

# OUR LADY IMMACULATE

**CATHOLIC ACADEMIES TRUST**

## ADMISSIONS POLICIES FOR 2027 (Northamptonshire Area)

Welcome to Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Academies Trust.

We are a large Catholic Multi Academy Trust situated in the northern half of the Catholic Diocese of Northampton. The Trust currently leads ten Catholic primary schools and two Catholic secondary schools located across the geographical area of Northamptonshire and Bedfordshire. Our schools cover Northampton, Wellingborough, Corby, Kettering and Bedford.

The Directors of the Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Academies Trust are responsible for determining and administering the policy relating to the admission of pupils to the schools within the Trust. It is guided in that responsibility by the requirements of the law, the advice of the Diocese of Northampton, and its duty to the schools and the Catholic community.

We aim to provide a Catholic education for all our pupils. At a Catholic school, Catholic doctrine and practice permeate every aspect of the school's activity. We welcome applications from those of all faiths and none and hope that all parents will give their full, unreserved and positive support for the aims and ethos of the schools. This does not affect the right of an applicant who is not Catholic to apply for and be admitted to a place at the school in accordance with the admission arrangements.

OLICAT Directors will consider all applications made in accordance with the criteria set out without reference to the aptitude or ability of the child. All applications will be considered on an equal preference basis.

Children with an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP) naming the school will be admitted in accordance with Local Authority policy and regulations.

# St Edwards Catholic Primary School

Eastleigh Road  
Kettering  
Northamptonshire  
NN15 6PT  
<http://www.st-edwards.northants.sch.uk/>



*St Edward's Catholic Primary School is a school where we strive to give all children the best possible education within an environment where everyone is valued and respected as part of God's family. Our Catholic ethos is enriched through prayer, worship and shared Gospel values which all play an important part in our school life. As a school we will do all we can to love and serve each other, and God, through our work and our play.*

*"Let all you do be done in love" 1 Cor; 14-16*

For 2027 St Edwards Published Admission Number is set at 30 into Reception.

In case of over subscription, the Directors will give priority to children in the following order:

1. Looked after and previously looked after children.
2. Catholic children with a Certificate of Catholic Practice who have a brother or sister attending the school at the time of admission.
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4. Catholic children who have a brother or sister attending the school at the time of admission.
5. Catholic children for whom the school is the nearest Catholic school.
6. Other Catholic children.
7. Children of staff who have either:
  - a. been employed at the school for two or more years at the time the application for admission to that school is made.
  - b. or the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
8. Siblings of other children whose siblings will be in attendance at the date of admission.
9. Children from other Christian denominations whose parents wish them to receive a Christian education whose application is supported by a Christian minister.
10. Children of other faiths whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion or other religious leader.
11. Any other children.

In the event that any category is over-subscribed priority will be given to applicants in order of geographical proximity to the school (priority being given to the children who live closer to the school). The Governing Body will use the Local Authority's system to determine the distance between the applicants address point and the school's address point.