

Admission criteria for nursery class at Hounslow Community Infant and Primary schools for 2021-2022

This document sets out the admission arrangements for Community Infant and Primary schools for 2021-2022.

Primary Community Schools Oversubscription criteria

When the school is oversubscribed, after the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the Plan, priority for admission will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below:

1. **A Looked after child** (as defined in the Children Act 1989) or a child who was previously looked after and has left care under a Child arrangements order, special guardianship order or who was adopted. (See Page 9 of the brochure)
2. **Exceptional Medical/Social need** – Applicants whose child’s medical or social circumstances require attendance at a particular school rather than any other school. (See Page 9 of the brochure)
3. **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, in the infant, linked junior or primary school in September 2021. This would not apply if the sibling were due to leave in the July before the younger child would be admitted. (See Page 9 of the brochure)
4. **Children of staff** – children of any member of staff, regardless of role in the school where
 - a. The member of staff has been employed at the school for two or 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
5. **Distance** - Where there are more applications that meet this criterion than there are places in the school, priority will be given to those children who live nearest to the school, with the distance from home to school being measured using a computerised mapping system (See Page 10 of the brochure)

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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, a place will be allocated by drawing lots in the presence of an independent witness. (see page 10 of the brochure)

Attendance at a nursery does not guarantee a reception place at an attached infant or primary school. You must make a new application for a reception class place. Parents should note that admission to reception classes is determined using the admission criteria for primary schools