

Honeywell Infant School

Admissions Arrangements 2024-25

Application for admission to reception in September 2024 must be made on a common application form by 15th January 2024.

If there are more applications than the 90 places available, priority will be given in the following order:

- (i) Looked after children and those who ceased to be looked after children, looked after because they were adopted, or because they became subject to a residence order, child arrangements order or a special guardianship order. This includes those children who appear to the Local Authority to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (note 1);
- (ii) Children with brothers and sisters on the roll of the schools on the date of admission living up to a distance of 800 metres from the schools. Children with a brother or sister at the schools on the date of admission living over 800 metres from the schools will also receive priority under this criterion where the family have not moved since the last sibling was offered a place or the last sibling was admitted prior to September 2017 (notes 2 and 3);
- (iii) Children with a professionally supported exceptional medical need or exceptional social need for a place at a particular school, as decided by the Governing Body (note 4);
- (iv) Children of staff employed directly at either Honeywell Infant or Junior school. Where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for the admission to the school is made and /or the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage (note 5);
- (v) Children in order of straight line distance from home to school as measured by Wandsworth Council's Geographical Information System (notes 3 and 6).

If there are more applications than places within any category, applications will be considered in order of straight line distance from home to school, as measured by the Council's Geographical Information System.

Notes:

1. *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 or section 12 of the Adoption Act 1976. A residence order is defined by section 8 of the Children Act 1989. A child arrangement order is defined by section 8 of the Children Act 1989 as amended by section 14 of the Children and Families Act 2014. A special guardianship order is defined by section 14A of the Children Act 1989. Priority under this criterion will also be given to those children who appear to the Local Authority to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. Documentary evidence will be required in all circumstances.*
2. *A sibling is a full brother or sister, a step/half brother or sister living at the same address, a child who is living as part of the family by reason of a court order, or a child who has been placed with foster carers as a result of being looked after by a local authority. Those children whose siblings have joined the schools through the Fair Access Protocol will NOT be considered as siblings. The parents/carers of these children will be able to apply for a place at the school through the other categories.*
3. *The straight-line measurement used to prioritise applicants for admission to schools in Wandsworth commences in all cases at the location of the property and terminates at the central point of the school site as determined by Wandsworth Council's Geographical Information System. Measurements by alternative systems and/or to other points will not be taken into account in any circumstances. Where applicants have identical distance measurements, priority amongst them will be determined at random.*

4. *Applications made on exceptional medical grounds must be supported by a current letter from a specialist health professional. Applications made on exceptional social grounds must be supported by a current letter from a social worker or other care professional working with the family. The letters must give reasons why the child's condition or circumstances make it necessary for the child to attend the school applied for, and the difficulties that would be caused if the child had to attend an alternative school. If this information is not provided by the application closing date, the application will not be considered under this criterion.*

5. *The member of staff must be employed on at least 0.6 FTE and employed directly at the school. The number of places offered under this criterion is one per form of entry. This equates to a maximum of three places per year group. If more than three members of staff apply applications will be considered in order of straight line distance from home to school, as measured by the Council's Geographical Information System.*

6. *The permanent address of the parent/guardian with whom the child is living on the closing date for applications will be used for this purpose and this must be the address where the family normally lives. Parents are not permitted to use a temporary address to secure a school place for the child. A business address, a childminder's address, or any address including a family member's address other than the child's permanent home will not be accepted. Proof of address will be sought and if there is any doubt about the validity of the address given it may be the subject of further investigation.*

7. *There is no automatic right of transfer from the nursery class to the infant reception class within the same primary school. If there are more applications than places available, priority will be based on the above criteria alone.*

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In-Year Admissions Arrangements 2024-25

Occasionally, places become available across the school. For in-year applications, priority will be given in the following order:

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