

# **Admissions Policy**

Applications from all pupils are welcome, irrespective of ethnicity, race, colour, religion, or disability. As a school committed to transformation and as part of the efforts to increase the diversity of the school, preference will be given to pupils of colour who meet the admissions criteria. As an Independent School the ability of parents to pay the fees is a consideration. There are a limited number of scholarships and bursaries which can be applied for.

There are 4 general points of admission:

#### GRADE N:

Prospective applicants are invited to the school with their parents for an interview. The boys are observed in social interaction with their parents and spend time at an activities table. At Grade N there are 3 classes with 20 pupils in each.

### **GRADE R:**

In Grade R there are 3 classes of 24 pupils each. This means that there are an additional 12 places available. The same interview process is followed as for Grade N.

## GRADE 3:

In Grade 3 there are 3 classes of 25 pupils each. This means there are an additional 3 places available.

Entry into other Grades at the Prep will be subject to vacancies and will follow an interview with the Headmaster and will include an assessment.

### **GRADE 8:**

In Grade 8 we admit 156 pupils; we have 6 classes of 26 pupils per class. Admission is based on the boys' performance in our Entrance Exam together with their final Grade 7 report and a confidential report from their Prep School.

Boys from Bishops Prep are granted automatic entry but the Principal has the right to refuse entry in certain circumstances such as payment record, disciplinary record and academic performance.

Preference is also given to sons of ODs and siblings who meet the admission criteria.

Boys who are not admitted in Grade 8 may be placed on a waiting list and will be interviewed by the Principal should a vacancy arise.

Entry in subsequent grades will be subject to vacancies and will follow an interview with the Principal.