

# Ridgmont Lower School

## School Organisation

### Classes

Our school caters for boys and girls of all abilities aged between 3 and 9.

From September 2005 children have been able attend part time (9.00 a.m. - 12.00 a.m.) in the term following their third birthday and full time in the term following their fourth birthday. All children become statutory age at the start of the term following their fifth birthday.

Classes are organised as follows:-

- Class 1 - Years N and R (3-5 year olds)
- Class 2 - Years 1 and 2 (5-7 year olds)
- Class 3 - Years 3 and 4 (7-9 year olds)

For admission in **September** a child will have their third birthday on or between 1<sup>st</sup> April and 31<sup>st</sup> August (inclusive).

For admission in **January** a child will have their third birthday on or between 1<sup>st</sup> September and 31<sup>st</sup> December (inclusive).

For admission in **April** a child will have their third birthday on or between 1<sup>st</sup> January and 31<sup>st</sup> March (inclusive).

A copy of the school's admission policy can be obtained from the school office on request.

In Bedfordshire pupils transfer from Lower to Middle school at the end of Year 4, and from Middle to Upper school at the end of Year 8.

The Local Education Authority writes to parents of all pupils due to transfer, giving details of the transfer arrangements. Each pupil is allocated a place at a particular school, but parents may request an alternative placing if they wish.

Ridgmont is part of the Cedars/Vandyke pyramid of schools and most of our children would normally be expected to transfer to Fulbrook Middle School. However, children do also transfer to other middle schools.