





# Starting School in Hounslow

**Reception class and transfer to Junior School** 

Closing date for applications **15 January 2025** 

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#### **Reception class**

If your child was born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021 you will need to apply for a primary school place by 15 January 2025.

#### **Junior Transfer**

If your child is in year 2 in an infant school and born between 1 September 2017 and 31 October 2018 you will need to apply for year 3 place in a junior school by 15 January 2025.

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# Welcome



# **Cllr Samia Chaudhary**

**Cabinet Member for Education, Children, Skills and Employment** 

Choosing the school which will start your child's educational journey is an important decision, and parents and carers will be thinking about how to make the best choice for their child's future.

This brochure is intended to provide you with all the information you will need to apply for a school place for your child.

If your child was born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021, they are due to start primary school in September 2025, therefore, you must make an application for your child's primary school place before the deadline of 15 January 2025.

Good education is a crucial part of addressing inequality and create opportunities for all, and I firmly believe that every child in the borough has a right to outstanding education, regardless of their circumstances.

At the Council - and in every school across the borough - we passionately believe in the power of education to transform lives and provide brighter futures for our children and young people.

We're immensely proud that most of our primary schools are recognised by Ofsted as either 'Good' or 'Outstanding'. These schools have a strong track record for building solid foundations that are vital for children to enjoy learning throughout their lives.

While you may already have specific ideas about where you want your child to go to school, I urge you to explore the options available before the application deadline.

Some schools have specific criteria for admission, including faith-based requirements. Please research these criteria for your preferred school and be aware that you may need to complete supplementary forms as part of your application.

Do remember that you have six school preferences please use them all. If we cannot allocate a place in any of the schools you list on your form, we will offer your child a place in a school with vacancies.

On a final note, please ensure you submit your application by the deadline on 15 January 2025. If your application is late, it will not be processed until after 16 April 2025. This will severely reduce your chances of getting a place at one of your preferred schools.

Please rest assured that no matter which school your child starts at next September, they will be given the best possible education to help them succeed in life.

# **Introduction to Hounslow Primary Schools**

Your child's primary education is extremely important and will lay the foundations for all that comes afterwards. Hounslow Council looks forward to welcoming your child into a local school and to working with you as the parent or carer of one of our pupils.

### The high quality of Hounslow schools

Every Hounslow school aims to provide the best possible education for your child. Hounslow Council has a firm commitment to providing excellent education, ensuring that schools encourage children to develop to their full potential.

Parents are encouraged to play an important part in their children's education and your child's school will give you information on how to support your child with their learning.

All schools deliver the National Curriculum. Some schools have voluntary before and after school care schemes.

#### The curriculum

All schools offer a broadly similar curriculum which complies with the national curriculum. In Reception classes (up to the age of 5), the areas of learning are:

- Communication and language
- Personal, social, and emotional development
- Physical development
- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding of the world
- Expressive arts and design

From Year 1 to Year 6 children are taught the following subjects:

- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- Art
- **Design Technology**
- Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education (PSHE)
- History
- Geography
- Music
- Information and Communication Technology (ICT)
- Physical education (PE)

Religious education is taught according to the Hounslow agreed syllabus 'Widening Horizons'.

We are committed to ensuring that all children in Hounslow excel in their learning through a broad, balanced, exciting curriculum and that no child is left behind.





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#### **Understanding the Admissions Process**

If your child was born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021, they will start in the reception class in September 2025.

All applications must be made to your home local authority (the council you live in/pay your council tax to). You must use their common application form. For Hounslow residents this is online using eAdmissions at <u>www.hounslow.gov.uk/</u> <u>primaryadmissions</u>

You should use this form to apply for schools in and outside of Hounslow, except independent fee-paying schools.

### How school places are allocated

All schools are required to set their admission criteria by the Department for Education. The admission criteria are how they decide who they can give their school places to. Other personal circumstances e.g., childcare or transport arrangements cannot be considered.

Your application will be ranked in one criterion only. Make sure you check the admission criteria for the schools you are interested in. Each school will have different criteria e.g., some faith schools will give priority to practicing applicants of the faith. See pages 34-59.

You can apply for six schools. We strongly recommend you use all six preferences. If you only list one school this does not mean you will be given this school and does not give you a higher priority. We will only ask the admission authority of the schools you have listed on your application if they can give your child a place at their school. The more schools you list, the more chances you have of being offered a school that you want.

If the admission authority of the schools you have listed cannot give your child a place, then we will find a place at any school that still has vacancies after all the applications have been considered. This might be a school you did not consider and could be some distance away from your home.

You should list all your schools in order of preference with your most preferred school as number one. Schools will not know what preference they have been ranked as. We will ask the admission authority of each school that you have listed separately if they can give your child a place. If more than one admission authority can give your child a place, then you will be given the school that is listed highest in your order. Any lower preference will be withdrawn from your application.

## Getting Information

Read the information in this brochure Check the admission criteria for the schools you are applying for

You can apply for **6** 

**SCHOOLS** 

- Read the individual school prospectuses
   you can get these directly from the school or their website.
- Read our information guide at

### Age Range of Schools

#### Infant Schools

Infant schools provide education for children aged 4 to 7 years. The first year of infant school is called the Reception year for children who become 5 during that year. Years 1 and 2 then follow for children.

Most infant schools have nursery classes attached to them which cater for children aged 3 to 4. Please note that attendance in a nursery class at a particular school does not guarantee entry to the reception class of that school.

Children who attend infant schools will need to apply during year 2 to a junior school. Further information can be found on page 55-59.

#### Junior schools

Junior schools provide education for children aged 7 to 11 years. They cover four school years, Years 3-6. Children transfer to secondary school at the end of Year 6.

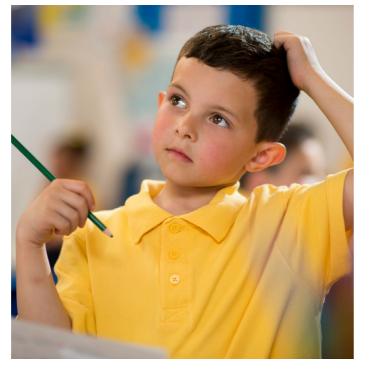
#### Primary Schools

Primary schools provide education across the whole primary age range of 4 to 11 years. They cover the reception year and Years 1 to 6. Most primary schools have nursery classes attached to them for children aged 3 to 4. Please note that attendance in a nursery class at a particular school does not guarantee entry to the reception class of that school. Children transfer to secondary school at the end of Year 6.

#### When children can start school

Children start school in the September of the year they turn 5, which means most children are 4 years old when they start school. Children born between 1 September 2010 and 31 August 2021 are eligible to start school in September 2025.

Children reach compulsory school age at the beginning of the term following their fifth birthday. Compulsory school age means the age when a parent is legally required to make sure that their child attends schools (or is educated other than at school).





#### Summer born – delayed admission

If your child is summer born (born between 1 April and 31 August), you may not want to send them to school until the September following their fifth birthday. If you decide to do this, when you apply, a place will be allocated in Year 1. If you consider that your child should not be admitted to Year 1, you may request that they are admitted outside of their normal age group – to reception rather than year 1.

You must make a separate written request at the same time as making your online application for your child's actual age group. You can upload supporting documentation if you wish to do so (use document type -out of year group on your eAdmissions application). Your application and request must be made by **15 January 2025**.

Before making your request, you are encouraged to discuss how your child's needs can be met in the Reception class at age 4 with the Headteacher of your preferred schools.

Children can access their reception year in any setting that is registered with Ofsted and meets the Early Years Foundation Stage Framework statutory requirements. This can be a childminder, pre-school, Day Nursery, or school reception class.

The admission authority for each school will decide based on the circumstances of your case and in the best interests of your child. You must set out the reasons why you are making the request and any relevant evidence you want us to consider which may include:

- The parents' views
- Recent information about your child's academic, social, and emotional development.
- Recent medical history and the views of a medical professional.
- Whether they have previously been educated out of their normal age group.
- Whether they may naturally have fallen into a lower age group if it were not for being born prematurely.

The views of the Headteacher will be an important part of this consideration. We may also gather information from any professionals involved with your child e.g., nursery education provider, educational psychologists, to consider whether any of the following apply:

- Whether your child shows significant delay in intellectual development/education skills, across all subject area, to an extent that curriculum differentiation (with appropriate SEN resources) is not reasonable.
- Whether your child's physical maturity places them in a position of being developmentally different from their peer group.
- Whether your child shows an equivalent delay in emotional development and social skills, appropriate for a younger peer group.

Your request will be considered, and you will be notified before 16 April. If it is agreed that your child can delay entry, you will need to make a new application for the following September, and this will be considered along with all the applicants for admission in that year. It is not possible to reserve a place for the following year. Therefore, there can be no guarantee of a place being available at the school, as this is dependent on the number of applicants that year. The decision will be reviewed once your child has started school at intervals agreed by the family and the school.

If your request is not agreed, you must decide whether to accept the place for your child's normal age group or to refuse it and make an in-year application for Year 1 for the September following your child's fifth birthday.

Parents have a statutory right of appeal against the refusal of a place at a school for which they have applied. This right does not apply if your child is offered a place at the school, but it is not in your preferred age group.



### **Deferred Admission**

Parents can choose to defer their child's start for a term or two (until they are of compulsory school age.) You will still need to make your application online as usual by **15 January 2025**. Once your child has been allocated a school place, you will need to write to the Headteacher to arrange the deferred admission.

Your child must take up the school place that has been allocated within this year group. If you do not take up the place, you will need to reapply again, and your child will be allocated a place in Year 1 (not Reception).



#### **Part-Time Admission**

Parents can choose to send their child to school on a part time basis. This may be preferable to deferring your child's entry until later in the school year as this will give them the opportunity to settle in gradually and start to make friends at the same time as other children in the class.

You will still need to make your application online as usual by **15 January 2025.** Once your child has been allocated a school place, you will need to contact the Headteacher to discuss the school's part time policy and how your child's needs can be met.

Compulsory school age from the following January:

A school place will be available from the September but can be deferred until January – the school place that your child has been allocated will be held once you have agreed this with the school.

Compulsory school age from the following April:

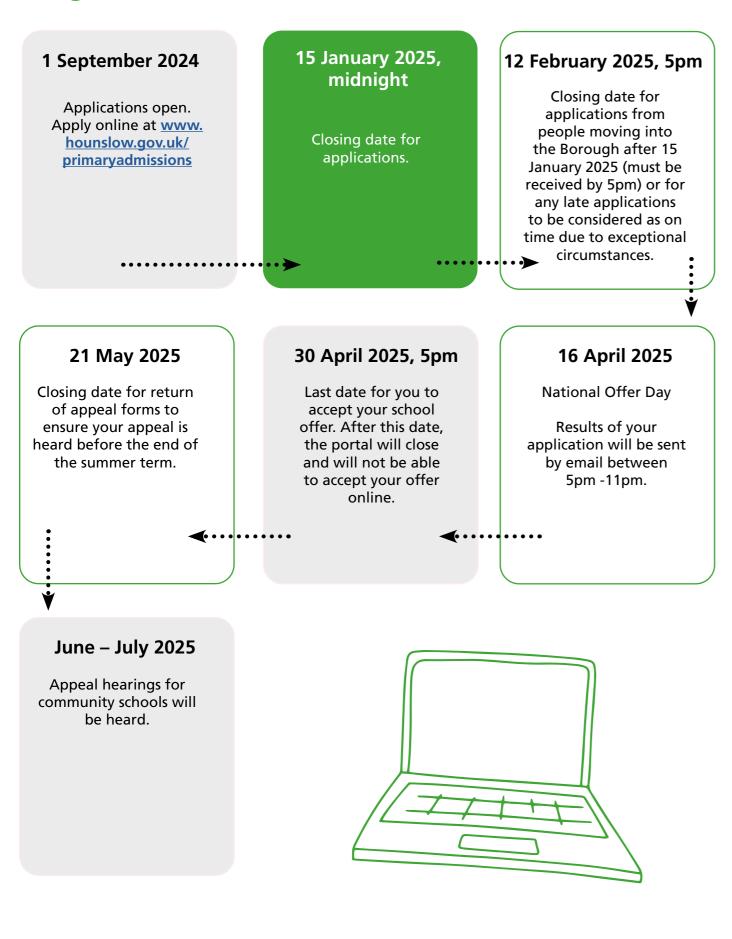
A school place will be available from the September before and can be deferred until January or April – the school place that your child has been allocated will be held once you have agreed this with the school.

Compulsory school age from the following September (which is then year 1 not reception):

A school place will be available from the September before and can be deferred until January or April – the school place that your child has been allocated will be held once you have agreed this with the school.

Your child must take up the school place that has been allocated within this year group. If you do not take up the place, you will need to reapply again, and your child will be allocated a place in Year 1 (not Reception).

# **Key Dates**



# **Myth Busters**

We know that the application process can be confusing and that rumours can circulate about what is best to do. The facts below will give you information and confidence to make your application.

MYTH: Making my application as soon as the application system opens means I will have a more chance of getting my preferred school.

**FACT:** School places are **not** allocated on a first come, first served basis. All applications received by the closing date, 15 January 2025, will be allocated based on the admission criteria of the school and not by date order.

MYTH: If I don't get a place at my preferred school, I will get a place at my nearest school anyway.

FACT: If we cannot allocate a place at your preferred school, you will be allocated the nearest school with a space available. If you have not listed any other preferences, you could be allocated a school some distance away from your home address as other parents who did express additional preferences will take priority for the nearer schools, even if those schools are nearer to you.

MYTH: Living near to a school gives you more priority for a place there.

