

Enrolment Process

Make an appointment to come and have a look around our school (if there isn't a scheduled Open Morning). To enrol at a Catholic School your child requires a Preference Card. A Preference Card is obtained from our Parish Priest Father Philip Billing prior to starting. Please contact the Parish Office 827 5557 to organise a Preference Interview. If your child is baptised Catholic or parents are baptised Catholic you will be eligible for a Preference card. However, if you have a significant Catholic connection or are interested in the Catholic faith, Father would love to meet you. Please see the below guidelines for more detail.

Once a Preference Card is obtained, you can collect the school enrolment forms and stationery list from the School Office. All enrolment documentation including a Preference card should be sent to the school office prior to your child starting school. On enrolment the school needs to sight a birth certificate or other official documentation, showing the name and age of the child, along with an Immunisation Certificate. If your child was born outside New Zealand, we need to see a passport with the appropriate Visa. In order to give New Entrants a gradual introduction to school life, parents are invited to bring their pre-schoolers to three morning sessions on a Wednesday morning prior to starting school. Bookings for these visits should be made at the School Office. Parents do not need to stay for these visits.

If you are interested in enrolling your child here at St Peter's please [fill in the form](#).

Preference

The criteria for the preference card is as follows:

- 5.1 The child has been baptised or is being prepared for baptism in the Catholic Church.
- 5.2 The child's parents/guardians have already allowed one or more of its siblings to be baptised in the Catholic faith.
- 5.3 At least one parent/guardian is a Catholic and although their child has not yet been baptised, the child's participation in the life of the school could lead to the parents having the child baptised.
- 5.4 With the agreement of the child's parents/guardian, a grandparent or other significant adult in the child's life, such as an aunt, uncle or godparent, undertakes to support the child's formation in the faith and practices of the Catholic Church.
- 5.5 One or both of the child's non Catholic parents/guardians is preparing to become a Catholic.

You are welcome to make an appointment to organise a tour of the school by emailing office@stpeterscatholic.school.nz or phoning 827 6623.

Non Preference

- a) Up to 25 children with non-preference status may be on the school roll at any time.
- b) Parents are able to place their child's name on the waiting list. Children will be offered placement as vacancies occur in accordance with the following guidelines:
 - 1) siblings of existing non-preference students
 - 2) students living within the Parish of St Peter's Cambridge area
 - 3) children of staff members
 - 4) students living outside the schools agreed Parish of St Peter's Cambridge area.

The date that names are placed on the waiting list will define the priority within each of the above criteria.

Children will be offered placement as vacancies occur, and in accordance with the school's policy. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office phone: 827 6623 or email office@stpeterscatholic.school.nz if you have any queries regarding the enrolment process.