



Foundation Place admissions at DVIS and attendance at St Barnabas and Christ's Chapel Dulwich

Many schools with a religious foundation admit a certain number of students to 'foundation places', for which the students (and/or sometimes their parents) must fulfil certain criteria, such as regular attendance at a church. Dulwich Village Church of England Infants' School, as the admission body, set these criteria and trust churches to report honestly whether, or not, prospective students fulfil them. Details of the criteria for a Foundation Place at Dulwich Village Church of England Infants' School can be found in the school admissions policy which is available from the Admissions section of the school website www.dulwichvillageinfants.co.uk

It has become necessary to assist the church and the clergy at St Barnabas and Christ's Chapel to keep accurate records of attendance for this purpose, from October 2022, to introduce a new attendance protocol for families attending worship to secure admission to a Church School. For more information, please visit the church website <https://www.stbarnabasdulwich.org/school-admissions/>

In summary:

ALL parents who are planning to apply for a Foundation Place in ANY school must now add their child's name to the St Barnabas and Christ's Chapel Foundation Place School Admissions Register and collect a St Barnabas and Christ's Chapel Foundation Place School Admissions record. Details as to how to do this are on the church website.

It is the parent/guardian's responsibility to ensure that the child's record book is bought to church and that attendance is correctly marked in it by the designated sidesman/church officer or member of the clergy at that service or qualifying children or young people's groups.

Qualifying services and groups are as follows:

- Sunday Family, Parish Communion and Choral Evensong services at St Barnabas
- Sunday Holy Communion, Sung Matins and Sung Evensong services at Christ's Chapel
- Weekday Holy Communion Service (10:30am on Wednesdays at St Barnabas)
- Monthly Messy Church Children's Worship Service*
- Children's and Youth Groups that meet on Sunday mornings during the 10am service

****When asked to sign off school admissions, the clergy need to see attendance at Sunday or Wednesday services, which can include children and youth groups during the Sunday 10 a.m. service. If families attend Messy Church services, this can only count towards 50% of the required attendance for whichever school is being applied for.***

Admissions records will only be stamped and signed off at the end of each service. It is expected that families and/or children attend the full service or group. If an admissions record is left behind or not presented at the end of the service or group, it will not be possible to record the attendance at another time.

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