

# Starting Primary Education 2021

Children born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017 will start school in September 2021



## Application advice for Bromley residents

- **Pupils living in the London Borough of Bromley** parents should apply through the online system which is available 1 September 2020 until 15 January 2021, the application deadline. Use the link at [www.bromley.gov.uk](http://www.bromley.gov.uk). Applications will only be processed when satisfactory proof of residence and parental responsibility has been received and verified by Bromley Admissions.
- **Pupils not living in the London Borough of Bromley must apply through their home authority.**
- **Any change of address or circumstances during the application process must be notified direct to School Admissions.**
- **Some schools require a supplementary information form** – the school must also be listed as a preference on the main application to be considered.
- **There is increased demand for school places and you are not guaranteed an offer from a preferred school** (unless you qualify for a sibling place).
- **Proximity distances reached vary each year**, so you are advised to use all six preferences and include local schools which have consistently reached your address.

Please note:

- You **MUST** submit an application with all the required documents by 15 January 2021.
- Your child must meet the admissions criteria of the school to be offered a place.
- There is **NO** automatic transfer from a nursery into a school.
- There is **NO** automatic offer of a sibling place – you just make an application and add the sibling details to the preference.

### Important Dates

<b>September 2020</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Online application system for Bromley residents available via <a href="http://www.bromley.gov.uk">www.bromley.gov.uk</a> from 1 September</b></li> <li>• <i>Apply for a School Place 2021</i> booklet available online.</li> <li>• Bromley primary and infant Schools' will give details on their websites of how their open events are being run this year.</li> </ul>
<b>Friday 15 January 2021</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>National application deadline:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Online applications close at 23:59.</li> <li>- Supplementary Information Forms (if required) to be returned direct to schools.</li> <li>- Medical and Social Registration Forms (if required) to be completed and returned to Bromley Admissions.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>End February 2021</b>	Letter sent to Bromley borough applicants to confirm the application address, schools applied for and order of preference as entered on the admissions system.
<b>Friday 16 April 2021</b>	<p><b>National Offer Day.</b> Notification of offer email sent to online applicants from 5.30pm. It is planned that a letter will also be posted the same day confirming the outcome and detail the options available if you haven't been offered your 1st preference school. You will automatically be put on any higher preference waiting lists and you can add additional school preferences. <b>Acceptances</b> should be made online by Friday 30 April 2020.</p>

- **Denominational (church) schools and schools with additional criteria.** These schools require a completed supplementary Information (SIF) in addition to being listed as a preference on the online application.
- SIFs are available from relevant school/s and must be returned by 15 January 2021. In Bromley (as at August 2020) these schools are:  
 Holy Innocents Catholic Primary  
 La Fontaine Academy (Pupil Premium information form)  
 St Anthony's RC Primary  
 St James' RC Primary  
 St Joseph's Catholic Primary  
 St Nicholas CE Primary School (if applying under the Faith criterion)  
 St Peter & St Paul Catholic Primary  
 St Philomena's Catholic Primary  
 St Vincent's Catholic Primary
- **You can only complete one application.** All schools you would like your child to be considered for, whether in Bromley or elsewhere, must be listed on your application in your preferred order. Independent (fee-paying) schools should not be included.
- You can list up to six schools with the one you want most as your first preference. Your application should include the school whose proximity offers have always easily covered your address.  
**Schools will not be told which preference number they are or if you have applied to others.**
- Please refer to schools' websites for details of **admissions criteria** for the 2021 reception intake.
- If your child has a **Education, Care and Health Plan (EHCP)** please contact your caseworker for advice and **do not complete an online application.** However, if your child is **under assessment** for an EHCP, please make an **online application** through the co-ordinated process.

## Please remember:

- > **Don't miss any deadlines and ensure you have provided documents to prove residence and parental responsibility. Providing false information could lead to prosecution.** A recent change of parental responsibility will only be agreed under exceptional circumstances. Moves of convenience to gain advantage will not be accepted by schools.
- > **Do your research.** Read the Apply for a school place booklet published by the Local Authority of your preferred school/s. Read schools' prospectuses and websites, and participate in any visiting or viewing opportunities such as virtual tours.
- > **Be realistic when deciding which school/s to apply to.** You are strongly advised to include a school that has always easily reached your address on proximity.
- > **Preferences cannot be changed after 15 January 2021.**
- > **Keep Bromley Admissions informed of any change in circumstance during the application and offer process.**

**All Bromley schools receive more applications than they have places so may not be able to offer to all applicants.**

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