

Admissions Policy

Pupils are welcome to join Silcoates School (Pre-School, Junior School, Senior School and Sixth Form) at all appropriate ages.

Entrance to the Pre-School and Junior School is based on our own assessments relative to the age of the child, as well as a positive report from the child's current school, if appropriate.

In the Senior School, a place is gained by a successful performance in our entrance tests, held in January each year, and is also dependent on a positive school report. However, entrance tests can also be arranged at other times of the year and it is possible, though sometimes not ideal, for pupils to join the School at any time during the school year in the appropriate year group.

Transfer between the sections of the School is usually automatic and without further entrance tests, unless we feel there are strong educational reasons for not allowing it. If so, full discussions are held with parents well in advance of the point of transfer.

Applications are also welcomed from boys and girls wishing to study for A Levels in our Sixth Form. The offer of a place is dependent on GCSE predicted grades and a positive school report, so pupils entering the Sixth Form are not required to sit an entrance examination. The minimum entry is normally five GCSEs at Grade 4 or above, including English Language and Mathematics.

Silcoates School is committed to a policy of equal opportunities, through which we make all reasonable adjustments, both during the admissions process and thereafter, for children with SEND or EAL children.

We are always happy to answer your questions about admissions because we recognise that each child's and each family's circumstances are different. Please do not hesitate to contact us to discuss the admissions process.

The School is fully committed to ensuring that the application of this policy is non-discriminatory in line with the UK Equality Act (2010). Further details are available in the School's Equal Opportunity Policy document.

Reviewed by:	Mr Wainman – Head Miss Mackay – Admissions Registrar		
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