







#### Reception class and transfer to Junior School

Closing date for applications **15 January 2024** 

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#### **Reception class**

If your child was born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020 you will need to apply for a primary school place by 15 January 2024.

#### **Junior Transfer**

If your child is in year 2 in an infant school and born between 1 September 2016 and 31 October 2017 you will need to apply for year 3 place in a junior school by 15 January 2024.

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## Welcome



**Cllr Lily Bath** 

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 worrying 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 2019 and 31 August 2020, they are due to start primary school in September 2024, therefore, you must make an application for your child's primary school place before the deadline of **15 January 2024**.

Here 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 are fortunate to have many good primary schools in the borough which provide high quality education, and which have a strong track record for building the solid foundations that are vital for children to enjoy learning throughout their lives.

Good education is key to tackling inequality and creating opportunities for all, and I firmly believe that every child in the borough has a right to outstanding education whatever their circumstances.

You may already have firm ideas about where you want your child to go to school, but I urge you to take advantage of the time before the application deadline to find out more about the other schools in the area.

Some schools have specific criteria for admission based on faith, so please do some research into this for your preferred school. You may also need to fill in supplementary forms as part of the application process.

Do remember that you have six 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 15 January 2024 deadline. If your application is late, it will not be processed until after 16 April 2024, when all the on-time applications have already been offered a place. 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.







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

If your child was born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020, they will start in the reception class in September 2024.

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 <a href="https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/primaryadmissions">www.hounslow.gov.uk/primaryadmissions</a>

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., faith schools will give priority to practicing applicants of the faith. See pages 34-53.

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.



# You can apply for **SCHOOLS**

#### **Getting Information**

- Read the information in this brochure Check the admission criteria for the schools you are applying for
- Read the individual school prospectuses

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

primaryadmissions

#### 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 56.

#### 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 2019 and 31 August 2020 are eligible to start school in September 2024.

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).

4-7
years
INFANT
SCHOOLS

7-11
years
JUNIOR
SCHOOLS

4-11
years
PRIMARY
SCHOOLS

#### 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). Your application and request must be made by 15 January 2024.

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. 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.
- 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 2024**. 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 2024**. 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.

Children with their fifth birthday between 1 September and 31 December (autumn born)

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.

Children with their fifth birthday between 1 January and 31 March (spring born)

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.

Children with their fifth birthday between 1 April and 31 August (summer born)

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**

#### 1 September 2023

Applications open.
Apply online at <u>www.</u>
<u>hounslow.gov.uk/</u>
<u>primaryadmissions</u>

## 15 January 2024, midnight

Closing date for applications

#### 8 February 2024, 5pm

Closing date for applications from people moving into the Borough after 15 January 2024 (must be received by 5pm) or for any late applications to be considered as on time due to exceptional circumstances

#### 15 May 2024

Closing date for return of appeal forms to ensure your appeal is heard before the end of the summer term

#### 30 April 2024, 5pm

Last date for you to accept your school offer. After this date the portal will close and will not be able to accept your offer online

#### 16 April 2024

**National Offer Day** 

Results of your application will be sent by email between 5pm -10 pm

#### June – July 2024

Appeal hearings for community schools will be heard



## **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 2024, will be allocated based on the admission criteria of the school and not by date order.

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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 oversubscription 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 32. 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.

**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 list six preferences 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.

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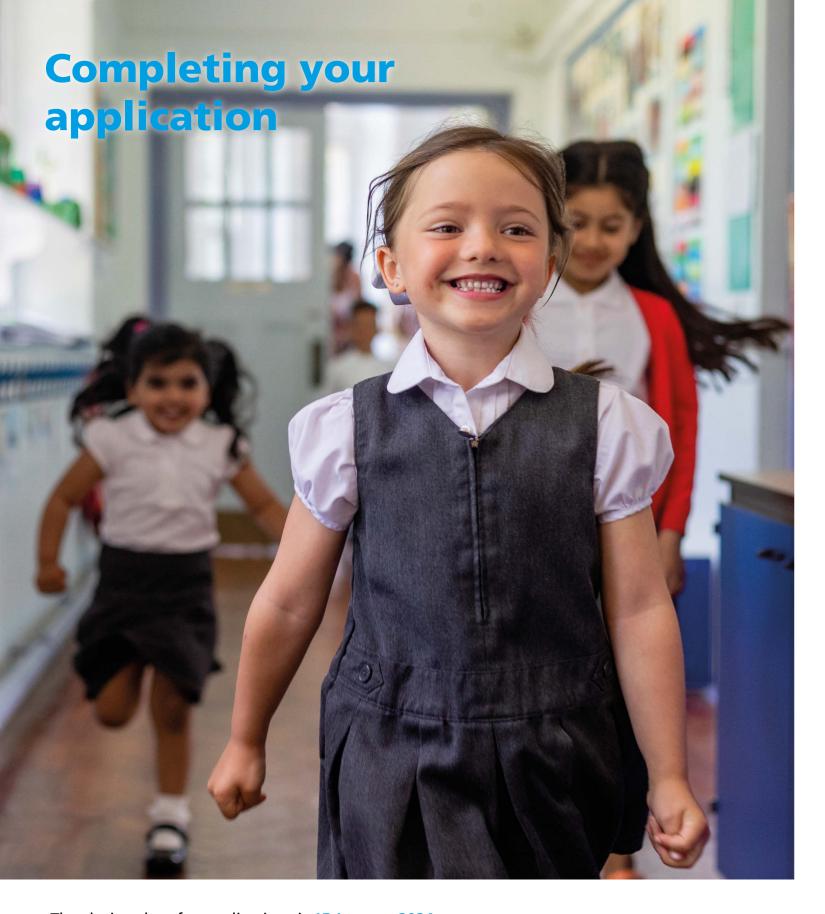
FACT: You must apply using your child's home address. If we discover that a false address has been used, we may withdraw your application at any stage of the process, even if you have already been offered a school place. See page 13 for more information.

