



St Catharine's CE Primary School

This document explains how places were allocated at the school for admission to reception class in September 2026.

Admission number (number of places available) – 30

Number of preferences received on time (by the closing date) – 61

How places were allocated

St Catharine's CE Primary School is a Voluntary Aided School.

All applications were processed using the 'equal preference' system as explained in the 'Applying for a Reception class place 2026/27 booklet'.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school. Places offered – 0

Criterion 1. Children in public care and previously looked after children.
Places offered under this criterion – 1

Criterion 2. Children who will have a brother and/or sister attending school at the time of admission.
Places offered under this criterion – 13

Criterion 3. Regular attendance at public worship at Church Wigan Church of England Church.
Places offered under this criterion – 0

Criterion 4. Attendance at public worship in any other Christian Church.
Places offered under this criterion – 0

Criterion 5. Proximity to the school.
Places offered under this criterion – 16

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Places in criterion 5 were allocated to the 16 pupils living nearest to the school. The last of these places was allocated to a pupil living 0.858 miles from the school.

Applications received after the closing date of 15 January 2026 are deemed to be late and only considered after applications received on time. Changes of preferences received after the closing date are also classed as late applications.

For details of how the waiting list operates and how to appeal, please see the information sheet 'Waiting Lists and Appeals'.