FACT: Many schools do offer some priority based on distance from the school in their admission criteria, but this does not guarantee a place if there are other children who rank higher in the criteria. Just because someone living near to you was allocated a place last year, does not mean that you will also secure a place there. The distance from home to school is measured using the Local Authority measuring system. Please see page 33. Other measuring systems, such as google maps, may give a different measurement.

MYTH: It will not matter if I miss the application deadline.

FACT: Applications submitted after the deadline will not be processed until after all those submitted on time. This will delay you getting a school place and the school you prefer may already be full. If your preferred schools are already full, you may be allocated a school some distance away.

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**MYTH:** Listing only one school will give me a better chance of getting that school.

FACT: Listing only one school does not give you a better chance. If we are not able to give you that school, we will give you the nearest school with places available. If you have not listed any other preferences, you might be allocated a school some distance away as other parents who did express additional preferences will take priority for the nearer schools. Therefore we encourage parents to name more than one preference and strongly recommend listing your nearest school or schools as one of those preferences.

MYTH: My child's grandparents/childminder lives closer to the school; I can use their address to apply.

FACT: You must apply using your child's home address. If we discover that a false address has been used, we may withdraw your application at any stage of the process, even if you have already been offered a school place. See page 13 for more information.

**MYTH:** One of my children already goes to the school so my other child will automatically get a place.

FACT: Each child's school place must be applied for and there is no automatic allocation based on having a sibling at the same school. Many schools do offer some priority to siblings in their admission criteria, but this does not guarantee a place if there are other children who rank higher in the criteria. If your child does have a sibling attending the school already, make sure you indicate this on your application form. If you make a late application, we may not be able to give a place at that school.

MYTH: Having my child in the nursery/pre-school at my preferred school means I do not need to apply, and I get more priority for a place in reception.

FACT: All reception places must be applied for, regardless of whether your child is attending the attached nursery/pre-school. Attending the nursery or pre-school does not guarantee a place in the Reception class.



The closing date for applications is 15 January 2025.

Hounslow residents must apply online using eAdmissions via our website www.hounslow.gov.uk/primaryadmissions



# **Completing your application**

Before you start your application, you will need to register an account with eAdmissions. You will need an email address to register. You will be given a username and asked to set up a password.

Keep this information safe as we will communicate with you via your eAdmissions account. You will need it to log into your account to view your application, what school you have been offered and to accept the school.

If you already have an account, but cannot remember your username and password, you can reset this on the eAdmissions website. For

We will not accept possible future addresses as technical help with registering or logging into a basis for allocating school places. If you move the eAdmissions system please contact 020 8255 after submitting your application, you must 5555 (option1) or support@eadmissions.org.uk inform the School Admissions Team within two weeks of your move so that your application is A guide to setting up your account can be viewed considered using the correct address for school at www.eadmission.org.uk. admission purposes.

When you have finished making your application you will receive an electronic confirmation with your reference number. The reference number will be in this format: 313-2025-09-E-000001

If you do not receive a reference number, you have not submitted your application.

You will be able to review and make changes up to midnight on the closing date. You will also need to respond to the school you have been offered online.

#### Guidance on completing the application form

#### Your child's name

Please use your child's legal name as shown on their birth certificate.

#### Your child's date of birth

You should only be applying for reception class if your child's date of birth is between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021.

#### Your child's home address

The address used in an application must be that where an adult or adults with legal responsibility for the child lives. However, we may not use this if we consider it to be an address of convenience.

All school admission applications are subject to address checks to ensure school places are allocated fairly and in accordance with published admission arrangements. These checks may be made using council systems, agencies, fraud departments, other education settings, or other resources available to us. Applicants may also be asked to provide additional evidence to support their application.

It is for the home Local Authority to determine if, on the balance of probability, the address given on an application is a child's normal place of residence or is considered to be an address of convenience. Some examples of circumstances which may be considered an address of convenience are:

- Using the address of a relative, friend, childminder, or business
- Using the address of a parent with whom the child spends the minority of the week \* see shared or joint residence
- Purchasing a new property or renting accommodation and using this address to gain a school place, whilst continuing to own or rent an alternative property
- Owning a property which is or has previously been used as your home address and applying from another address to gain a school place, but still retaining ownership of the initial property
- Use of a local address whilst the child lives overseas \*see applying for children from abroad

In making a decision, the following factors will be taken into account alongside any evidence seen during the address checking process:

- The preference schools and if they are oversubscribed
- If the address being used gains an advantage in the admissions process
- The distance of the properties to the preference schools
- The length of time the arrangement has been in place
- Current education providers and services working with the family
- Any state benefits in payment

If we do not receive any information, your application will be considered incomplete, and we may not be able to make an offer.

If an address of convenience is found to have been used, the home Local Authority will determine the address to be used based on the evidence found in their investigations. Where this address or preference schools fall within another Local Authority, they may be consulted in the decision.

If a fraudulent address or address of convenience is found to have been used after the allocation of places, any offer made will also be withdrawn. This may be the case even if your child has started at the school.

If you are not registered to pay council tax, either because you are not liable or have recently moved, you will be asked to provide:

A mortgage statement/tenancy agreement and two of the following:

- Recent utility bill gas / electricity / water / TV licence
- Credit card statement or bank statement (not both)
- Driving licence
- Entitlement to benefits letter e.g. Child Benefit (pages 1 and 2) / Child tax credit /Housing benefit / Income support / Jobseekers' allowance / Universal Credit
- Inland Revenue document
- Pay slip / P45 / P60 (not more than 1 of these)
- Car / House Insurance certificate

- NHS medical card / GP registration
- Electoral register
- A letter confirming placement at your address from Social Services / National Asylum Support Service / United Kingdom Border Agency / Housing Department

Any proof of address provided must show your full name and match the details provided at the time of application.

Any supporting information not in English language must be accompanied by a certified translation.

If we are not satisfied with the documentation provided, we reserve the right to ask for additional evidence of the address used for your application.

#### Shared or Joint residence

The Local Authority will only accept one application per child and only one offer of a school place will be made.

We ask that parents work together to agree on the address to be used and the school preferences to be applied for. Any disagreements should be resolved before submitting an application. If parents are unable to reach an amicable agreement, then both parents should seek their own legal advice or recourse through the Family Courts. The Local Authority will not mediate between parents.

Where a child lives with parents with shared parental responsibility, each for part of a week, the address where the child lives is determined using a joint declaration from the parents stating the pattern of residence. The declaration (including the addresses of both parents) must be submitted at the time of making the original application.

If a child's residence is split equally between both parents, then parents will be asked to determine which residential address should be used for the purpose of admission to school.

If no joint declaration is received by the closing date and the residence is split equally, Hounslow will consider the address of the parent who is in receipt of Child Benefit or, if Child Benefit is not being received, the address at which the child is registered with a doctor (GP.) You must send us a copy of your latest benefit entitlement notice or your child's medical card. We may also ask for further evidence if required.

If the residence is not split equally between both parents, then the address used will be the address where the child spends most of the school week. It is for the home Local Authority to determine the address to be used for the allocation of a school place.

#### Change of address/preferences

The admissions regulations do not allow for any changes after 15 January 2025 unless you have a change of address before 12 February 2025.

If you move between 15 January 2025 and 12 February 2025, we can consider a request to change your address and school preferences. Change requests can be considered up to **5pm on 12 February 2025.** 

Any changes after 12 February 2025 will not be processed until 16 April 2025.

Address/ preference changes can only be accepted if suitable new proof of address is provided, and your child is living at the new address by 5pm on 12 February 2025. Each case will be considered individually. Please see 'home address' section on page 13 regarding address of convenience.

It is your responsibility to let us know about any changes which could impact your child's application for a primary school place within two weeks of the change. Failure to do so could result in your school place being withdrawn. We strongly advise you contact the school admissions team on **020 8583 2721** or email **admissions@hounslow.gov.uk** if you are considering a change.

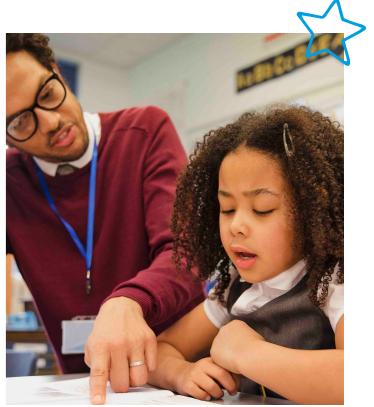
#### Applying for children from abroad (or from Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands)

This policy does not apply to Crown Servants, who are dealt with under the statutory provisions of the School Admissions Code \*see Members of UK Armed Forces and Crown Servants - see page 16.

If you and your child currently live abroad but intend to move to the London Borough of Hounslow, we will accept an application ahead of your arrival. Your application will be processed using the home address in the country where your child is currently residing even if your family is returning to a property you own in the UK. We will only accept a Hounslow address for admission purposes for the initial round of allocation on 16 April 2025 if your child is resident at the Hounslow address by 12 February 2025.

If we make an offer of a school place, your child will be expected to start on the first day of term in September 2025

Parents should ensure that their child has a **right of abode**, or the conditions of their visas otherwise permit them to access a state-funded school.



#### Members of the UK Armed Force and Crown Servants

Families of UK Service Personnel and other Crown servants are subject to frequent movement within the UK and from abroad. An official letter from the MOD, FCO or GCHQ should be submitted with the application detailing relocation date and a unit postal address or quarters in Hounslow and we will arrange for that address to be used throughout the admission process.

#### **Details of parent or carer**

This section needs to be completed by the parent or carer of the child, who will also need to indicate they have parental responsibility. We will only be able to discuss the application with the person/s named. Please add a second contact if required.

#### **Relationship to child**

Please indicate your relationship to the child (e.g., mother, father, grandmother, foster carer).

# Looked after and Previously looked after Children

Children who are looked after by a local authority or were previously looked after but immediately after being looked after, became subject to an adoption, child arrangements, or special guardianship order. A looked after child is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions (see the definition in Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989).

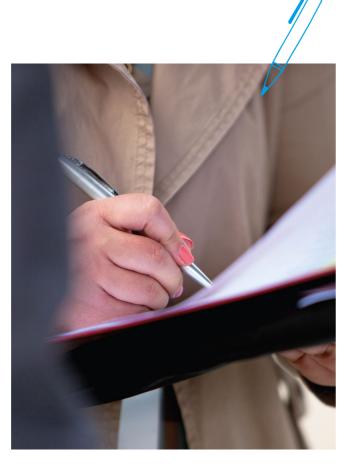
Looked after or previously looked after children include those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care because of being adopted. A child is regarded as having been in state care outside of England if they were in the care of or were accommodated by a public authority, a religious organisation, or any other provider of care whose sole or main purpose is to benefit society.

An adoption order is an order under the Adoption Act 1976 (see Section 12 adoption orders) and children who were adopted under the Adoption and Children Act 2002 (see Section 46 adoption orders). A 'child arrangements order' is an order settling the arrangements to be made as to the person with whom the child is to live under Section 8 of the Children Act 1989 as amended by Section 14 of the Children and Families Act 2014. Section 14A of the Children Act 1989 defines a 'special guardianship order' as an order appointing one or more individuals to be a child's special guardian (or special guardians).

Please ensure that you submit documentary evidence to support your application. This may be a letter and/or other documentary evidence from the child's social worker or other relevant professional. Consideration will not be given to this criterion unless the appropriate supporting documentation is provided at the time of application.

# Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP)

You do not need to complete this application if your child has an EHCP. Please see page 62 for further information. If your child is in the process of being assessed, please complete this application, and make us aware of the circumstances.



### **Exceptional Medical and Social need**

All Hounslow schools have experience of dealing with children with different social and medical needs. Occasionally there will be a very small number of children for whom exceptional medical and social needs will apply which will warrant a placement at a particular school.

Medical or social priority would normally only be given in exceptional circumstances if the child or a close family member has an illness or disability, or if there are any other exceptional social reasons, which means that one school is more suitable than another. Medical applications are considered on a case-by-case basis. The intention of the criteria is that it should normally only be applied to children who need to attend their nearest school.

Common medical conditions and allergies can usually be supported in all Hounslow mainstream schools. Therefore, priority under this criterion would not normally be given for these.

Some mainstream schools have units attached which provide specialist provision for children with an Education, Health and Care plan which names the school. The facilities in these units are not normally available to children in the mainstream school. Priority under a school's exceptional social or medical criterion would not normally be agreed for a mainstream place based on a specialist unit being attached to the school.

In addition, routine child-minding arrangements would not normally be an exceptional social reason for placement at a particular school.

The request for the admission authority to consider medical and social need priority must be submitted at the same time as making your application.

The application must be supported by compelling written evidence from a suitable professional such as a hospital consultant, a social worker or health visitor that sets out the reasons why this school is the most suitable and the difficulties that would be caused if the child had to attend another school.

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If the school is not the closest to home, the professional must set out in detail the wholly exceptional circumstances for attending this school and the difficulties if the child had to attend another school. Providing evidence does not guarantee that a child will be given priority at a particular school, and in each case a decision will be made based on the merits of the case and whether the evidence demonstrates that a placement should be made at this school over any other.

Your request will be carefully considered by a panel. The panel will ensure that the evidence is assessed objectively taking into account current admissions legislation guidance.

The notification date is **16 April 2025**. You will not be advised before this date whether your request for priority is agreed.

If priority is not granted, your application will be considered against the remaining criteria for the requested school.

#### **School Preferences**

You can list up to six state-maintained schools, including any voluntary aided (faith) schools, free schools and academies, and any schools in neighbouring local authorities, in order of your preference. Please do not name independent / private fee-paying schools on this form. Applications to these must be made separately. Please see individual school information on pages 34 - 59.

