

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

Your request for information has now been considered and the Council's response to your questions is shown below.

You asked:

I write in relation to my application and appeal submitted on 03 September 2013 for a Year 1 place at Dovelands Primary School for my son.

In respect of my appeal and in Accordance with the School Admission Appeals Code of Practice 2012 I would be grateful if you could provide me with answers to the following questions:-

1. What is the Published Admission Number for the relevant year group?

70

2. What is the Indicated Admission number for the relevant year group?

70

3. What has been the cut-off point in terms of distance for admissions for the last 3 years?

2012 - 0.517 miles and, 2013 - 0.503 miles. No data held for 2011.

4. How many pupils were admitted to the school in each of the last 5 years?

2009 - 88, 2010 - 77, 2011 – 74, 2012 – 83 and 2013 - 71

5. How many appeals were submitted and how many were successful in the relevant year group in the last 5 years?

This information is available for the last two years only; 49 appeals, 11 of which were successful. The Council does not hold this information. Therefore this letter acts as a refusal notice under section 17.1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 because, in accordance with section 1.1 of the Act, this information is not held by Leicester City Council

6. From September 2013 what will be the Year 1 classes?

24, 24 and 23.

7. How many children were admitted to the school in what was the reception year group for this year (i.e. September 2012) and please explain any numbers that were over the understood Published Admission Number of 60. (i.e. for what reasons were these children admitted?)

1 – a Looked After Child

8. How many pupils are on roll at the moment in each of the year groups in the school ?

Reception – 71, Y1 – 79, Y2 – 73, Y3 – 71, Y4 – 70, Y5 – 70 and Y6 - 70.

9. Has the school had any class sizes over 30 in Key Stage 1 in the last 5 years and if so for how long?

2 for this year only.

10. If yes to question 8 above, what measures were taken in respect of additional teaching staff or accommodation?

Not applicable

11. What is the net capacity for the school?

493

12. What is the maximum and minimum net capacity for the school?

548 and 493

13. When was the net capacity set and last reviewed?

October 2010

14. Have there been any changes to the school since the net capacity was last reviewed?

No

15. How many qualified teachers including the Head teachers are employed at the school?

31

16. How many teaching assistants does the school employ?

Also 31

17. What are the sizes of the classrooms in square metres for the year group being appealed for?

42 m2, 57 m2 and 63 m2

18. How many children left the school over the last 3 years in the year group being appealed for?

2 in 2012

19. What is the pupil absentee rate at the school?

Last year – 2.92%

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