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 oversubscription 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.

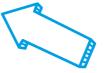
MYTH: Having my child in the nursery/pre-school at my preferred school means I do not need to apply, and I get more priority for a place in reception.

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 2024.

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



#### **Completing your application**

The closing date for applications is 15 January 2024.

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 technical help with registering or logging into the eAdmissions system please contact 020 8255 5555 (option1) or support@eadmissions.org.uk

A guide to setting up your account can be viewed at <a href="https://www.eadmission.org.uk">www.eadmission.org.uk</a>.

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 - 2024 - 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 2019 and 31 August 2020.

#### 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.

We will not accept possible future addresses as a basis for allocating school places. If you move after submitting your application, you must inform the School Admissions Team within two weeks of your move so that your application is considered using the correct address for school admission purposes.

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 deciding, 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 2024 unless you have a change of address before 8 February 2024.

If you move between 15 January 2024 and 8 February 2024, we can consider a request to change your address and school preferences. Change requests can be considered up to **5pm on 8 February 2024**.

### Any changes after 8 February 2024 will not be processed until 16 April 2024.

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 8 February 2024. 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/or 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 admissions purposes for the initial round of allocations on 16 April 2024 if your child is resident at this address by 8 February 2024.

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

Parents should ensure that their child has a <u>right of abode</u>, 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).

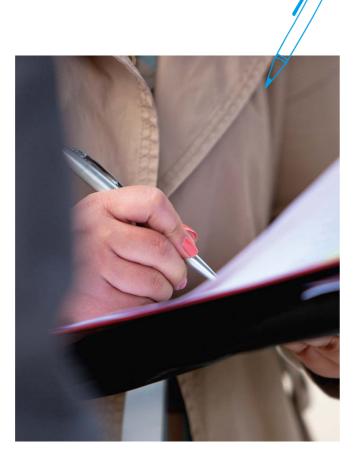
Looked after or previously looked after children include those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care because of being adopted. A child is regarded as having been in state care outside of England if they were in the 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 63 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.

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 2024**. You will not be advised before this date whether your request for priority is agreed.

#### **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 34-60.

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

#### **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. In addition, if you have included a single sex school amongst your preferences, you are strongly advised to state that you prefer a single sex school in the preference reason box.

#### **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 2024. You must complete the sibling details in the appropriate section. Please see page 32 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 34-60.

#### **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 2024.

If you apply after the closing date without a valid reason, your application will only be considered after 16 April 2024.

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 8 February 2024. No application can be accepted as on time after 8 February 2024.

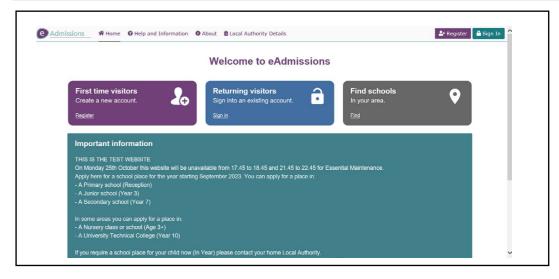


## **Step by Step guide** to applying online

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

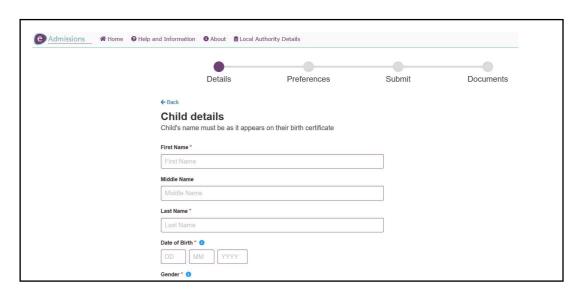


To start your online application visit: <a href="www.eadmissions.org.uk">www.eadmissions.org.uk</a> or use the link from the council's website: www.hounslow.gov.uk/primaryadmissions



