



NEWHALL
JUNIOR SCHOOL



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Admissions Policy 2027-2028

Review period

Annual

Admission arrangements for Newhall Junior School for the 2027-2028 school year

The admissions authority for Newhall Junior School is Lionheart Educational Trust. Applications are managed and coordinated by Derbyshire County Council under the coordinated admissions scheme.

Age Range and Year of Entry

Newhall Junior School admits pupils into Year 3 (ages 7 to 11). Children join at the start of Year 3, typically the September following their seventh birthday. Opportunities are available for families to visit the school at the start of Year 3 or for in-year transfers.

Published Admission Number (PAN)

The PAN for Year 3 is 90 pupils. All applications are coordinated by Derbyshire County Council.

Application Process

Normal Admissions (September entry)

Applications must be submitted via Derbyshire County Council. Key dates (for entry in 2027–2028):

- Application window: Opens in Autumn term, closes 15 January
- Offer day: 16 April

In-Year Admissions (outside of standard round)

Applications are made through Derbyshire County Council. A place will be offered if available. If unsuccessful, parents retain the right to appeal.

Oversubscription Criteria

1. Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) or Statement of SEN naming Newhall Junior School will be admitted.
2. Looked after children and previously looked after children. This includes children who were adopted, subject to a child arrangements order, or a special guardianship order, including those adopted from state care outside England.
3. Children who live within the normal area served by the school and who have a brother or sister already attending the school at the time of application and admission.
4. Children who live within the normal area served by the school at the time of application and admission.
5. Children who do not live within the normal area served by the school but who have a brother or sister attending the school at the time of application and admission.
6. All other children whose parents have requested a place.

Tie-break

Where more children meet any of criteria 3–6 than can be admitted, priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by a straight-line ('crow-fly') distance from the child's home address to the school's designated reference point.

Distance measurement methodology

- Distance will be measured by Derbyshire County Council using its Geographic Information System (GIS).
- Measurements are taken from the front door of the child's normal place of residence to the school's designated reference point, measured in a straight line.
- Distances are calculated precisely to within 2 metres.
- In the case of multiple births (e.g. twins), if one child is offered the final available place, the other sibling(s) will also be offered a place, even if this exceeds the PAN.

Definitions

Normal area

The area of settled residence served by the school. Applicants must live at an address which is the child's only or principal residence. Documentary evidence may be requested.

Sibling

A brother or sister includes full, half, step, foster, or adopted siblings living at the same address at the time of application and admission.

Waiting List

Where a place cannot be offered, parents may ask for their child's name to be placed on the waiting list.

Waiting lists are maintained in accordance with the oversubscription criteria.

The list is reordered each time a new child is added.

Being on a waiting list does not guarantee that a place will become available.

Admission Outside the Normal Age Group

Parents may request admission outside their child's normal age group. Requests should be made in writing at the time of application and will be considered on an individual basis, taking account of the child's circumstances, parental views, professional advice (including the Headteacher's view), and the child's best interests.

Children of UK Service Personnel

Applications from UK Armed Forces families with a confirmed posting to the area will be considered in line with the School Admissions Code. An official posting notice must be provided.

Children from Overseas

Applications from children arriving from overseas will be processed in line with UK legislation and Home Office requirements.

Appeals

Parents can appeal to an independent appeal panel if a place is not offered. Details, deadlines, and procedures are outlined in the [Co-ordinated admissions scheme - Derbyshire County Council](#)