BRACKENMOOR SCHOOL

Admissions Policy

Applies to all entry points from Little Brackenmoor Nursery to the Sixth Form

Owner: Director of Admissions

Approved by: Board of Governors

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1. Purpose

This policy explains how families apply to Brackenmoor, how places are offered and what we look for at each stage. We aim to make the process clear, fair and as stress-free as possible.

2. Entry points

The main entry points are Nursery, Reception (4+), Year 3 (7+), Year 7 (11+), Year 9 (13+) and Year 12 (16+). Occasional places in other year groups are offered when they become available.

3. How to apply

- Visit the school at an open event or on a personal tour.
- Register online with a non-refundable registration fee of £150.
- Your child attends an assessment or taster session for their entry point.
- We ask for a reference from your child's current school (not needed for Nursery).

4. Assessment

Assessments are designed to see how a child learns, not to test what they have been coached to do. Nursery and Reception children join an informal play session. Older pupils sit age-appropriate assessments in English and maths, and Sixth Form applicants meet the Head of Sixth Form.

5. Offers and acceptance

Offers are sent by email on the published date for each entry point. Families accept a place by returning the acceptance form and paying a deposit of £1,500, which is refunded against the final term's fees.

6. Equal opportunities and SEND

We welcome applications from all families. Parents should share any reports about learning needs at registration so we can plan support and make reasonable adjustments to the assessment.

7. Related policies

Fees and Terms and Conditions · SEND Policy · Scholarships and Bursaries Policy