If the school you wish to apply for is not available as a preference, please contact the School Admissions team at <u>admissions@</u> <u>hounslow.gov.uk</u>.

#### **Reasons for Preference**

Schools can only use their published admission criteria to decide which children qualify for a place. It is not necessary to give reasons for your preferences. However, if there are medical or social reasons why your child should attend the school, please indicate these, and provide documentation. See page 17.



#### **Additional Forms – Supplementary Information Forms**

Some schools have additional Supplementary Information Forms (SIF) and /or a religious reference form to complete. These are available directly from the schools. These forms are necessary for the school governors to determine whether applicants meet their faith requirements or other criteria.

The SIF and all additional documents required must be returned to the school. If you do not complete a SIF, your application will still be considered but it will reduce the chances of your child being offered a place. This is because the school will not have any information to consider when deciding your application against its admission criteria. Your application will be ranked lower when decisions are made. It is important you complete all forms and return them directly to the school.

#### Your child's current nursery or early years provision

Please indicate the nursery your child is attending. If your child does not attend any early years provision, leave this blank.

Attending the nursery class does not guarantee or give priority for admission to the reception class of that school.

#### Sibling

To meet the sibling criterion, your child's sibling must be attending the preferred school at the time of application and be expected to still be attending in September 2025. You must complete the sibling details in the appropriate section. Please see page 33 for the sibling definition and further information.

We reserve the right to seek verification of the information parents have given on the application form and to withdraw the offer of a place if inadequate, inaccurate, deliberately misleading, or false information has been given.

### Children of school Staff

Some schools give priority for admissions to the children of staff. You should check the admission criteria of the school as not all schools give this priority and not all staff members are eligible. Please see individual school information on pages 34-59.

# **Duplicate applications**

The eAdmissions system only allows one application to be made for each child. Some parents manipulate the system by changing their child's name or date of birth to make a second application.

If we receive more than one application for the same applicant, or we believe an application has been manipulated, the last application received before the closing date will be considered. Any earlier applications will be discarded. If two or more applications have the same date, one application will be chosen at random.

#### Late Applications

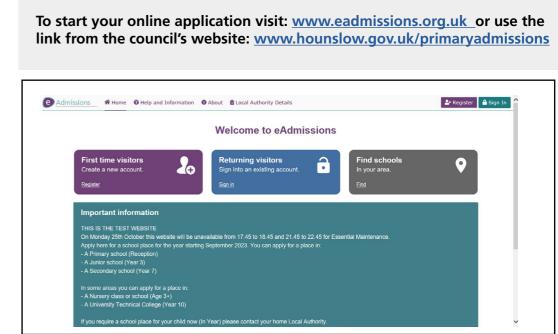
It is very important that you submit your application by the closing date of 15 January 2025.

If you apply after the closing date without a valid reason, your application will only be considered after 16 April 2025.

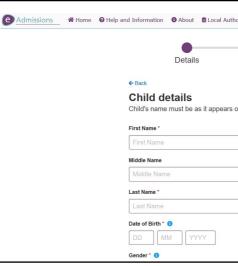
Submitting a late application greatly reduces your child's chance of an offer of a place at one of your preferred schools. If there is a good reason why you could not apply on time such as moving into Hounslow after the closing date, bereavement, hospitalisation or serious illness and you believe the late application should be considered on time, you must submit evidence to support the reasons for lateness with the application form by 5pm on 12 February 2025. No application can be accepted as on time after 12 February 2025.



# **Step by Step guide** to applying online



- register an account\*
- If you have previously applied using the online system, click 'returning visitor'. If you do not remember your username and password, you can reset your account\*
- You will need to validate your account before you can start your application.
- Enter your child's normal address only (see page 13) You will need to validate your address and accept the Privacy Notice before continuing.



- Enter your child's details. Make sure you enter the information accurately. Make sure that you only apply for a child born between 1 September 2020
- to 31 August 2021.
- If you enter the wrong date of birth, you will not be able to progress to the next step.



\*For instructions on how to register, or if you wish to reset your account, refer to guide on www.eadmissions.org.uk

If you have never used eAdmissions before click on 'First time visitor' to

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on their birth certificate		

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- Add your school preferences by first selecting the local authority that each school falls within.
- Make sure that you read the schools' admission criteria. This will be a guide as to the likelihood of being offered a place at the school you are interested in.
- Select and add the schools you wish to apply for. You can apply for up to six schools.
- For each school selected you will be asked several questions (such as whether there is a sibling at the school). Make sure you answer the questions correctly.

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Details ←Back Reception school pref	Preferences	Submit	Documents	List of schools      Map     Keywords
List the schools you want to apply for. Make sure you have read the Admissions The Admissions Policy is the set of rules Wake sure you list the schools in the orde your ist. Private schools are excluded. Cick here to find out what Local Authority Once you have selected your schools you Add school	s Policy for each school you have liste which will be used to decide the order or you prefer them. If you qualify for m y schools are available on this website	t. in which children will be offered th ore than one school, you will only b		Select a Local Authority Hounslow Select a school Please select

- Check all the details entered are correct.
- Read the declaration and tick the box to accept it.
- Click the 'Submit Application' button.
- After you have submitted your application, you will be able to upload documents.
- You will receive an email confirmation with your application reference 313-2025-09-E-00001. If you do not receive an application reference, your application has not been submitted.

		Declaration
Please check submit your a	ve supplied and then use the 'S g by your Home Local Authorit iounslow	By submitting this form I agree to the following:  I have read the admissions guidance issued by the Local Authority for each school I have selected. I wish to apply for a place at each of the schools name above and have listed these in my order of preference. I wilk keep the Local Authority informed of <b>any</b> change of circumstances (e.g. change of address) and failure to do so may make this application invalid or lead to the offer of a place being withdrawn. I understand that the Local Authority takes steps to verify any information relating to this application. I understand that the Local Authority relative is under a duty to protect the public funds it administers and may therefore share the information I have provided in this application within the Local Authority and with other bodies administering public funds, for the detection and prevention of fraud. I have read and accepted the above declaration Submit application

You must click the submit button by the closing date of 15 January 2025.

Your application will not be processed unless you have submitted the application and received your reference number

#### Being offered a place

If any school has more applicants than places available, the published admission criteria will be used to decide the order in which applicants will be offered places. The same process is carried out across London and decisions are made by all Admission Authorities by a common deadline and relayed back to the home local authority. This co-ordinated process eliminates multiple offers and will result in your child being offered the highest potential school you named in your list of preferences (if an offer can be made).

- If we can offer your child only one of the schools you applied for, your home local authority will offer you a place at that school, whatever borough or county the school is in.
- If we can offer your child more than one of the schools you applied for, your home local authority will look at your order of preference and offer you a place at the school that you have given a higher preference to on your application. All other lower ranked offers will be automatically withdrawn.
- If we cannot offer your child any of the schools you applied for and you are a London Borough of Hounslow resident, we will offer you a place at another school which has vacancies.

You will be sent an email with the results of your application during the evening of **16 April 2025 (after 5 pm)**. Click on the 'reply' button and follow the instructions to login to the eAdmissions website <u>www.eadmissions.org.uk</u> to accept your offer.

If you have been offered your first preference school, you will **only** receive the email offer. You must respond to your offer of a school by clicking on the 'reply' button and following the instructions to login to the eAdmissions website <u>www.eadmissions.org.uk.</u>

If you have not been offered your first preference school, we will send you a letter by first class post on 16 April 2025 that will give you more information about the process and what to do next.

You will need to respond to your offer online by **30 April 2025**. After this date it will not be possible to do this online as the portal will close and you will need to contact the School Admissions team at <u>admissions@hounslow.gov.</u> <u>uk</u>

#### Waiting Lists

Your child's name will be put on the waiting list of any school which is a higher preference than the school they have been offered. This means that any lower preference school will no longer be considered. The waiting lists will include those who have moved to the area and were unable to make an on-time application.

The waiting list will be held in the order of admission criteria, not in date order of when an application is received. This means your child's position can move down as well as up following the addition of any applications that may have a higher priority

The waiting list will be in operation until 31 August 2025. We will contact you again, in August 2025, to advise you how to stay on the waiting from September 2025.

It is not expected that many children will be admitted to schools from waiting lists as we get very few refusals of the school offered. Therefore, you should accept an alternative place in case we cannot offer you one of your preferred schools.

If you were unsuccessful in getting a place at any of your preferred schools, you have the option to apply for any school which you did not originally express a preference for. Although most schools are already full by this stage, your child's name will be added to the waiting lists.

#### Own Admission Authority Schools (e.g., Faith/ Academy)

These schools maintain and manage their own waiting lists. Please contact the school directly for any information regarding their waiting lists.

#### Schools outside Hounslow

For information on how waiting lists are maintained for schools outside the London Borough of Hounslow, please contact the relevant admission authority for the school. Contact details can be found on page 66.

#### **Appeals Procedures**

You can appeal the refusal of a place at any Hounslow school which you listed as a preference on your application form. This will be heard by an independent panel.

For **Hounslow Community Schools only**, (see page 26) you can download an appeal pack from the school appeal pages on our website www.hounslow.gov.uk/schoolappeals.

For all other Hounslow schools, please contact the school directly for their appeals process and return all forms directly to the school by the closing date below.

Completed appeal forms should be returned by **21 May 2025** to:

Clerk to the Appeals Panel Democratic Services Hounslow House 7 Bath Road Hounslow TW3 3EB

If you have any queries regarding the appeal process, contact Democratic Services at <u>schoolappeals@hounslow.gov.uk</u>.

If you appeal after the deadline, your appeal will still be scheduled, but it may be heard later than those who returned their appeal forms on time.

Please note that only one appeal per school may be made by a parent in any academic year unless there is a material and substantial change of circumstances.



#### Schools outside Hounslow

To appeal for a place at a school in another local authority, you will need to contact the appropriate authority directly. Contact details can be found page 66.

For further information on appeals, visit:

www.ace-ed.org.uk www.childrenslegalcentre.com

#### Infant Class Size Legislation

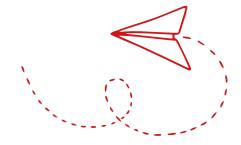
The law states that there must be no more than 30 pupils in an infant class (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2). An appeals panel can only allow more children in an infant class if they decide either:

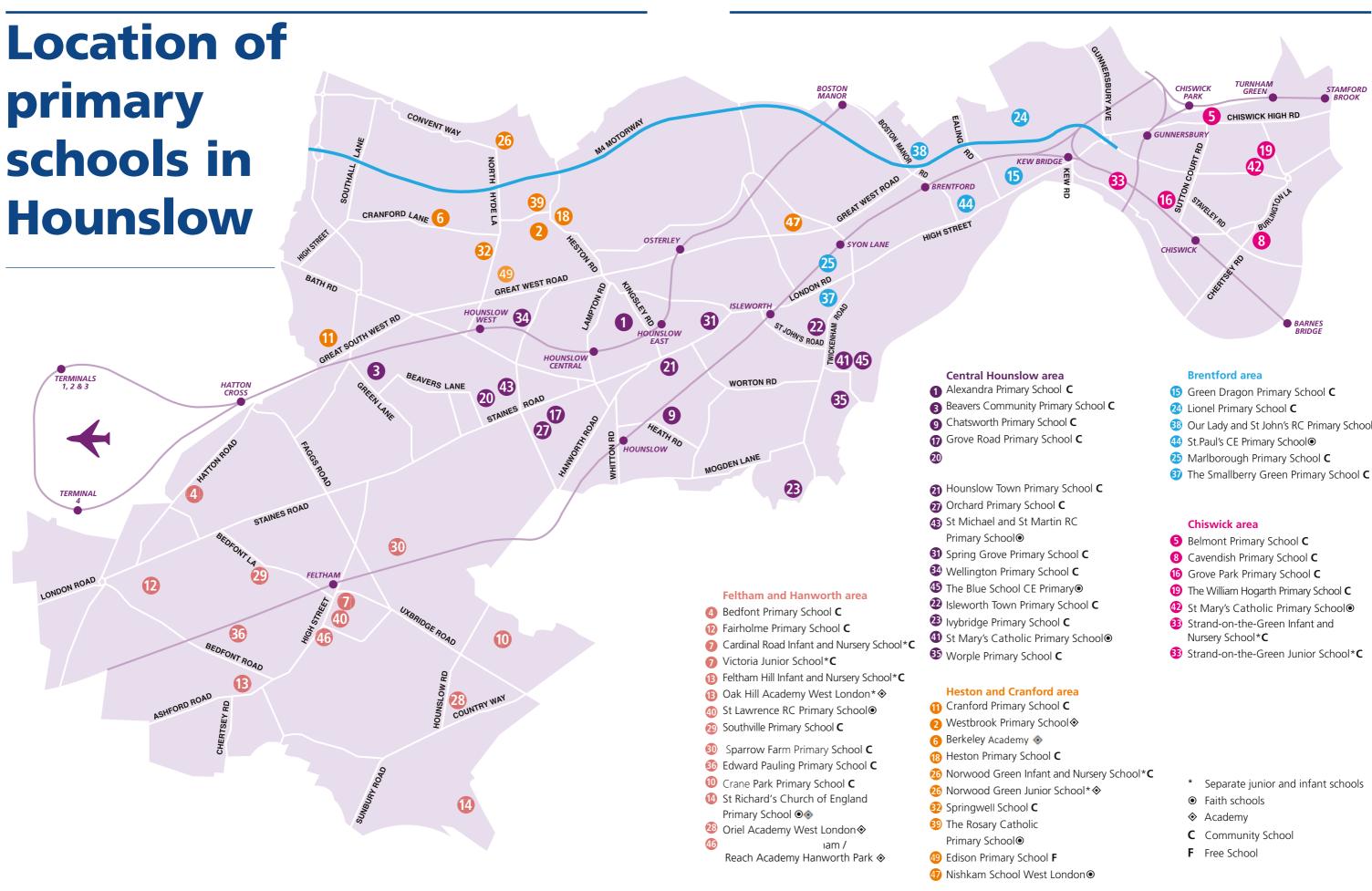
- That the admission arrangements did not comply with admissions law and the child would have been offered a place if the arrangements had complied.
- That the admission arrangements were not correctly and impartially applied, and the child would have been offered a place if the arrangements had been correctly and impartially applied.
- That the decision to refuse admission was not one which a reasonable admission authority would have made in the circumstances of the case.



