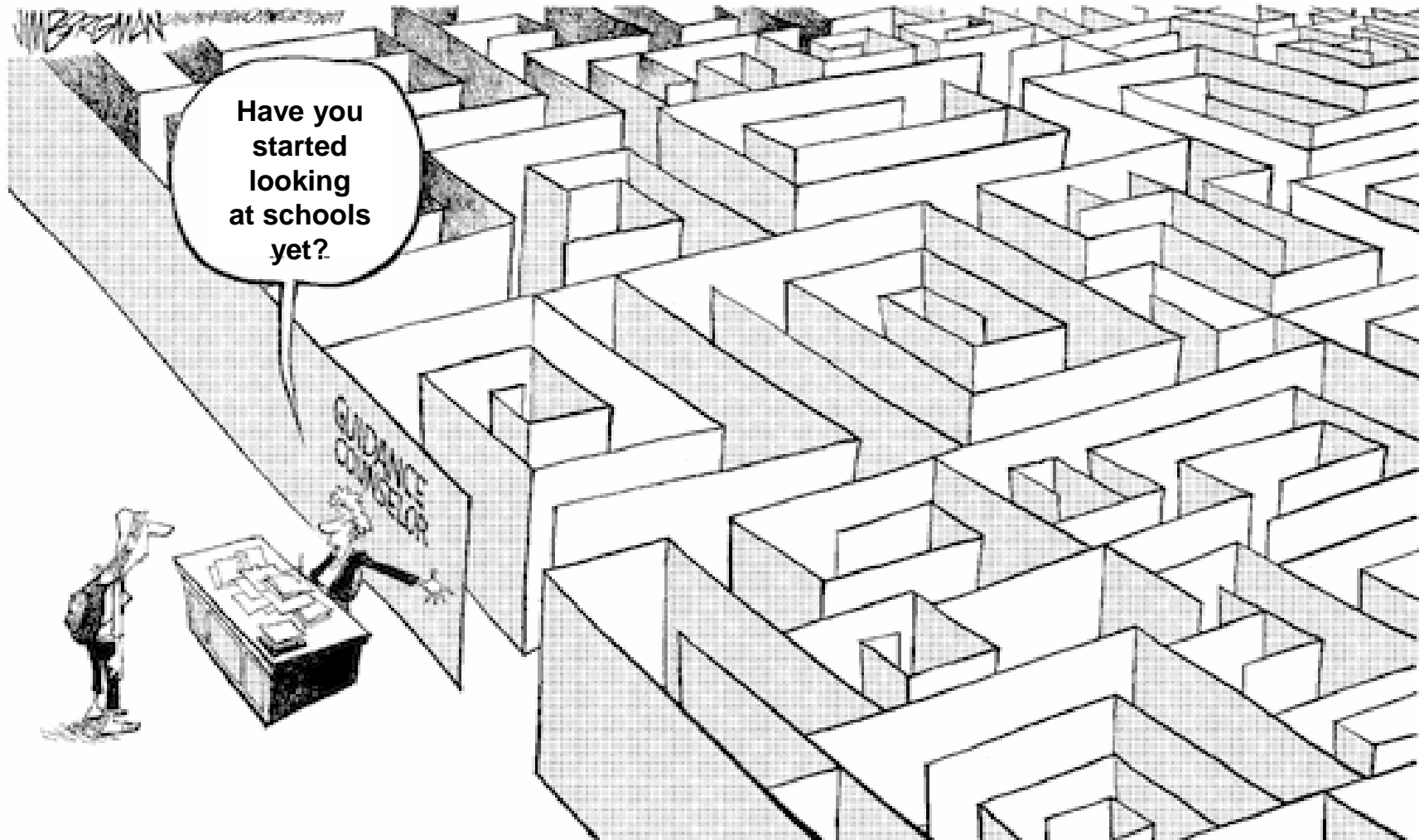




Transfer to Secondary School September 2027

Choosing a school



Choosing a school

How do I know
which school is
right for my
child?

Who can help
me make that
decision?

