St. Paul’s National School – Ratoath



 **ANNUAL ADMISSION NOTICE**

 **in respect of admissions to the 2025/2026**

**school year**

**Admission Policy and Notice to Enrol**

A copy of the school’s **Admission Policy** and the **Notice to Enrol** for 2025- 2026 is available as follows: –

To download at: <http://stpaulsratoath.ie/policies/>

On request: By emailing: office@stpaulsratoath.ie or writing to: St. Paul’s N.S., Ratoath, Co. Meath

**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

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| The school will commence accepting applications for admission on the  | 13th of January 2025 |
| The school shall cease accepting applications for admission on the  | 30th of January 2025  |
| The date by which applicants will be notified of the decision on their application is the  | 12th February 2025 |
| The period within which applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission is the  | 19th February 2025 |

**\*Failure to accept an offer within the prescribed period above may result in the offer being withdrawn**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 for children with autism -

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| The school will commence accepting applications for admission to the special class on the  | 28th April 2025 |
| The school shall cease accepting applications for admission to the special class on the  | 9th May 2025 |
| The date by which applicants will be notified of the decision on their application for admission to the special class is the  | 23rd May 2025 |
| The period within which applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission is  |  4th June 2025 |

**\*Failure to accept an offer within the prescribed period above may result in the offer being withdrawn**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

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| The number of places being made available in junior infants is | **75** |
| The number of places being made available in the special class catering for children with autism is unknown at present | **TBC** |

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

**Information regarding the admission process for the Intake Group for Junior Infants / ASD Class for the 2024 - 2025 school year**

In respect of 2023 – 2024 school year, the total number of applications for admission received by the school was

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| **Breakdown of mainstream places allocated for the 2024 - 2025 school year:** |
| Number of places available: | 75 |
| Number of applications received: | 70 |
| Number of Offers made and accepted under each criteria: | A description of each criterion used and the number of places offered and accepted under that criterion must be entered here.Example, as follows:Criterion One: Applicants living in the catchment area – 35 places offered, 35 places accepted.Criterion Two: Applicants with siblings attending the school – 33 places offered, 33 places accepted.Criterion Three: Applicants living outside of the catchment area – 2 places offered, 2 places accepted |
| Total number of offers made | 70 |
| Number of names placed on waiting list for the school year concerned. | 0 |

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| **Breakdown of ASD places allocated for the 2024 - 2025 school year:** |
| Number of places available: | 4 |
| Number of applications received: | 4 |
| Number of Offers made and accepted under each criteria: | A description of each criterion used and the number of places offered and accepted under that criterion must be entered here.Example, as follows:Criterion One: Applicants living in the catchment area – 1 place offered, 1 place accepted.Criterion Two: Applicants with siblings attending the school – 3 places offered, 3 places accepted. |
| Total number of offers made | 4 |
| Number of names placed on waiting list for the school year concerned. | 0 |