

**Statement issued by the Governing Body of St Joseph's Catholic Primary School in relation to the ranking of applications for the Academic Year 2025-26.**

For admission to the reception class in the academic year 2025-26 there are 30 places available. On the 21st February, 78 applications were received from Bracknell Forest Borough Council for the governors of St Joseph's Catholic Primary School to rank. As a Voluntary Aided School, St Joseph's is its own admissions authority.

The information extracted from the Common Application Form (CAF) by the Local Authority (LA), together with the information provided on the school's Supplementary Information Form (SIF), was given careful consideration by the Admissions Committee at a meeting held on the 3rd March 2025.

Applications were then ranked in accordance with the admissions criteria detailed in the St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Admission Arrangements 2025-26. In the cases of those applicants applying on denominational grounds evidence of baptism is required and evidence of worship is a prior consideration under the oversubscription criteria.

Distance between the home address and school is then used to determine the order of all applicants. Distance is provided by the LA.

The ranked list was then forwarded to the LA - applicants with a higher ranking parental preference for another school were offered their higher ranking school and places were then offered to the first 30 on the ranked list.

**79 applications were received to which the governors applied the school's admissions criteria as follows:**

Category	No. of Applications	Ranked
SEN / EHCP		0
1	0	0
2	16	1 - 21
3	9	22 - 26
4	0	0
5	0	0
6	6	27 - 33
7	0	0
8	16	34 - 45
9	5	46 - 52
10	30	53 - 78
Late Applications		To be ranked after 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2025