or Special Guardianship Order (Children Act 1989) immediately following having been looked after.

Note 2 - In criteria 2 and 3 priority will be given to those children with the youngest siblings.

Note 3 - In criteria 4 and 5, applications will be prioritised using the distance measurement methodology set out in the footnote.

Note 4 In criteria 2 and 3, priority will be given to those with the youngest siblings (Note 2) unless applicants have siblings which are in the same year group, then priority will be prioritised using the distance measurement methodology set out at Note 3.

The school will use the above criteria if the school is over-subscribed. The criteria outlined above will be strictly followed, there being one exception. If a child holds an Education, Health and Care plan naming Askam Village School as their first choice, then irrespective of the criteria the child will be admitted as in these circumstances the Governors have a statutory duty to admit the child concerned.

Headteacher: Mrs Fiona Newton

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Chair of Governors: Dr John D. Thompson

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