# **School information**

For all school included in this brochure, children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.





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# **Primary Schools in Hounslow**

Infant and nursery schools admit children aged 3 to 7, junior schools aged 7 to 11 and primary schools aged 3 to 11.

#### Key

\* = Separate Junior and Infant schools

SIF = Supplementary Information Form - these schools require their own SIF to completed as well as your online application. All SIFs must be returned to the school by **15 January 2025**.

DfE = Department of Education number

#### **Community Schools**

Alexandra Primary School Denbigh Road, Hounslow, TW3 4DU T: 020 8570 6826 E: office@alexandra.hounslow.sch.uk www.alexandraprimaryschool.org

Executive Headteacher: Mr J Norton Published Admission Number: 90 DfE number: 313/2014

Beavers Community Primary School Arundel Road, Hounslow, TW4 6HR T: 020 8570 9347 E: office@beavers.hounslow.sch.uk www.beaversprimaryschool.co.uk

Headteacher: Ms S Smith Admission Number: 90 DfE number: 313/2073

Bedfont Primary School Hatton Road East, Bedfont, TW14 9QZ T: 020 8890 7472 E: office@bedfont.hounslow.sch.uk

Headteacher: Mrs G Donnelly Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/2083

www.bedfontprimary.co.uk

Belmont Primary School Belmont Road, Chiswick, W4 5UL T: 020 8994 7677 E: messages@belmont.hounslow.sch.uk www.belmontprimaryschool.org.uk

Headteacher: Ms E Lacey Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/2003 Cardinal Road Infant and Nursery School \* Cardinal Road, Feltham, TW13 5AL T: 020 8890 6306 E: office@cardinalroad.hounslow.sch.uk www.cardinalroad.co.uk

Headteacher: Mrs M Nowak Published Admission Number: 90 DfE number: 313/2006

Cavendish Primary School Edensor Road, Chiswick, W4 2RG T: 020 8994 6835 E: office@cavendish.hounslow.sch.uk www.cavendishschool.org.uk

Executive Headteacher: Ms C Frewer Published Admission Number: 30 DfE number: 313/2007

#### Chatsworth Primary School

Heath Road, Hounslow TW3 2NW T: 020 8560 6018 E: office@chatsworth.hounslow.sch.uk www.chatsworthprimaryschool.co.uk

Headteacher: Ms H Willis Published Admission Number: 90 DfE number: 313/3943

Crane Park Primary School Norman Avenue, Hanworth, TW13 5LN T: 020 8894 9047 E: office@cranepark.hounslow.sch.uk www.craneparkprimary.org

Headteacher: Ms A Small Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/2078

#### Cranford Primary School Berkeley Avenue, Cranford, TW4 6LB T: 020 8759 0305 E: office@cranfordprimary.hounslow.sch.uk www.cranfordprimary.com

Headteacher: Mrs J Chana Published Admission Number: 90 DfE number: 313/2004

Edward Pauling Primary School Redford Close, Feltham, TW13 4TQ T: 020 8831 0841 E: office@edwardpauling.hounslow.sch.uk www.edwardpauling.hounslow.sch.uk

Headteacher: Mrs F Sulma Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/2063

Fairholme Primary School Peacock Avenue, Bedfont, TW14 8ET T: 020 8890 2584 E: office@fairholme.hounslow.sch.uk www.fairholme.hounslow.sch.uk

Headteacher: Mrs G Harris Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/2079

Feltham Hill Infant and Nursery School\* Bedfont Road, Feltham, TW13 4LZ T: 020 8890 3814 E: office@fhi.hounslow.sch.uk www.fhi.hounslow.sch.uk

Headteacher: Ms A White Published Admission Number: 120 DfE number: 313/2021

Green Dragon Primary School North Road, Brentford, TW8 OBJ T: 020 8568 3971 E: admin@greendragon.hounslow.sch.uk www.greendragonprimary.co.uk

Headteacher: Mrs N O'Hara Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/2081 Grove Park Primary School Nightingale Close, Chiswick, W4 3JN T: 020 8994 7405 E: info@grovepark.hounslow.sch.uk www.groveparkprimary.co.uk

Headteacher: Ms R Davies Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/2022

Grove Road Primary School Cromwell Road, Hounslow, TW3 3QQ T: 020 8570 6132 E: office@groveroad.hounslow.sch.uk www.groveroadprimary.co.uk

Headteacher: Ms L Gray Published Admission Number: 30 DfE number: 313/2071

Heston Primary School Heston Road, Heston, TW5 0QR T: 020 8572 5597 E: info@heston-pri.hounslow.sch.uk www.hestonprimaryschool.co.uk

Headteacher: Mrs C Behar Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/3944

Hounslow Heath School Martindale Road, Hounslow, TW4 7HE T: 020 8570 1332 H: office@hounslowheathschool.com www.hounslowheathschool.com

Headteacher: Ms R Aulakh Admission Number: 150 DfE number: 313/2049



Hounslow Town Primary School School Road, Hounslow, TW3 1QZ T: 020 8570 1747 E: admissions@hounslowtownprimary.co.uk www.hounslowtownprimary.co.uk

Headteacher: Ms L Khalil Published Admission Number: 150 DfE number: 313/2033

Isleworth Town Primary School Twickenham Road, Isleworth, TW7 6AB T: 020 8560 5701 E: office@isleworthtown.hounslow.sch.uk www.isleworthtown.hounslow.sch.uk

Headteacher: Mrs E Sheedy Published Admission Number: 120 DfE number: 313/2034

Ivybridge Primary School Summerwood Road, Isleworth, TW7 7QB T: 020 8891 2727 E: office@ivybridge.hounslow.sch.uk www.ivybridgeprimaryschool.net

Headteacher: Ms J Hilton Published Admission Number: 30 DfE number: 313/2061

Lionel Primary School Lionel Road North, Brentford, TW8 9QT T: 020 8560 5323 E:office@lionel.hounslow.sch.uk www.lionelprimaryschool.co.uk

Headteacher: Ms M Hone Published Admission Number: 90 DfE number: 313/2036

Marlborough Primary School London Road via Darcy Road, Isleworth, TW7 5XA T: 020 8560 3978 E: office@marlborough.hounslow.sch.uk www.marlboroughschool.net

Headteacher: Mrs K Gill Published Admission Number: 90 DfE number: 313/2037 Norwood Green Infant and Nursery School\* Thorncliffe Road, Southall, UB2 5RN T: 020 8574 1456 E: office@norwoodgreen-inf.hounslow.sch.uk www.norwoodgreeninfants.org.uk

Headteacher: Mr D Willetts Admission Number: 90 DfE number: 313/2039

The Orchard Primary School Orchard Road, Hounslow, TW4 5JW T: 020 8570 6247 E: office@tops.hounslow.sch.uk www.orchardprimary.com

Headteacher: Ms C Haslam Published Admission Number: 90 DfE number: 313/3942

The Smallberry Green Primary School Turnpike Way, Isleworth, TW7 5BF T: 020 8580 2070 E: office@smallberrygreen.hounslow.sch.uk www.smallberrygreen.org

Headteacher: Ms H Holton Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/2064

Southville Primary School Bedfont Lane, Feltham, TW14 9NP T: 020 8890 6745 E: office@southville.hounslow.sch.uk www.southville.hounslow.sch.uk

Headteacher: Ms J Lacey Published Admission Number: 90 DfE number: 313/2030

Sparrow Farm Primary School Sparrow Farm Drive, Feltham, TW14 0DG T: 020 8890 7194 E: info@sparrowfarm.hounslow.sch.uk www.sparrowfarm.hounslow.sch.uk

Headteacher: Mrs A Cella Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/2040 Spring Grove Primary School

Star Road, Isleworth, TW7 4HB T: 020 8560 0965 E: admin@springgrove.hounslow.sch.uk www.springgroveprimary.london

Headteacher: Mrs S Colley Published Admission Number: 30 DfE number: 313/2044

Springwell School Speart Lane, Heston, TW5 9EF T: 020 8570 5702 E: office@springwell.hounslow.sch.uk www.springwell.org.uk

Headteacher: Mrs K Grewal Admission Number: 90 DfE number: 313/2035

#### Strand-on-the-Green Infant and Nursery School\* Thames Road, Chiswick, W4 3NX T: 020 8994 7921 E: communications@strandin.hounslow.sch.uk

www.standinfantandnursery.co.uk

Headteacher: Ms V Townsend Published Admission Number: 90 DfE number: 313/2048

Strand-on-the-Green Junior School\* Thames Road, Chiswick, W4 3NX T: 020 8994 7847 E: office@strandjuniors.hounslow.sch.uk www.strandjuniors.co.uk

Headteacher: Ms R Woods Published Admission Number: 90 DfE number: 313/2047

Victoria Junior School\* Victoria Road, Feltham, TW13 4AQ T: 020 8890 9624 E: office@victoria.hounslow.sch.uk www.victoriajunior.co.uk

Headteacher: Mr D Lee Published Admission Number: 90 DfE number: 313/2024 Wellington Primary School Sutton Lane, Hounslow, TW3 4LB T: 020 8570 6130 E: office@wellington.hounslow.sch.uk www.wellington.hounslow.sch.uk

Headteacher: Mrs D Norton Published Admission Number: 90 DfE number: 313/2050

The William Hogarth Primary School Duke Road, Chiswick, W4 2JR T: 020 8994 4782 E: admin@hogarth.hounslow.sch.uk www.williamhogarthschool.co.uk

Headteacher: Ms A Stockley Published Admission Number: 30 DfE number: 313/2082

Worple Primary School Queens Terrace, Isleworth, TW7 7DB T: 020 8321 8100 E: office@worple.hounslow.sch.uk www.worple.hounslow.sch.uk

Executive Headteacher: Ms M Leenders Published Admission Number: 30 DfE number: 313/2051

# Voluntary Aided Schools (Faith Schools) SIF

The Blue School CE Primary SIF North Street, Isleworth, TW7 6RQ T: 020 8560 6721 E: admissions@theblueschool.com www.theblueschool.com

Headteacher: Mr M White Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/3300

Our Lady and St John's RC Primary School SIF Boston Park Road, Brentford, TW8 9JF T: 020 8560 7477 E: admin@stjohnrc.hounslow.sch.uk www.ourladyandstjohns.org.uk

Headteacher: Mrs S Cunningham Published Admission Number: 30 DfE number: 313/3502 The Rosary Catholic Primary SIF 10 The Green, Heston, TW5 ORL T: 020 8570 4942 E: office@rosary.hounslow.sch.uk www.rosary.hounslow.sch.uk

Executive Headteacher: Mrs K Cunningham Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/3941

St Lawrence RC Primary School SIF Victoria Road, Feltham, TW13 4FF T: 020 8890 3878 E: office@st-lawrence.hounslow.sch.uk www.st-lawrencesprimary.co.uk

Headteacher: Mr L Duggan Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/3503

St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Chiswick SIF Duke Road, Chiswick, W4 2DF T: 020 8994 5606 E: office@stmarys.hounslow.sch.uk www.stmarychiswick.org.uk

Headteacher: Ms L Keene Published Admission Number: 30 DfE number: 313/3505

#### St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Isleworth SIF South Street, Isleworth, TW7 7EE T: 020 8560 7166 E: office@smi.hounslow.sch.uk www.smi.hounslow.sch.uk

Headteacher: Mr F Marsh Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/3504

St Michael and St Martin RC Primary School SIF Belgrave Road, Hounslow, TW4 7AG T: 020 8572 9658 E: office@stmichaelrc.hounslow.sch.uk www.stmichaelandstmartin.co.uk

Headteacher: Mrs N Duggan Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/3507 St. Paul's CE Primary School St Paul's Road, Brentford, TW8 OPN T: 020 8560 3297 E: office@stpauls.hounslow.sch.uk www.stpauls.hounslow.sch.uk

Headteacher: Mrs J Wright Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/3302

#### **Free Schools**

Edison Primary School Vicarage Farm Road, Hounslow, TW5 0AQ T: 020 8873 3337 E: info@edisonprimary.org www.edisonprimary.org

Headteacher: Ms. G Valentin Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/2029

#### Nishkam School West London SIF

152 Syon Lane, Osterley, TW7 5PN T: 020 3141 8760 E: enquiries.NSWL@nishkamschool.org www.nishkamschooltrust.org

Headteacher: Mrs S Rai Published Admission Number: 108 DfE number: 313/4002

#### Reach Academy Feltham SIF

53-55 High Street Feltham, TW13 4HU T: 020 8893 1099 E: info@reachacademy.org.uk www.reachacademyfeltham.com

Primary Headteacher: Ms M Browne Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/4000

Reach Academy Hanworth Park SIF 53-55 High Street Feltham, TW13 4HU T: 020 8893 1099 E: info@reachacademy.org.uk www.reachacademyfeltham.com

Co- Headteachers: Ms M Browne & Mr L Everett Published Admission Number: 90 DfE number: 14/3037

#### **Academy Schools**

Berkeley Academy Cranford Lane, Heston, TW5 9HQ T: 020 8570 5700 E: office@berkeley.hounslow.sch.uk www.berkeleyacademy.org.uk

Chief Executive: Mr K Prunty Headteacher: Ms K Panesar Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/2075

Norwood Green Junior School\* Thorncliffe Road, Southall, UB2 5RN T: 020 8574 1726 E: office@ngjs.hounslow.sch.uk www.ngjs.co.uk

Headteacher: Mrs P Sehgal Admission number: 90 DfE number: 313/2038

Oak Hill Academy West London Ashford Road, Feltham TW13 4QP T: 020 8890 4560 E: office@oakhill-aspirations.org www.oakhill-aspirations.org

Executive Principal: Ms E Linney Published Admission Number: 120 DfE number: 313/2020

#### Oriel Academy West London

Hounslow Road, Hanworth, TW13 6QQ T: 020 8894 9395 E: office@oriel-aspirations.org www.oriel-aspirations.org

Executive Principal: Ms E Linney Published Admission Number: 60 DfE number: 313/2005 St Richard's CE Primary School Forge Lane, Hanworth, TW13 6UN T: 020 8898 0848 E: office@strichards.hounslow.sch.uk www.strichardsschool.org.uk

Headteacher: Mrs J Stilwell Published Admission Number: 30 DfE number: 313/2015

Westbrook Primary School Westbrook Road, Heston, TW5 ONB T: 020 8570 9942 E: office@westbrookprimary.co.uk www.westbrookprimary.com

Headteacher: Dr M Tatters Published Admission Number: 90 DfE number: 313/2062



# Common definitions

To avoid repetition, the following common definitions will apply unless indicated otherwise in the school's criteria.

