



Admissions Policy

Lady Nafisa School is fully committed to equal opportunities in education. No applicant to Lady Nafisa School should be discriminated against on the basis of race, nationality, colour or ethnic origin. Priority will be given to children who apply for places based on the following broad criteria:

- Pupils without severe learning difficulties
- Pupils from Islamic practising families
- Pupils who are well behaved with a positive attitude to studying

At this point in time the school will not take pupils with Special Needs due to the extra organisation and work we need to establish our school. In future years, we plan to review this and see if we can accept and cater for Special Needs pupils in accordance with our equal opportunities ethos.

Parents complete an application form for entry, which can be obtained from the school website www.ladynafisa.org or from the school office. This is returned to the School Administrator with the original birth certificate, utility bill and a non-refundable registration fee of £50.00.

The building constraints of the school limit the intake to single entry with a maximum of sixty pupils (approx twelve pupils per class) and therefore, the order in which applications are received is relevant when offers of places are being considered.

Reports from a school currently attended by an applicant are not always available and thus do not form part of the selection procedure.

Offers are made on the basis of merit order related to the applicant's performance in the Entrance Examination. Students are tested in English and Maths. Students are expected to achieve the minimum expected National Curriculum level for their year group in order to qualify for a place. Once students pass the initial exam, they will be interviewed by the Headteacher or a senior member of staff.

If there are more applicants than places available, a reserve list will be held for those applicants who have qualified to gain a place. Some applicants may not achieve a satisfactory standard in the examination and places will not be offered. Places are not offered for year 10 and year 11 unless under special circumstances.

If a prospective pupil fails to be awarded a place, they can appeal by writing to the school. Their appeal will be reviewed by the appeal board, consisting of the Chairman, our Governors and the head-teacher.

Signed and approved by Headteacher:

Signed and approved by Chair of Governors:

Policy updated:

Policy Review: