

A teacher with long brown hair, wearing a black polka-dot shirt, is sitting at a white table with three children. They are all focused on building with colorful plastic blocks. The boy on the left is looking at the teacher. The girl in the middle is holding a blue block. The girl on the right is holding a yellow block. On the table are various blocks, a book, and a small black stand. In the background, there is a whiteboard with a grid of letters and a colorful display on the wall.

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Applications close 15 January 2026

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Introduction



Foreword

A message from the Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Refugees at Southwark Council

Dear parents and carers

I am delighted to present you with this brilliant brochure to help you choose one of our excellent primary schools for your child.

We have many reasons to be proud of our schools in Southwark, which continue to deliver high quality education and positive outcomes for our children and young people. Education in Southwark has never been stronger, with almost all of our primary schools rated good or outstanding by Ofsted.

Our priority is that every child has the best possible start in life and good education is key. We are committed to working with schools to maintain and better our standards across all of our education settings.

Every child in Southwark deserves the opportunity to reach their potential and enjoy learning. Through our Improving Mental Health and Resilience in Schools programme we continue to provide mental wellbeing support in our schools so that every child has access to the support they need to enable them to flourish and do well in a safe and supportive environment.

We want all of our schools to be as inclusive as possible. That is why the council is committed to working closely with all our partners in health and schools to transform our special education needs services for our children and young people so that our children can get the best possible education outcomes.

We know that a healthy and active life plays an important role also. That is why we are supporting schools to serve high quality and locally sourced food via our free healthy school meals programme. We are continuing to improve and tackle poor air quality near schools by making it easier and safer for more

children to walk and cycle to school through 'school streets' to get pupils active and increase their concentration in the classroom.

You and your child can select up to six primary schools that you would most like your child to attend. We have provided information about what each school can offer your child as it is important to understand what is on offer when making your preferences. I encourage you to attend open days to take a tour of the schools and meet the teachers.

All applications for primary school places must be made using our online application at **www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions**. If you need help accessing the online application, then you can use the internet for free at any Southwark library. Visit **www.southwark.gov.uk/libraries** or call Southwark Council's customer service centre in 020 7525 5000 for further information on your local library and the services it offers.

And of course if you have any queries about schools in Southwark, please do get in touch with me at **jasmine.ali@southwark.gov.uk** or on 07985 114 335. Alternatively, Southwark Council's school admissions team is always on hand to guide you through the process. You can reach them at **schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk** or 020 7525 5337.

We are here if you need any help and advice through the admissions process and beyond.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your child the very best at this exciting time.



Cllr Jasmine Ali
Deputy Leader and
Cabinet Member for
Children, Education
and Refugees,
Southwark Council

Applications



Key dates

Application to reception class for September 2026 intake

Date	What should parents/carers look out for?
1 September 2025 to Thursday 15 January 2026	<p>The admissions process starts.</p> <p>Contact schools for a copy of their prospectus and details of their open days/evenings. We strongly advise families to check each school's website for details on how and when they will be holding their open day/evening as this may be subject to change at short notice.</p> <p>Apply for primary schools by completing an online application at www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions</p> <p>If any of the schools you have listed as one of your preferences requires a supplementary information form (SIF), you must complete and return the SIF directly to the school. You should contact the school to check their individual closing date.</p>
Thursday 15 January 2026 11.59pm	<p>Closing date for submitting online applications.</p> <p>You must ensure that we have received your online application and you have uploaded any additional supporting documents with it by this date.</p>
Thursday 16 April 2026	<p>Applicants who apply on time will receive their child's offer of a school place by email after 5pm. The email will provide information on what to do next.</p> <p>Applicants will also be able to view the outcome of their application during the evening at www.eadmissions.org.uk</p>
Thursday 30 April 2026	<p>No action is required if you are a Southwark resident and want to accept the school offered to your child.</p> <p>Should you wish to reject the offer of a school place allocated to your child, you must notify the school admissions team by email at schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk and include your unique application reference number by this date.</p>
Appeals June to July 2026	<p>Appeal hearings for Southwark community schools are held.</p>

These are important deadlines which you will need to keep in mind.

If you miss these dates, your chances of being offered a place at a preferred school will be reduced.

Finding the right school for your child

Start finding out about schools now

- Before you decide which schools to apply for and your order of preference, we strongly advise that you read the guidance in this brochure.
- You will find information about schools in Southwark either within this brochure, from the schools directly, online or by contacting Southwark Council's school admissions team by email at **schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk**
- You can also talk to teachers and other parents/carers whilst thinking about what is important to you and your child.

Look at school brochures/websites

- All schools produce their own brochures, which contain far more information about the school than we can provide in this brochure.
- Many schools also have their own website which can be a valuable source of information. School websites are included on the individual school's page within this brochure.
- To help you research which schools are right for your child, all our libraries offer free access to the internet. Please visit **www.southwark.gov.uk/libraries** or call Southwark Council's customer service centre on **020 7525 5000** for further information on your local library and the services it offers.

Visit as many schools as possible

- Parents and carers are strongly encouraged to visit schools to see what each has to offer. We strongly advise families to check each school's website for details on how and when they will be holding their open day/evening as this may be subject to change at short notice.
- If you are interested in applying for a school, look at their oversubscription criteria in detail before completing the online application and listing it as a preference.

Look at the most recent Ofsted reports

- All schools in Southwark are inspected by the Office for Standards in Education (Ofsted). Ofsted's main aim is to help improve the quality and standard of education and childcare through independent inspection. You can check the latest report for any school by asking the school for a copy or by visiting the Ofsted website **www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ofsted**

Extra help

- Help and advice is always available from Southwark Council's school admissions team. You can ask any questions you may have about the admissions process by sending us an email at **schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk**.

Applying for a reception place

When can my child start primary school?

- **If your child was born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022, your child is due to start primary school in September 2026. You must start applying from 1 September 2025 and submit your application before the closing date on Thursday 15 January 2026.**
- Southwark Council's school admissions team will provide for the admission of children into the reception year group in the September following their fourth birthday. However, a child is not required to start school until they have reached compulsory school age.
- Compulsory school age is set out in section 8 of the Education Act 1996 and The Education (Start of Compulsory School Age) Order 1998. A child reaches compulsory school age on the prescribed day following his/her fifth birthday (or on his/her fifth birthday if it falls on a prescribed day). The prescribed days are 31 December, 31 March and 31 August.

Deferred entry

- In accordance with Paragraph 2.17 of the School Admissions Code 2021, families are able to:
 - Defer their child's entry to school until later in the same academic year (but not beyond the point at which the child reaches compulsory school age); or
 - Take up their child's Reception place part time in the same academic year, until s/he reaches compulsory school age.
- For further information on deferring a child's place until later in the same academic year, please read our policy on "Deferring entry to primary school" which can be viewed at www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions. Should you wish to discuss deferring your child's entry to school, please contact the school admissions team by email at schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk and we will arrange for an officer to call you at your earliest convenience.

Admission of children outside of their normal age group

- Families with summer born children who have not reached compulsory school age may request to delay their child's entry to Reception until the following academic year.
- For further information on how to request to delay a summer born child's entry to Reception until the following academic year, please read our policy on "Admission of children outside of their normal age group" which can be viewed at www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions. Should you wish to discuss delaying your summer born child's entry to Reception until the following academic year, please contact the school admissions team by email at schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk and we will arrange for an officer to call you at your earliest convenience.

For further information, advice and support please contact our school admissions team by email at schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk

Different types of primary schools in Southwark

There are five types of mainstream primary schools in the borough and Southwark Council co-ordinates admission applications on behalf of these schools. The schools are regularly inspected by the Office for Standards in Education (Ofsted). For children starting school in Southwark there are 67 primary schools to choose from.

Community schools

There are 28 community primary schools in Southwark. Southwark Council is responsible for the arrangements for admitting children.

Voluntary aided schools

There are 9 Church of England and 7 Catholic voluntary aided primary schools in Southwark. The school's governing body is responsible for school admissions and decides how pupils are admitted.

Academies

There are 17 primary academies (including one all through academy for children aged three to 18) in Southwark. The Academy Trust is responsible for school admissions and decides how pupils are admitted.

Foundation schools

There is one primary foundation school in Southwark. The school's governing body is responsible for school admissions and decides how pupils are admitted.

Free schools

There are five primary free schools in Southwark. The school's governing body is responsible for school admissions and decides how pupils are admitted.

Non community schools, (academies, voluntary aided, foundation and free schools) are their own admissions authority and are responsible for setting their own admission arrangements. Southwark Council's school admissions team co-ordinates admission applications to all schools. In cases where a decision not to offer a place has been made, parents/carers will need to contact each non-community school for further details.

Admission authorities are responsible for ensuring that their arrangements are fair, clear and compliant with current regulations. If you have a query about a particular arrangement, you must raise it directly with the relevant admission authority. If your query remains unresolved and it relates to a Southwark school, please contact our admissions compliance officer by email on **schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk**

You may also raise any objections to admission arrangements with the Office of the Schools Adjudicator by 15 May. Please see page 75 for details on how to contact them.

How to apply

Information about applying

Before you start applying there are a few things you need to know.

- If you are a Southwark resident you must apply online at www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions
- If you live in another borough you must complete the admission application for the borough in which you live, even if you would like to apply for a school in Southwark.
- When applying for a school place you may express a preference for up to six schools whether they are in Southwark or in another borough.

Social or medical need

- If you are going to apply to a school under their medical/social criterion, you must upload additional supporting documents as attachments with your online application before 11.59pm on 15 January 2026. Documents may include a recent medical or social report and/or a letter from a professional.
- It is important that you also visit the school first before naming it as a preference on your application. This is to ensure that the school is suitable to meet your child's needs. We strongly advise families to check each school's website for details on how and when they will be holding their open day/evening as this may be subject to change at short notice.

Looked after children (LAC) and previously looked after children (PLAC) in England

- For the purposes of school admissions, a 'looked after child' is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions (see definition in Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989) at the time of making an application to a school.
- For the purposes of school admissions, a 'previously looked after child' in England is a child who was previously looked after by a local authority in England but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order) immediately following having been looked after. Adoption is defined under the Adoption Act 1976 (see section 12 adoption orders) and children who were adopted under the Adoption and Children's Act 2002 (see section 46 adoption orders). Child arrangements orders are defined in section 8 of the Children Act 1989, as amended by section 12 of the Children and Families Act 2014. Child arrangements orders replace residence orders and any residence orders in force prior to 22 April 2014 is deemed to be a child arrangements order. Section 14A of the Children Act 1989 defines a 'special guardianship order' as an order appointing one or more individuals to be a child's special guardian (or special guardians).

- If you are applying on behalf of a LAC and PLAC in the care of a local authority in England, you must upload the following supporting documents as attachments with your online application before 11.59pm on 15 January 2026:
 1. A letter on headed paper from the local authority in England where the child is currently/previously 'looked after'. The letter must confirm that at the time of making the admissions application, the child is either currently 'looked after' or was previously 'looked after' (but ceased to be so because they were adopted, subject to a child arrangements order or a special guardianship order immediately following having been looked after); and
 2. If the child was previously 'looked after', a relevant court order under English law such as an adoption order, a child arrangements order or a special guardianship order.

Internationally adopted previously looked after children (IAPLAC)

- For the purposes of school admissions, a child is regarded as IAPLAC if:
 - They have been adopted; and
 - They appear to the admission authority to have previously been in state care outside of England (in the care of or accommodated by a public authority, a religious organisation, or any other provider of care whose sole or main purpose is to benefit society) immediately before they were adopted.
- If you are applying on behalf of an IAPLAC, you must upload both of the supporting documents listed below as attachments with your online application before 11.59pm on 15 January 2026:
 1. Documentary evidence of adoption which includes one of these documents:
 - a) An adoption order from a UK court;
 - b) An adoption certificate issued by the Registrar General for England and Wales, National Records Scotland, or the General Register Office for Northern Ireland;
 - c) An Article 23 Certificate – this applies to Hague convention adoptions, and will have been issued by a Central Authority; or
 - d) Official documentation from the relevant court or state authorities in the country of adoption, confirming that the child was adopted. Please note, in the case of d) we may ask for further

information such as a certified document obtained from the embassy of the country of origin, a letter from an adoption agency, a letter from another agency or organisation that has been involved with the child or a notarised and translated legal document.

2. Documentary evidence that the child was previously looked after. In most cases, evidence will be in the form of a report or letter, which either describes the child's pre-adoption circumstances or states that the child was in the care of or accommodated by a public authority, a religious organisation, or any other provider of care whose sole or main purpose is to benefit society. If the child was looked after by private foster parents, evidence should show that the care was arranged by or authorised by an organisation which meets the definition.

Examples of evidence may include:

- An Article 16 Report – this applies to Hague convention adoptions and will have been issued by the Central Authority;
- Information provided by an adoption agency, either in the UK or overseas;
- Information provided by an organisation that provided care for the child (for example, a charity or religious organisation); or
- A report or letter from another agency or organisation that has been involved with the child.

- Southwark Council's school admissions team may liaise with our virtual school head (VSH) in relation to IAPLAC applicants and any evidence that is submitted to support the application. For further information on IAPLAC, please view the DfE's guidance at https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1001066/Admissions_priority_for_children_adopted_from_state_care_outside_of_England.pdf

Supplementary Information Form (SIF)

- Some schools need to collect information that is not included on the admission application. They request this information using a supplementary information form (SIF). The school will use the information you provide by comparing it against their published admissions criteria. For example, a faith school will require evidence of church attendance.
- You must complete a SIF if the school you have listed as one of your preferences requires this. Please view the individual school's page within this brochure to check if a SIF is required.
- The SIF will be available from the school and must be completed, signed and returned directly to the school. Please check the individual deadline date for returning the SIF with each school.
- Where a SIF is also required alongside an admission application, your application may be invalid or your chance of a place reduced unless both the forms have been fully completed and received at the correct addresses by the closing dates for each.

When can I start applying online?

- You can start applying online from **1 September 2025** at www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions
- If you do not have a computer at home or do not have internet access, our libraries offer free access to the internet. Please visit www.southwark.gov.uk/libraries or call Southwark Council's customer service centre on **020 7525 5000** for further information on your local library and the services it offers.

How do I apply online?

Online school admission applications are quick and easy to do. **Follow the steps below and you're ready to start your child's online application.**

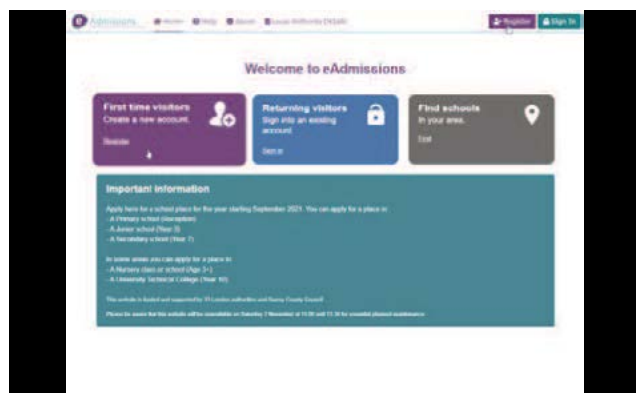
STEP 1

- To apply online go to www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions



Apply online for school admissions

- Click on
- You will be taken to the eAdmissions webpage.