For all schools included in this brochure, children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

# Looked after and previously looked after children

Children who are looked after by a local authority or were previously looked after but immediately after being looked after, became subject to an adoption, child arrangements, or special guardianship order. A looked after child is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions (see the definition in Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989).

Looked after or previously looked after children include those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. A child is regarded as having been in state care outside of England if they were in the care of or were accommodated by a public authority, a religious organisation, or any other provider of care whose sole or main purpose is to benefit society.

An adoption order is an order under the Adoption Act 1976 (see Section 12 adoption orders) and children who were adopted under the Adoption and Children Act 2002 (see Section 46 adoption orders). A 'child arrangements order' is an order settling the arrangements to be made as to the person with whom the child is to live under Section 8 of the Children Act 1989 as amended by Section 14 of the Children and Families Act 2014. Section 14A of the Children Act 1989 defines a 'special guardianship order' as an order appointing one or more individuals to be a child's special guardian (or special guardians). Please ensure that you submit documentary evidence to support your application. This may be a letter and/or other documentary evidence from the child's social worker or other relevant professional. Consideration will not be given to this criterion unless the appropriate supporting documentation is provided at the time of application.

#### **Exceptional Medical and Social Need**

All Hounslow schools have experience of dealing with children with different social and medical needs. Occasionally there will be a very small number of children for whom exceptional medical and social needs will apply which will warrant a placement at a particular school.

Medical or social priority would normally only be given in exceptional circumstances if the child or a close family member has an illness or disability, or if there are any other exceptional social reasons, which means that one school is more suitable than another. Medical applications are considered on a case-by-case basis. The intention of the criteria is that it should normally only be applied to children who need to attend their nearest school.

Common medical conditions and allergies can usually be supported in all Hounslow mainstream schools. Therefore, priority under this criterion would not normally be given for these.

Some mainstream schools have units attached which provide specialist provision for children with an education, health and care plan which names the school. The facilities in these units are not normally available to children in the mainstream school. Priority under a school's exceptional social or medical criterion would not normally be agreed for a mainstream place based on a specialist unit being attached to the school.

In addition, routine child-minding arrangements would not normally be an exceptional social reason for placement at a particular school.

The request for the admission authority to consider medical and social need priority must be submitted at the same time as making your application. The application must be supported by compelling written evidence from a suitable professional such as a hospital consultant, a social worker or health visitor that sets out the reasons why this school is the most suitable and the difficulties that would be caused if the child had to attend another school.

If the school is not the closest to home, the professional must set out in detail the wholly exceptional circumstances for attending this school and the difficulties if the child had to attend another school.

Your request will be carefully considered by a panel. The panel will ensure that the evidence is assessed objectively taking into account current admissions legislation guidance.

Providing evidence does not guarantee that a child will be given priority at a particular school, and in each case a decision will be made based on the merits of the case and whether the evidence demonstrates that a placement should be made at this school over any other.

Not all schools offer this priority. Please see individual school information on pages 34-59.

#### Sibling

Children who will have a brother or sister, including all blood half, step, adoptive and foster brothers, and sisters of the child (not cousins) who live at the same home as the child on roll in the linked infant, linked junior or primary school in September 2025. This would not apply if the sibling was due to leave in July 2025.

#### **Twins/Triplets/Multiple births**

If the school has one place to offer and the next child on the waiting list is one of twins, triplets or other children of multiple births, the Local Authority will offer both twins, all triplets or children of multiple birth a place even if this means temporarily going over the published admission's number. These children will be considered as 'excepted pupils' until such time as the published admission number reverts.

#### Distance

In order to be fair to all applicants, Hounslow has a standard method of measuring the home to school distance. For all schools where the Local Authority (LA) is the Admissions Authority (AA) for the school and any schools where the Admissions Authority (the Governing Body or Academy Trust) has a policy to use the LA's measuring system, the walking route is measured by using a geographical information system.

It starts from a "seed point" which is a point of measurement in the footprint of the home address. The seed point is provided by the Local Land and Property Gazetteer (LLPG) from information compiled by the Local Authority or from the National Land Property Gazetteer (NLPG) for addresses outside our borough.

From the seed point, the route firstly connects to the nearest node of the digitised network. It will always measure using the centre of the road nearest to this point even if your home address is on the corner of two roads. The positioning of front doors, driveways and back gates are not relevant to the route or the measurement and are not programmed to be used by the measuring system. The digitised network is constructed from road data supplied by Ordnance Survey called OS Mastermap Highways Network. OS Mastermap Highways Network has been accurately digitised to measure along the centre of the road, the LA has no control over how OS digitise the road and footpath network.

The network starts from the seed point in the property provided as the child's address and continues by the walking route to the nearest of the school gates which is used by pupils to enter the school grounds. Where there are multiple applications with equal distances, the LA's database will randomly order these.

The walking route is established using an algorithm within the software used by the LA. This programme integrates with the LA's database (Synergy/School Admissions Management) which is supplied by Access UK Ltd (www.theaccessgroup.com)

Other measuring systems may give a different measurement but the Local Authority cannot take a measurement from another measuring system.

# **Hounslow Community Infant** and Primary Schools

# **Admission criteria**

Please see school list on page 26.

The criteria below have been summarised. The full admission arrangements can be found at www.hounslow.gov.uk/admissions.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

- 1. Looked after or previously looked after children\*
- 2. Exceptional medical or social need
- 3. Sibling\*
- 4. Children of staff children of any member of staff, regardless of role in the school where:

i.) The member of staff has been employed directly by the school for two or more years at the time of application or

ii.) The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage

5. Distance\*

\*Common definitions can be found on page 32

### Tie Breaker

If there is one place available and two or more children next in order of priority or next on the waiting list meet the appropriate criterion equally, the place will be allocated using distance\*

## **Appeals**

Appeal forms for community schools can be downloaded from www.hounslow.gov.uk/ schoolappeals

## How places were offered in 2024:

See page 54



# **Berkeley Academy**

# Admission criteria

The criteria below have been summarised. Please refer to the school website for the full admission policy and arrangements.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

- 1. Looked after or previously looked after children\*
- 2. Exceptional medical or social need\*
- 3. Sibling\*
- 4. Children of members of staff regardless of their role in the academy, children of any member of staff in either or both of the following circumstance:

i.) Where the member of staff has been an employee of the academy for two years or more continuously at the time at which the application for admission to the academy is made, and/or

ii.) Where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage

5. Distance\*

\*Common definitions can be found on page 32

# How places were offered in 2024:

Criteria	LAC	Med/Soc	Sibling	Staff	Distance	Published Admission Number
Allocatio	n O	0	21	2	37*	60

Total applications received: 149 \*last distance offered – all offered



### **Tie Breaker**

If there is one place available and two or more children next in order of priority meet the appropriate criterion equally, the place will be allocated using distance\*

# Appeals

# 36 **The Blue School**

Supplementary Information Form required – forms available from the school website. Return completed forms directly to the school by 15 January 2025.

#### Admission criteria

The criteria below have been summarised. Please refer to the school website for the full admission policy and arrangements.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

- 1. Church of England looked after children and previously looked after children\*
- 2. Active membership by the child's family of a Church of England Church - family relates to the child's permanent legal carer. This includes either a parent or parents or permanent legal carer/s or permanent legal guardian/s.
- 3. All other looked after children and previously looked after children\*
- 4. Active membership by the child's family of another Christian denomination.
- 5. An applicant who desires a religious background to education and is an active member of another faith

#### 6. Any other children

In the event of over-subscription in any of the above categories, the Governors will give priority in the following order:

i) An applicant with a sibling still attending the school at the time of entry.

ii) Proximity between home to school (see Distance\*).

\*Common definitions can be found on page 32

#### **Tie breaker**

In the highly unlikely event that children identically fulfil all the above criteria, the School's policy of a 'tie breaker' will come into effect. Places will therefore be awarded by means of 'random allocation.' This process will be supervised by a person who is independent of the school

#### Appeals

Contact the school directly for information on how to make an appeal.

# **Edison Primary School**

### Admission criteria

The criteria below have been summarised. Please refer to the school website for the full admission policy and arrangements.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

- 1. Looked after or previously looked after children\*
- 2. Exceptional medical or social need
- 3. Sibling brother or sister (that is, another child of the same parents, whether living at the same address or not) a half-brother or half-sister or a stepbrother or stepsister or an adoptive or foster sibling, living as part of the same family unit, at the same address
- 4. Children of staff employed by the school - where the member of staff has been recruited to fulfil a skills shortage.
- 5. Proximity to school (see distance\*) once the first four priorities have been met, the Trust will then allocate 70% of the places according to proximity to the school gate.

#### How places were offered in 2024:

Criteria	CE -LAC	Active Member of CE	Other LAC	Active member of other Christian faith	Active member of other faiths	Any other children	Published Admission Number
Allocation	0	13	0	14	8	21	60

Total applications received: 151

#### How places were offered in 2024:

Criteria	LAC	Med/Soc	Sibling	Staff	Distance	Published Admission Number
Allocation	0	1	22	1	32*	60



6. Any other children - where there are more applications that meet this criterion than there are places in the school, places will be allocated by the use of an electronic ballot system, which will be independently operated.

\*Common definitions can be found on page 32

### **Appeals**

Supplementary Information Form required forms available from the school website. Return completed forms directly to the school by 15 January 2025.

### **Admission criteria**

The criteria below have been summarised. Please refer to the school website for the full admission policy and arrangements.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

#### Category 1 – Faith based places

- 1. Looked after or previously looked after children\* – applying for a faith place.
- 2. Siblings\* applying for a faith place.
- 3. Children of staff applying for a faith place. Children of all teaching and non-teaching staff who have been employed at the school for at least two years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made, or a member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

Remaining Faith-based places will be allocated in the following order.

- 1. Child (and/or parent/s or guardian/s) is/are Amritdhari (formally initiated) Sikhs.
- 2. Keshdhari Sikh child (has uncut hair).
- 3. Child (and/or parent/guardian) is/are baptised (or formally initiated) in their respective religion.

#### Category 2 – Open Places

- 1. Looked After or Previously Looked After Children\*
- 2. Siblings\*
- 3. Children of staff children of all teaching and non-teaching staff who have been employed at the school for at least two years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made, or a member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

All other open place applicants will be ranked by proximity to the school using the distance\* measurement.

The following process will be followed when the 'faith' and 'open' place categories are undersubscribed or oversubscribed.

#### a. Undersubscription within a category

If the school is undersubscribed within a category, additional offers will be made to children from the other category until the admission number of 100 is met or all applicants have been offered a place

#### b. Oversubscription within a category or subcategory

Where the number of applications is greater than the admission number, all applications will be ranked using the oversubscription criteria set out above. Thereafter, all other applications will be ranked using proximity to the school based on the distance\* measurement.

\*Common definitions can be found on page 32

#### How places were offered in 2024:

Criteria				Faith Based Place	Open Places						
	LAC	Sibling	Staff	Faith (Amritdhari)	Faith (Keshadhari)	Faith (other)	LAC	Sibling	Staff	Distance	Pub
Allocation	1	13	0	10	26*	5	0	45	0	9**	

Total applications received: 249

\*last distance - 1.40 miles \*\*last distance - 0.723 miles

#### **Tie Breaker**

Random allocation will be used as a tie-break to decide who has highest priority for admission if the distance between two children's homes and the school is the same. This process will be independently verified. If a tie-break is required in earlier categories to decide who has priority for admission between two children, distance from the school will be used to decide as measured above.

### Appeals

Contact the school directly for information on how to make an appeal

ublished Admission Number

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# **Oriel Academy West London**

### **Admission criteria**

The criteria below have been summarised. Please refer to the school website for the full admission policy and arrangements.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

- 1. Looked after or previously looked after children\*
- 2. Children with a sibling attending Oriel Academy
- 3. Children of teaching staff in the following circumstances:

i.) The member of teaching staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time which the application for admission to the school is made, or

ii.) Newly appointed staff filling a post with a demonstrable skill shortage

4. Children who live nearest to the school – see distance\*

\*Common definitions can be found on page 32

### How places were offered in 2024:

Criteria	LAC	Med/Soc	Sibling	Staff	Distance	Published Admission number
Allocation	0	0	15	0	14*	60

Total applications received: 63

\*last distance - all offered

#### Tie Breaker

If there is one place available and two or more children next in order of priority meet the appropriate criterion equally, the place will be allocated using distance\*

#### **Appeals**

Contact the school directly for information on how to make an appeal.

