

#### **DROPMORE INFANT SCHOOL**

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#### Frequently Asked Questions

# How does my child get a place at Dropmore Infant School?

Our admission process is run by Buckinghamshire Council. Detailed information about the application process can be found on their <u>website</u>.

# I live out of catchment, what are my chances of getting a place for my child?

If you have ever driven past our school you will know that we are in a rural setting with very few houses in our catchment area. For this reason, we frequently have students attend Dropmore who live outside our catchment area. Each year the distance this goes out to changes. You can find previous history of the distances for each year of allocation (for each school in Buckinghamshire) on the Buckinghamshire Council website.

# If I only put Dropmore Infant School as a choice does that increase my chances? No.

# What food is provided at Dropmore Infant School?

Our hot food is provided by Beaconsfield High School's food hub. During the pandemic, this service has been reduced and Dropmore children have a sandwich lunch 2 days a week and hot meals 3 days a week, all made inhouse. Children have a choice of ham, cheese or tuna on a sandwich day, served on 50/50 bread. A salad bar is always open and one treat is offered as a dessert (such as sultanas, yoghurt, a shortcake biscuit). Fresh fruit is also always on offer.

# How do you notify me of news/events in school?

Our weekly newsletter 'DropSpot' is sent to all parents on a Friday afternoon and placed on our website. This gives details of the school week that has just happened and updates on events happening the following week. We also send out school emails regarding events and activities as and when required.

#### Where can I park my car?

The school car park is for staff and authorised school visitors only, and we respectfully ask parents to park on the public highway outside the school. We have a long pavement outside the school which can be used to park next to when dropping off and picking up. Alternatively, parents can park in the car park at the Jolly Woodman pub and walk the short distance to school.

### Where do children go to school after Dropmore?

Children go on to many different schools after Dropmore. Our statistics show us that between 30-50% go on to a private school. A list of schools children have gone to following Dropmore over the past 5 years is listed below;

#### State schools:

Butlers Court, Beaconsfield Courthouse, Maidenhead Carringtons, Bourne End Eton Porny, Eton Chalfont Academy, Chalfont St Giles Farnham Common Village School











Holtspur Primary School Seer Green Primary School St Pauls C of E, Wooburn School Holy Trinity, Marlow St Mary's All Saints, Beaconsfield St Peters C of E, Burnham Lent Rise, Burnham St Nicolas, Taplow Tylers Green Primary

Private Schools:

Caldicott, Farnham Common (Boys)
Davenies, Beaconsfield (Boys)
St Marys, Gerrards Cross (Girls)
Godstowe, High Wycombe (Girls)
St Pirans, Maidenhead (Mixed)
Gayhurst, Gerrards Cross (Mixed)
St Georges, Windsor (Mixed)

Thorpe House, Gerrards Cross (Boys)

Maltmans, Gerrards Cross (Girls) High March, Beaconsfield (Girls) Dair House, Farnham Royal (Mixed) Herries, Cookham (Mixed)

Some students move away from the commutable area or abroad.