



Glasgow Steiner School

Admission Policies & Procedure

Children from all social backgrounds, cultures and religions are welcome at the school. Admission is not based on academic merit and the children are taught in chronological age groups of mixed ability. The Steiner curriculum, the teaching methods and the continuity of class teachers all play a strong part in allowing children to develop their potential, and have also proved very beneficial to children with mild learning difficulties. However, severe learning difficulties or severe behavioral problems are beyond our scope. As there is no funding from the government or other external agency, the school is totally reliant on the fees and the voluntary work contributed by the parents. Our aim is to be as socially inclusive as possible, which is reflected in our fees structure.

1. Application Stage

After making an enquiry, you will be sent an application pack. This will contain information about the School, about Steiner education and about the next Tour Morning at the School, as well as an application form. Glasgow Steiner School charge an application fee of £15.

2. Interview

Upon receipt of your completed application form and application fee, your application will be passed to the relevant teacher(s), and you will be contacted within a week to arrange a date for an interview with you and your child/children. Two teachers will be present at each interview. If there are currently no spaces available, you will be placed on a waiting list and an interview will be arranged as soon as a place becomes available. You will be informed of this. If your child/children are already of school age, please bring any school reports to the interview.

3. Consideration by a Pedagogical Meeting

After the interview, your child will be formally named and described at a Pedagogical Meeting. With the meeting's agreement, a letter will be sent out offering your child a provisional place at the School, depending on an agreement re fees and with the proviso of a term's trial period.

4. Fees and Enrolment

The School receives no state funding. Nevertheless, it is our policy to make access to Steiner education as widely available as possible. As part of this policy, there is a discount for second and further children in the school.

2010/11	1st Child	2nd Child	3rd Child
Lower School	482	241	145
Kindergarten & Pre Kindergarten	294	206	147

There is a possibility of assisted places at significantly reduced fees. If you would like to be considered for such a place, you must fill out our Financial Declaration form and return it to us, together with documentary proof such as a tax return, etc, as soon as possible. After this has been processed, you will be sent a letter stating the level of your fees, as well as the relevant forms to enable you to enroll your child/children in the school. When you have returned these forms to us, and accepted the fees level, you will be contacted to arrange a start date.

Fees are payable over 12 months, September - August. Should you wish to withdraw your child from School, a full term's notice is required in writing, otherwise a term's fees (4 months) are payable.

5. Voluntary parent help

The Class Convenor for your child's class will show you round the School and help you find ways in which you can contribute to the wellbeing of the School.

7. The End of the Trial Period

Four weeks prior to the end of the trial period, your child will be discussed at a Pedagogical Meeting and you will subsequently receive a letter

- a) confirming that your child has passed the trial period,
- b) extending the trial period should this be deemed advisable

or c) saying that your child has not passed the trial period and explaining why.

In the event of a class or group being full, a waiting list is formed.

Priority will be given to:

- A family already in the school
- For those moving from another Steiner School
- Children of Staff