# Our Lady and St John Catholic Primary School

Supplementary Information Form required – forms available from the school website. Return completed forms directly to the school by 15 January 2025.

#### **Admission criteria**

The criteria below have been summarised. Please refer to the school website for the full admission policy and arrangements.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

- 1. Catholic looked after or previously looked after children\*
- 2. Catholic children who have a sibling at the school at the time of admission.
- 3. Catholic children who are resident in the Parish of St John the Evangelist, Brentford in order of distance\* from the school.
- 4. Other Catholic children in order of distance\* from the school.
- 5. Other looked after and previously looked after children\*

### How places were offered in 2024:

Criteria	Catholic LAC		olic with oling		olic in Othe arish Cathol				
Allocation	0		4	6	7			0	
Criteria	Catechun and East Christian C	ern	Other Ch with le			er faiths n letter	-	/ other ildren	Published Admission Number
Allocation	4		urch 1			4		4	30

- 6. Catechumens and members of an Eastern Christian Church
- 7. Children of other Christian denominations whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion.
- 8. Children of other faiths whose membership is evidence by a religious leader.
- 9. Any other children.

Within each of the categories listed above, the following provisions will be applied in the following order:

i.) Where evidence is provided at the time of application of an exceptional social, medical or pastoral need of the child which can most appropriately be met at this school, the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made.

ii.) The attendance of a brother or sister at the school at the time of enrolment will increase the priority of an application within each category so that the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made after children in (i.)

\*Common definitions can be found on page 32

### **Appeals**

# **Reach Academy Feltham**

# Admission criteria

The criteria below have been summarised. Please refer to the school website for the full admission policy and arrangements.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

- 1. Looked after or previously looked after children\*
- 2. Exceptional medical and social need
- 3. Children who attend Reach Academy Feltham Nursery and are eligible for the Early Years Pupil Premium
- 4. Children with a sibling at Reach Academy Feltham
- 5. Up to 20 children living in TW13 or TW14 who are eligible for the Pupil Premium – If you wish to be considered under this criterion, please complete the school's supplementary information form. This can be obtained from the school office or downloaded from the school website and should be returned to the school (not the Local Authority) by 15 January 2025.

- 6. Up to 2 places for children of staff at Reach Academy Feltham - see school website for full details of eligibility.
- 7. Other children living in TW13 or TW14
- 8. Any other children.
- \*Common definitions can be found on page 32

### Tie breaker

If any applicants have equal rights under any of the criteria, places will be allocated using an electronic ballot system, which will be independently monitored.

### **Appeals**

Contact the school directly for information on how to make an appeal.

# **Reach Academy Hanworth Park**

# **Admission criteria**

The criteria below have been summarised. Please refer to the school website for the full admission policy and arrangements.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

- 1. Looked after or previously looked after children\*
- 2. Exceptional medical and social need
- 3. Sibling\* (from 2025)
- 4. Up to 30 children living within 5 miles of Reach Academy Hanworth Park who are eligible for Pupil Premium - see distance\* definition for how distance will be measured. If you wish to be considered under this criterion, please complete the school's supplementary information form. This can be obtained from the school office or downloaded from the school website and should be returned to the school (not the Local Authority) by 15 January 2025.

# How places were offered in 2024:

C	Criteria	LAC	Early Years Pupil Premium attending nursery	Med/ Soc	Sibling	Pupil Premium	Staff	TW13, TW14 Postcode	Any other children	Published Admission Number
AI	location	1	3	0	22	6	0	29	0	60

Total applications received: 322

## How places were offered in 2024:

Criteria	LAC	Pupil Premium	In 5 mile catchment	Total
Allocation	0	9	51	60

# (new school)

- 5. Up to 3 places for children of staff at Reach Academy Hanworth Park - see school website for full details of eligibility.
- 6. Other children living within 5 miles of Reach Academy Hanworth Park - see distance\* definition for how distance will be measured
- 7. Any other children.
- \*Common definitions can be found on page 32

### Tie breaker

If any applicants have equal rights under any of the criteria, places will be allocated using an electronic ballot system, which will be independently monitored.

## Appeals

# The Rosary Catholic Primary School

Supplementary Information Form required – forms available from the school website. Return completed forms directly to the school by 15 January 2025.

### **Admission criteria**

The criteria below have been summarised. Please refer to the school website for the full admission policy and arrangements.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

- 1. Catholic looked after and previously looked after children\*
- 2. Baptised Catholic children with a Certificate of Catholic Practice who are resident in the parish of Heston, Cranford or Osterley.
- 3. Other baptised Catholic children with a Certificate of Catholic Practice.
- 4. Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5. Other looked after children and previously looked after children\*
- 6. Children of catechumens and members of an Eastern Christian Church
- 7. Children of Christians of other denominations with a Baptismal Certificate or a Certificate of Dedication and whose application is supported by a letter from their minister confirming membership of the parish community.
- 8. Children of other faiths whose application is supported by a letter from a religious leader, confirming membership of the faith community.
- 9. Any other children

In the event of oversubscription within each or any of the above categories, places will be awarded in each category in the following order:

i.) Applicants with exceptional social, medical or pastoral needs.

ii.) Applicants with a brother/sister at the school at the time of enrolment.

\*Common definitions can be found on page 32

# Appeals

Contact the school directly for information on how to make an appeal.

# How places were offered in 2024:

Criteria	Catholic LAC	Baptised Catholic with CCP in Parish	•		Other LAC	Catechumens and Eastern Christian Church	Other Christian with baptismal certificate and letter	Other faiths with letter	Any other children	Published Admission Number
Allocation	0	14	4	3	0	3	2	1	14	60

# St Lawrence Catholic Primary School

Supplementary Information Form required – forms available from the school website. Return completed forms directly to the school by 15 January 2025..

#### **Admission criteria**

The criteria below have been summarised. Please refer to the school website for the full admission policy and arrangements.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

- 1. Catholic looked after children and previously looked after children\*
- 2. Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* at the school at the time of admission and with Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP)
- 3. Baptised Catholic children whose parent is a member of staff who has been employed at St Lawrence Catholic Primary School for two or more years at the time of application and/or Catholic children of a member of staff who has been recruited to fill a vacancy for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage
- 4. Baptised Catholic children who reside in the parish of St Lawrence (as per the parish boundary map on the school website) and who practice weekly as evidenced by the CCP.
- 5. Baptised Catholic children who do not reside in the parish of St Lawrence (as per the parish boundary map on the school website) and who practice weekly as evidenced by the CCP.
- 6. Baptised Catholic children who reside in the parish of St Lawrence (as per the parish boundary map on the school website), who do not meet criteria 1-5.

- 7. Baptised Catholic children who do not reside in the parish of St Lawrence (as per the parish boundary map on the school website) who do not meet criteria 1-5.
- 8. Non-Catholic looked after children or previously looked after children\*
- 9. Non-Catholic children whose parent is a qualified teacher who has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time of application or a member of staff who has been recruited to fill a vacancy for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
- 10. Catechumens and members of an Eastern Christian Church.
- 11. Christians of other denominations whose application is supported either by a certificate of baptism or by a minister of religion.
- 12. Children of other faiths whose application is supported by a religious leader.
- 13. Any other children.
- \*Common definitions can be found on page 32

#### How places were offered in 2024:

Criteria	Catholic LAC	Baptised Catholic with CCP and sibling		Baptised Catholic with CCP in parish	Baptised Catholic with CCP not in parish	Baptised Catholic in parish who do not meet criteria 1-5	Baptised Catholic not in parish who do not meet criteria 1-5	Non-Catholic LAC	Non- Catholic staff	Catechumens and Eastern Christian Church	Other Christian with letter	Other faiths with letter	Any other children	Published Admission Number
Allocation	0	25	0	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60

### **Appeals**

# <sup>48</sup> St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Chiswick

Supplementary Information Form required – forms available from the school website. Return completed forms directly to the school by 15 January 2025.

#### **Admission criteria**

The criteria below have been summarised. Please refer to the school website for the full admission policy and arrangements.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

- 1. Catholic looked after children and previously looked after children\*
- 2. Catholic candidates, with a Certificate of Catholic Practice, resident within the catchment area at the time of application (see school website for catchment area)
- 3. Catholic candidates without a Certificate of Catholic Practice resident within the catchment area at the time of application.
- 4. Catholic Candidates resident outside the

catchment area at the time of application.

- 5. Other looked after or previously looked after children
- 6. Candidates who are Catechumens or members of an Eastern Orthodox Church
- 7. Candidates from other Christian denominations
- 8. Candidates of other faiths
- 9. Other Candidates

In the event of oversubscription within each or any of the above categories, places will be awarded in each category in the following order:

i.) Candidates with exceptional social, medical, or pastoral needs.

ii.) Candidates with a sibling of statutory school age attending the school at the time of admission (not application). If there are more siblings in any category, places will be allocated using an electronic random allocation system, which will be independently operated.

iii.) Candidates who are attending St Mary's Catholic Primary School Nursery between September 2024 and 15 January 2025.

\*Common definitions can be found on page 32

#### **Appeals**

Contact the school directly for information on

# St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Isleworth

Supplementary Information Form required – forms available from the school website. Return completed forms directly to the school by 15 January 2025.

#### **Admission criteria**

The criteria below have been summarised. Please refer to the school website for the full admission policy and arrangements.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

- 1. Baptised Catholic looked after children and previously looked after children\*
- 2. Baptised Catholic children living in the parishes of:
  - Our Lady of Sorrows & St Bridget's, Isleworth
  - St Vincent de Paul, Osterley
  - St Margaret of Scotland, St Margaret's Twickenham

## How places were offered in 2024:

Criteria	Catholic LAC	Catholic with CCP in catchment			tholic in tchment	Catholic not in catchment	Other LAC
Allocation	1	9		6		1	0
Criteria	Other I	LAC	Christian w letter	/ith	Any other children	Published Ad	mission Number
Allocation	0		2		7		30

### How places were offered in 2024:

Criteria	Baptised Catholic LAC	Baptised Catholic in parish	Other baptised Catholic	Other LAC	Other Christian with baptismal certificate	Any other children	Published Admission Number
Allocation	0	32	12	1	14	11	60

Total applications received: 152

- 3. Other baptised Catholic children.
- 4. Other looked after or previously looked after children\*
- 5. Other Christian children with a baptismal certificate or certificate of recommendation
- 6. Any other children

If the school is oversubscribed the following priority will be applied to each of the above criteria.

i.) Top priority will be given to any child within each of the above criteria who has a social, medical or pastoral need which can only be met at St Mary's Catholic Primary School Isleworth.\*

ii.) Priority will be given to any child within each of the above criteria who has a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.

Then, if the school is still oversubscribed proximity of the child's residence to the school is used (see distance\* definition). For applicants who live the same distance from the school, Hounslow Council's database will randomly order these.

\*Common definitions can be found on page 32

# Appeals

# <sup>50</sup> St Michael and St Martin Catholic Primary School

Supplementary Information Form required – forms available from the school website. Return completed forms directly to the school by 15 January 2025.

#### **Admission criteria**

The criteria below have been summarised. Please refer to the school website for the full admission policy and arrangements.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

- 1. Catholic looked after and previously looked after children\*
- 2. Baptised Catholic children with an original Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP) who have a sibling at the school at the time of admission
- 3. Baptised Catholic children with an original CCP who resident in the Parish of St Michael and St Martin
- 4. Other baptised Catholics with an original CCP who do not reside in the parish of St Michael and St Martin
- 5. Other baptised Catholics without a CCP

- 6. Other looked after and Non-Catholic looked after and previously looked after children\*
- 7. Catechumens and members of an Eastern Christian Church.
- 8. Children of Christians of other denominations whose application is supported by a letter from their minister confirming membership of their faith community.
- 9. Children of other faiths whose application is supported by a letter from their religious leader confirming membership of the faith community.
- 10. Any other children.

Within each of the categories listed above, the following provisions will be applied in the following order.

(i) Exceptional social, medical or pastoral need of the child which can most appropriately be met at this school.

(ii) Sibling\* - The attendance of a brother or sister at the school at the time of enrolment will increase the priority of an application within each category.

\*Common definitions can be found on page 32

#### Tie Breaker

Priority will be given to children living closest to the school determined by distance\*.

**Appeals** - Contact the school directly for information on how to make an appeal.

# St Paul's CE Primary School

### **Admission criteria**

The criteria below have been summarised. Please refer to the school website for the full admission policy and arrangements.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

- 1. Looked after or previously looked after children\*
- 2. Siblings\*
- 3. Children of staff applicants whose parents are member of staff, regardless of role in the school where:

a. The member of staff has been directly employed by the school for two of more years at the time of application or

b. The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage

4. Distance

\*Common definitions can be found on page 32

#### How places were offered in 2024:

Criteria	Catholic LAC	Baptised Catho with CCP and sibling			Baptised Catholic with CCP not in parish				Other LAC
Allocation	1	24		35*	0		0		0
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Allocation		0	0		0		0		60

Total applications received: 235

\*Last distance offered - 0.689 miles

### How places were offered in 2024:

Criteria	LAC	Sibling	Staff	Distance	Published Admission Number
Allocation	0	7	0	23*	30

Total applications received: 99 \*Last distance offered – 1.042 miles

# Tie breaker

If there is one place available and two or more children next in order of priority meet the appropriate criterion equally, the place will be allocated using distance\*

# **Appeals**

# **St Richard's Church of England Primary School**

### Admission criteria

The criteria below have been summarised. Please refer to the school website for the full admission policy and arrangements.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

- 1. Looked after and previously looked after children\*
- 2. Children who have a sibling\* already attending the school at the time of admission
- 3. Children who live within the Parish of St Richard of Chichester, Hanworth. You can find out if you live in the parish by entering your postcode at <u>www.achurchnearyou.com/</u> parishmap.php
- 4. All other applicants with priority being given to those who live nearest to the school (see distance\*).