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

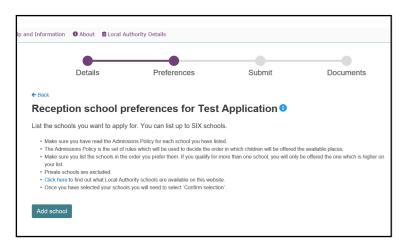


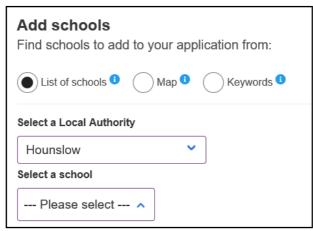


- Enter your child's details. Make sure you enter the information accurately.
- Make sure that you only apply for a child born between 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020.
- If you enter the wrong date of birth, you will not be able to progress to the next step.



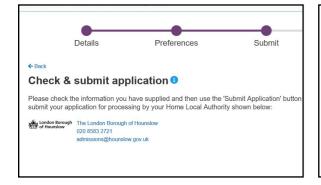
- Add your school preferences by first selecting the local authority that each school falls within.
- Make sure that you read the schools' admission criteria. This will be a guide as to the likelihood of being offered a place at the school you are interested in.
- Select and add the schools you wish 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.







- 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 313-2024-09-E-00001. If you do not receive an application reference, your application has not been submitted.





You must click the submit button by the closing date of 15 January 2024.

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 outcome of your application during the evening of **16 April 2024 (after 5 pm)**. Click on the 'reply' button and follow the instructions to login to the eAdmissions website <a href="https://www.eadmissions.org.uk">www.eadmissions.org.uk</a> and respond to your offer of a school place.

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 www.eadmissions.org.uk.

If you have not been offered your first preference school, we will send you a letter by first class post on 16 April 2024 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 2024. 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 <a href="mailto:admissions@hounslow.gov.uk">admissions@hounslow.gov.uk</a>

#### **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 2024. We will contact you again, in August 2024, to advise you how to stay on the waiting from September 2024.

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 67.

#### **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 **15 May 2024** 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 schoolappeals@hounslow.gov.uk.

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 67.

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:

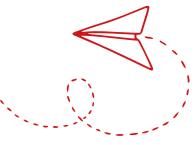
- That the admission arrangements did not comply with admissions law and the child would have been offered a place if the arrangements had complied.
- That the admission arrangements were not correctly and impartially applied, and the child would have been offered a place if the arrangements had been 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.

