## **Early Start Enrolment Policy**

**Criteria for enrolment;** Places will be allocated in the following order;

All children must be between the ages of 3yrs 2 months and 4 years and 7 months by the 1<sup>st</sup> of September in the year for which they are applying.

- 1. Children who already have a brother or sister in the school at present.
- 2. Children who already live in the parish. Please note: A "convenience" address for the purpose of the application will not suffice.
- 3. Children who live outside the parish

The following documentation must accompany any application

- A Birth Certificate for the child is required with the application.
- His/her PPS Number is required.
- Copies of any assessments with regard to the child and details of any/all agencies working with the child
- A utility bill (ESB, Phone bill) in the name of the applicant's parents/guardian is required.

**Please note:** Some assessments state that a child may need a specialist pre-school placement or, a specialist ASD pre-school placement, or access to SNA or AIMS (Access and Inclusion Model) worker. The Early Start class, cannot provide a specialist programme/specialist ASD programme and neither can it offer any SNA access or access to an AIMS worker.

Application forms are available from Secretary's office during normal school hours. Forms should be submitted in November. For example, if you wish your child to start in September 2024, you should apply in November 2023. Maximum class size is 30...15 in the morning and 15 in the afternoon session. Cut-off date for applications is the last Friday in November

Offer of place will be sent shortly thereafter.

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Principal