



Solid Foundations Primary School
School Readiness Policy (2025/11)

As a whole, the school supports the governmental admission age of 6 turning 7 for pupils entering Grade 1. The school does not support an entrance age into Grade 1 of 5 turning 6 (see Admissions policy).

In addition to this, as a private institution, the school believes in the process of school-readiness and does not permit admitting a pupil into Grade R or Grade 1 who is inadequately emotionally, socially or academically mature enough to handle the rigours of the forthcoming grade.

To determine the abovementioned, the school:

1. Administers school-readiness tests to Grade RR and Grade R pupils in July/August of each school year. The standardised pass mark for this test is 60%.
2. Takes the teacher's opinion strongly into consideration as a counter-balance of the test results.

If it has been established through the above two procedures that a child is not deemed ready to progress to the next grade, the parents will be informed by the latest, August. The school will not be coerced into sending a child to the next grade. Failure to accept the school's decision in this regard will result in a termination of contract between the school and parents, whereby parents have a 4-month period to place their child in an alternative institution.

Acceptance of the school's decision will simply result in the child repeating a preschool grade and beginning Grade 1 at the age of 7 turning 8.