- When you first use the eAdmissions website you also have the option to download it as an app to your device by following the instructions.

STEP 2

What to do if:

– **This is the first time you are applying online using eAdmissions; or**

– **You have not used your eAdmissions account within the last three years**

- If you have used your eAdmissions account within the last three years to apply for a school place for any of your children you do not need to register again. Please go to Step 3.
- If this is the first time you are applying for a school place on the eAdmissions website, you must register to apply online. Additionally, if you have not used your eAdmissions account within the last three years, you must register again as your account will have been deleted. The person registering must have parental responsibility for the child and they must both live at the same address that has been stated on the online application.
- You will need an email address to register. Don't worry if you do not have an email address. You can sign up for a free email account by reading our leaflet 'Registering for an email account' which can be requested from the school admissions team by email at schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk.

- We recommend that applicants use GoogleMail if possible. However, if you already have an email address you should set your spam/junk mail filter to 'Standard' so that emails from eAdmissions go straight to your inbox. You should also occasionally check your spam/junk email folder to make sure that messages from eAdmissions are not sent there by mistake.

- You can also sign up to get notifications either by text message or by downloading the 'ParentComms' mobile app.
- You will need to click on the **'First time visitors'** box. Once you have registered, you will be asked to create your own **password**. Once your password has been entered, please review the privacy policies before ticking the box and then click **'Create'**.
- You will then be sent an email with your **user name** and instructions which you must follow to validate your email address.
- You can then choose whether to log in to the eAdmissions website to start your application or set up security questions for your account. We strongly recommend that you do set security questions as this helps to confirm your identity should you forget your password and can be used to recover access to your eAdmissions account.

Please keep your user name and password safe as you will need these same details to log in to make any future online applications and to see the outcome of your application.

STEP 3

What to do if you have applied for a school place using your eAdmissions account within the last three years

- On the home page click on **'Returning visitors'** and enter your user name and password.
- If you have forgotten your user name or password click on the **'Forgotten your user name or password?'** link and follow the instructions. Your password can be re-sent to you by text message or to the email address you used when you first registered (please check your spam/junk folder as it may have been sent there).
- Once you log in to your account, you must check if any of your details e.g. your address, email or phone numbers have changed and update them. You can do this by clicking on the **'My Account'** box. Once any necessary changes have been made, you must click **'Save'** to confirm that your details are correct.

STEP 4

Completing the application

- Once you have logged in, you will be directed to your home page.
- If you can see your child's name on your home page, click on **'Start new application'** below the child's name. This will only be available for children whose date of birth falls within a relevant age range. You should check your child's existing details and click **'Save and continue'** to proceed with your application.
- If your child's name is not displayed, click on the **'Start application'** button. You will then be directed to the **'Child details'** page where you must enter the child's details for whom you are making the application.
- You must also select your child's current school/nursery from the drop down list. If your child's school/nursery is not listed on the drop down list, you must manually type it into the text box provided.
- Once complete, click on **'Save and continue'** to proceed with the application.
- Each page on your screen will explain what you need to do and you can click on the 'i' icon for further information.
- You must select the school you want for your first preference from the drop down list. You can apply for up to six schools which you must select and list in the order you prefer them. Please ensure that the correct school is selected especially when there are other schools with a similar name in the borough.
- Click on **'Add school'** to add further schools to your application. When you have finished adding schools click on **'Confirm selection'**.
- It is your responsibility to check that your online application is fully completed and that all details are entered correctly. Failure to tick certain boxes, e.g. the sibling box, the looked after children box, or the social/medical box, will mean that your application will not be considered under these criteria.
- If you have ticked the 'social/medical' box or the 'looked after/previously looked after/internationally adopted previously looked after' box, you must upload additional supporting documents as attachments with your online application. Please see pages 10 and 11 for further information on the types of evidence required.
- If you are providing additional supporting documentation you must upload this as an attachment with your online application **before 11.59pm on 15 January 2026. Please do not post or email supporting documentation as we will not be able to accept these.** If you do not provide sufficient supporting documentation your child may not be considered under the relevant criteria.

STEP 5

When and how do I submit the application?

- When you have completed your application you must submit it by **11.59pm on 15 January 2026**. The online application will not be deemed as on time if it is received after this time and date.
- Use the **‘Submit Application’** button to submit your application.
- After you have submitted your online application you should receive an email confirming that your application has been submitted successfully. The email will also include a unique application reference number similar to this: 210-2026-09-E-123456.
- If you do not receive this email and an application reference number it means your application was not submitted successfully and you must log in and click on the **‘Submit application’** button again.

Southwark Council cannot accept responsibility for applications and supporting documents which are not submitted by the closing date.

Can I change my preferences once I have submitted my application?

- You can make changes to your online application up until the closing date.
- If you do go back and make further changes to your application you must re-submit it by clicking on **‘Submit application’** before the closing date. Please also check your home page and click on **‘Resubmit application’** for your most recent changes to be recorded.
- After the closing date Southwark Council’s school admissions team will accept the last submitted version of the application and you will not be able to make any further changes to it.

What communications will I be sent?

The eAdmissions website will send you various emails including:

- An email with your **user name** asking you to validate your email address.
- An email with your **application reference number** and the **summary of your submitted application**.
- An email **reminder** to submit any pending applications both one week and 24 hours before the closing date. If you register less than 24 hours before the deadline you will not be sent this email.
- An email with the **outcome** of your online application will be sent during the evening of **16 April 2026**.

If you have registered your mobile phone number to be part of the text messaging service, eAdmissions will send you various text messages including:

- A text with your **validation code**.
- A text confirming your **user name**.
- A text **reminder** to submit any pending applications 24 hours before the closing date. If you register less than 24 hours before the deadline you will not be sent this text.
- A text with the **application reference** number of your submitted application.
- A text to inform you that the **outcome** of your application is available to view online. You will not be sent the outcome of your online application by text message.

If you feel you may need further help and advice in completing an online application please contact your child’s current nursery school who may be able to support you.

For any further school admissions information or advice, please email our school admissions team at schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk

What happens after the closing date?

How the decision to offer a school place is made

- Each of the schools you have named as preferences on your application will be considered individually.
- If you have listed any schools outside of Southwark, we will send your preference/s to those boroughs electronically.
- Depending on the type of school you have applied to, the decision to offer a school place will be made by:

Community school – where a school has received more applications than there are places available, Southwark Council's school admissions team applies their oversubscription criteria (see page 19) and prioritises the order of offers to be made.

Academies, voluntary aided, foundation and free schools (non-community schools)

– where a non-community school has received more applications than there are places available, the governing body of each school applies their oversubscription criteria and decides which applicants are to be offered a school place.

To view a summary of each non-community school's oversubscription criteria please see page 27 onwards. Once each school has prioritised applications based on their oversubscription criteria, they will each provide a ranked list to Southwark Council's schools admissions team.

- If more than one offer can be made from your list of preferred schools, we will check your application to see which one is ranked highest and offer you that place. Any school listed as a lower preference will be automatically withdrawn so that these places can be offered to other applicants.
- Your child will only receive one offer of a school place.
- If your child is a Southwark resident and it is not possible to offer them a school you have listed as a preference, we will offer an alternative place at a school with capacity. This is likely to be the nearest Southwark school to the child's home which has a vacancy.

Offer of a school place

You will receive an email after **5pm on 16 April 2026** which will provide information on what to do next. You will also be able to view the outcome of your application on the eAdmissions website during the evening of **16 April 2026**.

- Application results will not be provided over the telephone.
- Please note that the offer of a school place is conditional until proof of your address has been confirmed by the school.
- Original copies of the following will be required:
 - Child benefit documentation or if you are no longer eligible to receive child benefit, a letter from HMRC confirming that you were previously in receipt of child benefit
 - Council tax bill
 - One other proof of address, for example bank statement, TV licence, credit card or store card statement

Important information

If the council or an admission authority has reason to suspect that a family does not live at the address stated, we will carry out an investigation. Should we discover that a parent is making a fraudulent claim the offer of a place will be withdrawn.

Respond to your offer of a school place

- Your child's offer will be automatically accepted if you are a Southwark resident and his/her details will be forwarded to the allocated school after **30 April 2026**.
- This offer of a school place will remain available unless you notify us of any other suitable alternative arrangement for education that has been made for your child. You must notify the school admissions team by email at **schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk** and include your unique application reference number by **30 April 2026** so that another child may be offered the place.

If you are not offered a school of your preference

Waiting lists

- If it has not been possible to offer a place at any Southwark schools named as a higher preference on your application, your child's name will automatically be added to their waiting lists.
- You may also ask for your child's name to be added to the waiting list of any out of borough schools listed on your application. Please contact the local authority the school is located in for further information.
- The school admissions code requires admission authorities to hold their waiting list strictly in order of the priorities of their published oversubscription criteria. If your child's name is added to a school's waiting list, their position may go up or down the list depending on whether any late applicants have been added and how the oversubscription criteria applies to these children (i.e. if a late applicant meets a higher criterion than others already on the list, they will be given a higher waiting list position). This ensures that if a vacancy arises at a school at any time, the oversubscription criteria is used to determine which child is offered a place from the waiting list.
- Southwark Council's school admissions team hold waiting lists for all Southwark schools until 10 July 2026. After this date, waiting lists will be returned to each school and they will maintain it for a minimum of one term (until at least 31 December 2026). We will contact you should a place become available at your preferred school.
- If a conditional offer made from a waiting list is not accepted within five working days it will be withdrawn and offered to the next child on the list.
- If you change address whilst on a waiting list, evidence of the new address will be required when measuring for the home to school distance criterion.

Appeals

- You can appeal against the decision not to offer your child a place at a preferred school. Please see below for further information on how to appeal.

Community primary schools

- If you were unsuccessful in being offered a place for your child at a Southwark community school and would like to appeal, you will need to complete and return an admissions appeal form by the set date. For a printable copy of the admissions appeal form and guidance notes, please visit **www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions**
- The email containing the outcome of your child's application will also give you information about how to appeal.
- Independent appeal panels will consider all appeals and the hearing will be clerked by an independent appeals clerk. You will be able to attend the hearing.
- Appeals are heard in June/July. This is to allow for movement after the offer date where places become vacant as families may have accepted a place at an alternative school.

Southwark non-community primary schools

- If you were unsuccessful in being offered a place for your child at a Southwark non-community school you must contact the school/s directly as they administer their own appeal hearings.
- They should then be able to give you further information about how to appeal and send you a copy of their own appeal form.
- The email containing the outcome of your child's application will also give you information about how to appeal.

More detailed information about the appeal process can be found at www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions or by obtaining a copy of the School Admission Appeals Code from the Department for Education (DfE), see contact details on page 74.

Late applications

- If you are making a late application **between 16 January 2026 and 18 August 2026**, you must complete and submit an online application at www.eadmissions.org.uk Please see page 10 for information on how to apply online.
- If you are making a late application **after 18 August 2026**, you must apply for an in year place for your child as the online application system will no longer be available. You can find further information about the in year admissions process at www.southwark.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/in-year-admissions
- All late applications received after **15 January 2026** (except those regarded as exceptional circumstance) will not be considered for a school place until after the initial offer of places on **16 April 2026**.
- However, Southwark Council's school admissions team can accept a late application as on time where it considers there are exceptional circumstances. You will need to notify the school admissions team by email at schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk if you are submitting a late application under exceptional circumstances, providing your reasons and any supporting documents so that they can be considered.
- Only late applications submitted between **16 January 2026 and 12 February 2026** may be considered under the exceptional circumstances category.
- Late applicants will receive their child's offer of a school place by email.

Change of address

- If your child's home address has changed after submitting your application but before the primary application deadline of 15 January 2026, you must update your child's online application with their new home address immediately. Please ensure that you re-submit the application once you have amended your child's home address so that the change can be recorded.
- If your child's home address has changed after 15 January 2026, you must complete and return a 'Change of address' form by email to Southwark Council's school admissions team immediately. You can download the 'Change of address' form at www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions. You can also request the form from the school admissions team by email at schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk. Please note, once we receive the completed 'Change of address' form, your child's new home address will be updated on their application after 16 April 2026.
- Once your child's application has been updated with their new home address, the school will then need to process your child's application again in order to apply their oversubscription criteria.

Southwark Information, Advice and Support team (SIAS)

Special educational needs and disability and school preference advice

The SIAS team provides parents and young people access to confidential and impartial information, advice and support so that they can make informed decisions related to education and pathways to employment. This is achieved by working in partnership with parents and young people, providing information, guidance and training, working with relevant agencies and ensuring parents' and young people's views influence local policy and practice.

What you can expect from the team:

- A response to enquiries by phone, email or letter within five working days
- Our telephone line will be open between 9am and 5pm, or if the phone is busy you will be able to leave a message on the confidential answer phone
- Regular sessions held during term time where parents can make an appointment or drop in to meet them to discuss education, health or social care issues
- Information sessions held for parents and young people
- Advice and support for parents and young people with admissions for primary and secondary school

Southwark Information, Advice and Support Team (SIAS)

This service is free to all parents and young people who live in Southwark where a child or young person is aged 0 to 25 years with special educational needs and/or disabilities.

📞 020 7525 3104

@ sias@southwark.gov.uk

Special educational needs and disabilities team

Further information on the admissions process for children with education, health and care plans (EHCP) can be obtained by contacting

Southwark Council's special educational needs and disabilities team directly.

📞 020 7525 4278

@ sen@southwark.gov.uk

🌐 www.localoffer.southwark.gov.uk

LOCAL OFFER

LONDON BOROUGH OF SOUTHWARK

Southwark's Local Offer provides information about the services and opportunities available locally to children, young people and their families.

Please visit us at www.localoffer.southwark.gov.uk

📞 020 7525 3104

@ localoffer@southwark.gov.uk

🌐 www.localoffer.southwark.gov.uk

🐦 @localofferswk

The schools

Demand for Reception places has reduced in most local authorities in London, including Southwark due to falling numbers of children.

Southwark Council is currently working with primary schools across the borough to implement a strategy to manage capacity in areas where demand has fallen. This may involve some schools reducing the number of places they offer (their 'published admissions number') and possibly a small number of schools closing and/or amalgamating with other schools.

Updates will be available on our website **www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions** or please contact us by email at **schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk**



Oversubscription criteria for Southwark community schools

Oversubscription criteria – September 2026 intake

(for all years excluding nursery)

In the event of there being more applications than places available, places will be allocated in the following order of priority:

1. Looked after children and children who were previously looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order) immediately following having been looked after. It also includes children who appear to the Local Authority [the “LA”] to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted [see note (a)]
2. Children with siblings who are already on roll at the school and will still be on roll at their date of entry [see note b]
3. Children with exceptional medical, social or psychological needs, where it is agreed by the Local Authority (“LA”) and the headteacher that these can best be addressed at a particular school [see note c]
4. Children of permanent staff employed at the school [see note d]
5. Children living nearest to the school as measured by a straight line from the child’s home to the main school gate / entrance [see note e]

Notes

(a) A ‘looked after child’ is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions (see definition in Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989) at the time of making an application to a school.

