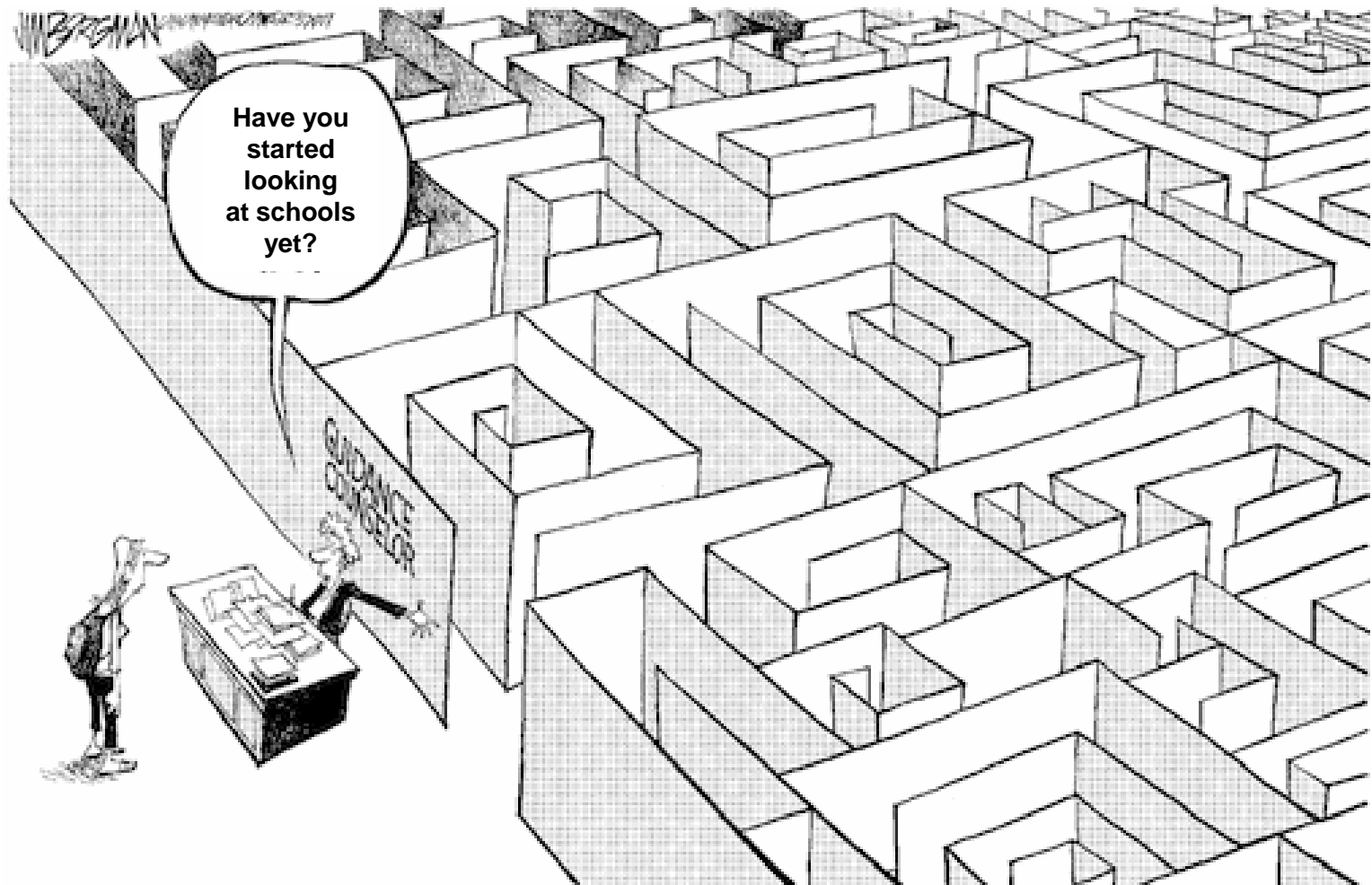




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Choosing a school





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**



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- **Visit the schools**
 - **talk to the headteacher & staff**
 - **talk to the pupils**

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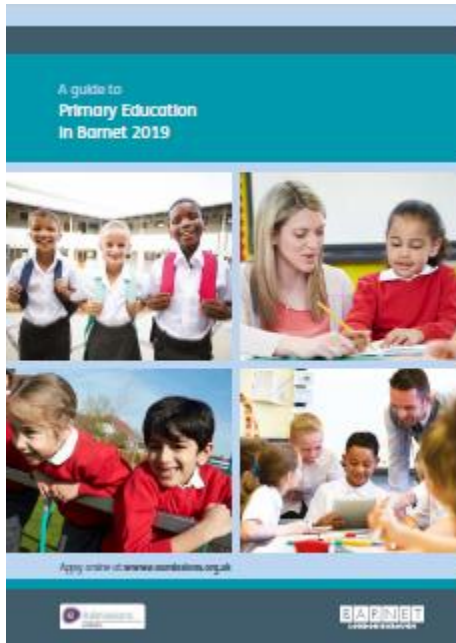
- **Read the school prospectus**
 - ❑ **it will have detailed information about:**
 - **how the school is run**
 - **the admissions criteria**
 - ❑ **available from the school**
 - ❑ **download from the school website**



School Prospectus

Choosing a school

- **Read the primary education booklet published by your home local authority**



- **download Barnet's booklet at www.barnet.gov.uk/schooladmissions**

Choosing a school

- You can also find details of Barnet primary schools on the Schools Directory at www.barnet.gov.uk/schools-and-education

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Schools directory

This directory gives a list of schools in the local area.

