

To the parents of children due to
start school in 2021

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Dear Parent

ADMISSION TO RECEPTION 2021/22

We are writing to you because you have a child who was born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017 and is therefore due to start in a Reception class during the academic year that begins in September 2021. The information you have been given explains how to apply for a Reception class place online.

Before you begin your application, please download the booklet '*A Guide to Primary Education in Barnet*' from www.barnet.gov.uk/schooladmissions. The guide will give you all the information you need to know about the application process. In particular you should look at the admissions criteria for each school, as these are the rules that will be used to decide how places will be allocated. If you want to apply for any schools outside Barnet, you will need to look at the relevant council's website for details of the individual schools' admissions criteria.

You must submit **one** application to your home council to apply to all schools (except private schools) whether the school is within or outside Barnet. The application must be made online at www.eadmissions.org.uk

An application must be submitted for your child even if s/he has an older brother or sister already attending your preferred school. Parents should also be aware that children attending the nursery class are **not** given a higher priority than other children.

You must submit an application no later than **Friday 15 January 2021**. If you submit your application after the deadline, it will be considered after all applications that were received by the closing date and you will not receive an outcome email on **National Offer Day, Friday 16 April 2021**. In previous years the high demand for places meant that some siblings were **not** offered places in the second round of offers because their applications were late and there were no surplus places. It is, therefore, really important that you submit your application on-time. If there is an

exceptional reason why you could not return your application by 15 January, it may be considered as 'on time' if it is received by **Thursday 11 February 2021** and the reason for the lateness is fully explained on the Reason for Late Application form and accepted by the Local Authority.

Some schools, usually faith schools, will also require you to complete a Supplementary Information Form (SIF) in order to provide additional information such as a priest's reference. These are available directly from the school, please check school websites for details.

Further information about the application process is available on our website www.barnet.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Yours sincerely

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