\*Common definitions can be found on page 32

### How places were offered in 2024:

Criteria	LAC	Sibling	Children in Parish	Distance	Published Admission Number
Allocation	0	9	12	2*	30

Total applications received: 45

\*last distance offered – all offered

#### **Tie Breaker**

In the event that two children live the same distance from the school, then a decision will be made using random allocation.

### **Appeals**

Contact the school directly for information on how to make an appeal.

# Westbrook Primary **School**

### Admission criteria

The criteria below have been summarised. Please refer to the school website for the full admission policy and arrangements

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

- 1. Looked after or previously looked after children\*
- 2. Exceptional medical and social need
- 3. Sibling\*
- 4. Children of members of staff who have been employed by Westbrook Primary for two or more years at the date of application or, if employed for less than two years, were recruited to fill a vacant post for which there was a demonstrable skill shortage with priority given to those living closer to the school (see distance\*)
- 5. Distance\*

\*Common definitions can be found on page 32

### How places were offered in 2024:

Criteria	LAC	Med/Soc	Sibling	Staff	Distance	Published Admission Number
Allocation	0	0	23	2	34*	90

Total applications received: 141 \*Last distance offered – all offered



# **Tie breaker**

If there is one place available and two or more children next in order of priority or next on the waiting list meet the appropriate criterion equally, the place will be allocated using distance\*

## **Appeals**

# Allocations by Hounslow Schools and last distance offered – September 2024

School Name	SEN	Looked After	Medical Social	Sibling	Staff	Distance - last distance offered	PAN	Total on time Applications
Alexandra Primary				37	2	51 – 0.545 miles	90	310
Beavers Primary				37		37 - all offered	90	172
Bedfont Primary				16	1	41 - all offered	60	140
Belmont Primary	1	1		28		30– 0.409 miles	60	317
Berkeley Academy				21	2	37 – all offered	60	175
Blue School			1	See pa	ge 36		60	151
Cardinal Road I&N				25	1	64 – 0.835 miles	90	257
Cavendish Primary				8		20 – all offered	30	90
Chatsworth Primary				34		53 – all offered	90	176
Crane Park Primary				28		17 – all offered	60	90
Cranford Primary				28		56 – all offered	90	138
Edison Primary				13		27 - all offered	60	187
Edward Pauling Primary				23	1	32 – all offered	60	159
Fairholme Primary				15	I	22 – all offered	60	88
Feltham Hill I&N				15		96 – all offered		
				-			120	268
Green Dragon Primary				25		32 - all offered	60 60	123
Grove Park Primary				21		39 – 0.985 miles	60	242
Grove Road Primary				11		19 – 0.631 miles	30	175
Heston Primary			-	19		27 – all offered	60	158
Hounslow Heath School		1	3	47		92 – all offered	150	293
Hounslow Town Primary				50		80 – all offered	150	304
Isleworth Town Primary				39	2	49 -all offered	90	294
Ivybridge Primary				8		7 – all offered	30	43
Lionel Primary				30	1	40 – all offered	90	204
Marlborough Primary				25	1	34 – all offered	90	202
Nishkam School West London				See pa	ge 38		108	249
Norwood Green I&N				22	1	33 – all offered	90	107
Orchard Primary		1		36		26 – all offered	90	137
Oriel Academy				15		14 – all offered	60	63
Our Lady & St. John RC Primary				See pa	ige 41		30	71
Reach Academy				See pa	ge 42		60	322
Rosary RC Primary				See pa	ge 44		60	81
The Smallberry Green Primary				12	1	44 – all offered	60	196
Southville Primary				37		42 – all offered	90	151
Sparrow Farm Primary				17		33 – all offered	60	106
Spring Grove Primary		1		8		21 – 0.355 miles	30	277
Springwell School				17		25 – all offered	90	139
St. Lawrence RC Primary				See pa	ae 16	25 dironered	60	174
St. Mary's RC Primary- Chiswick				See pa	-		30	85
St. Mary's RC Primary- Isleworth				See pa	ge 49		60	152
St. Michael & St. Martin RC Primary				See pa	ge 50		60	235
St. Paul's CofE Primary				See pa	ige 51		30	99
St. Richard's CofE Primary				See pa	-		30	45
Strand on the Green I&N		1		26	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	62 – 1.351 miles	90	259
		1		26	I	62 – 1.228 miles	90	
Wellington Primary				-	2			244
Westbrook Primary The William Hogarth Primary				23 4	2	34 – all offered 18 - all offered	90 30	141 76
Primary Worple Primary				11		19 – 0.952 miles	30	128

# **Transferring to Junior School**

If your child is born between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018 and is currently in Year 2 in an infant school, you must apply for a Year 3 place in a junior school by 15 January 2025.

All Hounslow residents with children in a separate Infant school in Year 2 will need to apply online using eAdmissions. Please see the completing your application information on page 12.

Further information can be found on our website • Cardinal Road Infant and Nursery School www.hounslow.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

Complete the application naming your preferred junior schools, whether they are junior schools in the London Borough of Hounslow or junior schools outside the borough. Do not name any primary schools or private schools.

Children attending an infant school have top priority for admission to the linked junior school after Looked after or previously looked after children. Once linked infant school applicants have been placed, other external applicants will be considered in accordance with the published admission criteria for each school. You are strongly advised to apply to your linked junior school. The list of linked schools is below.

However please be aware that your child can only be admitted to a different junior school if there are vacancies after all applications from its linked infant school have been admitted.

If you want to make an application for a Year 3 place in a primary school, you must make an online in-year application. In- year applications for Year 3 places in primary schools can only be considered from 1 July 2025 (summer term 2025). More information about the in-year application process is available on page 60.

#### Your application outcome

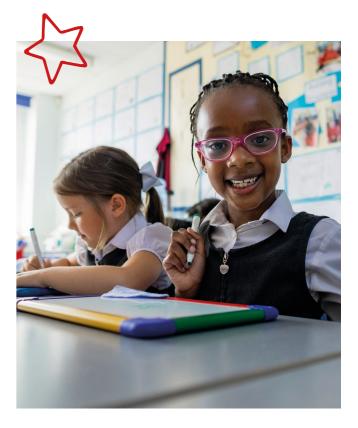
You will be sent an email advising you of the result of your application on the evening of 16 April 2025 (after 5pm).

## Late applications

It is very important that submit your application by the closing date of 15 January 2025. Late applications will only be considered after the allocation of all applications received on time. Please see page 18 regarding late applications and page 10 for key dates.

### Linked schools

- linked to Victoria Junior School
- Norwood Green Infant and Nursery School linked to Norwood Green Junior School
- Strand on the Green Infant and Nursery School linked to Strand on the Green Junior School



#### Admission of children outside their normal age group

It is usual practice for children to be educated in school year groups as determined by their date of birth, however there is no statutory barrier to children being admitted outside their normal age group. Parents/carers do not have the right to insist that their child is admitted to a particular age group but may make a request for this to happen.

Department for Education guidance states that: 'The government would agree that, in general, children should be educated in their normal age group, with the curriculum differentiated as appropriate and that they should only be educated out of their normal age group in very limited circumstances'. If you have any concerns, you should seek support from your child's current school.

Before making your decision, you are encouraged to discuss how your child's needs can be met in a Year 3 class with the Headteacher of your preferred schools.

You must make a separate written request at the same time as making your online application for your child's actual age group. You can upload supporting documentation if you wish to do so (use document type -out of year group). Your application and request must be made by 15 January 2025.

If your child is currently being educated outside of their normal age group, please contact us on admissions@hounslow.gov.uk or 020 8583 2711, to enable you to make an online application.

The admission authority for each school will decide based on the circumstances of your case and in the best interests of your child. You must set out the reasons why you are making the request and any relevant evidence you want us to consider which may include:

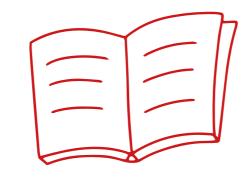
- The parents' views
- Recent information about your child's • academic, social, and emotional development
- Recent medical history and the views of a medical professional
- Whether they have previously been educated out of their normal age group

The views of the Headteacher will be an important part of this consideration. We may also gather information from any professionals involved with your child to consider whether any of the following apply:

- Whether your child shows significant delay in intellectual development/education skills, across all subject area, to an extent that curriculum differentiation (with appropriate SEN resources) is not reasonable
- Whether your child's physical maturity places them in a position of being developmentally different from their peer group
- Whether your child shows an equivalent delay in emotional development and social skills, appropriate for a younger peer group

Your request will be considered, and you will be notified before 16 April 2025. If your request is agreed, the Admission Authority will advise you of how to proceed with your application.

Parents have a statutory right of appeal against the refusal of a place at a school for which they have applied. This right does not apply if your child is offered a place at the school, but it is not in your preferred age group.



# **Hounslow Community Junior Schools**

#### Admission criteria

Please see school list on page 26.

The criteria below have been summarised. The full admission arrangements can be found at www.hounslow.gov.uk/admissions

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

- 1. Looked after or previously looked after children\*
- 2. Linked infant schools see page 55 for list of linked schools
- 3. Exceptional Medical and Social Need\*
- 4. Sibling\*
- 5. Children of staff children of any member of staff, regardless of role in the school where:

i.) The member of staff has been directly employed by the school for two or more years at the time of application or

ii.) The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage

6. Distance\*

\*Common definitions can be found on page 32

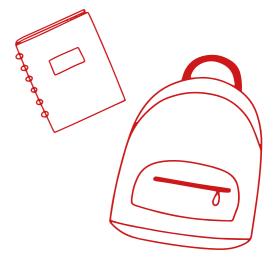


## **Tie Breaker**

If there is one place available and two or more children next in order of priority or next on the waiting list meet the appropriate criterion equally, the place will be allocated using distance\*.

# **Appeals**

Appeal forms can be downloaded from www.hounslow.gov.uk/schoolappeals



# **Norwood Green Junior School**

## Admission criteria

The criteria below have been summarised. Please refer to the school website for the full admission policy and arrangements.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

- 1. Looked after or previously looked after children\*
- 2. Linked infant school children
- 3. Exceptional Medical and Social Need\*
- 4. Sibling\*
- 5. Children of staff children of any member of staff, regardless of role in the school where:

i.) The member of staff has been directly employed by the school for two or more years at the time of application or

ii.) The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage

6. Distance\*

\*Common definitions can be found on page 32

#### Tie Breaker

If there is one place available and two or more children next in order of priority or next on the waiting list meet the appropriate criterion equally, the place will be allocated using distance\*.

### **Appeals**

Contact the school directly for their appeal forms and process

# **Oak Hill Academy West London**

### Admission criteria

The criteria below have been summarised. Please refer to the school website for the full admission policy and arrangements.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school will be allocated a place before any other allocations are made. Further information can be found on page 62.

Where the number of children applying by the published closing date exceeds the number of places published, the applications are considered in the following order of priority:

- 1. Looked after or previously looked after children\*
- 2. Children with a sibling attending Oak Hill Academy in the academic year of admission
- 3. Children of teaching staff employed by Oak Hill Academy West London where:

i.) the member of teaching staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time which the application for admission is made or

ii.) children of newly appointed staff, filling a post with a 'demonstrable skills shortage'

- 4. Children who have attended any named **Aspirations Academy**
- 5. Children currently attending Feltham Hill Infant and Nursery School - children who are in Year 2 attending Feltham Hill Infant School will be given priority under this criteria due to the shared site and Oak Hill Academy being the nearest Junior School to Feltham Hill Infant School. Where there are more applications than places available, each application will be ranked in accordance with the published oversubscription criteria detailed within this policy
- 6. Children for whom this is the nearest school measured by distance\*

\*Common definitions can be found on page 32



#### **Tie Breaker**

If there is one place available and two or more children next in order of priority or next on the waiting list meet the appropriate criterion equally, the place will be allocated using distance\*.

## **Appeals**

Contact the school directly for their appeal forms and process.

#### **In-Year Admissions**

An in-year admission is when an application for a school place needs to be made outside the normal admission round (the first year of entry to a school). In most cases your reason for making an in-year application will be that you have moved to a new address, moved from abroad or you would like to transfer your child from one to school to another.

### Changing your child's school

Changing schools within the school year is disruptive and not usually in the child's best interests. We recommend that before requesting a transfer, you discuss your reasons with senior staff at your child's school. They will be happy to discuss any concerns.

After full consultation with the school, if you still wish to transfer your child, you will need to complete the online in-year common application form. Places can only be offered if a school has a vacancy in the relevant year group, and there may already be a waiting list. Once we have processed the form, we will advise if it is possible to offer your child a place.

You should not withdraw your child from their current school unless you have secured a place at another school.

# In-year admissions for schools outside Hounslow

We only manage in-year applications for schools in the London Borough of Hounslow. If you are applying for a school outside the borough please contact the school directly, or the local authority in which the school is located. Your application will be considered by that school or local authority, and they will advise you directly of the outcome.

