Admissions criteria for entry September 2019

Naíscoil Ghreanachain
Bothar Gharbh Achaidh
Co Dhoire
BT46 5QE

Voluntary Playgroup
No of Funded Places (Part-time): To be determined
Session Times: Monday to Friday: 9:15am – 12:15pm

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Respective Functions of the Management Committee and Playgroup Leader in relation to admissions.
The Management Committee draws up the admissions criteria and delegates responsibility for applying the criteria to the Playgroup Leader.

Admissions Criteria

1. Children from socially disadvantaged circumstances who were born between 2 July 2015 and 1 July 2016 (both dates inclusive).

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.

2. Other children who were born between 2 July 2015 and 1 July 2016 (both dates inclusive).

Admissions Sub-Criteria

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, children will be selected for admission using the following sub-criteria agreed by the setting’s Management Committee:-

a) Children who have attended Naíscoil Ghreanacháin in the previous school year.
b) Children of parents who wish them to continue their education through the medium of Irish.
c) Children of parents who wish to raise their children with Irish.
d) Children who have a brother/sister, half brother/sister who are currently in attendance at Naíscoil Ghreanacháin;
e) Children who have a brother/sister, half brother/sister who have previously attended Naíscoil Ghreanacháin;
f) Children who have a brother or sister, half brother/sister who is currently in IM education (please give name of IM setting attended);

In the event that we are oversubscribed in the last criterion which can be applied, then selection for all places remaining in this category will be on the initial letter of the surname in the order set out below:

A S F E Q O V P Y L N Mc M T J D W I Mac H B C G K R X U Z

If two or more children have the same surname the child’s first forename will be used and if required thereafter subsequent forenames will be used.

The above arrangements do not apply to fee-paying places. Parents interested in obtaining a fee-paying place for their child in the playgroup should contact the playgroup leader directly.

Duty to Verify

The Management Committee reserves the right to require such supplementary evidence as it may determine to support or verify information on any application form.

If the requested evidence is not provided to the Management Committee 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

In the event of the number of applications exceeding the allocated funded places, a waiting list will be created. The criteria above will be applied if places become available during the school year.