**Saint Mary’s National School**

Belmont Ave, Donnybrook, Dublin 4

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Mount Eden Road, Donnybrook, Dublin 4

**ANNUAL ADMISSION NOTICE**

**in respect of admissions to the 2024/2025 school year**

**Admission Policy and Application Form**

A copy of the school’s **Admission Policy** and the **Application Form for Admission** for the 2024/2025 school year is available as follows:

Via our school website: www.saintmarys.ie

On request: By emailing office@saintmarys.ie or writing to: St. Mary’s National School, Belmont Ave, Donnybrook, Dublin 4

**PART 1 - Admissions to the 2024/2025 school year**

**Application and Decision Dates for admission to 2024/2025 school year**

The following are the dates applicable for admission to Junior Infants

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| Opening Date: The school will commence accepting applications for admission on  | **2 October 2023** |
| Closing Date: The school shall cease accepting applications for admission on  | **25 October 2023** |
| The date by which applicants will be notified of the decision on their application is  | **15 November 2023** |
| The period within which applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission is | **15 November to 6 December 2023** |

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

**Number of places being made available in 2024/2025**

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| The number of places being made available in Junior Infants/is | **78** |

**PART 2 - Admissions to the 2024/2025 school year**

In respect of the 2023/2024 school year, the total number of applications for admission

received by the school was 121.

**Information regarding the admission process for the Intake Group for Junior Infants for the 2023/2024 school year**

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| **Breakdown of places allocated for the 2020/2021 school year:** |
| Number of places available: | 84 |
| Number of applications received: | 121 |
| Number of Offers made and accepted under each priority category: | **Category 1:** Children who are siblings (including half-siblings, and also including step-siblings and foster siblings resident at the same address) of current or former pupils of Saint Mary’s N.S.**or** who qualify as resident within the Parish for the purposes of this Admission Policy.(65 applications received, 65 places offered, and 49 places accepted)**Category 2:** Children who are not included within any of the preceding categories and who are children of current teaching staff employed by the school. (1 application received, 1 place offered and 1 place accepted)**Category 3:** Children who qualify as resident in one of the following neighbouring parishes: the parish of the Holy Name, Beechwood Avenue; the parish of St. Columbanus, St. Gall and Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Milltown or the parish of Our Lady Queen of Peace, Merrion Road. (20 applications received, 20 places offered and 5 places accepted)**Category 4:** All other applicants who have reached the age of four on or before 1st April of the year of proposed entry to the school. (35 applications received, 35 places offered and 11 places accepted) |
| Total number of offers made | 121 – 66 accepted and 55 declined |
| Number of names placed on waiting list for the school year concerned | 0 |