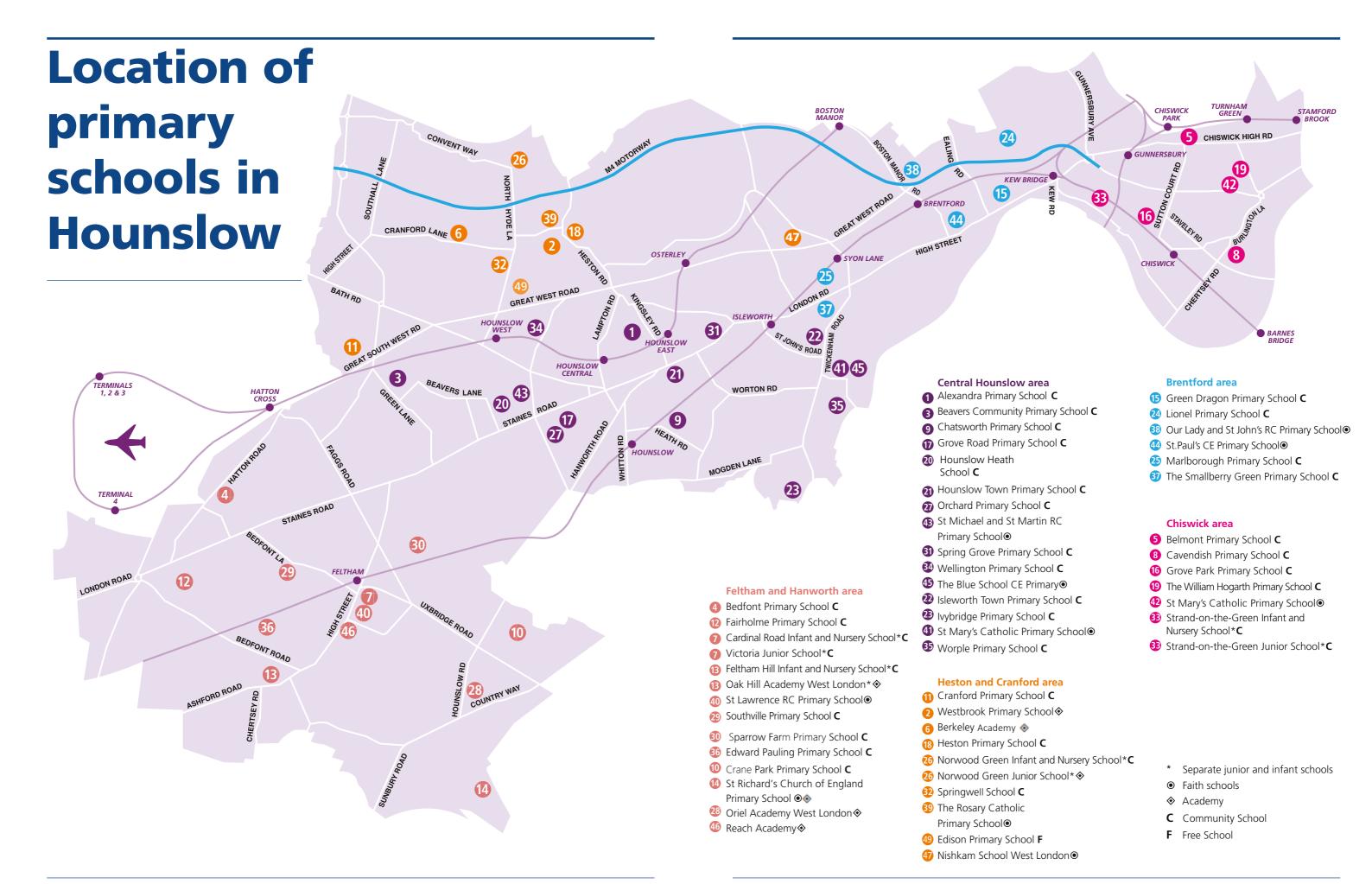




### **School information**

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 63.





## **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 2024.** 

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 www.bedfontprimary.co.uk

Headteacher: Mrs G Donnelly Published Admission Number: 60

DfE number: 313/2083

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 0BJ* 

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

Acting 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 C McKay 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: office@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: 120

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 Stocklev 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 6RO T: 020 8560 6721

E: admissions@theblueschool.com www.theblueschool.com

Headteacher: Ms R Jones

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

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

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: Mr 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: Mrs A Dokal 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

**Academy Schools** 

**Berkeley Academy** 

Cranford Lane, Heston, TW5 9HQ T: 020 8570 5700

E: office@berkeley.hounslow.sch.uk www.berkeleyacademy.org.uk

Executive Headteacher: Mr K Prunty 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

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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
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## **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 63.

### 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 34-60.

#### 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 2024. This would not apply if the sibling was due to leave in July 2024.

#### 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 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 63.

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\*

#### Tie Breaker

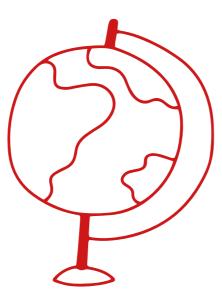
If there is one place available and two or more children next in order of priority or next on the waiting list meet the appropriate criterion equally, the place will be allocated using distance\*

#### **Appeals**

Appeal forms for community schools can be downloaded from <a href="https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/schoolappeals">www.hounslow.gov.uk/schoolappeals</a>

#### How places were offered in 2023:

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 63.

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:

- 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\*

#### 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.

#### How places were offered in 2023:

Criteria	LAC	Med/Soc	Sibling	Staff	Distance	Published Admission Number
Allocation	0	0	38	0	22*	60

<sup>\*</sup>Common definitions can be found on page 32

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<sup>\*</sup>last distance offered - 0.534 miles

### **The Blue School**

Supplementary Information Form required – forms available from the school website. Return completed forms directly to the school by 15 January 2024.

#### **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 63.

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

Active membership will be verified by the appropriate Vicar/Minister/Religious Leader on the form provided by the school. The Vicar/Minister/Religious Leader will be advised that active membership must be for at least 2 years, with attendance at least fortnightly by at least one parent at the time of application. The two-year period is the period immediately before application.

#### 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 63.

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:

- 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.

