

MERLIN WOODS PRIMARY SCHOOL

ANNUAL ADMISSION NOTICE

in respect of admissions to the 2025/2026 school year

Admission Policy and Application Form

Copies of the school's **Admission Policy** and the **Application Form for Admission** for the 2025/2026 school year are available as follows: –

To download at: www.merlinwoods.com

On request: By emailing info@merlinwoods.com or writing to:

Merlin Woods Primary School, Doughiska Road, Galway H91 D7VH

PART 1 - Admissions to the 2025/2026 school year

Application and Decision Dates for admission to 2025/2026

The following are the dates applicable for admission to Junior Infants

The school will commence accepting applications for admission on:	4th November 2024
The school shall cease accepting applications for admission on:	2.20pm, 10th January 2025
The date by which applicants will be notified of the decision on their application is:	7th February 2025
The period within which applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission is:	One week

***Failure to accept an offer within the prescribed period above may result in the offer being withdrawn**

Note: the school will consider and issue decisions on late applications in accordance with the school's admission policy.

Special Class Application and Decision Dates for admission to 2025/2026

The following are the dates applicable for admission to the school's Special Class which caters for children with Autism

The school will commence accepting applications for admission to the Special Class on:	4th November 2024
The school shall cease accepting applications for admission to the Special Class on:	2.20pm, 10th January 2025
The date by which applicants will be notified of the decision on their application for admission to the Special Class is:	7th February 2025
The period within which applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission is:	One week

***Failure to accept an offer within the prescribed period above may result in the offer being withdrawn**

Number of places being made available in 2025/2026

The number of places being made available in Junior Infants is:	48
The number of places being made available in the Autism class is:	3

(***Note:** If school has a number of classes that cater for different categories of SEN, details of the numbers of places for each SEN class must be provided)

PART 2 - Admissions to the 2024/2025 school year

Information regarding the admission process for the Intake Group for Junior Infants & Autism Special Class for the 2024 school year

In respect of the 2024 school year, the total number of applications for admission received by the school was 59 for Junior Infants by 31st January 2024.

Breakdown of places allocated for the 24/25 school year: Junior Infants	
Number of places available:	48
Number of applications received:	59
Number of offers made and accepted under each criteria:	<p>Criterion One: Applicants who are siblings – 20 offered & accepted</p> <p>Criterion Two: Applicants who are children of staff members – 0 applications received</p> <p>Criterion Three: Applicants living in the catchment area – 28 offered & accepted</p> <p>Criterion Four: Applicants with outside the catchment area – 0 offered</p>
Total number of offers made:	48
Number of names placed on waiting list for the school year concerned:	11

Breakdown of places allocated for the 24/25 school year: Autism Class	
Number of places available:	2
Number of applications received:	14 by deadline
Total number of offers made:	5 offered, 3 declined
Number of names placed on waiting list for the school year concerned:	9