Admissions criteria for entry September 2019

Naiscoil Na Mona
Grant Maintained Irish Medium Nursery Unit
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Admissions No: 26 (Part-time)
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Open Night: Tuesday 4 December – 6:00pm – 7:30pm

Respective Functions of the Board of Governors and the Principal in relation to admissions.
The Board of Governors has drawn up the school’s admissions criteria and has delegated to the principal its function and responsibility in relation to the application of the criteria and the admission of pupils to the school.

Admissions Criteria

1 Children born between 2 July 2015 and 1 July 2016 whose parent(s)/guardian(s) are from socially disadvantaged circumstances.
2 Children born between 2 July 2015 and 1 July 2016.
3 Children born between 2 July 2016 and 1 July 2017.

Note: Children from ‘socially disadvantaged circumstances’ means a child whose parent is in receipt of (i) Income Support, or (ii) Income-based Jobseeker’s Allowance, or (iii) an award of Income Support which has been converted into an Employment and Support Allowance and the level of benefit remains the same, or (iv) Universal Credit. When parents apply for places for their child on this basis they must have their Benefit Verification stamped by the Social Security/Jobs and Benefits Office to confirm that they are in receipt of a qualifying payment. This should then be sent by the parent directly to the provider of first preference.

Sub Criteria
If over-subscribed in any of the above criteria, the following sub-criteria will be applied in the order set down below:

(i) Children who have completed Year 1 of Gaelscoil na Móna’s immersion programme.
(ii) Children with siblings or half-brothers/half-sisters attending Gaelscoil na Móna.
(iii) Children with other family members attending Gaelscoil na Móna.
(iv) Children whose parents/guardians are employed at Naíscoil or Gaelscoil na Móna.
(V) Children from an Irish language background or who have completed Year 1 of another Irish medium immersion programme.

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 applicant’s Application Form.

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 Tuesday 11 June 2019 all applications for admission to Gaelscoil na Mona 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 2020. 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.

When considering which children should be selected for admission, the Board of Governors will only take into account information which is detailed on or attached to the application form. Parents should therefore ensure that all information pertaining to their child and relevant to the school’s admissions criteria is stated on the application form or attached to it.