All references to previously looked after children in the School Admissions Code 2021 mean such children who were adopted (or subject to child arrangements orders or special guardianship orders) immediately following having been looked after and those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.

This includes children who were adopted under the Adoption Act 1976 (see section 12 adoption orders) and children who were adopted under the Adoption and Children’s Act 2002 (see section 46 adoption orders).

Child arrangements orders are defined in section 8 of the Children Act 1989, as amended by section 12 of the Children and Families Act 2014. Child arrangements orders replace residence orders and any residence orders in force prior to 22 April 2014 is deemed to be a child arrangements order.

Section 14A of the Children Act 1989 defines a ‘special guardianship order’ as an order appointing one or more individuals to be a child’s special guardian (or special guardians).

A child is regarded as having been in state care outside of England if they were in the care of or were accommodated by a public authority, a religious organisation, or any other provider of care whose sole or main purpose is to benefit society.

(b) Sibling includes full, half, step, foster and adopted brother or sister living in the same family unit and at the same home address as the child.

The home address is where the parent/carer lives and the child permanently resides unless otherwise directed by a Court Order. This will also apply to informal care arrangements. Where a child spends time with both parents/carers in separate homes and both have parental responsibility, the school will need to establish where the majority of school nights (Sunday to Thursday) are spent. This will then be treated as the home address.

Siblings attending the nursery or in Year 6 who will be transferring to secondary school will not be regarded as a sibling under this criterion.

(c) Supporting evidence to substantiate that the child or their family has a medical, social or psychological need must be provided at the time of application. The evidence must be in a written format and should set out the reasons why, in their view, a particular school is the most suitable and the difficulties that would be caused if the child had to attend another school.

This evidence must be current and either from the child’s registered general practitioner or any another relevant qualified professional that the child has

been referred to and/or who is providing direct care/support/treatment to the child on an ongoing basis in their professional capacity e.g. a child or educational psychologist, a child psychiatrist, an orthopaedic consultant or a social worker.

(d) Applications will be prioritised where permanent staff employed at Southwark community primary schools are applying for a place for their child at the school they work in. For the purposes of this criterion, the 'permanent staff' member must:

- Be employed at the Southwark community primary school they are applying to for a minimum of two years at the time of submitting the application;
- Work as a teaching assistant or a qualified teacher at that school on a permanent basis; and
- Work at the school for a minimum of 0.6fte (16.5 hours teaching staff).

Supporting evidence and verification from the headteacher at the school must be provided at the time of application to substantiate that the permanent staff member is employed as per the requirements set out above. Where supporting evidence has not been provided, priority will not be given under this criterion.

'Children of permanent staff' includes the natural, step, foster or adopted child living in the same family unit and at the same home address as the staff member making the application.

Priority is limited to a maximum of one child per form of entry per academic year at each Southwark community primary school as per the table.

If the staff member has multiple birth children or more than one child in the same academic year, Southwark community schools will admit all qualifying children under this criterion.

Published admission number at the Southwark community primary school	Maximum limit for children prioritised under criterion (4)
120	4
90	3
60	2
30	1

(e) The LA uses the eastings and northings linked to an applicant's address to calculate a straight line distance measurement to all of our community schools in Southwark which is generated by our Capita pupil database.

Due to Ivydale School being based at two sites the distance for this school only will be calculated using a straight line from each applicant's home address to the main gate / entrance of both school sites. The shorter of the two distances will then be used.

If a child lives in a block of flats where a communal entrance is used, the LA will use the grid references for the block, not for the individual flat. When

dealing with multiple applications from a block of flats to the same community school, lower door numbers will take priority.

(f) A child's attendance at a co-located nursery class does not guarantee admission to the school for primary education. A separate application must be made for transfer from nursery to primary school.

(g) Multiple births – if only one place is available at the school and the next child who qualifies for a place is one of multiple birth siblings, Southwark community schools will admit all qualifying siblings as 'excepted pupils' by going over their published admission number.

Tie break – where a school becomes oversubscribed once all the criteria have been applied, places will be offered to children living nearest to the school measured by a straight line, as described under criterion 5. If however there is a tie break, lots will be drawn to decide which child is offered a place.

Important information

Parents are advised that websites which provide distance measuring facilities such as google maps will not give an accurate measurement and cannot be relied on for school admissions purposes. The school finder facility on Southwark Council's website gives approximate distances to schools based on postcodes alone and cannot be relied on to identify the school which is the closest to an actual address.

Breakdown of reception places allocated at Southwark community schools for September 2025

Name of School	Published Admissions number 25/26	Number of applications received for preferences 1-6	Children admitted outside of their normal age group**	SEND	Looked after/ previously looked after children	Siblings	Social/ Medical	Children of staff at the school	Distance	Furthest distance (metres) offered a school place	Appeals heard	Successful appeals
Albion	60	156	0					all offered			0	0
Alfred Salter	60	144	0					all offered			0	0
Bellenden	30	82	0					all offered			0	0
Bessemer	60	177	1					all offered			0	0
Bird in Bush	60	52	0					all offered			0	0
Brunswick Park	60*	126	0					all offered			0	0
Crampton	30	94	0	0	0	10	0	0	20	357	0	0
Crawford	60	47	0					all offered			0	0
Dulwich Wood	60	175	1	0	2	15	1	0	42	1012	0	0
Goodrich	60	123	0					all offered			0	0
Grange	30	51	0					all offered			0	0
Heber	60	265	3	0	0	28	0	0	32	368	0	0
Hollydale	30	76	0					all offered			0	0
Ilderton	30	46	0					all offered			0	0
Ivydale	60	167	1					all offered			0	0
John Ruskin & Unit	58	132	1	2	0	10	0	0	48	12416	0	0
Keyworth	60	49	0					all offered			0	0
Michael Faraday	60	112	0					all offered			0	0
Oliver Goldsmith	60	80	0					all offered			0	0
Phoenix	90	109	0					all offered			0	0
Pilgrim's Way	30	22	0					all offered			0	0
Riverside	45	69	0					all offered			0	0
Robert Browning	28*	30	0					all offered			0	0
Rye Oak	60*	69	0					all offered			0	0
Snowsfields & Unit	28*	66	0					all offered			0	0
Southwark Park	60	105	0					all offered			0	0
Tower Bridge	30	41	0					all offered			0	0
Victory	30	21	0					all offered			0	0

SEN - Special educational needs

LAC - Looked after children/previously looked after children

* School has a designated ASD base with places reserved for children with autism who have an Education, Health and Care Plan

** Children who are admitted outside of their normal age group have been ranked against the school's admissions criteria alongside those children who have been admitted within their normal year group. These children have also been included in the columns showing the allocations made by criteria within this table.

Community primary schools

The published admission numbers (PAN) and information stated under each school are for the 2026/27 academic year and are correct at the time of publication.

Albion Primary School

Headteacher: Mr Karl Bardouille
 📍 Albion Street, SE16 7JD
 ☎ 020 7237 3738
 🌐 www.albionprimaryschool.co.uk
 @ office@albion.southwark.sch.uk
 ♿ Total wheelchair access
 Age range: 3 to 11
 Published admission number: 60
 Nursery places available: Yes
 DfE number: 210/2003

Alfred Salter Primary School

Headteacher: Ms Eleanor Prestage
 📍 Quebec Way, SE16 7LP
 ☎ 020 7252 3676
 🌐 www.alfredsalter.com
 @ office@alfredsalter.com
 ♿ Total wheelchair access
 Age range: 3 to 11
 Published admission number: 60
 Nursery places available: Yes
 DfE number: 210/2853

Bellenden Primary School

Executive Headteacher: Mr Gregory Doey
Headteacher: Mrs Julie Ireland
 📍 Dewar Street, SE15 4JP
 ☎ 020 7732 7107
 🌐 www.theriverpeckfederation.org.uk/
 @ office@bellenden.southwark.sch.uk
 ♿ Total wheelchair access
 Age range: 3 to 11
 Published admission number: 30
 Nursery places available: Yes
 DfE number: 210/2038

Bessemer Primary School

Executive Headteacher: Ms Sarah Beard
Head of School: Mrs Elizabeth Whitehead
 📍 Dylways, SE5 8HP
 ☎ 020 7274 2520
 🌐 www.thegemfederation.co.uk
 @ bessemer@gemfed.co.uk
 ♿ Total wheelchair access
 Age range: 2 to 11
 Published admission number: 60
 Nursery places available: Yes
 DfE number: 210/2856

Bird in Bush Primary School

Headteacher: Mr James Robinson
 📍 Bird in Bush Road, SE15 1QP
 ☎ 020 7639 0431
 🌐 www.birdinbushprimary.co.uk
 @ office@birdinbush.southwark.sch.uk
 ♿ Partial wheelchair access
 Age range: 3 to 11
 Published admission number: 60
 Nursery places available: Yes
 DfE number: 210/2085

Brunswick Park Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs Susannah Bellingham
 📍 Picton Street, SE5 7QH
 ☎ 020 7525 9033
 🌐 www.brunswickparkprimary.co.uk
 @ office@brunswickpark.southwark.sch.uk
 ♿ Partial wheelchair access
 Age range: 3 to 11
 Published admission number: 60*
 Nursery places available: Yes
 DfE number: 210/2858

Crampton Primary School

Headteacher: Mr Hafeez Khan
 📍 Iliffe Street, SE17 3LE
 ☎ 020 7735 2219
 🌐 www.cramptonprimary.co.uk
 @ office@crampton.southwark.sch.uk
 ♿ Partial wheelchair access
 Age range: 4 to 11
 Published admission number: 30
 Nursery places available: No
 DfE number: 210/2138

Crawford Primary School

Executive Headteacher: Ms Haley Foxworthy
Head of school: Ms Victoria Shires
 📍 Crawford Road, SE5 9NF
 ☎ 020 7274 1046
 🌐 www.crawfordprimary.co.uk
 @ crawford@ghf.london
 ♿ Partial wheelchair access
 Age range: 3 to 11
 Published admission number: 30
 Nursery places available: Yes
 DfE number: 210/2142

Dulwich Wood Primary School

Headteacher: Ms Helen Rowe
 📍 Bowen Drive, Dulwich, SE21 8NS
 ☎ 020 8670 5470
 🌐 www.dulwichwood.com
 @ office@dulwichwood.com
 ♿ Partial wheelchair access
 Age range: 4 to 11
 Published admission number: 60
 Nursery places available: No
 DfE number: 210/2365

Goodrich Primary School

Headteacher: Ms Sarah Beard
📍 Dunstons Road, SE22 0EP
☎ 020 8693 1050
🌐 www.goodrich.org.uk
@ office@goodrich.southwark.sch.uk
♿ Partial wheelchair access
Age range: 3 to 11
Primary admissions limit: 60
Nursery places available: Yes
DfE: 210/2257

Grange Primary School

Headteacher: Miss Rebecca Benjamins
📍 Webb Street, SE1 4RP
☎ 020 7771 6121
🌐 www.grange.southwark.sch.uk
@ office@grange.southwark.sch.uk
♿ Limited wheelchair access
Age range: 3 to 11
Published admission number: 30
Nursery places available: Yes
DfE number: 210/2263

Heber Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs Vanessa Kyprios
📍 Heber Road, SE22 9LA
☎ 020 8693 2075
🌐 www.heberprimarieschool.com
@ adminoffice@heber.southwark.sch.uk
♿ Partial wheelchair access
Age range: 3 to 11
Published admission number: 60
Nursery places available: Yes
DfE number: 210/2293

Hollydale Primary School

Headteacher: Ms Reema Reid
📍 Hollydale Road, SE15 2AR
☎ 020 7639 2562
🌐 www.hollydale.southwark.sch.uk
@ admin@hollydaleprimary.co.uk
♿ Limited wheelchair access
Age range: 4 to 11
Published admission number: 30
Nursery places available: No
DfE number: 210/2308

Ilderton Primary School

Executive Headteacher: Simon Assig
Head of School: Derrick Ogunsola
📍 Varcoe Road, SE16 3LA
☎ 020 7237 3980
🌐 www.mayflowerfederation.org.uk
@ office@ilderton.southwark.sch.uk
♿ Limited wheelchair access
Age range: 3 to 11
Published admission number: 30
Nursery places available: Yes
DfE number: 210/2323

Ivydale Primary School

Executive Headteacher: Claire Purcell
Head of School: Judith Lambert
📍 Ivydale Road, SE15 3BU (Nursery to Year 3)
📍 Inverton Road, SE15 3DD (Year 4 to Year 6)
☎ 020 7639 2702
🌐 www.ivydaleschool.co.uk
@ office@ivydale.southwark.sch.uk
♿ Partial wheelchair access
Age range: 3 to 11
Published admission number: 60
Nursery places available: Yes
DfE number: 210/2328

John Ruskin Primary School and Language Classes

John Ruskin has a specialist unit for specific speech and language impairment. Places at the unit are for children with specific speech and language impairment who have an EHCP and may benefit from inclusion in a mainstream school. Places at the speech and language unit are allocated by Southwark Council's Special Education Needs and Disabilities (SEND) team through a panel and is separate to the normal round of admissions. For further details contact Southwark Council's special educational needs and disabilities team on 020 7525 4278.

