

ENROLMENT POLICY

OUR PURPOSE

Stanmore Public School is part of the NSW government school system and exists to provide high quality education to all school-age children. Children who are aged 5 before the 31 July may enrol in primary school.

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All children whose home is situated in the intake area designated for Stanmore Public School are entitled to enrolment here. We seek to ensure that every eligible child living in the local area has a place at our school.

A child is not enrolled until he or she is placed in the Admission register and the acceptance of an enrolment form is not a guarantee of enrolment. Students can only be enrolled in one school at a time.

The school is committed to the inclusion of diverse learning needs but will need to establish prior to enrolment that the school has the capacity to meet the child's needs.

The enrolment of children will be in the context of the child's best interests and non-discriminatory criteria.

Applications from non-local students will be considered against criteria developed in consultation with the broad school community when demand exceeds availability of places.

Parents provide proof of residential address to support applications for local enrolment.

Anticipated local demand and permanent classroom accommodation are the key factors in determining enrolment levels.

Transfers from neighbouring schools are accepted on the basis of the best interests of the student and the availability of places.

OUR PRACTICE

The school expects to enrol all local children within a framework of;

- the school's capacity to meet their needs;
- the level of support available to assist the school meet their needs;
- support services available at alternative locations;
- the expressed desires of parents and caregivers.

In order to ensure enrolling students needs are established and can be met prior to enrolment, parents of children with particular needs are required to:

- attend a meeting with the principal;
- provide all professional assessments and reports;
- provide information about prior schooling history and give approval to seek information from previous schools.

In priority order, the criteria for accepting non-local enrolments are:

- siblings of current students;
- availability of vacancies in grades;
- students transferring to Year 3 from nearby infants schools, Taverners Hill and Australia Street;
- urgent family circumstances;
- other special circumstances;
- proximity and access to the school;
- special interests and abilities;
- order of receipt of application.

Current accommodation necessitates:

- an enrolment ceiling of 510 students or 19 classes;
- a 10% buffer to cater for local enrolments;
- no non-local places offered after enrolments pass 460, other than to siblings, unless particular urgent circumstances apply and there is no potential impact on class structure.

The enrolment of students transferring from nearby schools will only be accepted after discussion and agreement between the principals of both schools that the transfer is in the best interest of the student.