

# Starting school in 2025

## Applying for a school place

[www.eadmissions.org.uk](http://www.eadmissions.org.uk)

[www.barnet.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.barnet.gov.uk/schooladmissions)

### Who is this for?

Children born between **1 September 2020** and **31 August 2021** are due to start in a reception class in the school year beginning September 2025. If your child is due to start school next year you should apply for a place online now.



### Before you start

#### Choosing a school

**You need to decide which schools you want to apply to**

To help you do this, visit

**[www.barnet.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.barnet.gov.uk/schooladmissions)**

- download '[A guide to primary education in Barnet 2025](#)'
- contact schools to arrange a tour
- do your research, look at school websites for information
- consider the home-to-school journey and how your child will get to school (by foot, public transport, cycling etc)
- check the admissions criteria to see if your child is likely to be offered a place and look at how places were allocated last year
- think about how realistic your choice is, many schools have more applications than they have places available
- talk to others but make your own choices; your child is unique

### How to apply

- apply online at [www.eadmissions.org.uk](http://www.eadmissions.org.uk)
- you can register your mobile phone number to receive reminder alerts
- you can apply for up to six schools, in Barnet or elsewhere
- it is important to list schools in the order you prefer them
- attach supporting documents to your application
- some schools, usually faith schools, will also require you to complete a Supplementary Information Form – this should be returned directly to the school
- **the closing date for on-time applications is 15 January 2025**

## What happens next?

- we will let other local authorities know about any applications you have made for schools in their area
- schools will use their admissions criteria to rank their list of applications
- your preference order is not passed to schools
- if more than one place can be offered, we will offer you a place at the school you ranked highest on your application form
- all lower preferences will be withdrawn
- no child will be offered more than one place
- your child will stay on the waiting lists for any higher preference schools that were unable to make you an offer
- if it is not possible to offer you a place at one of your preferred schools, we will allocate a place at an alternative school (usually the closest school with a vacancy)
- you will receive an email during the evening of **16 April 2025**
- click on the 'reply' button at the bottom of the email and log in to your eAdmissions account to accept or decline your offer
- you must accept / decline your offer by **30 April 2025**.

## Visiting schools

- schools may still have social distancing measures in place
- this means you may not be able to visit school sites
- please check individual school websites for the latest information



## Further support and advice

### Help completing the application form:

Choose 'Help & Tutorials' from your eAdmissions Home Page

### Help with anything else:

Online: [www.barnet.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.barnet.gov.uk/schooladmissions)

Tel: 020 8359 7651