Headteacher: Clare Tayton
📍 John Ruskin Street, SE5 0PQ
☎ 020 7703 5800
🌐 www.johnruskin.southwark.sch.uk
@ office@johnruskin.southwark.sch.uk
♿ Limited wheelchair access
Age range: 3 to 11
Published admission number: 58 (and two additional places are reserved for the speech and language unit)
Nursery places available: Yes
DfE number: 210/2339

Keyworth Primary School

Executive Headteacher: Sarah Beard
Head of School: Ray Capper
📍 Faunce Street, SE17 3TR
☎ 020 7735 1701
🌐 www.thegemfederation.co.uk
@ keyworth@gemfed.co.uk
♿ Limited wheelchair access
Age range: 2 to 11
Published admission number: 60
Nursery places available: Yes
DfE number: 210/2351

Michael Faraday Primary School

Headteacher: Riana Gouws
📍 Portland Street, SE17 2HR
☎ 020 7703 5806
🌐 www.michaelfaradayschool.co.uk
@ info@michaelfaraday.southwark.sch.uk
♿ Total wheelchair access
Age range: 3 to 11
Published admission number: 60
Nursery places available: Yes
DfE number: 210/2411

Oliver Goldsmith Primary School

Headteacher: Wendy Thangarajah
📍 Peckham Road, SE5 8UH
☎ 020 7703 4894
🌐 www.olivergoldsmith.southwark.sch.uk
@ office@olivergoldsmith.southwark.sch.uk
♿ Limited wheelchair access
Age range: 3 to 11
Published admission number: 60
Nursery places available: Yes
DfE number: 210/2855

Phoenix Primary School

Executive Headteacher: Simon Assig
Head of School: Helen Hayes and Louise Joines
📍 Marlborough Grove, SE1 5JT
☎ 020 7231 8622
🌐 www.mayflowerfederation.org.uk
@ phoenix@mayflowerfederation.org.uk
♿ Partial wheelchair access
Age range: 3 to 11
Published admission number: 90
Nursery places available: Yes
DfE number: 210/2848

Pilgrims' Way Primary School

Executive Headteacher: Mr Gregory Doey
Headteacher: Julie Ireland
📍 Tustin Estate, Manor Grove, SE15 1EF
☎ 020 7639 1995
🌐 www.theriverpeckfederation.org.uk
@ admin@pilgrimsway.southwark.sch.uk
♿ Total wheelchair access
Age range: 3 to 11
Published admission number: 30
Nursery places available: Yes
DfE number: 210/2852

Riverside Primary School

Headteachers: Sophie Alder and Jill Lewis
📍 Janeway Street, SE16 4PS
☎ 020 7237 3227
🌐 www.riverside.southwark.sch.uk
@ office@riverside.southwark.sch.uk
♿ Limited wheelchair access
Age range: 3 to 11
Published admission number: 45
Nursery places available: Yes
DfE number: 210/2514

Robert Browning Primary School

part of the Bridges Federation
Executive Headteacher: Kate Wooder
Co-Headteachers: Anna Mulhern and Maureen Chance
📍 King and Queen Street, SE17 1DQ
☎ 020 7708 3456
🌐 www.thebridgesfederation.org.uk
@ office@robertbrowning.southwark.sch.uk
♿ Total wheelchair access
Age range: 3 to 11
Published admission number: 28* (and two additional places reserved for the ASD Base)
Nursery places available: Yes
DfE number: 210/2516

Rye Oak Primary School

Headteacher: Ruth Sharp
📍 Whorlton Road, SE15 3PD
☎ 020 7639 3914
🌐 www.ryeoak.southwark.sch.uk
@ office@ryeoak.southwark.sch.uk
♿ Total wheelchair access
Age range: 2 to 11
Published admission number: 60*
Nursery places available: Yes
DfE number: 210/3670

Snowsfields Primary School

part of the Bridges Federation
Executive Headteacher: Kate Wooder
Co-Headteachers: Jo Cranmer and Zohra Benotmane
📍 Kirby Grove, SE1 3TD
☎ 020 7525 9065
🌐 www.thebridgesfederation.org.uk
@ office@snowsfields.southwark.sch.uk
♿ Limited wheelchair access
Age range: 3 to 11
Published admission number: 28* (and two additional places reserved for the ASD Base)
Nursery places available: Yes
DfE number: 210/2560

Southwark Park Primary School

Headteacher: Mr Carl Vernalls
📍 383 Southwark Park Road, SE16 2JH
☎ 020 7394 4000
🌐 www.southwarkparkschool.co.uk
@ office@southwarkpark.southwark.sch.uk
♿ Total wheelchair access
Age range: 3 to 11
Published admission number: 60
Nursery places available: Yes
DfE number: 210/2562

Tower Bridge Primary School

part of the Bridges Federation

Executive Headteacher: Kate Wooder

Co-Headteachers: Laura Neuveglise and Helen Viggiani

📍 Fair Street, SE1 2AE

☎ 020 7407 2959

🌐 www.thebridgesfederation.org.uk

@ office@towerbridge.southwark.sch.uk

♿ Limited wheelchair access

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 30

Nursery places available: Yes

DfE number: 210/2607

Victory Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs Makeda Williams-Pinnock

📍 Rodney Road, SE17 1PT

☎ 020 7703 5722

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♿ Limited wheelchair access

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 30

Nursery places available: Yes

DfE number: 210/2621

*Please note that these schools have a designated ASD base. Places at the base are reserved for children with autism who have an education, health and care plan or a statement of special educational needs, who may benefit from inclusion in a mainstream school. These places are allocated by Southwark Council's special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) team through a panel and is separate to the normal round of admissions.

For further details contact Southwark Council's SEND team on 020 7525 4278.



Academy, voluntary aided, foundation and free primary schools' admission policies

The published admissions numbers (PAN) and information stated on each school's page are for the 2026/27 academic year and are correct at the time of publication.

Non community schools at a glance

Name of school	School type	DfE code	Primary intake in 2025/26	Total applications received for September 2025	Supplementary form required
Angel Oak Academy	Academy	210/2005	60	113	✓
Ark Globe Academy	Academy	210/6912	60	71	✗
Boutcher	Church of England	210/3313	30	120	✓
Charles Dickens	Academy	210/2100	60	206	✗
Dog Kennel Hill Primary School	Academy	210/2161	30	73	✗
Dulwich Hamlet Junior	Academy	210/2169	90	135	✗
Dulwich Village Infants'	Church of England	210/3337	90	379	✓*
English Martyrs'	Catholic	210/3341	30	44	✓
Friars	Foundation	210/5205	30	59	✓
Galleywall	Free school	210/2007	60	100	✗
Goose Green	Academy	210/2008	60	209	✗
Harris Primary Academy, Peckham Park	Academy	210/2857	30	64	✗
Harris Primary Academy, East Dulwich	Free school	210/2004	60	240	✗
John Donne	Academy	210/2335	60	106	✗
John Keats	Free school	210/2009	60	73	✗
Judith Kerr	Free school	210/2002	56	299	✗
Lyndhurst	Academy	210/2392	60	205	✗
Peter Hills with St Mary's and St Paul's	Church of England	210/3516	30	23	✓
Redriff Primary	Academy	210/2500	60	177	✗

*foundation place applicants only

Name of school	School type	DfE code	Primary intake in 2025/26	Total applications received for September 2025	Supplementary form required
Rotherhithe Primary School	Academy	210/2526	60	109	✗
Saint Joseph's, Borough	Catholic	210/3484	30	45	✓
St Anthony's	Catholic Academy	210/5201	60	105	✓
St Francis	Catholic	210/3435	30	37	✓
St George's	Church of England	210/3445	30	36	✓
St George's Cathedral	Catholic Academy	210/3447	30	44	✓
St James'	Church of England	210/3452	60	73	✓
St James the Great	Catholic	210/3399	30	37	✓
St Joseph's Camberwell Infants'	Catholic	210/5204	60	49	✓
St John's	Catholic	210/3669	30	86	✓
St John's and St Clement's	Church of England	210/3460	60	273	✓
St Joseph's Camberwell Juniors'	Catholic	210/5203	60	46	✓
St Joseph's, George Row	Catholic Academy	210/3475	45	47	✓
St Joseph's, Gomm Road	Catholic Academy	210/3476	30	102	✓
St Jude's	Church of England	210/3492	30	12	✓
St Paul's	Church of England Academy	210/2010	45	30	✓
St Peter's	Church of England	210/3586	30	23	✓
Surrey Square	Academy	210/5209	60	93	✗
The Belham	Free school	210/2006	60	223	✗
The Cathedral School of St Saviour and St Mary Overie	Church of England	210/3593	30	121	✓


Academy


Angel Oak Academy

Executive headteacher: Dr Tim Mills


Headteacher: Miss Claire Mitchell

 Burcher Gale Grove, SE15 6FL

 020 7703 3125

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 office@angeloakacademy.org

 Limited wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/2005

Age range: 4 to 11

Published admission number: 60

Supplementary information form required: Yes

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

All children applying for a place at the academy will be offered a place. If more applications are received than there are places available, places will be offered in accordance with the following order of priority:

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence or special guardianship order) including internationally adopted previously looked after children

2. Children with medical need requiring admission to this academy only

3. Children with a sibling at the academy

4. Children of staff at the academy


5. All other children


Academy

Ark Globe Academy

Executive Principal: Mr Matt Jones OBE


Primary Principal: Ms Samantha Colburn

 Harper Road, SE1 6AF

 020 7407 6877

 www.arkglobe.org

 admissions@arkglobe.org

 Partial wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/6912

Age range: 4 to 18

Published admission number: 60

Supplementary information form required: No

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

If the number of applications received is greater than the number of spaces available, places will be allocated according to the oversubscription criteria below:


1. 'Looked After Children' and children who have previously been a 'Looked After Child' but immediately following this became subject to adoption, a child arrangements order or special guardianship order, including those who appear (to Ark Schools) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Children of staff at the school where there is a demonstrable skill shortage. Priority will be limited to one place for each form of entry in any year (e.g. two places in each two form year group).
3. Children who, at the time of admission, have a sibling who attends the school. For this purpose, "sibling" means a whole, half or step-sibling or an adopted child resident at the same address.
4. Children of staff in the school who have been employed at the school for two or more years at the time the application is submitted. Priority will be limited to one place for each form of entry in any year (e.g. two places in each two form year group).
5. Distance measurement by straight line route. A child's home will be the address at which the child normally resides and which has been notified to the academy and other relevant agencies as being the child's normal place of residence.


Pupils in the Ark Globe Academy primary school have an automatic place in the secondary school if they wish to transfer.

Academy

Charles Dickens Primary School (Charter Schools Educational Trust)


Headteacher: Mr Michael Eggleton

 Toulmin Street, SE1 1AF

 020 7407 1769

 www.charlesdickens.southwark.sch.uk

 office@charlesdickens.southwark.sch.uk

 Limited wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/2100

Age range: 2 to 11

Published admission number: 60

Supplementary information form required: No

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

All places are allocated in the following priority order:


1. Children in public care (looked after children) and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a residence order, child arrangements order or special guardianship order) including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Children with siblings who are already on roll at the school and will still be on roll at their date of entry
3. Children with exceptional medical, social or psychological needs, where it is agreed by the headteacher that these can best be addressed at a particular school
4. Children of permanent staff members. Staff members must have at least two years service with the school at the time. Alternatively, they may have less than two years service but have been appointed because they have the skills/expertise required to fill a vacant post and there is a demonstrable skill shortage of individuals with the skills/expertise required by the school
5. Children living nearest to the school as measured by a straight line from the child's home address to the geographical centre of the school site


Academy

Dog Kennel Hill Primary School (Nexus Education Schools Trust)

Executive Headteacher: Galiema Amien-Cloete

Deputy Head Teacher: Leah Grant-Muller

 Dog Kennel Hill, SE22 8AB

 020 7274 1829

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 school@dkh.southwark.sch.uk

 Total wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/2161

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 60

Supplementary information form required: No

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

When the school is oversubscribed, places are allocated in the following priority order:

1. Looked After Children: A "child looked after" is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions. These children must still be "CLA" when the child starts school unless (b) applies. b) or a child who was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangements, or special guardianship order including those who appear [to the admission authority] to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted
2. Sibling: Children with a sibling still on roll at the school at the time of entry. Sibling is defined as children who live as brother or sister in the same house, including natural brothers and sister, adopted siblings, stepbrothers or sisters and foster brothers and sisters
3. Children of members of staff where: a) the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time of which the application of admission to the school is made and/or b) The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. For inclusion in this category, the staff member must be permanently based at the school for more than 50% of their normal working hours each week during term time
4. In exceptional circumstances the school may admit children on the grounds of their acute medical or social needs for that particular school and that the school is suitable for them to attend and no other school within a reasonable distance from the child's address. The application must be supported by a letter from a hospital consultant, the special support service, social worker, or similar professional, setting out the reasons why the school is the only one to meet the child's needs
5. Proximity to each school: Distance will be measured in a straight line from the child's home address (including flats) to the main entrance of the school building, with those living closer to the school receiving higher priority

Tie break

If there are two identical distance measurements for different addresses of separate applicants within any of the oversubscription categories above, a tiebreak will be done by drawing lots. This will be a random allocation process and will be supervised by someone independent of the school/Trust


Academy

Dulwich Hamlet Junior School

Executive Headteacher: Mrs Claire Purcell


Head of School: Mr Tom Salomonson

 Dulwich Village, SE21 7AL

 020 7525 9188/9

 www.dulwichhamletjuniorschool.org.uk

 office@dulwichhamletjuniorschool.org.uk

 Total wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/2169

Age range: 7 to 11

Published admission number: 90

Supplementary information form required: No

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria


Places will be offered in accordance with the following order of priority:


1. Looked after children, or a child who was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangements, or special guardianship order, including those who have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted
2. Children who will have a sibling attending the school at the time of entry
3. Children for whom there is an exceptional reason why Dulwich Hamlet Junior School is the only school which is suitable and appropriate for the child to attend because of a specific social, medical or psychological need which prevents them from attending any other school. This must be supported by written evidence from relevant qualified professionals (e.g. a GP, hospital consultant or social worker) explaining the reason why the school is the only suitable and appropriate school for the child to attend and will be agreed by the Headteacher and an admissions panel
4. Children of permanent staff who work at Dulwich Hamlet 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 admission to the school is made; or
 - the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage'Children of permanent staff' includes the natural, step, foster or adopted child living in the same family unit and at the same home address as the staff member making the application
5. Children who are on roll in Year 2 of Dulwich Village Infants' Church of England School at the time of applications closing
6. Children living nearest the school measured by straight line route from the main entrance of the child's home to the main school entrance on Dulwich Village

Academy

Goose Green Primary and Nursery School


Headteachers: Louise Partridge and Cat Shuttleworth

 Tintagel Crescent, East Dulwich, SE22 8HG

 020 8693 3568

 www.goosegreenprimaryschool.org

 office@ggp.nestschools.org

 Limited wheelchair access
(ground floor only)

DfE number: 210/2008

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 60

Supplementary information form required: No

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

If the school is oversubscribed, places are allocated in the following priority order:

- 1. Looked After Children:** A "child looked after" is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions. These children must still be "CLA" when the child starts school unless (b) applies. b) or a child who was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangements, or special guardianship order including those who appear [to the admission authority] to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted
- 2. Sibling:** Children with a sibling still on roll at the school at the time of entry. Sibling is defined as children who live as brother or sister in the same house, including natural brothers and sister, adopted siblings, stepbrothers or sisters and foster brothers and sisters
- 3. Children of members of staff where:** a) the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time of which the application of admission to the school is made and/or b) The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. For inclusion in this category, the staff member must be permanently based at the school for more than 50% of their normal working hours each week during term time
- 4. In exceptional circumstances** the school may admit children on the grounds of their acute medical or social needs for that particular school and that the school is suitable for them to attend and no other school within a reasonable distance from the child's address. The application must be supported by a letter from a hospital consultant, the special support service, social worker, or similar professional setting out the reasons why the school is the only one to meet the child's needs
- 5. Proximity to each school:** Distance will be measured in a straight line from the unique national grid reference of the child's home address (including flats) to the main entrance of the school building, with those living closer to the school receiving higher priority

Tie break

If there are two identical distance measurements for different addresses of separate applicants within any of the oversubscription categories above, a tiebreak will be done by drawing lots.


