

Temple Mill Primary School and Children Centre

Oversubscription criteria: 2018

Places will first be offered to children with a statement of special educational needs, which names the school.

If there are more applications for a school than places available, all other applications for community and voluntary controlled schools will be prioritised using the oversubscription criteria below and places will be allocated in the following priority order:

1. **Children in public care**

Sometimes referred to as looked after children, these are children for whom the council provides a home by agreement with their parents or who are subject to a care order under part IV of the Children Act 1989.

2. **Current family association/sibling (a brother or sister attending the named school at the time of application)**

We give priority to children who have a sibling at the named school. Sibling means children who live as brother/sister in the same house and includes natural siblings, adopted siblings, foster siblings and step siblings. Extended family, for example cousins, living in the same house do not qualify as siblings. Please note that if the older sibling is in Year 6 at the time of application, the link cannot be considered, as they will not be in the school when the younger child would start in the following September.

3. **Child's health reasons**

Medical evidence must be provided to the Student Services Admissions Team. This evidence must demonstrate a specific link between the child's medical condition and needs and how the named school can meet these needs.

4. **Children of teaching staff at Temple Mill**

5. **Nearness of children's home and ease of access to the school**

Distances are measured using the shortest available safe walking route between the home and the school. Full details of how distances are measured can be found in the Medway Admissions booklet.

Please note for children of multiple birth – in the event of a school being oversubscribed where the parent/carer for the final qualifying place(s) available is the parent/carer of twins, triplets or other multiple birth, the council would give multiple birth applications a higher priority for places than other applications with the exception of children in public care. This will enable multiple birth children to be offered places at the same school. You must tick the **appropriate box on the application form to indicate your children are of multiple birth.**

Tiebreaker – in the event of a tie within any criterion 1-5, places will be allocated to those living closest to the school measured by the short available walking route.