



# Alderman Davies

## Church in Wales Primary School

*St. David's Street*

*Neath*

SA11 3AA

**Phone:** 01639 769772

**E-mail:** ads@npt.school

**Website:** <https://alderman-davies-ciw-primary-school.j2bloggy.com/>

## **ADMISSIONS POLICY: 2026/27**

### **Introduction**

The Governing Body of Alderman Davies Church in Wales Primary School applies the regulations on admissions fairly and equally to all those who wish to attend this school. We are an inclusive school that welcomes children from all backgrounds and abilities. All applications will be treated on merit and in a sensitive manner.

The Governors of this school admit all children whose parents wish them to attend a Church Aided School, provided accommodation is available.

The planned admission limit is the number of admissions that the Governing Body would not wish to exceed. The planned admission limit for this school is 59. The admission number means the number of pupils that the Council can admit to a school. Each school has an admission number which is calculated using the Welsh Government's 'Measuring the capacity of schools in Wales' assessment. Admission to a school cannot be refused unless the admission number has been reached.

For classes containing pupils, the majority of whom will attain the age of five, six and seven years during the course of the academic year, the class size must not exceed 30 pupils save for 'excepted pupils' as specified by Regulation.

Children who are in receipt of a statement of special educational needs/ LA Maintained IDP which identifies mainstream education within a community school will be guaranteed a place at that setting. Schools have a duty to admit children with a Statement of Special Educational Needs/ LA IDP who have been placed in a school by the LA and these pupils are counted towards the number of pupils to be admitted unless their placement is within a school based Learning Support Centre.

If the number of applications exceeds the available accommodation, the Governors will give priority in the following order:-

1. A child who worships regularly\* in the Church in Wales or a Church in Communion with it, within the Afan Nedd Ministry Area. A child looked after or previously looked after by a local authority in Wales, as defined in section 74 of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 or England as defined in Section 22 of the Children Act 1989.

2. A child who has a brother or sister already in the school. This includes adopted/step/foster siblings.
3. A child who worships regularly in the Church in Wales, or a Church in Communion with it, living outside of the Afan Nedd Ministry Area.
4. A child who worships regularly at a Christian place of worship.
5. A child of any faith who worships regularly.
6. Applications on compassionate grounds, will be considered on their own merit, and at the discretion of the Governors.
7. If children are equally entitled to a place in the school in categories - 1) to 7) above, then priority will be given to the child living nearest. This is measured by the shortest suitable walking/travel route between the home and the school. The Council uses a Geographical Information System to calculate the shortest distance.

As in all schools, children who attend our Nursery class will not have an automatic right of admission to full time education at our school.

The application period will open for parents/carers on 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2025, and will close on 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2025.

The offer date of placements at this school will be 16<sup>th</sup> April 2026.

Should your application be unsuccessful, you have the right to appeal. If you exercise that right, the appeal must be forwarded to the Chair of Governors of Alderman Davies Church in Wales Primary School. Any appeals for unsuccessful applications must be made no later than 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2025.

**Review:**

This policy is required to be reviewed annually in time for a period of formal consultation.

*\*In this instance regular means at least twice a calendar month for the past year.*