

Guidelines for Entry to the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) Nursery and Reception Class

Application Form

- Submission of our online 'Application for Admission' form by following this link:
www.stcatherines.gr/application-for-admission-form

Supporting documents to be sent by email to the Admissions Team admissions@stcatherines.gr

1. **Passport:** Documentary proof of date of birth and nationality (*copy of passport details page or birth certificate*).
2. **Application fee** (€200 per child). *This is non-refundable and goes towards the administrative costs of the application. The school's bank account details are available on the second page of the attached fee schedule*.
3. **School Report:** Where the child is already attending pre-school, we require a report from that school.
4. **Confidential Reference:** Written consent, by email, allowing us to contact your child's current school for a confidential reference (*please include the school's email address as well as the referee's contact name*).
5. **Photo:** A recent informal photograph of your child (*not a passport picture*).

Extra Requirements to be sent by email to the Admissions Team admissions@stcatherines.gr

1. **Drawing:** Applicant to draw a picture of their family, independently. If applying for Reception Class, please ask your child to attempt labelling the people on their drawing, independently, in English. Once they have completed their drawing, please take a photo of the artwork, and email it to the Admissions Team.
2. **Video:** Please create a short video (*maximum two minutes*) for us to meet your child. Your child can introduce themselves to us, in English. If your child is shy, you may prompt them by starting a conversation so that we can hear their English fluency and see them move around, or film them whilst they are creating their drawing for us. Once we have viewed the video, we will delete it.
3. **Interview:** Where possible, once we have received all the above, we will invite you to bring your child in for a 30-minute observed group play session 'Stay&Play'. At this session we will be observing your child's English language ability, maturity, behaviour and would expect to see a certain level of independence and self-help skills.

Procedure

1. Parent(s) to attend a scheduled EYFS Welcome Tour for prospective families (term time only).
2. Submission of application form and supporting documents to the Admissions Team (see above).
3. Interview/30-minute observed group play session, once application and supporting documents have been submitted.
4. School's official decision to be communicated to parents, in writing.

Criteria

Our Admissions Policy reflects certain criteria, and where a place is available, preferential consideration will be given to those applicants who can fulfil all or most of these:

- Nationality: British, Australian, Canadian, or other Commonwealth country.
- Dual nationality (any two countries).
- Suitable English language capability.
- Sufficient academic ability and good behaviour.
- Sibling currently in the school.
- Sibling or parent previously studied in the school.
- Timely date of application.

A decision will be made based on all the above and any decision/ offer will be confirmed in writing. Please note that all offers of places are made at the complete discretion of the school and there is no unconditional entry into St. Catherine's British School. A child's place is not guaranteed with the submission of their application, only if an offer is made by the school to the family and the place is secured by the deadline indicated.

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