

Mercy Convent Primary School



ANNUAL ADMISSION NOTICE

in respect of admissions to the 2026-2027 school year

ADMISSION POLICY AND APPLICATION FORM

A copy of the school's **Admission Policy** and the **Application Form for Admission** for the 2026-2027 school year is available as follows: –

To download at: www.mercyconvent.ie

On request: By emailing admissions@mercconvent.ie or writing to **The Secretary, Mercy Convent Primary School, Sallins Road, Naas, Co. Kildare W91 XC94**

PART 1 - ADMISSIONS TO THE 2026-27 SCHOOL YEAR

Application and Decision Dates for admission to 2026-27 school year

The following are the dates applicable for admission to **Junior Infants**

The school will commence accepting applications for admission on	Mon 6th October 2025
The school shall cease accepting applications for admission on	Fri 24th October 2025
The date by which applicants will be notified of the decision on their application is	Mon 3rd November to Fri 14th November 2025
The period within which applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission is	Mon 17th November to Fri 28th November 2025

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****Failure to accept an offer within the prescribed period above may result in the offer being withdrawn***

Special Class Application and Decision Dates for admission to 2026-2027 school year

The following are the dates applicable for admission to the school's Special Class which caters for children with autism.

These children must have Professional report(s) outlining:

- Diagnosis of Autism: DSM IV/V or ICD 10/11 (psychologist, psychiatrist, multidisciplinary report)

AND

- A demonstration of the understanding of complexity of the child's overall level of need/s evidenced in the professional reports

AND

- Given the severity or complexity of the child's support needs, a clear professional recommendation as to what educational placement type would be most appropriate to best meet the child's needs, along with the rationale for same

AND

- A letter from the NCSE confirming that the child is known to them and that the child has the required diagnosis and recommendation for a special class for autism.

The school will commence accepting applications for admission to the special class on	Mon 6th October 2025
The school shall cease accepting applications for admission to the special class on	Fri 24th October 2025
The date by which applicants will be notified of the decision on their application for admission to the special class is	Mon 3rd November to Fri 14th November 2025
The period within which applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission is	Mon 17th November to Fri 28th November 2025

NUMBER OF PLACES BEING MADE AVAILABLE IN 2026-27 school year

The number of places being made available in junior infants	92
The number of places being made available in the special class* catering for children with autism. These children must have Professional report(s) outlining: • Diagnosis of Autism: DSM IV/V or ICD 10/11 (psychologist, psychiatrist, multidisciplinary report) AND • A demonstration of the understanding of complexity of the child's overall level of need/s evidenced in the professional reports AND • Given the severity or complexity of the child's support needs, a clear professional recommendation as to what educational placement type would be most appropriate to best meet the child's needs, along with the rationale for same AND • A letter from the NCSE confirming that the child is known to them and that the child has the required diagnosis and recommendation for a special class for autism.	1