



Information for Jewish families interested in securing a place for their child or children in Stratford National (Primary) School in Dublin

- Stratford National School accommodates children aged between 4 and 12 years old. Entry to Junior Infants requires a child to be **4 years old on/or before 30th April in the year of admission.**
- Each year the school endeavours to allocate places to applicants by the end of February for intake the following September.
- All applications for places in the school must be made on the official application form provided by the school and must be accompanied by the child's birth certificate and: -
 - a) The Ketubah issued to the parents at the time of their marriage and/or
 - b) In certain circumstances the Ketubah of the child's maternal grandmother; the child's birth certificate and the child's mother's birth certificate and
 - c) A copy of the most recent school report. The school also reserves the right to contact the previous school where this is considered necessary.
- Jewish religious education is compulsory and only available to those children who have been assessed and confirmed by the Chief Rabbi to be Halachally Jewish.
- The hours for Jewish children are:-
 - 8.40am to 2.00pm for children in Junior and Senior Infants;
 - 8.40am to 3.00pm for all other classes
- All Jewish festivals are observed and the school closes at 2pm on Fridays in the winter months in time for the commencement of Shabbat.
- The school is run in accordance with Jewish dietary laws and no meat or poultry products are permitted on the school premises.
- Stratford National School is state funded but a voluntary contribution is requested from all parents to help finance and provide additional facilities. The contribution for the year is €360 per child i.e. (€120 x 3 terms).
- Stratford National School is a four-teacher school. Pupils are taught in two class combinations. All new pupils attending Stratford must be available to start in the in the school at the commencement of the academic year in early September. All appeals regarding the application of these rules must be made to Management.