Academy

Harris Primary Academy, Peckham Park


Assistant Director: Marie Corbett

Head of Academy: Layla Mahlojian

 Marmont Road, SE15 5TD

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 Limited wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/2857

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 30

**Supplementary information form
required:** No

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

After the admission of pupils with a statement of special educational needs or an education, health and care plan where the academy is named on the statement or plan, the criteria will be applied in the order in which they are set out below:

1. Children in public care (looked after children) and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence order or special guardianship order) including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Children with a sibling at the academy in Reception to Year 6
3. Children of staff members employed at Harris Primary Academy Peckham Park
4. All other children


Tie-breaker: In the event that two or more applicants have equal right to a place under any of the above criteria, the academy will use nearness to the school measured by straight line distance to prioritise these applications. If applicants live equidistant from the academy, the governing body will draw lots to decide between applications


Academy


John Donne Primary School


Headteacher: Miss J Rooney

 Woods Road, SE15 2SW

 020 7639 0594

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 office@jdacademy.org.uk

 Partial wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/2335

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 60

Supplementary information form required: No

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

When the school is oversubscribed, places are allocated in the following priority order:

- 1. Looked After Children:** A "child looked after" is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions. These children must still be "CLA" when the child starts school unless (b) applies. b) or a child who was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangements, or special guardianship order including those who appear [to the admission authority] to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted
- 2. Sibling:** Children with a sibling still on roll at the school at the time of entry. Sibling is defined as children who live as brother or sister in the same house, including natural brothers and sister, adopted siblings, stepbrothers or sisters and foster brothers and sisters
- 3. Children of members of staff where:** a) the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time of which the application of admission to the school is made and/or b) The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. For inclusion in this category, the staff member must be permanently based at the school for more than 50% of their normal working hours each week during term time
- 4. In exceptional circumstances** the school may admit children on the grounds of their acute medical or social needs for that particular school and that the school is suitable for them to attend and no other school within a reasonable distance from the child's address. The application must be supported by a letter from a hospital consultant, the special support service, social worker, or similar professional, setting out the reasons why the school is the only one to meet the child's needs
- 5. Proximity to each school:** Distance will be measured in a straight line from the child's home address (including flats) to the main entrance of the school building, with those living closer to the school receiving higher priority

Tie break


If there are two identical distance measurements for different addresses of separate applicants within any of the oversubscription categories above, a tiebreak will be done by drawing lots. This will be a random allocation process and will be supervised by someone independent of the school/Trust.

Academy

Lyndhurst Primary School


Headteacher: Thomas Turnham

 Denmark House, Grove Lane, SE5 8SN

 020 7703 3046

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 office@lyndhurst.southwark.sch.uk

 Total wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/2392

Age range: 2 to 11

Published admission number: 60

Supplementary information form required: No

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria


In the event of there being more applications than available places and after the admission of children with education, health and care plans or statements of special educational needs where the school is named on the plan or statement, places will be allocated against the criteria set out below:


1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements/residence/special guardianship order), including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Children with siblings who are already on roll at the school and will still be on roll at their date of entry
3. Children with exceptional medical, social or psychological needs, where it is agreed by the admission authority that these can best be addressed at the school
4. Children on roll at Lyndhurst Primary School nursery (3 and 4 year olds) limited to 10% of the published admission number (PAN)
5. Children of permanent staff employed at the school
6. Children living nearest to the school as measured by a straight line from the child's home to the main school gate

Academy

Redriff Primary City of London Academy


Headteacher: Joanna James

 Salter Road, SE16 5LQ

 020 7237 4272

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 office@redriff.southwark.sch.uk

 Total wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/2500

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 60*

Supplementary information form required: No

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

In the event of there being more applications than available places and after the admission of children with a statement of special education needs or an education, health and care plan where the academy is named on the statement or plan, places will be allocated against the criteria set out below:

1. Children in public care (looked after children) and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence/special guardianship order) including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Children of staff members who fill a post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage
3. Children with siblings who are already on roll at the school and will still be on the roll at their date of entry
4. Children with exceptional medical, social or psychological needs, where it is agreed by the local authority and the headteacher that these can be best addressed at the school
5. Children living nearest to the school as measured by a straight line from the child's home to the main school gate

***The school has a designated ASD base. Places at the base are reserved for children with autism who have a statement of special educational needs, but who may benefit from inclusion in a mainstream school.**

For admission to the designated ASD base please contact Southwark Council's special educational needs and disabilities team on 020 7525 4278.


Academy

Rotherhithe Primary School (Nexus Education Schools Trust)


Executive Headteacher: Galiema Amien-Cloete

Head of School: Lisa Christiansen

 Hawkstone Road, SE16 2PE

 020 7237 1586

 www.rotherhitheprimary.co.uk

 office@rotherhithe.southwark.sch.uk

 Total wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/2526

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 60

Nursery places available: Yes

Supplementary information form required: No

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

Places are allocated in the following priority order:

1. Children in public care (looked after children) and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence/special guardianship order) including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Sibling: Children with a sibling still on roll at the school at the time of entry. Sibling is defined as children who live as brother or sister in the same house, including natural brothers and sister, adopted siblings, stepbrothers or sisters and foster brothers and sisters
3. Children of members of staff where: a) the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time of which the application of admission to the school is made and/or b) The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. For inclusion in this category, the staff member must be permanently based at the school for more than 50% of their normal working hours each week during term time
4. In exceptional circumstances the school may admit children on the grounds of their acute medical or social needs for that particular school and that the school is suitable for them to attend and no other school within a reasonable distance from the child's address. The application must be supported by a letter from a hospital consultant, the special support service, social worker, or similar professional, setting out the reasons why the school is the only one to meet the child's needs
5. Proximity to each school: Distance will be measured in a straight line from the child's home address (including flats) to the main entrance of the school building, with those living closer to the school receiving higher priority

Tie break


If there are two identical distance measurements for different addresses of separate applicants within any of the oversubscription categories above, a tiebreak will be done by drawing lots. This will be a random allocation process and will be supervised by someone independent of the school/Trust.


Academy


Surrey Square Primary School


Headteachers: Nicola Noble and Matt Morden

 Surrey Square, SE17 2JY

 020 7703 3049

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 office@surreysquare.southwark.sch.uk

 Total wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/5209

Age range: 2 to 11

Published admission number: 60

Supplementary information form required: No

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

If there are too many applicants, the following criteria are considered. These are stated in order of priority:

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they have been adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence/ special guardianship order) including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Children with siblings already on roll at the school and will still be on roll at their date of entry
3. Children with exceptional medical, social or psychological needs where it is agreed by the headteacher that these can best be addressed at a particular school. Written supporting evidence must be supplied at the time of application stating why this is the most appropriate school for the child, from a relevant professional, such as a paediatrician or educational psychologist
4. Children living nearest to the school as measured by a straight line from the child's home to the main school gate. The main school entrance is situated on Surrey Square Road


Please note that children attending the nursery class are not automatically given a place in reception.


Church of England voluntary aided


Boutcher C of E Primary School


Headteacher: Mrs Eilidh Verhoeven

 93 Grange Road, SE1 3BW

 020 7237 2149

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 office@boutcher.southwark.sch.uk

 Limited wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/3313

Age range: 5 to 11

Published admission number: 30

Supplementary information form required: Yes

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

The following criteria will be applied by the governors to determine which applicants are to be admitted:


1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/ residence/special guardianship order) including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Children whose parent is active in the work and worship of the parish of St Mary Magdalen for at least two years
3. Children whose parent is active in the work and worship of the parishes of St Anne's and St Philip's for at least three years
4. Children having brothers and sisters already at the school and attending on the day of entry
5. Children whose parents are active in the work and worship of the following named churches: Methodist Central Hall and Haddon Hall Baptist Church for at least three years
6. Children living within the priority area defined by the map in order of their distance from home to the school
7. Other children in order of distance of their home to the school by straight line measurement

Church of England voluntary aided

The Cathedral School of St Saviour and St Mary Overie


Headteacher: Filiz Scott

 Redcross Way, SE1 1HG

 020 7407 2600

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 school.admin@btconnect.com

 Total wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/3593

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 30

Supplementary information form required: Yes

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

Foundation places

The governing body has designated 15 places to be offered to:

- pupils whose families (i.e. parents/carers and child) worship regularly at Southwark Cathedral or St Hugh's Bermondsey (part of the Cathedral parish)
 - any unallocated Foundation places would then be available to applicants who worship at other Anglican churches within the Deanery of Southwark and Newington
 - then to applicants who worship at other Anglican churches
 - and then to members of other Christian churches
- Written evidence of applicants' commitment to their place of worship (in the form of a clergy reference) will be required at the time of application to fulfil the application criteria for a foundation place. If there are more than 15 applicants, places will be allocated according to the following criteria in order of priority:

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence or special guardianship order) including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Children with an exceptional and professionally supported medical or social need for a place at this school
3. Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission
4. Children of permanent staff members
5. Children in the order of the nearness of the home to the school as measured by a straight line

If there are fewer than 15 qualified applicants for foundation places, any unfilled places will become additional open places. Unsuccessful applicants for foundation places will be considered for any open places remaining unfilled at the end of the allocation procedure.

Open places

The governing body has designated 15 places each year as open places, to be offered to pupils who do not qualify for a foundation place but whose parent(s) or guardian(s) have chosen the school for the type of education it provides. Parent(s) or guardian(s) applying for an open place do so knowing that the school aims to provide an education based on Christian principles, and therefore the governors hope that all pupils will take part in the Christian worship of the school and will attend religious education lessons. If there are more than 15 applicants, places will be allocated according to the following criteria in order of priority:


1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a residence or special guardianship order) including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Children with an exceptionally and professionally supported medical or social need for a place at this school
3. Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission
4. Children of permanent staff members
5. Children in the order of the nearness of the home to the school as measured by a straight line

Church of England voluntary aided

Dulwich Village C of E Infants' School


Headteacher: Mrs Helen Poyton

 Dulwich Village, SE21 7BU

 020 7525 9233

 www.dulwichvillageinfants.co.uk

 office@dulwichvillage.southwark.sch.uk

 Total wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/3337

Age range: 5 to 7

Published admission number: 90

Supplementary information form required: Yes (for foundation place only)

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

Foundation places

The governing body has designated 45 places to be offered to pupils whose parents or carers (at least one) are faithful and regular worshippers of Christian churches. Within this definition, priority will be given to members of St Barnabas Church, Dulwich.

In the event that two or more applicants have equal right to a place under any of the criteria, the place will be offered to those living nearest the school. Foundation places will be allocated according to the following criteria, stated in order of priority:

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children, including internationally adopted previously looked after children of faithful and regular worshippers at St Barnabas Church or other Christian churches
2. Children of faithful and regular worshippers at St Barnabas Church or other Christian churches with known special medical or social needs, for whom this is the only appropriate school
3. Children of faithful and regular worshippers at Christian Churches, who will have a sibling at the school at time of entry
4. Children of faithful and regular worshippers at St Barnabas Church
5. Children of faithful and regular worshippers of other Christian churches

For all applications for foundation places, the governors will seek evidence of faithful and regular worship from the clergy named on the supplementary form.

If the applicant's parent/carer has worshipped at their current church for less than the two years, details of the previous clergy will be required.

Open places

The governing body has designated 45 places to be offered to applicants who have not applied for a foundation place.

Open places will be allocated according to the following criteria. In the event that two or more applicants have equal right to a place under any of the criteria, the place will be offered to those living nearest the school. In the event that two or more applicants live equidistant from the school and there are insufficient places to admit all applicants, the remaining places will be allocated by drawing lots.

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Children with known special medical or social needs, for whom this is the only appropriate school
3. Children who will have a sibling at the school at time of entry
4. Children of permanent staff members
5. Children who live nearest to the school using the shortest straight line route


Any unfilled Foundation places will become additional Open places and any unfilled Open places will become additional Foundation places.

Church of England voluntary aided

Peter Hills with St Mary's and St Paul's C of E Primary


Co-headteachers: Casey Penn and Matt Jones

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 Partial wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/3516

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 30

Supplementary information form required: Yes

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

Places will be offered in accordance with the following order of priority:

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a child arrangement/residence/special guardianship order including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Children with an exceptional and professionally supported medical or social need for a place at this school. This must be supported by written evidence at the time of application e.g. from a specialist health professional, social worker or other care professional. The evidence must set out the reasons why this school is the most suitable school and the difficulties that would be caused if the child has to attend another school
3. Children whose parent or carer attends regular worship at least twice per month for at least the past year at one of the three contributory parish churches, i.e. St Mary's Church, SE16 4JE; Holy Trinity, SE16 5HF or St Katharine's with St Bartholomews, SE16 2RA. A signed supporting statement is required from the parish priest, please ask the school for a supplementary form
4. Children whose parent or carer attend regular worship at least twice per month for at least the past year at a church or chapel of a Christian denomination affiliated to Churches Together in England, or at any of the following Scandinavian Churches, The Finnish Church, SE16 7HZ; Norwegian Church (St Olav's), SE16 7HZ and Swedish Seaman's Church, SE16 2UB, who live within the parish. A signed supporting statement is required from the minister, please ask the school for a supplementary form
5. Children who at the point of admission have brothers, sisters, step/half brothers or sisters, fostered/adopted brothers or sisters already in the school
6. Any remaining places will be allocated in order of nearness of home by straight line to the school entrance gate in Beatson Walk

Each of the criteria is given points as follows:

Criteria 2 = 8 points

Criteria 3 = 4 points

Criteria 4 = 3 points

Criteria 5 = 2 points


If after this procedure, several children have been allocated the same number of points the final criteria of the nearest home to the school will be used.

Church of England voluntary aided

St George's C of E Primary School


Headteacher: Mr Andrew Rojas

 Coleman Road, SE5 7TF

 020 7703 4772

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 office@stgps.org.uk

 Partial wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/3445

Age range: 4 to 11

Published admission number: 30

Supplementary information form required:

Yes, if applying under criteria 4, 5 or 7

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

The governing body has designated 30 places each year. Parents applying for a place do so knowing that the school aims to provide an education based on Christian principles. The governing body hopes that all pupils will take part in the Christian worship at the school and attend religious education lessons. If there are more than 30 applicants, places will be allocated according to the following criteria:

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a child arrangement/residence or special guardianship order including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Children with an exceptional and professionally supported medical or social need for a place at this school
3. Children who already have a brother or sister in the school
4. The child or at least one parent/carer are faithful and regular* worshippers in St. George's CE Church, Camberwell, St Luke's CE Church, Camberwell or St Giles' CE Church, Camberwell and who submit a supplementary form signed by a member of the clergy confirming regular* attendance
5. The child or at least one parent/carer are faithful and regular* worshippers at a Christian Church and who submit a supplementary form signed by their Pastor or Minister confirming regular* attendance
6. Children in order of nearness of the home to the school as measured by a straight line
7. The child or at least one parent/carer who are of other religious faiths - 'other faiths' are defined as those belonging to the Inter-Faith Network for the UK who live within the parish and who submit a supplementary form signed by their faith leader

Tie breaker:


In the event that two or more applicants have equal right to a place under any of the above criteria and there are insufficient places, the governing body will use distance in the first instance to decide between applicants. If applicants live equidistant from the school the governing body will draw lots to decide between applicants.