EHCP Pupils

If your child has an education, health and care plan (EHCP), you will follow a different process and any queries you have about your child's transfer to secondary school should be addressed to the SEN Team. For more information visit

www.barnetlocaloffer.org.uk/

Choosing a school

Talk to your child

- find out what they want
- consider how they will travel to school



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Visit the schools




Attend open evenings (schedule will be available soon)



Talk to the teachers



Talk to the pupils

- 
- Attendance is important
 - Keep the school informed if your child will be visiting schools
 - Absences can only be authorised if parents inform the school in advance of visits/tests

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Look at the school's website. It will have detailed information about:



- how the school is run
- which subjects are taught
- the admissions criteria

The prospectus will be **available at the open evenings.**

You can also **download from the school website.**

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Read the secondary admissions guide

(published by your home local authority)



The 2027 guide will be available online, in **September 2026**

Download Barnet's guide from the Local Authority's [website](#)

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Talk to the Customer Service Team

- the team can offer you advice and answer your questions
- how do I contact them?
 - **tel: 020 8359 7651**
 - **[Contact Us online](#)**

If you live outside Barnet, visit your Local Authority's website



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Look at performance information online

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

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Look carefully at the admission criteria for each school

- selection by aptitude
- faith criteria
- siblings
- distance



Remember most schools get more applications than they have places available.....

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Geographical distance for most schools that were unable to offer to all applicants on Secondary National Offer Day 2026

Name of School	Furthest distance offered (Miles)
Archer Academy	0.304 (N2) 0.984 (N3) 1.34 (NW11)
Ark Pioneer	1.64
Ashmole Academy	0.543
Christ College, Finchley	1.167
The Compton School (Geographical)	0.882
East Barnet	0.841
JCoSS (18 Distance places)	1.607
Mill Hill High	1.013
Queen Elizabeth's Girls'	3.925
The Totteridge Academy	1.968
Wren Academy (Geographical)	0.323

Full Secondary 2026 Allocation Table is available at:

<https://www.barnet.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/apply-secondary-school/transferring-secondary-school>

How do I apply?

How soon can I apply?

The application process begins on
1 September 2026



Where do I apply?

apply online at www.eadmissions.org.uk



How many schools can I apply for?

You can apply for up to **six** schools

You must 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

How do I apply?

Can I apply to schools outside Barnet?

Yes, you should include all your preferred schools, whether inside they are or outside the borough where you live

Only ONE application must be submitted listing all your preferred schools; this **MUST** be submitted to the local authority for your home borough

How do I apply?

Choosing school preferences sensibly

- if you only list one school, it will not increase your chances of getting a place at the school and your child will be considered for that one school only
- if this is unsuccessful, you may miss out on an offer which could have been made at another school which may no longer be available
- it is important to make realistic school choices to avoid disappointment
- check how places were offered last year, but remember the cut-off distances are just a guide and will change every year
- just because you live nearer to the school than the last child offered a distance place last year, it doesn't mean your child is guaranteed a place.



How do I apply?

Do I need to fill in any other forms?

All voluntary aided schools and some foundation schools, free 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
 - selective schools may ask about any medical condition that needs to be taken into account at the test and they may also require a photograph
- Jewish schools will also ask you to complete a **Certificate of Religious Practice (CRP)**, which must be signed by a Rabbi
- SIFs and CRPs **must** be returned to the individual schools

How do I apply?

What else do I need to provide?

Proof of address

- your child's **main address** must be used on the application form
- you **must not** use a temporary address or an address of convenience, such as a child minder's address, a business address or the address of a relative or friend
- if you own a property previously used as a home address and apply from another address, the second address may be treated as an address of convenience
- if you have moved within the last two years you may be asked to provide proof of the new address and proof that you have disposed of the previous property
- any address suspected of being used to gain advantage of securing a place at a preferred school, will be investigated and may be rejected.

Fraudulent addresses

Each year a small number of parents provide a false address to get a school place

In doing so they could be **depriving your child** of their rightful place

Providing false information is a **criminal offence**

If you know someone who intends to use a false address, you can **report this in confidence**

Report it online to the **Corporate Anti-Fraud Team** at www.barnet.gov.uk/anti-fraud

call the **fraud hotline on 020 8359 2007**

Selection Tests

Schools must give parents the test results before the closing date for applications

- applications to sit the tests should be made directly to the individual school



Selection Tests

When will the tests be held?

- **Selection tests** for Barnet schools (*Ashmole Academy, Friern Barnet, The Henrietta Barnett, Mill Hill County High, Queen Elizabeth Boys', St Mary's & St John's CE, St Michael's Catholic Grammar*), will be held from **May to October 2026**
- **Applications are already open for some schools and will start closing from 1 May**

Selection Tests (Barnet Schools)

(please check individual school websites for updated information)

School	Entrance / Aptitude Test	Application Dates (2026)	Test dates (2026)
<u>Ashmole Academy</u>	Musical Aptitude Test	Applications open: 5 th January Closing date: Friday 1 st May (3:30pm)	Musical Aptitude Listening Test: Sunday 17 th My
			Musical Aptitude Auditions Tuesday 7 th – Thursday 9 th July
<u>Friern Barnet School</u>	Enhanced Arts Programme	<i>Check school website for updates</i>	
<u>The Henrietta Barnett School</u> (Girls)	Academic Selection Test	Applications open: Wednesday 1 st April Closing date: Wednesday 1 st July (5:00pm)	Round One: Wednesday 2 nd , Thursday 3 rd and Friday 4 th September
			Round Two: Early October