- 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**

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

#### How places were offered in 2023:

Criteria	CE -LAC	Active Member of CE	Member LAC of other		Active member of other faiths	Any other children	Published Admission Number
Allocation	Allocation 0 22 0		0	14	9	15	60

Total applications received: 161

#### How places were offered in 2023:

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

Total applications received: 183

\*last distance - all offered

### **Nishkam School West London**

Supplementary Information Form required – forms available from the school website. Return completed forms directly to the school by 15 January 2024.

#### **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 63.

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:

#### <u>Category 1 – Faith based places</u>

- 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 staff who have been employed at the school for at least two years at the time of application, 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).
- Child (and/or parent/guardian) is/are baptised (or formally initiated) in their respective religion.

#### Category 2 - Open Places

- Looked After or Previously Looked After Children\*
- 2. Siblings\*
- 3. Children of staff children of staff who have been employed at the school for at least two years at the time of application, 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

#### **Tie Breaker**

If a tie-break is necessary due to applicants living equidistant from the school, the relevant applicants will be ranked using a computerised random number generator programme.

#### **Appeals**

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

#### How places were offered in 2023:

Criteria _		Faith Based Places							pen Places		
	LAC	Sibling	Staff	Faith (Amritdhari)	Faith (Keshadhari)	Faith (other)	LAC	Sibling	Staff	Distance	Published Admission Number
Allocation	1	17	1	11	18*	6	0	21	0	33**	108

- \*last distance 4.611 miles
- \*\*last distance 1.827 miles

## **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 63.

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:

- Looked after or previously looked after children\*
- 2. Children with a sibling already at the Academy ordered by distance\* between home and Oriel Academy West London
- 3. Children of teaching staff in the following circumstances:
  - i.) Where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made, or
  - ii.) Children of newly appointed staff filling a post with a demonstrable skill shortage
- Children who live nearest to the school see distance\*

#### 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.

### How places were offered in 2023:

Criteria	LAC	Med/Soc	Sibling	Staff	Distance	Published Admission number	
Allocation	0	0	15	0	13*	60	

Total applications received: 68

## 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 2024.

#### **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 63.

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:

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

- 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**

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

#### How places were offered in 2023:

Criteria	Catholic LAC	Catholic with sibling	Catholic in Parish	Other Catholics	Other LAC
Allocation	0	9	4	4	0

Criteria	Catechumens and Eastern Christian Church	Other Christian with letter	Other faiths with letter	Any other children	Published Admission Number
Allocation	2	1	0	10	30

<sup>\*</sup>Common definitions can be found on page 32

<sup>\*</sup>last distance - all offered

### **Reach 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 63.

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:

- Looked after or previously looked after children\*
- 2. Children eligible for the Early Years Pupil Premium at the time of application to the school and attending Reach Academy Feltham Nursery
- 3. Exceptional medical and social need
- 4. Sibling\*
- 5. Up to 16 places to be allocated to children eligible for the Pupil Premium at the time of application who live in a TW13 or TW14 postcode 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 2024.
- 6. Up to two places to be allocated to children of staff at the school in either or both of the following circumstances:
  - i.) Where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made, and/or
  - ii.) The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

- 7. Families who live in a TW13 or TW14 postcode priority will be given to children living in the TW13 and TW14 postcodes.
- 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.





#### How places were offered in 2023:

Criteria	LAC	Early Years Pupil Premium attending nursery	Med/ Soc	Sibling	Pupil Premium	Staff	TW13 TW14 Postcode	Any other children	Published Admission Number
Allocation	1	6	1	18	8	0	21	0	60

## 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 2024.

#### **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 63.

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:

- 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 2023:

Criteria	Catholic LAC	Baptised Catholic with CCP in Parish		Other baptised Catholics	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	17	8	5	0	2	2	1	16	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 2024.

#### **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 63.

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:

- 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
- 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.
- 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.

#### **Appeals**

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

#### How places were offered in 2023:

Criteria	Catholic LAC	Baptised Catholic with CCP and sibling		Baptised Catholic with CCP 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
Allocatio	0	26	1	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60

<sup>\*</sup>Common definitions can be found on page 32

## 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 2024.

#### 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 63.

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:

- 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 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
- 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.) The balance of the places will be allocated using an electronic random allocation system, which will be independently operated.
- \*Common definitions can be found on page 32

#### **Appeals**

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

## 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 2024.

#### **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 63.

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:

- 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

- 3. Other baptised Catholic children.
- 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, random allocation by drawing of lots in the presence of an independent witness will be used.