* Faithful and regular worshipper is defined as an average attendance of at least once a month over the previous 12 month period by the child or at least one parent/carer. In exceptional cases, a person for whom unavoidable circumstances prevented their attending for this frequency and duration may be considered to be a faithful and regular worshipper as determined by the relevant Minister.

Church of England voluntary aided


St James' C of E Primary School


Headteacher: Mr Michael Oliver

 Please see note below

 020 7237 3111

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 office@st-james.southwark.sch.uk

 Limited wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/3452

Age range: Rising 5 to 11

Published admission number: 60

Supplementary information form required: Yes (if applying under criteria 3 or 4)

Please note: St James' C of E Primary School operates across two sites.

Reception, Years 1 and 2:
Old Jamaica Road, SE16 4SU

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6:
Alexis Street, SE16 3XF

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

The governing body admits 60 pupils to Reception each year and has designated a maximum of 20 places to be allocated on the basis of the church criteria 3 and 4.

Where the school is oversubscribed, children are admitted in accordance with the following criteria listed in order of priority:

1. Looked after children or previously looked after children, including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Children with an acute and professionally supported medical or social need for a place at this school. This must be supported by written evidence e.g. from a specialist health professional, social worker or other care professional and returned to the school at the time of application
3. Children who along with a parent/carer are faithful and regular worshippers at St James' Church, Bermondsey or St. Anne's Church, Bermondsey and who reside within the specified school priority area. A supplementary form obtainable from the school must be returned to the school at the time of application. See Note 2
4. Children who along with a parent/carer are faithful and regular worshippers at another Anglican or other Christian church and who reside within the specified school priority area. A supplementary form obtainable from the school must be returned to the school at the time of application. See Note 2

5. Children with a sibling attending the school

6. Children in order of nearness of the home to the school. See Note 1

Tie breaker

In the event that two or more applicants have equal right to a place under any of the criteria and there are insufficient places, the governing body will use distance in the first instance to decide between applicants; if applicants live equidistant from the school the governing body will draw lots to decide between applicants.


Note 1 - Distance will be measured by the straight line distance from the child's home postcode to the entrance of the main gate of the nearer of the school sites. If applicants share the same postcode, the lowest house/flat number will have priority.


Note 2 - For those applying under criteria 3 and 4, the specified school priority area is bounded by the River Thames, Jacob's Creek, Jamaica Road, Sweeney Crescent, Neckinger, Spa Road, Alscot Road, Grange Road, Dunton Road, Mandela Way, Oxley Close, Abercorn Way, St James Road, Rotherhithe New Road, Galleywall Road, Southwark Park Road and West Lane. The boundaries run down the centre of roads. A map showing the exact boundaries is available from the school.

Church of England voluntary aided


St John's and St Clement's C of E Primary School


Co-Headteachers: Mr Joseph Bell and
Ms Alli Crank

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 020 7525 9210

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 Partial wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/3460

Age range: 5 to 11

Published admission number: 60

**Supplementary information form
required:** Yes

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

Foundation places

25 places will be allocated to pupils whose families are faithful and regular worshippers of a Christian denomination. Written evidence of applicants' commitment to their place of worship will be required at the time of application.

If there are more than 25 applicants, places will be offered according to the following priority order:

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence/special guardianship order), including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Children with known medical or social needs for whom this is the only appropriate school. Written supporting evidence must be provided at the time of application stating why this is the only suitable school for the child and explaining the difficulties that would be caused if their child had to attend another school, from a relevant professional such as a paediatrician, social worker or educational psychologist
3. Children whose parents/carers are faithful and regular worshippers at the churches of St John the Evangelist, Goose Green, or St Clement's with St Peter's, Friern Road
4. Children who will have a sibling on roll in the school at the time of admission
5. Children of permanent staff members
6. Children whose parents/carers are faithful and regular worshippers of an Anglican church, another Christian denomination, as recognised by the Churches Together in England or the Evangelical Alliance, or an Affinity Church

In the event that two or more applicants have equal right to a place under any of the above criteria, the governing body will use nearness to school measured by the shortest straight line to prioritise these applications.

If applicants live equidistant from the school, the governing body will draw lots to decide between applicants.

If there are less than 25 qualified applicants for foundation places, any unfilled places will become additional open places. Unsuccessful applicants for foundation places will be considered for any open places remaining unfilled at the end of the allocation procedure.

Open places

33 places will be allocated as open places and offered to pupils who do not qualify for a foundation place, but whose parents have chosen the school for the type of education it provides. Parents applying for an open place do so knowing that the school aims to provide an education based on the Christian principles and involving Christian worship.

If there are more than 33 applicants, places will be allocated according to the following priority order:

1. Looked after children or previously looked after children who have since been adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence/special guardianship order), including internationally adopted previously looked after children

2. Children with known medical or social needs for whom this is the only appropriate school. Written supporting evidence must be provided at the time of application stating why this is the only suitable school for the child and explaining the difficulties that would be caused if their child had to attend another school, from a relevant professional such as paediatrician, social worker or educational psychologist

3. Children who have a sibling on roll in the school at the time of admission

4. Children of permanent staff members

5. The nearness of the home to school, measured using the shortest straight line route to the school's main gate

If two or more applicants have equal right to a place under any of the above criteria, the governing body will use nearness to the school to prioritise these applications. If applicants live equidistant from the school, the governing body will draw lots to decide between applicants.

Places for hearing impaired pupils


The school is resourced for hearing impairment and two places are reserved each year for pupils who are known to Southwark Council's hearing support service as children who would benefit from attending this school. Parents of hearing impaired children who do not have a statement of special educational needs or an education, health and care plan should attach supporting documentation from a doctor, social worker or other appropriate professional to their application form. Parents of hearing impaired children who have a statement of special educational needs or an education, health and care plan should contact Southwark Council's special educational needs and disabilities team on **020 7525 4278**.

Church of England voluntary aided

St Jude's C of E Primary School


Co-headteachers: Casey Penn and Matt Jones

 Colnbrook Street, SE1 6HA

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 office@st-judes.southwark.sch.uk

 Limited wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/3492

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 30

Supplementary information form required: Yes (for foundation applicants only)

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

Foundation places

20 places are allocated to families who are faithful and regular worshippers in an Anglican or other Christian church. Places are allocated according to the following priority order:

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they have been adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence/ special guardianship order), including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Children with particular educational, medical or social needs for whom this is the most appropriate school. This must be supported by written evidence (e.g. from a relevant professional, such as a doctor, social worker or educational psychologist) which sets out the reasons why St Jude's is the most suitable school and the difficulties that would be caused if the child had to attend another school
3. Children whose families are faithful and regular worshippers at the church of St George the Martyr, Borough High Street
4. Children whose families are faithful and regular worshippers at another local Anglican church, for whom this is the nearest Church of England school
5. Children who have a brother or sister on the school roll at the time the applicant would enter the school

6. Children whose families are faithful and regular worshippers of another Christian denomination, as recognised by the Churches Together in Britain and Ireland or The Evangelical Alliance, and for whom this is the nearest Church of England school

7. The nearness of the home to the school measured in miles. The distance from home to school is measured by a straight line from the centre of the entrance door of the applicant's house or flat, to the centre of the main school gate

Unsuccessful applicants for foundation places will be considered for any open places remaining unfilled at the end of the application procedure.

Unfilled foundation places may also be offered to those applying for an open place.

Open places

Ten open places are allocated to families who do not qualify for a foundation place, but whose parents have chosen the school for the type of education it provides. Parents applying for an open place do so knowing that the school aims to provide education based on Christian principles. Therefore the governors hope that all pupils will take part in the Christian worship of the school and participate in religious education lessons.


Open places will be allocated in the following priority order 1, 2, 5, and 7 as per the school's admission criteria 2026 (summary) detailed above.


Church of England academy


St Paul's C of E Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs Ali Silke

 Penrose Street, SE17 3DT

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 office@stpauls.southwark.sch.uk

 Limited wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/2010

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 30

Supplementary information form required: Yes

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

The following criteria will be applied by the governors to determine which applicants are to be admitted:

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they have been adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence/ special guardianship order), including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Children with an exceptional and professionally supported medical or social need for a place at this school. This must be supported by written evidence at the time of application, e.g. from a specialist health professional, social worker or other care professional. The evidence must set out the reasons why this school is the most suitable school and the difficulties that would be caused if the child had to attend another school
3. Children whose parent/carer is a faithful and regular worshipper (i.e. attendance at church worship at least twice a month for at least one year prior to the application deadline) at one of the following churches: St. Paul's, Newington, St Mary's, Newington or St. Agnes, Kennington Park. Letters of support from a minister will be required
4. Children whose parent/carer is a faithful and regular worshipper (i.e. attendance at church worship at least twice a month for at least one year) at another Christian church and live within the Parishes of St. Paul's, St. Mary's and St. Agnes Churches (letters of support from a minister will be required). A Christian church is one that is a full member of a local Churches Together Group or Churches Together in Britain and Ireland
5. Children who will have siblings on the roll of St. Paul's at the time of admission (including half siblings and adopted or fostered siblings sharing the same home address at the time of application)
6. Children for whom St. Paul's is the nearest school measured using a straight line from their home to the school's main gate


In the event that two or more applicants have equal right to a place under any of the above criteria, the governing body will apply the same subsequent criteria in order of priority to these applicants. If applicants live equal distance from the school the governing body will draw lots to decide between applicants.

Church of England voluntary aided

St Peter's C of E Primary School


Co-headteachers: Casey Penn and Matt Jones

 Liverpool Grove, SE17 2HH

 020 7703 4881

 www.stpeterswalworth.co.uk

 office@st-peterswalworth.southwark.sch.uk

 Partial wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/3586

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 30

Supplementary information form required: Yes

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

When there are more applications than there are places available, the governors will admit pupils according to the following criteria in order of priority below:

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they have been adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence/ special guardianship order), including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Children with an exceptional and professionally supported medical or social need for a place at this school. This must be supported by written evidence, e.g. from a specialist health professional, social worker, or other care professional
3. Children whose parents are faithful and regular* worshippers in St. Peter's Church, Walworth and who submit a supplementary form signed by a member of the clergy, confirming regular* attendance
4. Children whose parents are faithful and regular worshippers in one of the following churches; St Christopher's, Tatum St and St. Michael's & All Angels, Wyndham Road, who submit a supplementary form signed by a member of the clergy from their stated church, confirming regular* attendance
5. Children who have siblings who are blood relatives, step siblings, fostered and adopted children living at the same address already attending the school on the date of admission and who live within the parish

6. Children for whom this is the nearest primary school, measured by the shortest safe walking route between the pupil's front door and the pupils' entrance gate in Liverpool Grove, SE17

7. Children whose parents are faithful and regular* worshippers in those churches which are full members of the Churches Together in Britain and Ireland and/ or the Evangelical Alliance, who live within the parish, and who submit a supplementary form signed by their pastor or minister confirming regular* attendance

8. Children of other religious faiths, who live within the parish and whose parents would like them to attend this school because of its religious tradition and who submit a supplementary form signed by their faith leader confirming regular* attendance

9. If applicants do not fall into categories one to eight above their applications will be placed in category nine and if any places remain unfilled, priority will go to children who live closest to St. Peter's Primary School, measured by the shortest safe walking route between home and the pupils' entrance gate in Liverpool Grove, SE17

*Regular: Attending the place of worship on average once per fortnight for at least six months

Tie break


a) Twins or triplet scenarios – in this event, both children will be offered places as excepted pupils. **b)** Equidistant applicants – in the event that two or more applicants live equidistant from the school the governing body will draw lots to decide between applicants.

Catholic voluntary aided

English Martyrs' Catholic Primary School


Headteacher: Mr J Camilleri

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 020 7703 4726

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 office@emps.school

 Partial wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/3341

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 30

Supplementary information form required: Yes

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

Where there are more applications than the number of places available, places will be offered in the following order of priority:

1. Looked after Catholic children and all previously looked after Catholic children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Catholic children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted
2. Baptised Catholic children. A baptismal certificate or evidence of reception into the Catholic Church must be provided
3. Looked after children and all previously looked after children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted
4. Children enrolled in the catechumenate. Evidence of enrolment in the catechumenate will be required
5. Children who are members of Eastern Orthodox Churches. Evidence of Baptism will be required
6. Christians of other denominations and whose application is supported by a minister of religion

7. Children who are members of other faiths and whose application is supported by a religious leader or evidence of membership provided with the application

8. Any other children

The following order of priorities will be applied when applications within any of the above categories exceed the places available:


- a) A brother or sister on the school roll at the time of admission. Evidence of the relationship maybe required.
- b) Living in the parish of English Martyrs', Walworth or in the parish of St Wilfrid's, Walworth.
- c) Social, pastoral and medical needs which make the school particularly suitable for the child in question. Strong and relevant evidence must be provided at the time of application by an appropriate professional authority (e.g. qualified medical practitioner, education welfare officer, social worker or priest).
- d) Proximity to the school of the child's home address, the distance measured in a straight line from the school entrance. Evidence of residence maybe required. Where the last remaining place is to be allocated and two or more children are deemed to live at the same distance from the school, the place will be decided by the drawing of lots.


The form of Catholicity is available from the school office or the school website for those who require it.

Catholic voluntary aided

Saint Joseph's Catholic Primary School, The Borough


Headteacher: Ms Catherine Fulton

 Little Dorrit Court, Redcross Way, SE1 1NJ

 020 7407 2642

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 office@saintjosephsborough.co.uk

 Partial wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/3484

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 30

Supplementary information form required: Yes

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

Where there are more applications for places than the number of places available, places will be offered according to the following order of priority:

1. Looked after Catholic children and all previously looked after Catholic children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Catholic children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted
2. Baptised Catholic children. A baptismal certificate or evidence of reception into the Catholic Church must be provided
3. Other looked after children and all previously looked after children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted
4. Children who are members of Eastern Orthodox Churches. Evidence of Baptism will be required
5. Children who are members of other Christian denominations. Evidence of Baptism/ dedication will be required
6. Children who are members of other faiths. Evidence of membership/ dedication will be required

7. Any other children

The following order of priorities will be applied when applications within any of the above categories exceed the places available and it is necessary to decide between applications.


- a) A brother or sister on the school roll at the time of admission. Evidence of the relationship may be required.
- b) Social, pastoral and medical needs which make the school particularly suitable for the child in question. Strong and relevant evidence must be provided at the time of application by an appropriate professional authority (e.g. qualified medical practitioner, education welfare officer, social worker or priest).
- c) Proximity of the school to the child's home address, the distance measured in a straight line. Evidence of residence is required.


Where the last remaining place is to be allocated and two or more children are deemed to live at the same distance from the school, the place will be decided by the drawing of lots.