#### New or returning to the UK

Parents should ensure that their child has a right of abode, or the conditions of their visas otherwise permit them to access a state- funded school in the UK.

#### How to apply

To apply for a school in the London Borough of Hounslow, you will need to complete Hounslow's online in-year common application form. The link to the application can be found at <u>www.</u> hounslow.gov.uk/applyingforschoolsinhounslow

Some schools also require you to complete their own Supplementary Information Form. These forms can be downloaded from each school's website.

You can name up to three primary schools, listed in order of preference. Each of your preferences will be considered individually under each school's admission criteria. If more than one of your preferred schools can be offered, we will offer you a place at the school ranked highest on your application.

For in-year admissions to Berkeley Academy Primary please contact the school directly on 020 8570 5700.

Please see page 13 for proof of address information.

#### Waiting lists

If you are not offered your first preference school, your child's name will be placed on the waiting list for any schools which you listed as a higher preference until the end of that academic year. All waiting lists are cancelled at the end of each year and you will need to make a new application for each year.



# Admissions of children outside their normal age group

It is usual practice for children to be educated in school year groups as determined by their date of birth, however there is no statutory barrier to children being admitted outside their normal age group. Parents/carers do not have the right to insist that their child is admitted to a particular age group but may make a request for this to happen.

Department for Education guidance states that: 'The government would agree that, in general, children should be educated in their normal age group, with the curriculum differentiated as appropriate and that they should only be educated out of their normal age group in very limited circumstances.'

Before making your request, you are encouraged to discuss this with the class teacher and the Headteacher of your current school.

You must make a separate written request at the same time as making your online application for your child's actual age group. You can upload supporting documentation if you wish to do so.

The admission authority for each school will decide based on the circumstances of your case and in the best interests of your child. Your request must set out the reasons why you are making the request and any relevant evidence you want us to consider which may include:

- the parents' views
- recent information about your child's academic, social and emotional development
- recent medical history and the views of a medical professional
- whether they have previously been educated out of their normal age group

The views of the Headteacher will be an important part of this consideration. We may also gather information from any professionals involved with your child to consider whether any of the following apply:

- Whether your child shows significant delay in intellectual development/education skills, across all subject area, to an extent that curriculum differentiation (with appropriate SEN resources) is not reasonable
- Whether your child's physical maturity places them in a position of being developmentally different from their peer group
- Whether your child shows an equivalent delay in emotional development and social skills, appropriate for a younger peer group

If your request is agreed, the Admission Authority will advise you of how to proceed with your application.



#### **Special Educational Needs**

Most children and young people with Special Educational Needs and/or disabilities (SEND) will have their needs met within local mainstream early years settings, schools or colleges. Hounslow ensures there are arrangements in place within these settings for identifying, assessing and making provision for pupils with SEND.

Each school has a Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCO) who manages SEND provision. If you believe your child has difficulties with their learning or may have a special educational need, it is always advisable to discuss this with the Headteacher or SENCO when you visit the school to which you are thinking of applying. Each school has a budget for meeting the needs of pupils with SEND and will be able to talk to you about the support they provide for children with learning needs and how they will meet your child's needs. The local authority expects mainstream schools to work with parents to track children's progress and record the outcomes and agreed provision in a SEND support plan.

All schools must publish their local offer which describes what provision the school offers for students with Special Educational Needs as required under the Children and Families Act 2014. Each year, school governing bodies report to parents on the implementation of the policy and on access to the curriculum for students with disabilities (this is required under the 1995 Disability Discrimination Act, amended by the Special Need and Disability Act 2001).

If your child has an Education, Health, and Care Plan (ECHP) the information set out in this brochure relating to the application process does not apply to you.

To discuss the arrangements which will need to be made for your child, please contact the EHC assessment and review team on **020 8583 2672** or <u>SEN@hounslow.gov.uk</u>

Further information about schools and sources of help, advice and information for parents can be found on the Hounslow Local Offer <u>https://fsd.</u> hounslow.gov.uk/synergyweb/local offer/

#### Fair access

The School Admissions Code requires each local authority to have a Fair Access Protocol agreed with the majority of schools in its area, which all local schools, academies and free schools must adhere to. The Fair Access Protocol is to ensure that, outside the normal admissions round, unplaced children, especially the most vulnerable, are offered a place at a suitable education provision as quickly as possible.

In agreeing a protocol, the local authority must ensure that no school – including those with available places – is asked to take a disproportionate number of children who have been excluded from other schools, or who have challenging behaviour.

The Fair Access Panel consists of representatives from Hounslow schools, the local authority, and other agencies. The panel considers all information available and the child's individual circumstances to make an informed decision as to what school would best meet the child's needs.

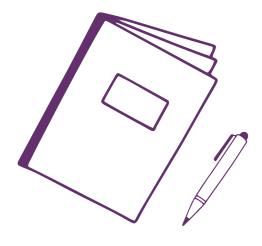
#### Support for School Attendance

The School Attendance Support Service enforces school attendance for statutory school age children. School Attendance Support Officers have a duty to remind parents of their legal responsibilities regarding regular school attendance. Schools will refer to the School Attendance Support Service when your child's attendance is 90% or below and absences are unauthorised. The officers are able to signpost and refer for support where there are barriers to attendance. The School Attendance Support Service can be contacted on **020 8583 2622** or <u>SASSDuty@hounslow.gov.uk</u>

#### **Term Time Leave**

Government guidelines state that term-time holidays are unacceptable reasons for absence. Such absences are treated as unauthorised absence from school. If there is a family emergency, you should discuss your plans with your child's Headteacher.

It is not always possible to keep your child's school place open as there may be other families looking for school places. Persistent unauthorised absence from school, including holidays, may result in penalty notices or prosecution of the parents or carers for failing to ensure your child is receiving appropriate education.



#### **Private Fostering**

Private fostering is when a child or young person aged under 16 (or under 18 if they are disabled), is cared for and provided with accommodation for 28 days or more by an adult who is not a close relative. A close relative is an aunt, uncle, stepparent, grandparent, or sibling, but not a cousin, grand aunt/uncle or a family friend.

If you are a parent and your child is already placed with a private foster carer, or if you are considering placing your child in a private fostering arrangement in the London Borough of Hounslow, you need to notify Children's Services on **0208 583 6662.** 

For further information visit <u>www. hounslow.</u> gov.uk/privatefostering

#### **Childhood immunisations**

All children in the United Kingdom are offered vaccinations against key diseases as part of the national childhood immunisation schedule starting from age 2 months up to 5 years. It is important that your child is up to date with their vaccinations, especially their pre-school boosters to avoid illness from preventable infections.

With recent alerts about the increased numbers of children being unwell through vaccine preventable infections, such as measles, polio, and influenza, protecting your child through vaccination not only reduces their risk of illness, but it also helps reduce infection transmission to the small number of children for whom vaccinations cannot be given.

All children's routine vaccinations are free of charge. Your family doctor will be able to advise about which immunisations and boosters are recommended before your child starts school.

Further information is also available at

www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/nhsvaccinations-and-when-to-have-them/

#### **Free School Meals**

Every child in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 is entitled to a free nutritious meal at lunch time. This includes:

- Infant pupils in maintained infant and primary schools
- Free schools and academies
- Schools for pupils with special educational needs and pupil referral units

School meals for pupils in Reception to Year 6 are also available free of charge to the children of Hounslow residents who are in receipt of one of the benefits listed below.

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Universal Credit provided your household annual taxable income does not exceed £7,400
- Child Tax Credit, but not entitled to a Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by the Inland Revenue) of no more than £16,190
- Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit
- Households supported by the National Asylum Support Service (NASS)
- Households with No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF), subject to maximum income thresholds.

Applicants may be required to provide proof that they are in receipt of one of the above benefits.

If your child is attending any of the following schools, you must apply directly to the school.

- The Rise
- Reach Academy
- Free schools and independent schools
- Schools and Academies in Richmond and Hillingdon

Applications for free school meals cannot be backdated. To apply please complete the e-Form at <u>www.hounslow.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals</u>

For further information please contact the team on **020 3949 7743** or <u>schoolmeals@hounslow.</u> <u>gov.uk</u>

#### School clothing assistance

You may be entitled to £15 per child to help towards school clothing if you receive:

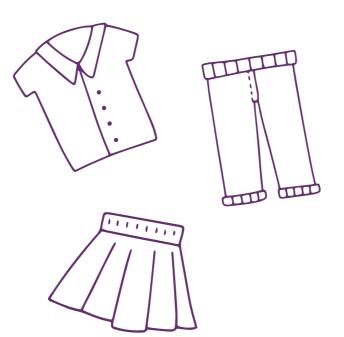
- Income support
- Income based Job seekers allowance
- Income based Employment support
   allowance
- Universal credit, provided your household annual taxable income does not exceed £7,400
- Child tax credit/working tax credit (provided your household income does not exceed £16,190).
- Guaranteed element of Pension credit or
- NASS Supported by the National Asylum support service.

The budget for this is very limited and only two applications can be made per household while your child is in primary school.

Applicants may be required to provide proof that they are in receipt of one of the above benefits.

To apply, please complete the e-form available at www.hounslow.gov.uk/schoolgrants

For further information, please contact the team on **020 3949 7746** or <u>uniform.grants@hounslow.</u> <u>gov.uk</u>



#### School travel assistance

All Hounslow residents under the age of 19 who are in full time education can travel free on London buses and trams and for a discounted price on tube and rail services using a <u>Zip Oyster</u> <u>Photocard</u>.

For further details about eligibility and applying, please go to the Transport for London (TfL) website by searching for free and discounted travel or contact the Oyster Card helpline on **0343 222 1234**. Alternatively, you can obtain an application form from your local Post Office.

Children residing in Hounslow should make use of the concessions offered by TfL, including free travel across London. However, there may be circumstances where travel assistance is required outside the scope of free arrangements offered by TfL. In this instance, the London Borough of Hounslow will take account of the statutory requirements.

Hounslow's policy for travel assistance for children and young people is available to download from <u>www.hounslow.gov.uk/</u> <u>school transport</u> or by contacting the School Travel Assistance Team on **020 8583 4177** or <u>schooltravelassistance@hounslow.gov.uk.</u>

Parents and carers should take into consideration how their child will travel to school, as it will be their responsibility to arrange transport if applying for a placement that is not their nearest suitable school.



### Healthy and safe travel to school

With the new school year approaching, it is the perfect opportunity to shake up your trips to school, get active and make new friends. Walking, scooting, and cycling to school are fun and social, but also have other added benefits:

- Health: Pupils who walk or cycle perform better in school and are healthier than those who travel by car. This is especially important as obesity is a growing problem in Hounslow.
- Air quality: Fewer cars means less pollution around your school. Pollution aggravates conditions like asthma and can contribute to ill health.
- Safety: Fewer cars means fewer accidents and near misses involving parents doing the school run by car.
- **Congestion:** Fewer people driving up to the school gate means less congestion around schools, and less time stuck in traffic.
- **Cost**: On average, families that leave the car at home can save up to £900 a year!

Many Hounslow schools are part of TfL's Travel for Life programme (previously known as STARS) which promotes sustainable, active, responsible, and safe travel to school. Schools run several initiatives throughout the year as part of the programme e.g., pedestrian training, cycle training and Junior Roadwatch, as well as events like Walk to School Week, Car Free Day and Clean Air Day.

The council has also introduced measures such as School Streets to tackle problems associated with traffic around schools at drop-off and pickup times. For more information on where these measures are in place and answers to FAQs, please visit Hounslow's dedicated <u>School Streets</u> webpage.



#### Park and Stride

We understand not all parents can walk or cycle to school. If you live too far away or have another ongoing trip and need to drive to school, please park up (10-15min walk) away from the school and walk the rest of the way to school. This reduces congestion near schools and helps pupils exercise before the start of the day.

#### **Road Safety**

Please ensure your child knows how to find a safe place to cross the road, plan a safe journey and know the responsibilities as a pedestrian, a cyclist, or passenger in a car or public transport by using THINK's free educational resources for children ages 3 – 16 years.

- Route Planning: Plan and practice your route to school using Google Maps or TfL Go. Try finding quiet routes and avoid busy roads. Consider cycling or walking as part of your journey.
- Child Car Seats: The council's road safety team hold FREE car seat safety events around the borough. In one year, we check 437 child car seats, of which 78% were incorrectly fitted. To book a fitting or to check correct usage of your child car seat, please email the Road Safety Team at roadsafety@hounslow. <u>gov.uk</u>.

- **Cycle Training:** The council provides free cycle training to children through school and holiday sessions. Adult cycle training is on offer at cycle hubs across the borough and on a one-to-one basis for Bikeability Level 3. All-ability cycling is also available for those with disabilities or mobility constraints. For further details, visit: www.hounslow.gov.uk/ CycleHounslow.
- Try before You Bike: The scheme allows you to try out a new or nearly new bike for a small monthly fee. If you like the bike, you can buy it at a discounted price or continue to pay monthly until you own it. Folding, electric bikes and cargo bikes are also available on this scheme. For more info go to: www.hounslow.gov.uk/CycleHounslow.
- Free Online Cycle Skills Course: TfL's Cycle Skills course provides easy to follow tips and advice through four short modules. Upon completion, you'll receive a unique 15% discount code so you can save on Halfords own-brand cycle lights, locks and helmets. Register by visiting cycle-skillsonline.tfl.gov. uk/

If you want any more information on active travel in Hounslow, please visit our website: www.hounslowtravelactive.co.uk or email STA@ hounslow.gov.uk.



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London Borough of Hillingdon Civic Centre High Street, Uxbridge UB8 1UW T: 01895 556644 E: admissions@hillingdon.gov.uk www.hillingdon.gov.uk

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