

CHIRPY CHICKS PLAYGROUP
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PRIVATE NOT-FOR-PROFIT PLAYGROUP

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Number of Funded Places: To be determined

Respective Functions of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors draws up the admissions criteria and delegates to an Admissions Sub-Committee, which includes the Leader, the responsibility for applying these criteria.

Session Times

We offer 5 play sessions for up to 26 children per day from Monday – Friday, 9.00am – 12.00noon.

Information Sessions

The Playgroup will hold an information afternoon and evening for parents wishing to apply for a pre-school place in December 2016, and dates will be available on our website at www.chirpychicksplaygroup.com. We look forward to meeting you and your family and starting your child on their journey into education.

Admissions Criteria

For funded places under the Pre-school Education Programme the following criteria will apply to children in their final pre-school year ie born between 2 July 2013 and 1 July 2014:

- 1 Children from socially disadvantaged circumstances* who were born between 2 July 2013 and 1 July 2014.
- 2 Other children in their final pre-school year.

***Definition of socially disadvantaged circumstances can be found at Section C on the Pre-School Application Form.**

In the event of over-subscription, in any of the above criteria, places will be allocated to children in their pre-school year according to a points system, with one point being awarded for each of the following criteria met:

- (a) Parents have listed Chirpy Chicks Playgroup as their first preference;
- (b) Chirpy Chicks is the nearest Department of Education funded setting to their home;
- (c) The child has attended Chirpy Chicks as a pre-pre-schooler;
- (d) A brother or sister has previously attended the Playgroup;
- (e) Special Circumstances ie medical or social circumstances for which attending Chirpy Chicks could be beneficial, supporting evidence must be provided by the parent/carer.

In the event of children having the same number of points on the above criteria places will then be allocated on the basis of the initial letter of their surname in alphabetical order, and if necessary the alphabetical order of the initials of the forenames will be used.

Duty to Verify

The Board of Directors reserves the right to require such supplementary evidence as it may determine to support or verify information on any application form.

If the requested evidence is not provided to the Board of Directors by the deadline given, this will result in the withdrawal of an offer of a place. Similarly, if information is supplied which appears to be false or misleading in any material way, the offer of a place will be withdrawn.

Waiting List Policy

The Waiting List Policy is available directly from the Playgroup.