

2019/2020

MATER DEI PRIMARY SCHOOL

ADMISSION POLICY FOR ENROLMENT

ENROLMENT CRITERIA

Parents who are willing to support the religious principles and practices of the Catholic faith are eligible to apply to enrol their children at Mater Dei Catholic Primary School.

The Wagga Wagga Diocese is divided into parishes in an effort to meet the needs and rights of all Catholic families. When a person is baptised, they have certain rights to the Sacraments of the Church – but, they also need to participate in their parish to be part of that community into which they were baptised. Schools, like parishes, have an area zoned to them, to give all children of active Catholic families an opportunity for a Catholic education. Schools are designed to meet the needs of the people of that particular parish. To that end, at this school, when applications exceed the number of available places, enrolment priority will be given to those applicants who fulfil the following criteria, working downwards from **a-h**.

- a. Siblings of existing students, provided they meet readiness and age requirements.
- b. Catholic children whose family are **active parishioners** and whose family support Sacred Heart Koorungal Parish, and reside within the Mater Dei Catholic Primary School residential zone.
- c. Catholic children outside Sacred Heart Parish but whose family are active parishioners of Sacred Heart Koorungal Parish, will be considered for placement at either Sacred Heart or Mater Dei Primary schools.
An application should also be made at the parish school you are residentially zoned to.
- d. Catholic children, who reside in the Mater Dei Catholic Primary School residential zone and meet readiness requirements.
- e. Catholic children who live in the Sacred Heart Koorungal Parish, but outside the Mater Dei zone.
An application should also be made at Sacred Heart School.
- f. Catholic children from other parishes. **An application should also be made at your Parish School.**
- g. Children of other faiths, who reside within Mater Dei residential zone.
An application should also be made at your local primary school.
- h. Children of other faiths, who reside outside the Mater Dei residential zone.
An application should also be made at your local primary school.

PLEASE NOTE

In final determinations, age and readiness of applicants will be taken into account (oldest applicants are given preference in Kindergarten enrolments). In extenuating circumstances, other applicants may be considered at the discretion of the Principal and the Parish Priest. In the event that applications for enrolment **far exceed** available places, interviews may only be offered to Parish Catholic families in the first instance. Baptismal, Birth and Immunisation certificates **must** accompany your application for enrolment. **Proof of residential address must also to be provided when you lodge your application for enrolment** e.g. phone bill, electricity or gas bill. At the close of the enrolment period, all applicants will receive correspondence regarding the interview period.

ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS FOR UPPER GRADES

For grades including Kindergarten, you are welcome to contact us to [make an enquiry](#). In 2019, we have limited vacancies in most grades other than Year 2 and Year 4.

Please make contact with Mrs Susan Bradley by telephoning 0269262060 or by email bradleys1@ww.catholic.edu.au to discuss the possibility of enrolment for 2018.

**** Please Note— Applications can be further supported, by obtaining a reference from Fr John Baptist at Sacred Heart Koorungal Parish, or from the Parish Priest at the Parish where you attend Mass.***

Your application must be returned with ALL supporting documentation -

- * Baptismal certificate***
- * Birth certificate***
- * Medicare Immunisation certificate***
- * Copies of parents driver's licence***
- * Two forms of proof of residence***
- * Passports, visa and citizenship papers (where applicable),***
- * Medical reports if your child has a medical condition that we should be aware of***
- * Custody arrangements/court orders if applicable.***