\*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 2023:

Criteria	Catholic LAC	Catholic with CCP in catchment	Catholic in catchment	Catholic not in catchment	Other LAC
Allocation	0	8	3	4	0

Criteria	Catechumens and Eastern Christian Church	Other Christian	Other faiths	Any other children	Published Admission Number
Allocation	0	3	0	8	30

Total applications received: 89

#### How places were offered in 2023:

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	27	15	0	13	5	60

## 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 2024.

#### **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 63.

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:

- Baptised Catholic looked after and previously looked after children\*
- 2. Baptised Catholic children, with a Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP), who have a sibling at the school at the time of admission.
- 3. Baptised Catholic children with a CCP who resident in the Parish of St Michael and St Martin are.
- 4. Other baptised Catholics with a 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.
- 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.
- \*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 63.

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:

- 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

#### 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.

#### How places were offered in 2023:

Criteria	Catholic LAC	Baptised Catholic with CCP and sibling	Baptised Catholic with CCP in parish	Baptised Catholic with CCP not in parish	Other baptised Catholic without CCP	Other LAC
Allocation	1	25	34*	0	0	0

Criteria	Catechumens and Eastern Christian Church	Other Christian with letter	Other faiths with letter	Any other children	Published Admission Number
Allocation	0	0	0	0	60

Total applications received: 229

\*Last distance offered – 0.871 miles

#### How places were offered in 2023:

Criteria	LAC	Sibling	Staff	Distance	Published Admission Number
Allocation	Allocation 0 11		3	16*	30

Total applications received: 85

\*Last distance offered – 0.783 miles

## 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 63.

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:

- 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 <a href="https://www.achurchnearyou.com/parishmap.php">www.achurchnearyou.com/parishmap.php</a>
- 4. All other applicants with priority being given to those who live nearest to the school (see distance\*).

#### 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.

How places were offered in 2023:

Criteria	LAC	Sibling	Children In Parish	All other applicants	Published Admission Number
Allocation		All	30		

#### Total applications received: 31

## 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 63.

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:

- 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\*

#### 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 information on how to make an appeal.

#### How places were offered in 2023:

Criteria	LAC	Med/Soc	Sibling	Staff	Distance	Published Admission Number
Allocation	1	0	27	0	33*	90

<sup>\*</sup>Common definitions can be found on page 32

<sup>\*</sup>Common definitions can be found on page 32

<sup>\*</sup>Last distance offered - all offered

#### Allocations by Hounslow schools – September 2023

School Name	Looked After	Medical Social	Sibling	Staff	Distance - last distance offered	PAN	Total on time Applications
Alexandra Primary			33		57 – 0.527 miles	90	313
Beavers Primary			30		37 - all offered	90	179
Bedfont Primary	1	1	31		27 - 0.491 miles	60	166
Belmont Primary			22		38 – 0.404 miles	60	356
Berkeley Academy			38		22 – 0.534 miles	60	175
Blue School			See pa	age 36		60	201
Cardinal Road I&N			21		69 – 0.813 miles	90	269
Cavendish Primary			12	1	17 – 2.799 miles	30	98
Chatsworth Primary	1		21		35 – all offered	90	185
Crane Park Primary			31		29 – 2.750 miles	60	110
Cranford Primary			29	1	60 – 1.544 miles	90	148
Edison Primary		1	22	1	32 - all offered	60	183
Edward Pauling Primary			20		40 – 1.478 miles	60	221
Fairholme Primary			26		29 – all offered	60	111
Feltham Hill I&N	2		10		92 – all offered	120	256
Green Dragon Primary			21	1	29 - all offered	60	111
Grove Park Primary	1		31		28 – 0.636 miles	60	285
Grove Road Primary			14		16 – 0.346 miles	30	186
Heston Primary			14		31 – all offered	60	179
Hounslow Heath I&N		1	51	1	90 – all offered	150	329
Hounslow Town Primary			44		91 – all offered	150	284
Isleworth Town Primary			39	1	37 -all offered	120	296
Ivybridge Primary			9		4 – all offered	30	35
Lionel Primary			34		52 – all offered	90	232
Marlborough Primary			32		33 – all offered	90	224
Nishkam School West London				age 38	33 diretted	108	243
Norwood Green I&N			25		23 – all offered	90	122
Orchard Primary			21		31 – all offered	90	140
Oriel Academy			15		13 – all offered	60	68
Our Lady & St. John RC Primary			See pa	age 41		30	68
Reach Academy			See pa	age 42		60	328
Rosary RC Primary			See pa	age 44		60	80
Smallberry Green Primary			14		45 – all offered	60	193
Southville Primary			29		53 – all offered	90	167
Sparrow Farm Primary			19		36 – all offered	60	104
Spring Grove Primary			9		21 – 0.334 miles	30	304
Springwell School			34		30 – all offered	90	167
St. Lawrence RC Primary				age 46		60	174
St. Mary's RC Primary- Chiswick				age 48		30	89
St. Mary's RC Primary- Isleworth			See pa	age 49		60	141
St. Michael & St. Martin RC Primary			See pa	age 50		60	229
St. Paul's CofE Primary			See pa	age 51		30	85
St. Richard's CofE Primary				age 52		30	31
Strand on the Green I&N	1	1	34		54 – 0.887 miles	90	306
Wellington Primary			39		51 – 1.033 miles	90	253
Westbrook Primary	1		27		33 – all offered	90	127
William Hogarth Primary			6		16 - all offered	30	87
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Worple Primary			11		19 – 0.644 miles	30	144

