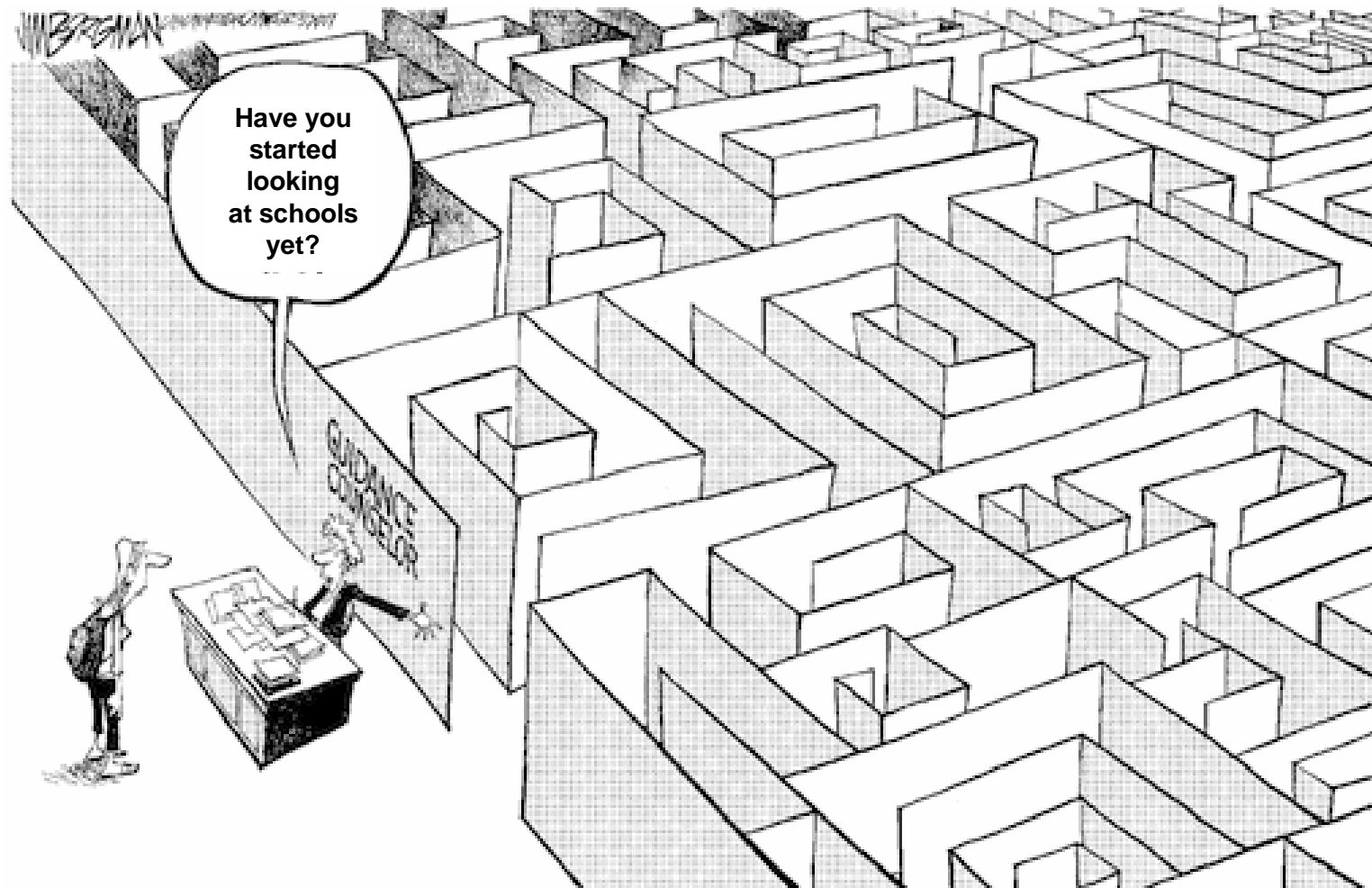


Starting school in 2026

Choosing a school



Choosing a school

How do I know which school is right for my child?

Who can help me make that decision?



