

RHT Admissions Policy applicable for 2024/2025 and 2025/2026 entry

1. Introduction

Applications to attend Huish Primary Schools and Pyrland School are welcomed from families. All Schools have dedicated Open Mornings or Open Evenings to enable prospective parents and their children to visit the school.

As a Multi-Academy Trust, Richard Huish is responsible for its own admission arrangements in line with the School Admissions Code 2021 (last updated March 2022) and guidance on Academy Admissions 2014 (last updated March 2023). The RHT Board of Directors is the Admissions Authority for the Trust and decisions are taken by the Admissions Committee of each school's Local Governing Body who adhere to the school's published Admissions Arrangements.

This policy applies to schools in Trust who all have their own admission arrangements. Please refer to the schools' websites for information.

Pyrland School

https://www.thetauntonacademy.com/about-us/admissions/

Lyngford Park Primary School

https://www.lyngfordparkprimary.co.uk/admissions-1/

Nerrols Primary School

https://www.nerrolsprimary.co.uk/admissions/

North Curry Primary School

https://www.northcurryschool.co.uk/the-school/admissions/

North Town Primary School

https://www.northtownschool.org.uk/Information/Admissions

West Buckland Primary School

https://www.westbucklandprimary.org.uk/admissions/

2. Schools Admission Arrangements

Schools' admission arrangements will include the following:

General information

Starting school in September of the relevant year

The 'normal' admissions round including an admissions timeline

'In-year' application process

Over-subscription criteria

Tie-breaks

Lodging an appeal

Waiting lists

Catchment area: map or details of where the school's intake comes from

Schools must consult when admission arrangements are changed or they have not been consulted on with the last 7 years.

Once schools have determined their admission arrangements, they must notify the Local Authority and publish a copy on their website displaying them for the academic year in which the offer of places are made.

3. Published Admission Numbers (PAN)

The PAN for each of our schools is as follows:

SCHOOL	YEAR ON ENTRY	PAN
Lyngford Park Primary School	Reception	30
Nerrols Primary School	Reception	30
North Curry CofE Primary School	Reception	25
North Town Primary School	Reception	60
West Buckland Primary School	Reception	15
Pyrland School	Year 7	220

4. Admission Criteria

Each school within Trust will consider all applications for places that it receives. Where fewer than the PAN for the relevant year groups are received then all schools will offer places to all those who have applied. Requests to consider applications out of the normal age range must be made in writing to the school prior to the closing date. Applications will be considered, taking into account the best interests of the child.

All children with an Education Health and Care Plan where the school is named will be admitted.

Once these children are taken into account, the schools will apply their oversubscription criteria in the priority order as listed in the school's admission arrangements. The highest priority must be given to looked after children (LAC) and previously looked after children including internationally-adopted PLAC.

5. Ratification by the RHT Board of Directors

Schools will review and agree their admissions arrangements two years in advance with the local Governing Body during the autumn term. Thereafter, the arrangements, together with any changes or updates will be submitted to the RHT for ratification in December or February. All admission arrangements will be forwarded to the Local Authority and posted on school websites by 15 March.