#### Last Criteria and distance offered – September 2023

School	Last Criteria Offered	Distance - miles
Alexandra Primary	Distance	0.527 miles
Beavers Primary	All offered	
Bedfont Primary	Distance	0.491 miles
Belmont Primary	Distance	0.404 miles
Berkeley Academy	Distance	0.534 miles
Blue School	See	page 36
Cardinal Road I&N	Distance	0.813 miles
Cavendish Primary	Distance	2.799 miles
Chatsworth Primary	All offered	
Crane Park Primary	Distance	2.750 miles
Cranford Primary	Distance	1.544 miles
Edison Primary	All offered	
Edward Pauling Primary	Distance	1.478 miles
Fairholme Primary	All offered	
Feltham Hill I&N	All offered	
Green Dragon Primary	All offered	
Grove Park Primary	Distance	0.636 miles
Grove Road Primary	Distance	0.346 miles
Heston Primary	All offered	0.5 10 1111105
Hounslow Heath I&N	All offered	
Hounslow Town Primary	All offered	
Isleworth Town Primary	All offered	
Ivybridge Primary	All offered	
Lionel Primary	All offered	
Marlborough Primary	All offered	
Nishkam School West London		page 38
Norwood Green I&N	All offered	page 30
Orchard Primary	All offered	
Oriel Academy		page 40
Our Lady & St. John RC Primary		page 41
Reach Academy		page 42
Rosary RC Primary		page 44
Smallberry Green Primary	All offered	page
Southville Primary	All offered	
Sparrow Farm I&N	All offered	
Spring Grove Primary	Distance	0.334 miles
Springwell School	All offered	0.000
St. Lawrence RC Primary		page 46
St. Mary's RC Primary-Chiswick		page 48
St. Mary's RC Primary-Isleworth		page 49
St. Michael & St. Martin RC Primary		page 50
St. Paul's CofE Primary		page 51
St. Richard's CofE Primary		page 52
Strand on the Green I&N	Distance	0.887 miles
Wellington Primary	Distance	1.033 miles
Westbrook Primary		page 53
William Hogarth Primary	All offered	
Worple Primary	Distance	0.644 miles
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## **Transferring to Junior School**

If your child is born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017 and is currently in Year 2 in an infant school, you should apply for a Year 3 place in a junior school by 15 January 2024.

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 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 2024** (summer term 2024). More information about the In-Year application process is available on page 61.

#### Your application outcome

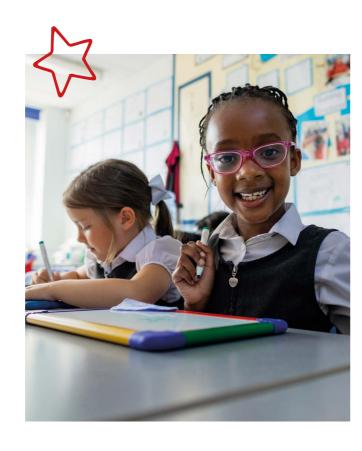
You will be sent an email advising you of the result of your application on the evening of 16 April 2024 (after 5pm).

#### Late applications

It is very important that submit your application by the closing date of 15 January 2024. 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**

- Cardinal Road Infant and Nursery School 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 2024.

If your child is currently being educated outside of their normal age group, please contact us on <a href="mailto:admissions@hounslow.gov.uk">admissions@hounslow.gov.uk</a> 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 your requesting and submit any relevant evidence you want us to consider which may include:

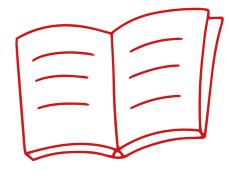
- The parents' views
- Recent information about your child's academic, social, and emotional development
- Recent medical history and the views of a medical professional
- Whether they have previously been educated out of their normal age group

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 2024. 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 63.

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:

- Looked after or previously looked after children\*
- 2. Linked infant schools see page 56 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\*

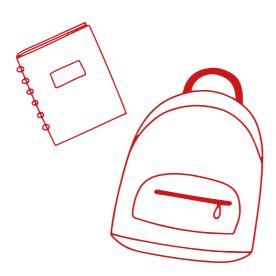
\*Common definitions can be found on page 32

#### 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 the distance criterion. If the distances are equal, the Local Authority's database will randomly order these.