Choosing a school

Talk to your child

- find out what is best for them
- consider how they will travel to school



Choosing a school

Visit the schools

- talk to the headteacher & staff
- ask for a tour of the school
- ... however, you will need to check the visiting arrangements with individual schools as access may be restricted post-Covid



Choosing a school

Read the school prospectus

- it will have detailed information about:
 - how the school is run
 - the admissions criteria
- available from the school
- download from the school website



School Prospectus

Choosing a school

Read the primary education brochure published by your home local authority

download Barnet's booklet at

www.barnet.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/apply-primary-school/starting-reception-september-2026

Choosing a school

You can also find details of Barnet primary schools in the Schools Directory at

www.barnet.gov.uk/directories/schools

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Choosing a school

Talk to the Customer Contact Centre

- the team can offer you advice and answer your questions
- how do I contact them?
 - ❑ tel: 020 8359 7651
 - ❑ if you live outside Barnet, you will find the contact details for your admissions team in Barnet's primary education booklet



Choosing a school

Look at Performance Tables and Ofsted reports

- the latest Ofsted reports are available from the Ofsted website www.ofsted.gov.uk
- achievement and attainment tables are available at www.gov.uk/school-performance-tables

Choosing a school

Look carefully at the admission criteria for each school

- siblings
- children of staff
- distance



Barnet Community Schools Allocations April 2025

Name of School	Places Available	On-time applications	Siblings	Children living in defined area	Children living outside defined area
				Furthest straight-line distance offers (miles)	
Barnfield Primary	60	162	18	All	0.951
Brookland Infant	90	234	29	All	All
Brunswick Park Primary	60	163	21	All	All
Chalgrove Primary	30	131	13	All	1.184
Church Hill Primary	30	101	5	All	All
Colindale Primary	90	264	43	0.404	None
Coppetts Wood Primary	30	55	9	All	All
Courtland Primary	30	134	8	All	0.747
Cromer Road Primary	60	174	18	All	0.518
Danegrove Primary	90	149	28	All	All
Deansbrook Infant	60	93	21	All	All
Edgware Primary	90	144	17	All	All
Fairway Primary	30	78	11	All	1.008
Foulds Primary	45	174	22	All	0.465
Frith Manor Primary	60	212	22	All	0.91
Garden Suburb Infant	90	139	29	All	All
Goldbeaters Primary	60	259	18	0.633	None
Holly Park Primary	60	89	17	All	All
Livingstone Primary	30	180	9	0.287	None
Manorside Primary	30	172	14	0.305	None
Martin Primary	90	195	38	All	All
Monkfrith Primary	60	222	21	All	0.609
Moss Hall Infant	90	287	34	All	0.432
Northside Primary	30	183	9	0.271	None
Queenswell Infant	60	109	16	All	All
Sunnyfields Primary	30	184	11	0.365	None
The Orion Primary	120	380	57	All	0.356
Tudor Primary	30	52	6	All	All
Underhill Primary	60	96	9	All	All
Wessex Gardens Primary	30	34	5	All	All
Whitings Hill Primary	60	177	21	0.506	None
Woodcroft Primary	60	91	16	All	All
Woodridge Primary	30	153	20	0.426	None

Allocations at Voluntary Aided , Foundation, Free Schools & Academies

N/A=Demand met

Name of School	Places Available	Number of on-time applicants	Criterion under which final place offered (furthest straight-line distance in miles shown where applicable)
Akiva Jewish	60	161	Meets top faith priority (0.648)
All Saints' CE School (N20)	30	115	Home Outside the Parish of All Saints' (1.290)
All Saints' CE School (NW2)	30	57	Demand met
Annunciation Catholic Infant	60	76	Demand met
Alma Primary	30	89	Demand met
Ashmole Primary	60	320	Straight-line distance (0.535)
Beis Yaakov Jewish	58	65	Other Orthodox Jewish girls (lottery)
Beit Shvidler Jewish	30	58	Orthodox Jewish attending another synagogue (0.287)
Blessed Dominic Catholic	60	168	Other Faiths (0.045)
Broadfields	90	112	Demand met
Childs Hill	60	120	Demand met
Christ Church CE School	30	101	Community place (1.089)
Claremont Primary School	60	73	Demand met
Dollis	60	66	Demand met
Etz Chaim Jewish Primary	28	67	Demand met
Hasmonean Primary School	30	51	Demand met
Hollickwood School	30	25	Demand met
Independent Jewish Day	28	56	Certificate of religious practice (Lottery)
London Academy	30	67	Geographical Distance (1.119)
Mathilda Marks Kennedy	30	86	Demand met
Menorah Foundation Jewish	30	68	Others who do not meet the religious criteria (lottery)
Menorah Primary, Boys	29	44	Other Orthodox Jewish Children (Lottery)
Menorah Primary, Girls	26	42	Other Orthodox Jewish Children (Lottery)
Millbrook Park	60	113	Demand met
Monken Hadley CE	20	150	Children Within 4 Miles & Worship At St Mary's
Osidge	60	142	Demand met
Our Lady of Lourdes RC	30	73	Demand met
Pardes House Jewish	50	59	Other Orthodox Jewish Children Within 2.5m
Parkfield Primary	60	103	Demand met

