



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 is available as follows:

- To download at www.mountrathcs.ie
- On request from office@mountrathcs.ie
- In writing from Principal, Mountrath Community School, Dysartbeigh, Mountrath, Co. Laois, R32 AK27

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 First Year:

- The school will commence accepting applications for admission on 1st October 2023
- The school shall cease accepting applications for admission on 21st October 2023 at 1pm
- The date by which applicants will be notified of the decision on their application is 10th November 2023
- Applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission by 21st November 2023

Notes:

The school will consider and issue decisions on late applications in accordance with the school's admission policy.

Failure to accept an offer within the date above may result in the offer being withdraw

Failure to accept the Code of Behaviour may result in the offer being withdrawn

Number of places being made available in 2024/2025

The number of places being made available in first year is **144** (inclusive of 7 ASD places (Le Cheile) and 3 Hard of Hearing places (Solas))

Number of places already allocated in First Year Group: **0**

The number of places being made available in the Special Class catering for children who have been assessed with a primary diagnosis of Autism/Autistic Spectrum Disorder in line with established DES criteria: **7**

The number of places being made available in the Special Class catering for children who have been assessed with a Hearing Impairment in line with established DES criteria: **3**

Special Class Application and Decision Dates for admission to the 2024/2025 school year

The following are the dates applicable for admission to the school's special classes Le Chéile (which caters for children who have been assessed with a primary diagnosis of Autism/Autistic Spectrum Disorder in line with established DES criteria) and Solas which caters for children with a diagnosed hearing impairment

Date the school will commence accepting applications for admission to the special class	1 st October 2023
Date the school will cease accepting applications for admission to the special class	20 th October 2023
Date by which applicants will be notified of the decision on their application for admission to the special class	10 th November 2023
Date which applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission to the special class *	21 st November 2023

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

Please note: Applications received after the closing date will be treated as late applications and will be processed in accordance with the admissions policy.

PART 2 - Admissions to the 2023/2024 school year

Information on the admission process for the Intake of 1st Year for the 2023/2024 school year

Breakdown of places allocated for the 2023/2024 school year:	
Number of places available	144
Number of applications received	198
Offers made and accepted under Criteria 1: <i>(Siblings of those currently attending Mountrath Community School)</i>	67 places offered, 67 places accepted.
Offers made and accepted under Criteria 2: <i>(Children attending the feeder schools who live within the defined catchment area)</i>	64 places offered, 64 places accepted.
Offers made and accepted under Criteria 3: <i>(Children from the feeder schools who live outside the defined catchment area)</i>	10 places offered, 10 places accepted
Offers made and accepted under Criteria 4:	0
Offers made and accepted under Criteria 5: <i>(Children whose parents'/guardians are past pupils of the Brigidine Convent, Ballyfin College or St Aengus Vocational school)</i>	0
Offers made and accepted under Criteria 6: <i>(All other applicants)</i>	0
Offers made for Special Class (Solas)	3
Total number of offers made	144
Number of names placed on waiting list	29