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| Akiva | Schools | Primary |
| All Saints' CE N20 | Schools | Primary |
| All Saints' CE NW2 | Schools | Primary |
| Alma Primary | Schools | Primary |
| Archer Academy (The) | Schools | Secondary |

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Find a school

Please select a school from the [school directory](#)

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- **Talk to the Admissions Team Customer Contact Centre**
 - the team can offer you advice and answer your questions
 - how do I contact them?
 - tel: 020 8359 7651
 - email: school.admissions@barnet.gov.uk
 - if you live outside Barnet, you will find the contact details for your admissions team in Barnet's primary education booklet and also online at www.barnet.gov.uk/schooladmissions



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- **Look at exam results 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**
 - **faith criteria**
 - **distance**



Cut-off Distances

Community Primary Schools April 2018

| Name of School | Inside priority area | Outside priority area | Name of School | Inside priority area | Outside priority area |
|--------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Barnfield | 0.614 | None | Garden Suburb Infant | All | All |
| Bell Lane Primary School | All | All | Goldbeaters | 0.339 | None |
| Brookland Infant | All | 0.622 | Holly Park | 0.394 | All |
| Brunswick Park | All | 1.467 | Livingstone | 0.489 | None |
| Chalgrove | All | All | Manorside | None | None |
| Childs Hill | All | All | Martin Primary School | All | All |
| Church Hill | All | 0.736 | Monkfrith | All | 0.579 |
| Colindale | All | 0.463 | Moss Hall Infant | All | 0.321 |
| Coppetts Wood | All | 0.361 | Northside | 0.173 | None |
| Courtland | All | 0.328 | Orion | All | 0.604 |
| Cromer Road | All | 0.339 | Queenswell Infant | 0.687 | None |
| Danegrove | 0.784 | None | Sunnyfields | 0.56 | None |
| Deansbrook Infant | All | All | Tudor | All | 0.54 |
| Dollis Infant | All | All | Underhill Infant | All | All |
| Edgware Infant | All | All | Wessex Gardens | All | All |
| Fairway | All | All | Whittings Hill | 0.402 | None |
| Foulds | All | 0.346 | Woodcroft | All | All |
| Frith Manor | All | All | Woodridge | All | 0.488 |

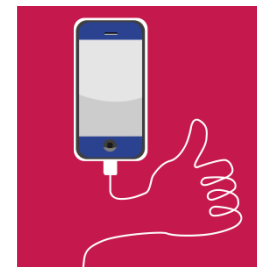


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- **Check the admission limit**
 - ❑ **each school has a set number of places available**
 - ❑ **this means some schools only have one form of entry**
 - ❑ **larger schools have 3 or 4 forms of entry**

How do I apply?

- **How soon can I apply?**
 - ❑ the application system opened on **1 September 2018**
- **Where do I apply?**
 - ❑ apply online at **www.eadmissions.org.uk**
- **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 will 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
- **Can I apply to schools outside Barnet?**
 - ❑ yes, you must include all your chosen schools, whether inside or outside the borough where you live

How do I apply?



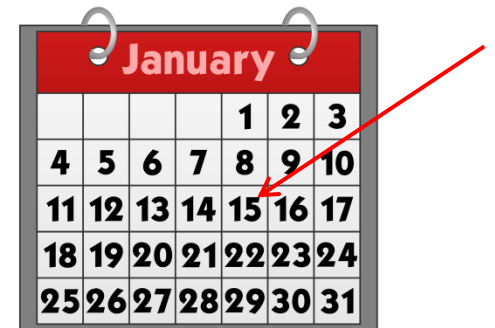
- **Do I need to fill in any other forms?**
 - ❑ **all voluntary aided schools and some foundation schools & academies will ask you to complete a Supplementary Information Form (SIF)**
 - ❑ **the SIF will ask for additional information, for example**
 - **faith schools will ask about church attendance and require a priest's reference**
 - ❑ **Catholic schools now use the new Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP) for all Catholic primary schools**
 - ❑ **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**
 - ❑ **if you have moved in the last two years you will 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 birth certificate**

How do I apply?

- **When is the closing date?**
 - **15 January 2019**
 - **the online system will close at 12 midnight on 15 January**



How do I apply?

- **What happens if I miss the closing date?**
 - ❑ your application will not be included in the first round of offers
 - ❑ In previous years some siblings did not get a place because their applications were late
 - ❑ some late applications may be treated as on-time if there is a good reason (for example illness or a change of address) provided the application is submitted before 11 February



What happens next?

- **Co-ordinated admissions**
 - the admissions process is co-ordinated by all 33 London boroughs and neighbouring 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 over-subscribed, the admissions criteria will be applied to decide who can be offered a place**
 - ❑ **each application is considered as if it is equally preferred**
 - ❑ **your ranking order is not passed to the individual schools**



Offers

- **Will I be offered more than one school place?**
 - ❑ **if your child can be offered more than one school, you will be offered the highest rank possible**
 - ❑ **the lower preferences will be withdrawn and offered to other children**
 - ❑ **no child will be offered more than one school**

- **Are there enough school places available?**
 - ❑ **there has been an increase in demand for Reception class places in recent years**
 - ❑ **Barnet will provide every child a school place**
 - ❑ **it may not always be possible to offer a preference school**

- **When will I hear?**
 - **National Offer Day is 16 April 2019**
 - **Emails will be sent to all applicants in the evening of 16 April**
 - **applicants who are not offered their first choice can log in to their eAdmissions account for further information**

- **Accepting offers**

- **log into your eadmissions account and submit your response**
- **places must be accepted by 30 April 2019**

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....

This is 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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