



Admissions Arrangements 2026-27

Osidge School will admit 60 children into Reception.

Oversubscription criteria

After the admission of children with an EHCP, places will be offered according to the following order of priority if there are more applications than the number of places available.

1. Children who are 'looked after' and children who were adopted (or subject to residence orders or special guardianship orders) immediately following having been 'looked after'. A child looked after is a child in the care of a local authority or provided with accommodation by that authority in accordance with Section 22 of the Children Act 1989. An adopted child is defined by section 46 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002. A residence order is defined by section 8 of the Children Act 1989. A special guardianship order is defined by section 14A of the Children Act 1989.

2. Other children whom the Governing Body accepts have an exceptional medical, social or other need that the school is particularly able to meet. Applications in this category will be considered only if they are supported by an attached written statement from a doctor, social worker or other appropriate professional.

Parents must demonstrate that there is a very specific connection between the child's need and the particular school. Difficulties with child care arrangements because of work or other commitments would not be grounds for priority under this category. Information not provided at the time the application is submitted may not be considered at a later date.

3. Children who, at the time of admission, have a sibling (brother or sister) living at the same address who already attends the school. Siblings would include half, step, adoptive and foster siblings provided they also live at the same address as the applicant.
4. Children of staff, where the member of staff has been employed by the school for 2 or more years at the time of application, or the member of staff was recruited to fill a vacant post for which there was a demonstrable skill shortage.
5. Children living closest to the school when measuring distance in a straight line. Unless otherwise stated distances are measured from the address point for the child's home, to the school's entrance. The distance between these points is calculated using the Local Authority's computerised information system.

Application to Reception Class

Applications for a Reception place at Osidge School should be made through the London Borough of Barnet by Barnet residents and the London Borough of Enfield by Enfield residents on a Common Application Form. No additional forms are required by the school. If a place is not available, parents can request that their applications be kept on a waiting list maintained by the London Borough of Barnet. Any places which subsequently become available to be offered by the London Borough of Barnet.