Allocations at Voluntary Aided , Foundation, Free Schools & Academies (cont...)

Name of School	Places Available	Number of on-time applicants	Criterion under which final place offered (furthest straight-line distance in miles shown where applicable)
Rimon Jewish	30	96	GG Synagogue attendance level 1 (1.372) Straight-line distance (0.386)
Rosh Pinah Jewish	60	157	Demand met
Sacks Morasha Jewish	30	86	Priority Children Attending Orthodox Synagogue In Catchment (Lottery)
Sacred Heart RC School	60	155	Any other children (1.985)
Saracens Bell Lane	60	59	Demand met
Shalom Noam Primary	30	62	Other Orthodox Jewish (Lottery)
St Agnes' RC	60	128	Any Other Children (0.688)
St Andrew's CE	30	114	Demand met
St Catherine's Catholic	60	166	Any other applicant - Sibling (0.165)
St John's CE (N11)	30	102	Any other children (0.746)
St John's CE (N20)	30	139	Within 2km /1.243miles (0.115)
St Joseph's Catholic	60	116	Demand met
St Mary's and St John's CE	90	141	Demand met
St Mary's CE (EN4)	30	120	Resident of the 4 Eligible Parishes (0.589)
St Mary's CE (N3)	60	121	Demand met
St Paul's CE (N11)	30	51	Demand met
St Paul's CE (NW7)	30	85	Any other applicants (1.244)
St Theresa's RC	30	49	Demand met
St Vincent's RC	45	80	Demand met
Summerside	60	99	Demand met
The Hyde	60	190	Outside catchment area (0.583)
Trent CE	30	93	Any other applicant Geographically (0.287)
Watling Park	60	129	Demand met
Wren Academy	60	270	Faith Band: Other Christian denomination (0.902) Community Band: Straight-line distance (0.247)

Choosing a school

Check the admission limit

- each school has a set number of places available
- this means some schools only have one form of entry (30 places)
- larger schools have 3 or 4 forms of entry

How do I apply?

How soon can I apply?

The online application system opened on **1 September 2025**

Where do I apply?

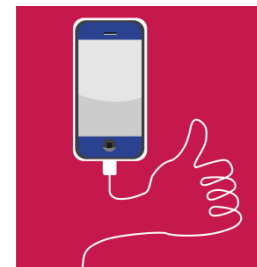
You need to apply online at www.eadmissions.org.uk

(or check your Local Authority's website if you live outside London)

What if I don't have a computer at home?

You can:

- use your smart phone or tablet
- go to your local library
- go to an internet café
- ask a friend or relative for help



How do I apply?

How many schools can I apply for?

- you can apply for up to six schools
- you should rank the schools in your order of preference
- it is important to think carefully about the order as you will not be able to change it after the closing date (you can amend it as many times as you wish, before the deadline)

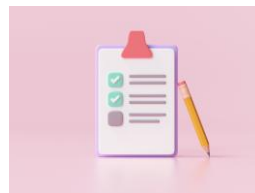
Can I apply to schools outside Barnet?

- yes, you must include all your chosen schools on the single application form, whether they are inside or outside the borough where you live

How do I apply?

