

How to apply for a school place.

The Admissions process starts in the Autumn of the year **before** your child will be due to start school. Most children start school in the September after their fourth birthday. (Please see the school's **admission policy** for full details) The closing date for September 2017 admissions is **15th January 2017**.

It is **absolutely essential** to complete the Local Authority application form, available on the Dorsetforyou.com website.

Telephone **school admissions** on 01305 221060 if you require help or advice with this process.

We also request that you complete the Plymouth Diocese Catholic School's Supplementary form to enable the school to identify any faith criteria to support your child's application. ***Please return this form to the school office.***

It is a requirement for you to complete a **St Mary's Registration form also**, in order for the office to be informed of your child's application details, parent/carer contact details and to support the admissions process. ***Please return this form to the school office, telephone 01305 262258.***

In-Year Admissions

If you wish to apply for a school place in a Year group other than the normal intake to Reception class in September, this is called an 'In-Year' admission. St Mary's now process our own In Year admissions, so please contact the school office on 01305 262258 for more information.

St Mary's will offer a school place up to one month before it is required if there are vacancies in the relevant year group, in accordance with our admissions criteria. (see Admissions Policy)