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**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)

****or a **school place online**

**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**

* download ‘[A guide to primary education in Barnet 2025](https://admin.barnet.gov.uk/sites/default/files/024239_bc4446_-_guide_to_primary_2025_fhg2s_7.pdf?_gl=1*1y28hcs*_gcl_au*MTE4ODgwMzk1Ny4xNzI1Mzc1NjE4*_ga*MjExNjUwNTUyMy4xNjM2OTgyMDEy*_ga_FQ5GMMMGZJ*MTcyNTgzMTUxNC44OS4xLjE3MjU4MzE1MTguNTYuMC4w)’
* 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

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

**Tel: 020 8359 7651**

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