ADMISSION TO RECEPTION

From September 2011 all children have the option to start school from the September after their fourth birthday. Parent/carers can, if they choose, defer their child's admission into the reception class until January or even April.

Compulsory school age remains the same – children must start school the term after their fifth birthday. If parents/carers wish to defer entry until Year 1 the place must be reapplied for through the Local Authority. Allocation would then be subject to the availability of places at the receiving school and dependent upon the schools' admission limit.

Each parent/carer will need to consider their child's 'readiness for school' before deciding when to start. This will depend upon both the age and stage of development of individual children. Each child's independence is an important consideration; for example can your child dress and undress themselves, go to the toilet independently etc.

At Wharncliffe Side Primary School we can offer either part time schooling as five mornings or full time places. Part time schooling would need to be discussed with school and is dependent on a child's date of birth. For further information and guidance please contact the school directly.

The above guidelines have been agreed by Stannington Infant School, Wharncliffe Side Primary, Wisewood Community Primary, Shooters Grove Primary, Oughtibridge Primary, Bradfield Dungworth Primary, Marlcliffe Primary and Loxley Primary

For further details regarding admission into school please refer to the LA brochure, 'A Guide for Parents'. May we remind you that it is the LA that is the admitting authority and not the school.