Catholic academy


St Anthony's Catholic Primary School (part of the St Benedict Catholic Academy Trust)


Headteacher: Mrs Joanne Hawthorne

 Etherow Street, SE22 0LA

 020 8693 6852

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 school@stanthonys.southwark.sch.uk

 Total wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/5201

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 60

Supplementary information form

required: Yes, those applying under criterion 2 must submit a completed Certificate of Practice to the academy.

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

Where the number of applications exceeds the number of places available, governors will offer places in the order stated below:


1. Looked after Catholic children and all previously looked after Catholic children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Catholic children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted
2. Baptised Catholic children in possession of a Certificate of Practice
3. Baptised Catholic children. A baptismal certificate or evidence of reception into the Catholic Church must be provided
4. Looked after children and all previously looked after children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangements order or special guardianship order. Children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted
5. Children enrolled in the catechumenate. Evidence of enrolment in the catechumenate will be required
6. Children who are members of Eastern Orthodox Churches. Evidence of baptism will be required
7. Children who are members of other faiths, Churches and denominations. Evidence of Baptism/dedication or evidence of membership required
8. Any other children

Catholic voluntary aided


St Francis Catholic Primary School


Headteacher: Miss Elizabeth Harris

 Friary Road, SE15 1RQ

 020 7639 0187

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 Total wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/3435

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 30

Supplementary information form required: Yes

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

Places will be offered in accordance with the following order of priorities:

1. Looked after Catholic children and all previously looked after Catholic children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Catholic children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted
2. Baptised Catholic children. A baptismal certificate or evidence of reception into the Catholic Church must be provided
3. Looked after children and all previously looked after children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted
4. Children enrolled in the catechumenate. Evidence of enrolment in the catechumenate will be required
5. Children who are members of Eastern Orthodox churches. Evidence of baptism will be required
6. Children who are members of other faiths, Churches and denominations. Evidence of Baptism/ dedication or evidence of membership required
7. Any other children

The following order of priorities will be applied when the number of applications within any of the categories exceeds the number of places available:

- a) A brother or sister on the school roll at the time of admission. Evidence of the relationship may be required.
- b) Living in the parish of Our Lady of Sorrows.
- c) Social, pastoral and medical needs which make the school particularly suitable for the child in question. Strong and relevant evidence must be provided at the time of application by an appropriate professional authority (e.g. qualified medical practitioner, education welfare officer, social worker or priest).
- d) Proximity of the school to the child's home address, the distance measured in a straight line from the school entrance. Evidence of residence may be required.

Tie-break


Where the last remaining place is to be allocated and two or more children are deemed to live at the same distance from the school, the place will be decided by drawing lots.


Catholic academy

St George's Cathedral Catholic Primary School

(part of the St Benedict Catholic Academy Trust)


Headteacher: Mrs Louise Chabvuka

 28 Lambeth Road, SE1 6HR

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 admissions@stgcs.southwark.sch.uk

 Partial wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/3447

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 30

Supplementary information form

required: Yes, those applying under criterion 2 must submit a completed Certificate of Practice to the school.

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

Places will be allocated in accordance with the following criteria in the order of priority set out below:

1. Looked after Catholic children and all previously looked after Catholic children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Catholic children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted
2. Baptised Catholic children in possession of a Certificate of Catholic Practice which must be provided by the parent or carer and signed by a priest
3. Baptised Catholic children. A baptismal certificate or evidence of reception into the Catholic Church must be provided
4. Looked after children and all previously looked after children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted
5. Children enrolled in the catechumenate or candidates. Evidence of enrolment in the catechumenate will be required
6. Children who are members of Eastern Orthodox Churches. Evidence of Baptism will be required

7. Children who are members of other faiths, Churches and denominations. Evidence of Baptism/ dedication or evidence of membership required

8. Any other children

The following order of priorities will be applied when the number of applications within any of the categories exceeds the number of places available:


- a) A brother or sister on the school roll at the time of admission. Evidence of the relationship may be required.
- b) Social, pastoral and medical needs which make the school particularly suitable for the child in question. Strong and relevant current evidence must be provided at the time of application by an appropriate professional authority e.g. qualified medical practitioner, education welfare officer, social worker or priest.
- c) Proximity of the school to the child's home address, the distance measured in a straight line from the school entrance in Lambeth Road. Evidence of residence may be required. Where the last remaining place is to be allocated and two or more children are deemed to live at the same distance from the school the place will be decided by the drawing of lots.


Catholic voluntary aided

St James the Great Catholic Primary School


Headteachers: Ms Janice Babb and Mr Denis O'Regan

 Peckham Road, SE15 5LP

 020 7703 5870

 www.stjamesthegreat.southwark.sch.uk

 office@stjamesthegreat.southwark.sch.uk

 Partial wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/3399

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 30

Supplementary information form required: Yes

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

Places will be offered in accordance with the following order of priorities:

1. Looked after Catholic children and all previously looked after Catholic children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Catholic children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted
2. Baptised Catholic children in possession of a Certificate of Practice
3. Baptised Catholic children. A baptismal certificate or evidence of reception into the Catholic Church must be provided
4. Looked after children and all previously looked after children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted
5. Children enrolled in the catechumenate. Evidence of enrolment in the catechumenate will be required
6. Children who are members of Eastern Orthodox Churches. Evidence of Baptism will be required
7. Children who are members of other faiths, Churches and denominations. Evidence of Baptism/ dedication or evidence of membership required
8. Any other children

The following order of priorities will be applied when applications within any of the categories above exceed places:


- a) A brother or sister on the school roll at the time of admission. Evidence of the relationship may be required.
- b) Living in the parish of St James the Great Catholic Church in Peckham.
- c) Social, pastoral and medical needs which make the school particularly suitable for the child in question. Strong and relevant evidence must be provided at the time of application by an appropriate professional authority (e.g. qualified medical practitioner, education welfare officer, social worker or priest).
- d) Proximity of the school to the child's home address, the distance measured in a straight line from the school entrance. Evidence of residence may be required. Where the last remaining place is to be allocated and two or more children are deemed to live at the same distance from the school, the place will be decided by the drawing of lots.

Catholic voluntary aided


St John's Catholic Primary School


Headteachers: Ms Janice Babb and Ms Emily Phipps

 St Elmo's Road, SE16 6SD

 020 7252 1859

 www.stjohnsrotherhithe.co.uk

 office@st-john.southwark.sch.uk

 Partial wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/3669

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 30

Supplementary information form required: Yes

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

Where the number of applications exceeds 30, the governors will offer places using the following criteria:

1. Looked after Catholic children and all previously looked after Catholic children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Catholic children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted
2. Baptised Catholic children in possession of a Certificate of Practice
3. Baptised Catholic children. A baptismal certificate or evidence of reception into the Catholic Church must be provided
4. Looked after children and all previously looked after children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted
5. Children enrolled in the catechumenate. Evidence of enrolment in the catechumenate will be required
6. Children who are members of Eastern Orthodox Churches. Evidence of Baptism will be required
7. Children who are members of other faiths, Churches and denominations. Evidence of Baptism/ dedication or evidence of membership required
8. Any other children

The following order of priorities will be applied when applications within any of the above categories exceed the places available:


- a) A brother or sister on the school roll at the time of admission. Evidence of the relationship may be required.
- b) Social, pastoral and medical needs which make the school particularly suitable for the child in question. Strong and relevant evidence must be provided at the time of application by an appropriate professional authority (e.g. qualified medical practitioner, education welfare officer, social worker or priest).
- c) Proximity of the school to the child's home address, the distance measured in a straight line from the school entrance. Evidence of residence may be required. Where the last remaining place is to be allocated and two or more children are deemed to live at the same distance from the school, the place will be decided by the drawing of lots.


Catholic voluntary aided


St Joseph's Camberwell Catholic Schools' Federation (Infants)


Executive Headteacher: Miss Delia Jameson


Head of School: Mrs T Mokogwu

 Pitman Street, SE5 0TS
(Just off Toulon Street, Wyndham Road SE5 0UB)

 020 7703 9264

 www.stjosephs.southwark.sch.uk

 infants@stjosephs.southwark.sch.uk

 Total wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/5204

Age range: 3 to 7

Published admission number: 60

Supplementary information form required: Yes

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

Where the number of applications on behalf of children exceeds 60, the governors will offer places, in the order stated, using the following criteria:

1. Looked after Catholic children and all previously looked after Catholic children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Catholic children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted.
2. Baptised Catholic children in possession of a Certificate of Practice.
3. Baptised Catholic children. A baptismal certificate or evidence of reception into the Catholic Church must be provided.
4. Looked after children and all previously looked after children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted.
5. Children enrolled in the catechumenate. Evidence of enrolment in the catechumenate will be required.
6. Children who are members of Eastern Orthodox Churches. Evidence of Baptism will be required.
7. Children who are members of other faiths, Churches and denominations. Evidence of Baptism/ dedication or evidence of membership required.
8. Any other children.


The following order of priorities will be applied when applications within any of the categories exceed the places available and it is necessary to decide between applications: **a)** A brother or sister on the school roll at the time of admission. Evidence of the relationship may be required. **b)** A brother or sister attending St. Joseph's Catholic Junior School at the time of admissions. **c)** Baptised practising Catholic children who reside in the Parish of Sacred Heart of Jesus Camberwell. **d)** Baptised practising Catholic children who reside in St Wilfred's or St Philip & James' parishes. **e)** Social, pastoral and medical needs which make the school particularly suitable for the child in question. Strong and relevant evidence must be provided at the time of application by an appropriate professional authority (e.g. qualified medical practitioner, education welfare officer, social worker or priest). **f)** Proximity to the school of the child's home address, the distance measured in a straight line from the school entrance.


Catholic voluntary aided


St Joseph's Camberwell Catholic Schools' Federation (Juniors)

Executive Headteacher: Miss Delia Jameson


Head of School: Mrs Theresa Mokogwu

 Pitman Street, SE5 OTS
(Just off Toulon Street, Wyndham Road SE5 0UB)

 020 7703 3455

 www.stjosephs.southwark.sch.uk

 admin@stjosephs.southwark.sch.uk

 Total wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/5203

Age range: 7 to 11

Published admission number: 60

Supplementary information form required: Yes

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria


1. Looked after Catholic children and all previously looked after Catholic children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Catholic children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted.
2. Baptised Catholic children in possession of a Certificate of Practice.
3. Baptised Catholic children. A baptismal certificate or evidence of reception into the Catholic Church must be provided.
4. Looked after children and all previously looked after children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted.
5. Children enrolled in the catechumenate. Evidence of enrolment in the catechumenate will be required.
6. Children who are members of Eastern Orthodox Churches. Evidence of Baptism will be required.
7. Children who are members of other faiths, Churches and denominations. Evidence of Baptism/ dedication or evidence of membership required.
8. Any other children.


The following order of priorities will be applied when applications within any of the above categories exceed the places available and it is necessary to decide between applications: **a)** A brother or sister on the school roll at the time of admission. Evidence of the relationship may be required. **b)** A brother or sister attending St Joseph's Catholic Infant School at the time of admission. **c)** Baptised practising Catholic children who reside in the Parish of Sacred Heart of Jesus Camberwell. **d)** Baptised practising Catholic children who reside in St Wilfred's or St Philip & James' parishes. Evidence of Baptism will be required. **e)** Social, pastoral and medical needs which make the school particularly suitable for the child in question. Strong and relevant evidence must be provided at the time of application by an appropriate professional authority (e.g. qualified medical practitioner, education welfare officer, social worker or priest). **f)** Proximity to the school of the child's home address, the distance measured in a straight line from the school entrance.


Catholic academy

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, George Row

Headteacher: Mr Coffey

 George Row, SE16 4UP

 020 7237 4267

 www.stjosephsgeorgerow.org

 office@stjosephs-georgerow.southwark.sch.uk

 Total wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/3475

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 45

Supplementary information form

required: Yes, those applying under criterion 2 must submit a completed Certificate of Practice to the academy.

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

Where there are more applications for places than the number of places available, governors will offer places using the following criteria in the order stated:

1. Looked after Catholic children and all previously looked after Catholic children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Catholic children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted
2. Baptised Catholic children in possession of a Certificate of Practice
3. Baptised Catholic children. A baptismal certificate or evidence of reception into the Catholic Church must be provided
4. Looked after children and all previously looked after children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Children who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted
5. Children enrolled in the catechumenate. Evidence of enrolment in the catechumenate will be required
6. Children who are members of Eastern Orthodox Churches. Evidence of Baptism will be required

7. Children who are members of other faiths, Churches and denominations. Evidence of Baptism/dedication or evidence of membership required

8. Any other children


The following order of priorities will be applied when applications within any of the above categories exceed the places available:


- a) A brother or sister on the school roll at the time of admission. Evidence of the relationship may be required.
- b) Social, pastoral and medical needs which make the school particularly suitable for the child in question. Evidence must be provided at the time of application, by an appropriate professional authority (e.g. qualified medical practitioner, education welfare officer, social worker or priest).
- c) Proximity to the school of the child's home address, the distance measured in a straight line from the school entrance. Evidence of residence may be required. Where the last remaining place is to be allocated and two or more children are deemed to live at the same distance from the school, the place will be decided by the drawing of lots.


Catholic academy

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Gomm Road


Headteacher: Mrs McLoughlin

 Gomm Road, SE16 2TY

 020 7237 4036

 www.stjosephsprimary.org.uk

 office@stjosephsprimary.org.uk

 Total wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/3476

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 30

Supplementary information form required: Yes

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

Places will be offered in accordance with the following order of priority:

1. Looked after Catholic children or looked after children in the care of Catholic families and previously looked after Catholic children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a residence or guardianship order including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted
2. Baptised Catholic children. A baptismal certificate or evidence of reception into the Catholic Church must be provided
3. Other looked after children and other previously looked after children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a residence or guardianship order including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted
4. Children enrolled in the Catechumenate. Evidence of enrolment will be required
5. Children who are members of the Eastern Orthodox Church. Evidence of Baptism will be required
6. Christians of other denominations whose application is supported by a minister of religion
7. Children of other faiths whose application is supported by a religious leader
8. Any other applicants


The following order of priorities will be applied when applications within any of the categories exceed the places available:


1. A sibling on roll at the time of admission. This includes a relationship through blood, marriage or adoption. Evidence of the relationship and that the siblings live at the same permanent address is required
2. Social and medical needs which make the school particularly suitable for the child. Evidence must be provided by an appropriate professional within the last three months
3. Distance from the school's pedestrian side gate to the child's permanent home address. Distances will be measured using the shortest walking distance. Where the last remaining place is to be allocated and two or more children are deemed to live at the same distance from the school, the place will be decided by the drawing of lots


Foundation school


Friars Primary Foundation School


Headteacher: Joanna Wratten

 Webber Street, SE1 ORF

 020 7207 1807

 www.friars.southwark.sch.uk

 office@friars.southwark.sch.uk

 Partial wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/5205

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 30

Supplementary information form required: Yes

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

In the event of the school having more applicants than places, either in the normal admissions round or for casual vacancies, places will be allocated in the following priority order, with one as highest priority:

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they have been adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence/ special guardianship order), including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Siblings of children attending the school at the time of admission
3. Children with social/medical needs for whom this is the nearest school to their home address or whose needs this school is particularly able to meet. These needs may be medical needs, applying to the child or the child's primary carer, or exceptionally pressing family or social needs
4. Other applicants, children who live nearest to the school measured in a straight line


Tie breaker


1. If there is a tie of one or more children for a place allocated under either of criterion one to three (normally occurring only for in year vacancies), it will be resolved by the application of criterion four to the competing applicants. If there remains a tie, the tie break given at point two should be used (see below).
2. If in any circumstances, after the application of all criteria and the tie breaker given at point one above, a tie between two or more children has to be resolved, the place will be allocated randomly between those children by the drawing of names unseen from a hat.


