

The Admissions Policy has been developed in conjunction with the DFE's Education (Pupil registration) (England) Regulations August 2024

There are 5 Entry Points at The Lyceum:

5.1 EYFS

For Early Years entry for Reception Class, admission events will take place 18 months prior to intake. This is in the form of a themed informal assessment that takes place at The Lyceum. Pupils will not be formally assessed, but senior members of staff use this time to meet each family and make sure a child is physically, socially, and emotionally ready to start school. Offers will be sent via email within a week of these events from the Admissions Manager.

Priority is given to Hopes and Dreams Nursery children.

5.2 Taster Sessions

If parents and pupils are unable to attend an admission event or are wishing to join us from Years 1-6, they are required to attend a Taster Session whereby the pupil will spend a morning participating in class activities and have the opportunity to meet their fellow peers. The Admissions Manager will then discuss with the parents their child's participation and overall success of the morning, with parents knowing the outcome of admission on the same day. Taster Sessions will also apply if parents are looking to enroll their child later within the academic year.

5.3 Year 1- 2

Providing the school has space available, prospective pupils for these year groups are invited to spend the morning at The Lyceum in their respective class (see 5.2) Children coming into these year groups do not need to take a formal assessment, but we expect them to demonstrate excellent behaviour and get along with their fellow peers.

5.4 Year 3

Entry at this stage is by selective process and the school must receive a satisfactory reference from their current school. The school offers two scholarships for entrance at Year 3 with the expectation that successful candidates will remain at the school until the end of Year 6. All candidates will go through an interview process with the headmaster.

More information can be found on the school website for this mode of entry.

5.5 Year 4-6

Places for Years 4-6 may occasionally become available. For children wanting to join us at KS2, alongside attending a taster session (see 5.2), they will be required to sit a short online Maths and English test provided by GL Assessment. In addition to reaching the required standard in these assessments, we also request the most up to date report from the child's previous school.

11.2 Scholarships

Two scholarships may be awarded as a result of the 7+ examination and interview process. One

scholarship is awarded for academic excellence and one scholarship given for the Creative Arts with up to 10% discount against the school's fees.

Scholarships will remain active providing the pupil maintains excellent progress throughout their schooling at The Lyceum School until the end of Year 6

Sharing Important Information

To ensure we can meet each child's needs and provide the right support, it is essential that parents share any known medical, educational, or developmental needs, including diagnoses, when applying for a place. This information allows us to confirm that our school is the right setting for your child. If key information is withheld or not shared at the point of admission, we may be unable to make the necessary arrangements, and in some cases, this could result in the school not being able to continue the placement.