

# Roxboro National School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Roxboro N.S. enrolment application window for Junior Infants 2025 has now opened. We thank you most sincerely for your interest in sending your child to our school and will be accepting applications until January 31<sup>st</sup> 2025.

Please be advised that we may not be able to offer places to all applicants.

As per our Admission Policy, available on [www.roxborons.ie](http://www.roxborons.ie), places will initially be allocated to:

- families living in the **local catchment area** and
- families with **siblings already attending** the school or who are past pupils of the school.

Once we have filled these places, the remaining children who are from new families and living outside our catchment area **will be allocated based on age.**

**Once all places have been allocated, the remaining children will be placed on a Waiting List, which is also in age order, from the oldest to the youngest child.**

Offers will be made to successful candidates in early February. You will be informed if your child has been placed on our waiting list and of their position on that list.

## Points to note:

First come first served is **NOT** a factor.

**Pre-School:** It is important to note that attending Réiltíní Roxboro pre-school does not bear any influence on the Roxboro N.S. application process. Although situated next door to us, Réiltini Roxboro is independent of Roxboro N.S.

Children who attend Réiltíní are subject to the same criteria as children from other pre-schools. ***Children who attend Réiltini are not guaranteed enrolment in Roxboro N.S.***

**Transport** - there are two buses serving Roxboro N.S.

1. The local area Bus Éireann route which requires a ticket from Bus Éireann and a local address. Fees apply.

2. Kelly's Bus which is privately operated and serves Roscommon town. Contact 086 2823333. Fees apply.

Buses run at 3pm only so if you need bus transport for your Junior Infant you will also need to avail of the after-school service from 1.50pm to 3pm each day. Contact Réiltíni Roxboro on 090 6664001. Places are limited – book early. Fees apply.

*All bus and after-school services are run independently of Roxboro N.S.*

**Age:** Parents often ask me about the best age to start Junior infants. While each child is unique, in general, we advise that children be at least 4 years and 9 months when starting school. Many parents come to regret sending their child to school young, but it is rare for anyone to regret giving a child more time. Please call me if you would like to discuss your child.

**Open Day:** We do not hold an open day here prior to enrolment. We invite our successful candidates to school in June. However, we are an open and friendly school every day! So, please feel free to arrange a visit if you wish.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can help in any way.

Kind regards,

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