

Allocation Breakdown for Admission to Secondary School
September 2020 – **Brakenhale School**



Places have been allocated in accordance to Brakenhale School's published admission arrangements 2020/21

National Offer Day 02 March 2020

Brakenhale School		
	Preferences received	555
	Number of Places Available	210
	Criteria	
	Educational Health Care Plan(EHCP)	1
1	Looked After Children	5
2	Social & Medical	1
3	Children of Staff Members	4
4	Designated Area	199
5	Siblings	0
6	All other children	0
	Total Number of Places Allocated	210

- Where there are an equal number of applications in one category the radial distance from the applicants home address to Brakenhale School has been used to separate applications.
- Brakenhale School Admissions Arrangements can be found within: [The Guide to Secondary Education in Bracknell Forest 2020/21](#)



The following information is based on the initial allocation at 2nd March 2020 of applications received by the deadline of 31 October 2019. The information provides you with a statement on how places were allocated in line with the published admissions arrangements at Brakenhale School.

Admissions Number	Information regarding the allocation
210	The school was fully allocated. Places were offered down to those applicants who fulfilled criterion 4 (children who live in the designated area of the school) to a distance of 1.090 miles from the school according to the radial distance policy listed below. There were insufficient places for the 24 remaining designated area applicants and all combination of categories ranked below this, These applicants have been placed on a waiting list.

Brakenhale School – Admission Criteria 2020/21

Priority 1: Looked After Children or children who were previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order. A looked after child is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions (see the definition in section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989).

Priority 2: Children who have either medical or social grounds for admission to this school. This evidence must set out the particular reason why attendance at this school rather than at any other, and show that this is the only suitable school to meet their stated needs, why no other local school could meet those needs and what the difficulties would be if the child had to attend any other local school. Applications must be supported by relevant written evidence on letter headed paper from a Doctor, Social Worker or Borough School Attendance Officer, which will be assessed by the governors Admissions Committee against a set of criteria. (Refugees and Asylum Seeking children may be included under this criterion, depending on individual circumstances.) Evidence submitted after the closing date will not be considered. Only in exceptional circumstances the Admission Authority may apply discretion to consider evidence submitted after the closing date. It is therefore important that all relevant evidence is submitted at the time of application. However, in any event all relevant evidence must be submitted before the closing date to ensure full consideration.

Priority 3: Children of permanent staff where:

- The member of staff has been employed at Brakenhale School for two or more consecutive years; or
- The member of staff has been recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage

In order of the proximity of their home address to Brakenhale School, with the closest having the highest priority, measured using direct distance calculations within a computer system. The measurement of each distance is calculated using Pythagoras' Theorem. The way in which this is done is to calculate the distance in metres between the Easting and Northing co-ordinates for each location. The measurement in metres is then multiplied by 0.000621318 to convert this measurement to miles. The same method of calculation is used for each direct distance measured.

Priority 4: Children who live in the designated area of the school. Children must be living in the designated area at the closing date of **31st October 2019** to be considered under this criterion. Maps showing the designated area of a school are available to view on the Bracknell Forest website, at the school, at the main Bracknell library or at a council office upon request.

Priority 5: Students who have a sibling at the school, up to and including Year 13, at the time of admission. Sibling refers to brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner, and in every case, who is living as part of the same family unit at the same address, Monday to Friday. Where a sibling is in Year 11 or Year 12 at the time of application, they will be deemed as being in the school at the time of admission, unless the parent has specifically expressed that they will not be continuing into the following academic year.

Priority 6: The remaining places will be offered on the basis of proximity to the Brakenhale, measured using direct distance calculations within a computer system. The measurement of each distance is calculated using Pythagoras' Theorem. The way in which this is done is to calculate the distance in metres between the Easting and Northing co-ordinates for each location. The measurement in metres is then multiplied by 0.000621318 to convert this measurement to miles. The same method of calculation is used for each direct distance measured.

Where two or more applicants share priority for a place, e.g. where two children live equidistant from the school, and where there is only one place remaining, the child to be allocated will be selected by the drawing of lots.

Where a parent applies for entry into the same year group for more than one child and it is not possible to offer a place to all of them, the names of the children who were unsuccessful will be added to the waiting list in accordance with the published admission criteria, in the same way as for other children.