

## ADMISSION CONSULTATION

If you are interested in your child joining South Tawton Primary School, please contact us to discuss what we have to offer and to arrange a visit. Please ring 01837 840242 or email [admin@southtawton.org.uk](mailto:admin@southtawton.org.uk)

If you decide you would like a place, you will need make a formal application.

### How to apply

Most children join our school at the normal round, at the start of September in Reception. As a parent, you can apply for a place through the Local Authority.

There are different options available to parents of children starting school in Reception. This includes part-time education and deferring or delaying admission until later in the Reception year or, for children with birthdays in the summer term, to the following September. Come and talk to us if you are considering this.

Do come and talk with us if you are interested in a place in a different year group for any reason. Applications for residents of Devon are made between 15 November and 15 January for primary schools at [www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline).

If your child lives in another LA, including Cornwall, Dorset, Plymouth, Somerset, and Torbay you should apply through that council. The closing dates are the same nationally.

For questions about your child joining the school or just about the admissions process in general, please don't hesitate to contact the school direct or contact Devon School Admissions Service on 0345 155 1019 or by email to [admissions@devon.gov.uk](mailto:admissions@devon.gov.uk). Devon publishes guides to the admissions process: the Step by Step Guide and the In-Year Guide at <http://devon.cc/prospectus>

If you are interested in your child joining the school/college/academy in-year (once the academic year has started), you can apply for a place through Devon County Council at [www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline)

### Admission Arrangements

- Parent Privacy Notice
- Student Privacy Notice

Dartmoor Multi Academy Trust is the admissions authority for our school. It has responsibility for the admissions policies and decisions on applications for admission. We have an admissions policy for each academic year and they will be published on this page when they are proposed for consultation and after they have been determined annually. They are written to comply with the School Admissions Code 2021 and School Admissions Appeals Code 2022.

### The Local Authority

We take part in the co-ordinated admissions schemes of Devon County Council.

Devon County Council publishes information about admissions and its own policies to support them admissions application and appeals process. This is at [www.devon.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissions) Applications can be made online at [www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline) or by using the forms available at <http://devon.cc/applicationforms>

The appeals process is detailed at [www.devon.gov.uk/school-appeals](http://www.devon.gov.uk/school-appeals)

## **Our Admissions Policies**

You can find our admissions policies on our website.

### School admissions policy 2022-23

If you have any comments regarding the policy, you can contact us at the school or [schoolsadmissionpolicy-mailbox@devon.gov.uk](mailto:schoolsadmissionpolicy-mailbox@devon.gov.uk).

The following amendments were made in August 2021 to the determined policy for 2022-23 to comply with the revised School Admissions Code 2021: priority for children adopted from state care outside England was added to oversubscription criterion 1; wording added to reflect that decisions on in-year admissions must be sent to a parent within 15 school days; provision added for Hard to Place children; advice added regarding applications for overseas children.

### School admissions policy 2023-24

See our determined policy below. If you have any comments regarding the policy, you can contact us at the school or [schoolsadmissionpolicy-mailbox@devon.gov.uk](mailto:schoolsadmissionpolicy-mailbox@devon.gov.uk).

### School admissions policy 2024-25

See the policy below. This will be open for comment during a public consultation for all policies in Devon between 1 November 2022 and 6 January 2023 at [www.devon.gov.uk/admissionarrangements](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionarrangements)

If you have any comments regarding the policy, you can contact us at the school or [schoolsadmissionpolicy\[1\]mailbox@devon.gov.uk](mailto:schoolsadmissionpolicy[1]mailbox@devon.gov.uk).

Proposed changes from the policy for 2023 are highlighted in red text.

The policy will be determined by our admissions authority before the end of February and published here by 15 March 2023.

### The Admissions Appeals Timetable 2023

Appeals at the normal round of admissions will be heard within 40 school days of the deadline for lodging appeals on 31 May 2023. Where the application was not made in time for a decision to be made on 17 April 2023, they will be heard within that 40-day period or, if that is not possible, within 30 days of the appeal being lodged. In year admission appeals must be heard within 30 school days of the appeal being lodged.

Appeals at the normal round of admissions will be heard within 40 school days of the deadline for lodging appeals on 31 March 2023. Where the application was not made in time for a decision to be made on 1 March 2023, they will be heard within that 40-day period or, if that is not possible, within 30 days of the appeal being lodged. In-year admission appeals must be heard within 30 school days of the appeal being lodged.

For Post 16, appeals will be heard within the same 40-day period; where a place would have been conditional upon exam results, appeals must be heard within 30 school days of confirmation of those results.

### The Admissions Appeals Timetable 2024

Appeals at the normal round of admissions will be heard within 40 school days of the deadline for lodging appeals on 31 May 2024. Where the application was not made in time for a decision to be made on 16 April 2024, they will be heard within that 40-day period or, if that is not possible, within 30 days of the appeal being lodged. In year admission appeals must be heard within 30 school days of the appeal being lodged.

Appeals at the normal round of admissions will be heard within 40 school days of the deadline for lodging appeals on 31 March 2024. Where the application was not made in time for a decision to be made on 1 March 2023, they will be heard within that 40-day period or, if that is not possible, within 30 days of the appeal being lodged. In-year admission appeals must be heard within 30 school days of the appeal being lodged.

For Post 16, appeals will be heard within the same 40-day period; where a place would have been conditional upon exam results, appeals must be heard within 30 school days of confirmation of those results