Realistic Preferences

- if you only select one school, it **will not** increase your chances of getting a place at the school and your child will be considered for that one school only
- if this is unsuccessful, you may miss out on an offer which could have been made at another school and you are likely to be offered a place at the nearest school with a vacancy
- it is important to make realistic school choices to increase your chances of securing an offer and to avoid disappointment
- it is important to check how places were offered last year
- remember the cut-off distances are just a guide and will change every year.....
-just because you live nearer to the school than the last child offered a distance place last year, it doesn't mean your child is guaranteed a place



How do I apply?



Do I need to fill in any other forms?

- All voluntary aided schools and some foundation schools & academies will ask you to complete a Supplementary Information Form (SIF)
- the SIF will ask for additional information, for example
 - faith schools will ask about church attendance and request a priest's reference
 - Catholic schools may ask for a Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP)
 - Jewish schools will also ask you to complete a Certificate of Religious Practice (CRP), which must be signed by a Rabbi
- SIFs, CCPs and CRPs must be returned to the individual schools

How do I apply?

What else do I need to provide?

▪ Proof of address

- your permanent address must be used on the application form
- you must not use a temporary address or an address of convenience, this includes a childminder's address, a business address or the address of a relative or friend
- if you own a property previously used as a home address and apply from another address, the second address will be treated as an address of convenience
- if you have moved in recent months, you may be asked to provide proof of the new address and proof that you have disposed of the previous address

▪ A copy of your child's short birth certificate

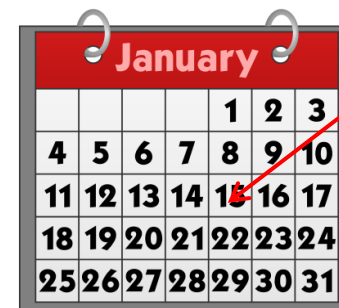
Fraudulent address

- each year a small number of parents provide a false address to get a school place
- in doing so they could be depriving your child of a place
- providing false information is a criminal offence
- if you know someone who intends to use a false address, you can report this in confidence to the Corporate Anti-Fraud Team
- report it online at www.barnet.gov.uk/anti-fraud
- call the fraud hotline on 020 8359 2007

How do I apply?

When is the closing date for on-time applications?

- 15 January 2026
- You must apply before 12 midnight on 15 January



How do I apply?

What happens if I miss the closing date?

- Your application will be given lower priority than on-time applications
- in previous years, some children did not get a place at their older sibling's school because their applications were late
- some late applications may be treated as 'on-time' if there is an exceptional reason (for example you have just moved into the borough)
- You must let the Admissions Team know your reason by **12 February 2026** (Reason for Late Application Form, will be available online).



What happens next?

Co-ordinated admissions

- the admissions process is co-ordinated by all 33 London boroughs, neighbouring boroughs and other home counties
- application lists are exchanged
- offer lists are drawn up
- offer lists are exchanged.



What happens next?

How will places be allocated?

- if the school is oversubscribed, the published oversubscription criteria will be applied to decide who can be offered a place
- each school listed on the application form will be considered against the individual school's oversubscription criteria
- your order of school preference is not passed to the individual schools.

Offers

Will I be offered more than one school place?

- Where the applicant qualifies for a place at more than one school, a place will be offered at the school that was ranked higher on the application form
- any lower preferences will be withdrawn and offered to other children
- no child will be offered more than one school.

Offers

When will I hear?

- National Offer Day is **Thursday 16 April 2026**
- Outcome emails will be sent to all applicants in the evening of 16 April
- applicants who are not offered their first choice will be given further information about waiting lists and appeals in their offer letters

Offers

Accepting offers



- click on the 'Reply' button at the bottom of the offer email notification and log into your eAdmissions account and submit your response
- places must be accepted by **30 April 2026**

No offer

What happens if I don't get any of my preference schools?

- where possible your child will be allocated an alternative school
- this will normally be the nearest school with a vacancy
- remain on the waiting lists
- appeal for a place



Appeals

- every parent has the right of appeal
- appeals are heard by an independent panel
- you will have the opportunity to present your case in person



.....however

Reception class appeals are nearly always unsuccessful because....

- infant class sizes must not exceed 30 children
- infant class appeals are only successful if you can prove that the local authority or the school has made a mistake

or that

- the decision not to offer a place was not rational or was outrageous in its defiance of logic

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