



Shatterlocks

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Infant & Nursery School

Admissions Statement 2022-2023

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Shatterlocks Infant and Nursery School	
Shatterlocks Infant School Heathfield Avenue Dover Kent CT16 2PB	
Head of School: Mrs N Biddle Admissions Contact: School Office E-mail: shatterlocks@slocks.dfamat.com	
Type of School: Infant, Academy, All ability, Mixed	
Age Range: 4-7 Day Pupils	
Published Admission No: 60	LA No: 886 DfE No: 2316
Expected number on roll: 180	

To access general information about the School, including annual achievement and attainment tables, recent inspection reports and uniform policy, please contact the school or visit our website.

Oversubscription Criteria

Before applying the oversubscription criteria, children with a statement of Special Education Need or an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school will be admitted. As a result of this the published admissions number will be reduced accordingly. If the number of preferences for the College is more than the number of places available, places will be allocated in the following priority order.

Children in Local Authority Care or Previously in Local Authority Care – a 'looked after child' or a child who was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangements, or special guardianship order. A looked after child is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions (see the definition in Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989).

Current Family Association – a brother or sister attending the school when the child starts. In this context brother or sister means children who live as brother or sister in the same house, including natural brothers or sisters, adopted siblings, stepbrothers or sisters and foster brothers and sisters. If siblings from multiple births (twins, triplets, etc) apply for a school and the school would reach its Published Admission Number (PAN) after admitting one or more, but before admitting all of those siblings, the LA will offer a place to each of the siblings, even if doing so takes the school above its PAN.

Health and Special Access Reasons – Medical/Health and Special Access Reasons will be applied in accordance with the school's legal obligations, in particular those under the Equality Act 2010. Priority will be given to those children whose mental or physical 3 impairment means they have a demonstrable and significant need to attend a particular school. Equally this priority will apply to children whose parents'/guardians', physical or mental health or social need means there is a demonstrable and significant need for their child to attend a particular school. Such claims will need to be supported by written evidence from a suitably qualified medical or other practitioner who can demonstrate a special connection between these needs and the particular school.

Nearness of children's homes to school - we use the distance between the child's permanent home address and the school, measured in a straight line using the National Land and Property Gazetteer (NLPG) address point. Distances are measured from a point defined as within the child's home to a point defined as within the school as specified by NLPG. The same address point on the school site is used for everybody. When we apply the distance criterion for the school, these straight-line measurements are used to determine how close each applicant's address is to the school.

Tiebreaker

In the unlikely event that two or more children in all other ways have equal eligibility for the last available place at the School, the names will be issued a number and drawn randomly to decide which child should be given the place.

Supplementary Form Required: No

Waiting lists will be maintained and will be ranked according to the above oversubscription criteria because of this, children may move up or down the waiting list if others join who meet the criteria.

After a place has been offered the school reserves the right to withdraw the place in the following circumstances:

- a. When the parent or learner has failed to respond to an offer within a reasonable time, or
- b. When a parent or learner has failed to notify the school of important changes to the application information, or
- c. The admission authority offered the place on the basis of a fraudulent or intentionally misleading application from the parent or learner.
- d. Parents have the right to take up the place part-time, until the term in which the child reaches compulsory school age.

Transport

Please note, schools no longer have a designated area from which transport will be provided. In most instances KCC will only fund transport to the nearest school where this school is more than 3 miles from the child's home. Further information about exceptions to this rule can be found at <https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-andchildren/schools/school-transport>

Deferred entry for Reception places

Parents who are offered a place in Reception for their child have a right to defer the date their child accepts that school place or can take that place up part-time, until the child reaches compulsory school age. Children reach compulsory school age on 31 August, 31 December, or 31 March – whichever of those three dates follows (or falls on) the child's 5th birthday. Places cannot be deferred beyond the beginning of the summer term (April) of the school year for which the offer was made.

Admission of children outside their normal age group

Parents may request that their child is admitted outside their normal age group. To do so, they should include a written request with their application, setting out the year group (Reception, Year 1 or Year 2) in which they wish their child to be allocated a place and the reasons for their request. When this type of request is made, the Headteacher

(Mrs Biddle) will make a decision on the basis of the circumstances of the case, based on their professional judgement of what is in the best interest of the child, taking account of the evidence and rationale provided by the parents.

Kent County Council Fair Access Protocol can be found at:

http://www.kent.gov.uk/_data/assets/pdf_file/0020/17930/Secondaryadmissionsbooklet-all-areas.pdf