

Blackpool Council Admissions Timeline

CLOSING DATE 31st OCTOBER 2023

APPLY ON-LINE AT www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions

The School Admissions Team can be contacted at:







Children's Services Department, PO Box 4, Blackpool FY1 1NA Tel: 01253 476637 or

Email: schoolaccess@blackpool.gov.uk

PLEASE KEEP THIS SAFE Make a note of your email address and login/password for you to access your on-line application

Email address _____ Password _____

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC ACADEMY PART OF THE BLESSED EDWARD BAMBER CATHOLIC MULTI ACADEMY TRUST

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| 1st September 2023 |  | on-line application live or obtain an application pack from Blackpool primary schools or the Schools Admissions Team |
| 31st October 2023 |  | Closing Date for applications, all applications must be submitted before midnight. During this period, all applications are processed and all preferences are considered against the published admissions policy. It is important that you check the admission policy of the school carefully as these differ from school to school. |
| On 1st March 2024 |  | If you have applied online, you will receive an email confirming the allocated school. The online system will go live on the Friday 1 March 2024. If you have applied on a paper application, you will receive a letter in the post - this will be posted on Thursday 29th February 2024. The letter may arrive at various times depending on the postal service in your area. If you are not satisfied with the allocated school, you may request an appeal form from the School Admissions Team, or from the school direct if you are appealing for a voluntary aided school. You will need to contact an academy to establish their appeal arrangements. |
| By Mid April 2024 |  | Appeal forms should be returned in order to be heard in the first round of appeals. |
| June 2024 |  | First appeals heard by the Independent Appeal Panels |
| September 2024 |  | Pupils start secondary school |

St Walburga's Road, Blackpool FY3 7EQ Telephone: 01253 396286 E-mail: admin@st-mary.blackpool.sch.uk

Website: www.st-mary.blackpool.sch.uk Executive Director: Mrs Helen O'Neill,

Headteacher: Mr S Eccles Chair of the Academy Board: Mrs E Kelly.

St. Mary's Catholic Academy is a catholic academy or 'faith' school, although anyone can apply for a place. It caters for pupils between the ages of 11 and 18, and is located in the Layton area. The Admission Number for September 2024 is 210. The school has a sixth form facility providing advanced level education. The process for applying for a place is similar to applying for a place at a community secondary school, except that the academy board is the admissions authority, having responsibility for determining the arrangements for admitting pupils. The academy's admissions policy provides full information. You also need to provide the school with a copy of your child's baptismal certificate.

Useful websites Department for Education www.gov.uk/dfe More information about school admissions and appeals can be found at: www.direct.gov.uk or download Blackpool's 2024-Secondary-School-Admissions-Brochure.pdf