#### **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 63.

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:

- 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\*

#### 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 information on how to make an appeal.

<sup>\*</sup>Common definitions can be found on page 32

## 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 63.

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:

- Looked after or previously looked after children\*
- 2. Children with a sibling attending the school in the academic year of admission
- 3. Children of staff employed by Oak Hill Academy West London 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.) Children of newly appointed staff, filing a post with a 'demonstrable skills shortage'
- 4. Children for whom this is the nearest school measured by distance\*

#### **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.

### **Additional information**

#### **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 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 <a href="https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/applyingforschoolsinhounslow.gov.uk/applyinhounslow.gov.uk/applyinhounslow.gov.uk/applyinhounslow.gov.uk/applyinhounslow.gov.uk/applyinhoun

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 please contact the school directly.

Please see page 13 for proof of address information and page 16 for Members of the UK Armed Forces and Crown Servants 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.



<sup>\*</sup>Common definitions can be found on page 32

## Admissions of children outside their normal age group

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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 SEN.

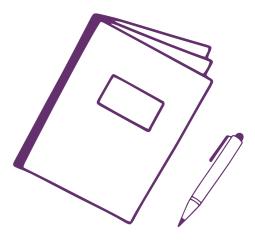
Each school has a Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCO) who manages SEND provision. If you believe your child has difficulties with their learning or may have a special educational need, it is always advisable to discuss this with the Headteacher or SENCO when you visit the school to which you 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 can offer for students with Special Educational Needs 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 **SEN@hounslow.gov.uk** 

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

#### **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 please contact <u>Fostering</u>. <u>Duty@hounslow.gov.uk</u> or refer to <u>www.</u> hounslow.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/nhs-vaccinations-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 and have an annual income of no more than £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
- Or are being supported by the National Asylum Support Service (NASS)

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 <a href="https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals">www.hounslow.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals</a>

For further information please contact the team on 020 3949 7743 or <a href="mailto:schoolmeals@hounslow.gov.uk">schoolmeals@hounslow.gov.uk</a>

#### School clothing assistance

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

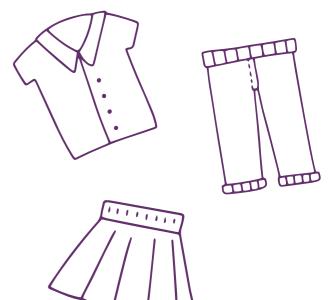
- Income support
- Income based Job seekers allowance
- Income based Employment support allowance
- Universal credit, provided your household annual taxable income does not exceed £7,400
- Child tax credit/working tax credit (provided your household income does not exceed £16,190).
- Guaranteed element 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.gov.uk</u>



#### 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 <u>Transport for London's (TfL) STARS programme</u> 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 pick-up times. For more information on where these measures are in place and answers to FAQs, please visit Hounslow's dedicated <a href="School Streets">School Streets</a> 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: <u>STARS Safer Journey Planner</u> will help students and parents/carers plan their journeys and provide useful advice on walking, cycling, and scooting to school
- 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 <u>roadsafety@hounslow.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: <a href="https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/CycleHounslow.">www.hounslow.gov.uk/CycleHounslow.</a>
- 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: <a href="https://www.hounslowtravelactive.co.uk">www.hounslowtravelactive.co.uk</a> or email <a href="mailto:STA@hounslow.gov.uk">STA@hounslow.gov.uk</a>.

#### Contact details for other local authorities

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#### **London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham**

3rd floor

145 King Street, Hammersmith W6 9XY

T: 020 8753 1085

E: school.admissions@lbhf.gov.uk

www.lbhf.gov.uk

#### **London Borough of Hillingdon**

Civic Centre

High Street, Uxbridge UB8 1UW

T: 01895 556644

E: admissions@hillingdon.gov.uk

www.hillingdon.gov.uk

#### **Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea**

Kensington Town Hall

Hornton Street, London W8 7NX

T: 020 7745 6432

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#### **Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames**

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Kingston upon Thames KT1 1EU

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www.kingston.gov.uk

#### **London Borough of Richmond upon Thames**

Guildhall 2, High Street,

Kingston upon Thames KT1 1EU

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 $\textbf{E}: \underline{richmond.admissions@achievingforchildren.org.uk}$ 

www.richmond.gov.uk

#### **Surrey County Council Admissions**

School Admissions, Surrey County Council, PO Box 475, Reigate, RH2 2HP

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www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions

