



The Children's Service

Oversubscription criteria for Haringey community primary schools and St Aidan's voluntary controlled primary school for the 2007/08 school year.

If the number of applicants is higher than the number of places available, the following criteria are applied, in the order set out below to decide who is offered a place:

- 1) Children with Special Educational Needs identified through a statement issued under the Education Act 1996 which names the school, or are children in public care, or who are the subject of an Education Supervision Order under the Children Act 1989 which names the school.
- 2) Children whom the Director of the Children's Service accepts have an exceptional medical, social or educational need for a place at the school. Applications will only be considered under this category if they are supported by a written statement from a doctor, social worker or other appropriate professional. In each case, the connection between the child's need and the specific school applied for must be clearly demonstrated.
- 3) Children who will have a brother or sister attending the school (or its associated Infant or Junior school) at the time of admission. This category includes foster brothers and sisters, half brothers and sisters or stepbrothers and sisters. Parents should note that in all these cases, the brother or sister must be living at the same address as the child for whom the application is being made. (However, this does not include younger siblings in the school's nursery class).
- 4) Children living closest to the preferred school. (Distance measured by straight line using a computerised mapping system).

The tie-breaker for all criteria is children living closest to the school (measured in a straight line using a computerised mapping system).

Notes:

A. In line with the SEN Code of Practice – January 2002 – when a child has a Statement of Special Educational Needs, Haringey LEA will comply with a parent's preference for a particular maintained school unless:

- ◆ The school is unsuitable to the child's age, ability, aptitude
- ◆ Meeting the preference is incompatible with the efficient education of other children with whom the child would be educated
- ◆ Meeting the preference is incompatible with the efficient use of LEA resources

In deciding on the efficient use of resources, the LEA will consider whether the admission of the child to the school would take the school over the number fixed as the number of intended admissions for that year.

B. The offer of a school place may be withdrawn if it comes to light that the school place was obtained using a false address. If a decision is taken not to withdraw the place, we will treat the child's younger sibling's subsequent applications under criteria 1, 2 or 4 only. That is, the child's sibling or siblings will not be considered under criterion 3.