



# Houghton Regis Primary School

# Nursery Admissions Policy Autumn 2024

- Our Nursery admits children from the age of 3 to school entry age.
- All nursery places are allocated in order of registration and in accordance with the policies of Houghton Regis Primary School.
- Priority will be given to Looked After Children (LAC).
- Registration forms are sorted on a first come first served basis.
- Children usually enter the Nursery at the start of a half term.
- Houghton Regis Primary School is a fully inclusive setting, children will be accepted regardless of race, gender or disability.
- Houghton Regis Primary School aims to meet the needs of every child and family who attend.
- We recognise that English is not everyone's first language and we will accommodate the needs of families as best we can.
- Nursery pupil numbers will be strictly regulated so they do not exceed 48 pupils in any given session. The maximum pupil number on the Nursery role will not exceed 68 pupils.
- Pupils will be allocated places on the basis of one of the following:
  - 15-hour places (morning or afternoon sessions)
  - 30-hour places

The protected characteristics are:

- There will be a maximum of thirty-seven, 30-hour places allocated each academic year.
- Houghton Regis Primary School will develop an action plan, where necessary, to ensure that children with special education needs or disabilities can fully participate in the activities offered.
- The named Early Years Lead is Mrs R Baldwin
- The named SENDCo for our Nursery is Miss D Alexis.

Houghton Regis Primary School will never discriminate against a child or family on the basis of a protected characteristic as defined by the Equalities Act 2010.

| □ Age                            |  |  |  |
|----------------------------------|--|--|--|
| □ Disability                     |  |  |  |
| □ Gender reassignment            |  |  |  |
| ☐ Marriage and civil partnership |  |  |  |
| ☐ Pregnancy and maternity        |  |  |  |
| □ Race                           |  |  |  |
| ☐ Religion or belief             |  |  |  |
| □ Sex                            |  |  |  |

## **Sessions Available**

| Option | Description               | Timings                   |
|--------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1      | Morning Only (15 hours)   | Monday-Friday, 8:45-11:45 |
| 2      | Afternoon Only (15 hours) | Monday-Friday, 12:15-3:15 |
| 3      | 30 Hour                   | Monday-Friday, 8:45-3:15  |

## **Funded Start Dates**

Government funding for Nursery pupils is available from the term after their third birthday. The table below illustrates the start date for children born in each month of the year.

| Month of Birth                         | Place Funded from     |
|--|-----------------------|
| April, May, June, July, August         | September/Autumn Term |
| September, October, November, December | January/Spring Term   |
| January, February, March               | April/Summer Term     |

#### Nursery Lunch for 30 Hour Pupils

Nursery Lunches are available at a cost of £2.20 per day. Alternatively, parents may provide a packed lunch for their child

#### Please note

Attendance at the Nursery does not guarantee entry to the main school. You will need to apply separately for admission to Houghton Regis Primary School via the Central Bedfordshire Admissions Team.

If you have more than one child going through the application process at the same time, you must make a separate application for <u>each</u> child.