Selection Tests (Barnet Schools)

(please check individual school websites for updated information)

School	Entrance / Aptitude Test	Application Dates (2026)	Test dates (2026)
<u>Mill Hill County High School</u>	Technology Aptitude Test	Applications open: Friday 20 th March Closing date: Friday 8 th May (3pm)	Saturday 12 ^{3h} September
	Music Aptitude Test		Saturday 6 th June, Saturday 13 th June, Saturday 20 th June and Sunday 28 th June
	Dance Aptitude Test		Sunday 7 ^{8h} June Saturday 27 th June
<u>Queen Elizabeth's School</u> (Boys)	Academic Selection Test	Applications open: Friday 1 st May Closing date: Wednesday 8 th July (12pm)	Wednesday 16 th September Thursday 17 th September
<u>St Mary's & St John's CE School</u>	Music Aptitude Test One and Two	Applications open: Monday 23 rd February Closing date: Wednesday 3 rd June (5pm)	Wednesday 10 th June Thursday 18 th June
	Dance Aptitude Test		Thursday 11 th June
	Drama Aptitude Test		Friday 12 th June
<u>St Michael's Catholic Grammar School</u> (Girls)	Academic Selection Test	Applications open: Tuesday 14 th April Closing date: Tuesday 7 th July (4pm)	Friday 11 th September

Selection Tests (Other Boroughs)

(please check individual school websites for updated information)

School	Entrance / Aptitude Test	Application Dates (2026)	Test dates (2026)
<u>Dame Alice Owen's School</u> (Hertfordshire)	Musical Aptitude Test	Applications open: Wednesday 29 th April Closing date: Wednesday 10 th June	Part 1: Tuesday 1 st September
			Part 2: 28 th September to 1 st October
	Academic Selection Test		Part 1: Tuesday 1 st September
			Part 2: Saturday 26 th September
<u>The Latymer School</u> (Enfield)	Academic Selection Test	Applications open: Tuesday 17 th March Closing date: Tuesday 2 nd June	Thursday 3 rd September Friday 4 th September Saturday 5 th September

Closing Date?

The closing date is **31
October 2026**

The online system will
close at **12 midnight on
31 October**



Late applications

What happens if I miss the deadline?

- Late applications **will not** be considered until after all 'on time' applicants have been offered a place
- if there is an **exceptional reason** for a late application, it may be treated as on-time
- you must let the Admissions Team know your reason by **Monday 7 December 2026**.



What happens next?

Co-ordinated admissions

- all **33 London boroughs and surrounding county councils** are included in the co-ordinated admissions process
- application lists are exchanged
- offer lists are drawn up
- offer lists are exchanged



What happens next?

How will places be allocated?

- If the school receives more applications than places available, the **published admissions criteria** will be applied to decide who can be offered a place
- each school listed on the application form is **equally considered** against the school's admissions criteria regardless of the preference order
- your ranking order **is not** passed on to the individual schools.

Offers

Will I be offered more than one school place?

- All children will be offered **one** school place
- if your child qualifies for more than one school place, you will be offered the school which you **ranked higher** on your application form
- any school ranked lower than the one you have been offered will **automatically be withdrawn** and offered to another child.

Offers

Are there enough school places available?

- Yes
- The Local Authority makes annual plans to ensure there are enough school places for every Barnet applicant
- every child will be provided with a school place
- however, it may not always be possible to offer a preference school.

Offers

National Offer Day is
Monday 1 March 2027

You will receive an email with the
outcome of your application
during the evening of 1 March

You can then **login into your
eAdmissions** account for further
information


Offers

Accepting offers


Places must be accepted or declined online
by **Monday 15 March 2027**

No Preference Offer?


What happens if I don't get any of my preferred schools?



Your child will be allocated a place at a school with a vacancy



Their name will remain on the waiting lists for your selected schools



You will have the right to appeal



Your child's name can be added to additional school waiting lists

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

You will need to convince the panel that your **child's needs are more important** than the school's need to limit the admission number

Appeals are unlikely to be successful unless there are **exceptional grounds with compelling evidence**

Applications to Private Schools

- **Private school /fee paying school**
- **Contact each school individually for information on admissions process**
- **Different application process – most schools require the children to sit a test**
- **You give the school permission to contact the school for a confidential reference**



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