



Prospective parents:

We are delighted to already have received many of your applications. However can I encourage you to go back and revisit what you have submitted.

In the section REASONS for preference a common error is to populate this part of the application with lots of information on why you would like your child to attend St Michael's. All of this is extremely flattering for the school but unfortunately of no relevance when the governors are allocating places.

You MUST make reference to our school specific admissions criteria. This is the information the governors use to allocate our 52 places.

St. Michael's admissions criteria

- ▶ Criteria 1 – social disadvantage - statutory on admissions for all pre school providers - set by DE.
- ▶ Criteria 2 – birthday – in pre school year.
- ▶ Sub criteria
 1. 1st preference
 2. Children of staff
 3. Current members of BOG
 4. Reside in the parish of St. Michaels
 - 4a. Special circumstances with documentation from CDC, ELB, SMO
 - 4b. Special home circumstances- parents deceased, child with parent (s) suffering long term illness
 - 4c. Brother/ sister currently attending St Michaels nursery
 - 4d. Brother/ sister who have attended - list name and date of attendance
 - 4e. Brother/ sister who are attending St. John the Baptist – name and year group
 - 4f. Other parish children
 5. Children outside of parish
 - 6a. Attending St Michaels NS
 - 6b. Brother/ sister previously attended St MNS
 - 6c. Brother/ sister- St. John the Baptist
 7. Remaining children - using randomised selection - using first letter of surname
 8. Underage children



As a result your reason for preference section may look like this :

My application satisfies the following criteria:

Criteria 2: Birthday in pre- school year.

Sub criteria 1: St Michaels listed as 1st preference.

Sub criteria 4: Reside in parish of St Michael's

Sub criteria 4d: Brother attended (John O Neill 2017-2018)

Good luck!