Free school

Galleywall Primary City of London Academy


Headteacher: Sarah Parbhu

 Galleywall Road, SE16 3PB

 020 7252 3494

 www.galleywall.co.uk

 admissions@galleywall.co.uk

 Partial wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/2007

Age range: 4 to 11

Published admission number: 60

Supplementary information form required: No

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

In the event of there being more applications than available places and after the admission of children with education, health and care plans or statements of special education needs where the academy is named on the plan or statement, places will be allocated against the criteria set out below:


1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order, including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Children with siblings who are already on roll at the academy and will still be on roll at their date of entry
3. Children with exceptional medical, social or psychological needs, where it is agreed by the Academy Trust that these can best be addressed at Galleywall Primary School - a City of London Academy
4. Children of staff employed at the school with at least two years continuous employment or where the school considers the member of staff has been recruited for a position for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage
5. Children living nearest to the Academy as measured by a straight line from the child's home to the main school gate on Galleywall Road


Free school


Harris Primary Academy East Dulwich


Principal: Ken Maslin

 173 Lordship Lane, SE22 8HA

 020 3772 4573

 www.harrisprimaryeastdulwich.org.uk

 info@harrisprimaryeastdulwich.org.uk

 Total wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/2004

Age range: 4 to 11

Published admission number: 60

**Supplementary information form
required:** No

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

When the academy is oversubscribed, priority for admission will be given to those children in priority order below:

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they have been adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence or special guardianship order), including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Children who the Harris Academy Trust accepts have an exceptional medical or social need and where evidence demonstrates how Harris Primary Academy East Dulwich is the only academy that can meet the defined needs of the child
3. Children with a sibling already attending the school and who will still be attending on the date of admission
4. Children of permanent staff employed at the academy (maximum of two places each year)
5. Admission of pupils on the basis of proximity to the school using straight line measurement from the main entrance of the school to the centre of the child's home

Tie breaker


Distance will be used as a tie breaker in categories 1 to 4 if there are more applicants qualifying under any of the criteria than places available. Random allocation will be used as a tie breaker if children have the same distance priority and cannot otherwise be determined.


Free school

John Keats Primary School


Headteacher: Matt Rose

 391 Rotherhithe New Road, SE16 3FN

 020 3955 8176

 www.jkacademy.org.uk

 office@jkacademy.org.uk

 Total wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/2009

Age range: 3 to 11

Published admission number: 60

Supplementary information form required: No

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

When the school is oversubscribed, places are allocated in the following priority order:

- 1. Looked After Children:** A “child looked after” is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions. These children must still be “CLA” when the child starts school unless (b) applies. b) or a child who was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangements, or special guardianship order including those who appear [to the admission authority] to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted
- 2. Sibling:** Children with a sibling still on roll at the school at the time of entry. Sibling is defined as children who live as brother or sister in the same house, including natural brothers and sister, adopted siblings, stepbrothers or sisters and foster brothers and sisters
- 3. Children of members of staff where:** a) the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time of which the application of admission to the school is made and/or b) The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. For inclusion in this category, the staff member must be permanently based at the school for more than 50% of their normal working hours each week during term time
- 4. In exceptional circumstances the school may admit children on the grounds of their acute medical or social needs for that particular school and that the school is suitable for them to attend and no other school within a reasonable distance from the child’s address.** The application must be supported by a letter from a hospital consultant, the special support service, social worker, or similar professional, setting out the reasons why the school is the only one to meet the child’s needs
- 5. Proximity to each school:** Distance will be measured in a straight line from the child’s home address (including flats) to the main entrance of the school building

Tie breaker


If there are two identical distance measurements for different addresses of separate applicants within any of the oversubscription categories above, a tiebreak will be done by drawing lots. This will be a random allocation process and will be supervised by someone independent of the school/Trust.


Free school


Judith Kerr Primary School


Headteacher: Patrick Murphy

 62-68 Half Moon Lane, SE24 9JE

 020 7738 6481

 www.judithkerr@anthemtrust.uk

 admin@judithkerr.anthemtrust.uk

 Total wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/2002

Age range: 4 to 11

Published admission number: 56

Supplementary information form required: No

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

If there are more applications than places, places will be offered in accordance with the following criteria in order of priority:


1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they have been adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence/special guardianship order), including internationally adopted previously looked after children
2. Children who have a brother or sister or step brother or step-sister who have one or more parents in common, or any other child for whom the parent has parental responsibility, living at the same address, who is already at the school when the applicant will enter the school
3. 50 per cent of the remaining places will be allocated to children who live closest to the school, measured as a straight line distance from the school gates to the front door of the child's home
4. Remaining places will be allocated using random allocation


Free school

The Belham Primary School

Headteacher: Liz Cohen

 165 Bellenden Road, SE15 4DG

 020 8353 4290

 www.thebelhamprimaryschool.org.uk

 info@thebelhamprimaryschool.org.uk

 Total wheelchair access

DfE number: 210/2006

Age range: 4 to 11

Published admission number: 60

Supplementary information form required: No

Oversubscription criteria 2026 (summary), contact the school for full criteria

Where there are more applications than places available, places will be allocated in the following priority order:

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence/special guardianship order), including internationally adopted previously looked after children

2. Children who have brothers or sisters attending the school at the time of entry

3. Children who have a specific social/medical or psychological need which the school is best placed to meet (backed up by professional advice from the relevant professionals as to why the school is necessary, and agreed by the headteacher)

4. Children of all permanent staff who work at the school where:
 - a) either the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage; or
 - b) the member of staff has been permanently employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made

5. Children living nearest to the school using straight line measurement from the main entrance of the school on Maxted Road to the main entrance of the child's home

Further information



In year admissions

You would normally be making an in year application if:

- your child does not currently have a school place to attend; or
- your child has recently moved into the borough or has arrived from another country

You must contact our school admissions team so that we can assist you in finding a suitable school place for your child.

Our school admissions team will be able to guide you through the correct in year application process for you. In Southwark, there are four routes to apply for an in year place and differ depending on the schools you want to apply for and your child's circumstances.

Southwark in year application process

The four in year application routes are set out below:

Route 1 - Schools that co-ordinate and manage their own in year applications

If you're applying for an in year place at a Southwark school that manages its own in year admissions, you must apply to them directly. For a full list of schools in the borough that manage their own in year admissions, please visit www.southwark.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/in-year-admissions

Route 2 - In year applications co-ordinated by Southwark Council's school admissions team

If your child is currently not attending a Southwark school and you'd like to apply for an in year place at a Southwark school that is not listed at Route 1 above, you must complete Southwark Council's in year application form.

To access Southwark Council's in year application form, please visit www.southwark.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/in-year-admissions

Route 3 - If you're a Southwark resident and applying to a school outside of Southwark

You must contact the borough where the school is located to ask about their in year application arrangements.

Route 4 - Transferring your child from one Southwark school to another Southwark school

You will need to speak directly with your child's current headteacher in the first instance. Once you have spoken with the headteacher, they will then make arrangements to provide you with information on the school to school transfer process.

Important information

- Families who are applying for a voluntary aided (church) schools, academy, foundation or free school, must contact the school directly to ask if they're required to complete a Supplementary Information Form (SIF). All completed SIFs must be returned directly to the school of application; and
- In year applications will not be processed during school holiday periods

Offer

After submitting your application, you will receive an outcome within 15 school days.

If the school you have named on the in year application cannot offer your child a place, they will let you know the reasons why and tell you about your right to appeal. Information about how to appeal will also be on each school's website. You cannot submit an appeal until you have been told the outcome of your application.

For further information, support and advice regarding the in year admissions process you can:

Visit www.southwark.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/in-year-admissions

Email inyear.admissions@southwark.gov.uk

Family early help

In order for young people to get the best out of their education it is important that they attend school regularly, they arrive on time, and that they get the right support to help them reach their potential. The early help localities is available throughout Southwark schools to support you and your child to achieve this.

School attendance

Southwark Council monitors school attendance and exclusions and helps schools and parents meet their legal responsibilities. Our officers work closely with schools to improve levels of attendance and behaviour, and will always try to work in partnership with parents to resolve any difficulties.

If your child is too unwell to attend school, you should contact the school straight away and tell the school when you expect them to return.

The council and government expect that parents will not disrupt children's education by taking them out of school during the school term.

Headteachers can authorise up to five days absence in extenuating circumstances.

If permission is not granted the school may issue a penalty notice. This is a fine of £60 raising to £120 (per parent) if the penalty notice is not paid within 21 days. Failure to pay a penalty notice may result in a prosecution.

Please speak to the school before making your travel arrangements.

You can contact Southwark Council's family early help service direct by contacting the duty desk on **020 7525 2714** between 9am and 5pm, Monday to Friday, where you will be able to arrange an appointment to see an officer or have a telephone discussion.

Safeguarding your child

Schools and Southwark Council have a legal duty to safeguard pupils and promote their welfare and wellbeing through effective links with parents and carers and child protection procedures. They must consider reporting any unexplained injuries; unusual behaviour or worrying things said by or about the child and will not take risks with the safety or welfare of your child.

- Good communication is very important between home and school about any accidents, illness or upset that might be affecting your child
- If you cannot collect your child from school on time, you must contact the school as soon as possible
- You must give your child's school your contact details and details of a relative or friend who is willing to act as an emergency contact

- A referral to children's social care will not normally be made without discussing this with you first but please make sure that the school knows how to contact you
- If you are looking after a child who is not a close relative for more than 28 days, you will need to register this as a private fostering arrangement so that you and the child can be properly supported
- If you think that your child is being bullied by other children (including upsetting text messages or via the Internet) you must report this to their teacher, head of year, form tutor or class teacher.

If you have concerns that a child may be at risk of harm you should contact the Southwark Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub on 020 7525 1921 or 020 7525 5000 (out of hours).

Exclusions

A headteacher may exclude a child in response to serious breaches of the school's disciplinary procedures. Advice for parents regarding exclusions is available from Southwark Council's inclusion team manager (exclusions) on **020 7525 2714**.

Additional education information you may find useful

Southwark Free Healthy School Meals

All pupils in Southwark primary schools are currently offered free, healthy school meals as part of the Council's ongoing commitment to healthy living.

Pupil premium

You may be able to help your child's school raise extra money from the government towards the cost of learning resources, activities or teaching staff.

For further information and to check whether you meet the eligibility criteria, please visit www.southwark.gov.uk/schools-and-education/financial-support-school-age-children/pupil-premium. Alternatively, you can contact Southwark Council's school benefits team by email at school.benefits@southwark.gov.uk

Uniform grant

A uniform grant is a one off payment of £45 made to eligible families to assist towards the cost of buying a school uniform for a year 6 child transferring to year 7 in a Southwark maintained secondary school.

For further information and to check whether you meet the eligibility criteria, please visit www.southwark.gov.uk/schools-and-education/financial-support-school-age-children/school-uniform-grants. Alternatively, you can contact Southwark Council's school benefits team by email at school.benefits@southwark.gov.uk

School travel

In most cases we expect children and young people to either walk or cycle to get to school. For further information on the different ways your child can travel to school safely please visit www.tfl.gov.uk/fares/free-and-discounted-travel

Child employment

All children under the age of 16 will require a permit to work. The youngest age a child can work part-time is 13, except children involved in areas like television, film, theatre, sporting events or modelling who will need a license if they are missing school. If the child is a Southwark resident, the person in charge of running the event must apply to Southwark Council for a child performance license.

If the child will not be with their parent, school teacher or home tutor during their employment, they must be supervised by a chaperone who has been approved by the council.

Businesses intending to employ school aged children must apply for a child employment permit before they can be employed. If a child is working without a child employment permit, there's a risk that the employer won't be insured against accidents involving the child.

For advice and applications for child performance licenses, chaperone licenses and child employment permits, please email Southwark Council's child employment officer at ptl@southwark.gov.uk.

Private fostering

Private fostering is when a child under 16 (or 18 if they're disabled) goes to live with an adult who is not a close family member for 28 days or more. Close relatives are birth parents, step parents by legal marriage, siblings, grandparents, aunts or uncles whether they are full blood, half blood or by marriage.

The arrangement is made by the parents, carers and sometimes the child or young person. It is not made by the council. A privately fostered child is therefore not in the care of the local authority.


You must notify Southwark Council on **020 7525 1921** if you've arranged private fostering.

Get in touch with the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) for more information about private fostering:


- call **020 7525 1921** or **020 7525 5000** (evenings and weekends)
- email MASH@southwark.gov.uk
- write to **Southwark Children's Services, Sumner Road, London SE15 5QS**

Useful contacts


Southwark customer service centre

 020 7525 5000

Family early help


 www.southwark.gov.uk/children-and-families/childrens-social-care/early-help/extra-early-help


 earlyhelp@southwark.gov.uk

 020 7525 2714

Family information service


For a full listing of nurseries, after school clubs and services

 www.southwark.gov.uk/schools-and-education/family-information-service


 0800 013 0639

Libraries

 www.southwark.gov.uk/libraries southwark.

 020 7525 2000


School benefits team

 www.southwark.gov.uk/schools-and-education/financial-support-school-age-children/pupil-premium


 school.benefits@southwark.gov.uk


School admissions team

 www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions

 schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk

Southwark information, advice and support team (SIAS)


 www.southwark.gov.uk/schools-and-education/extra-support-school-aged-children-and-young-people/southwark-information

 020 7525 3104

Special educational needs and disabilities team

 www.localoffer.southwark.gov.uk


 sen@southwark.gov.uk


 020 7525 4278

Other organisations

Department for Education (DfE)

National government information on education

 www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education

 0370 000 2288

Independent Schools Council

Information about private (independent) schools


 www.isc.co.uk

 020 7766 7070

Local Government Ombudsman

If you have a complaint about the council


 www.lgo.org.uk

 0300 061 0614


Southwark Diocesan Board of Education


(Church of England)

 48 Union Street London SE1 1TD

 020 7234 9200

Education Commission: Catholic Diocese of Southwark (Roman Catholic)

 St Edward's House St Paul's Wood Hill
Orpington BR5 2SR

 0168 982 9331

Office of the Schools Adjudicator

For complaints/concerns with admission arrangements


 www.gov.uk/government/organisations/office-of-the-schools-adjudicator

 osa.team@schoolsadjudicator.gov.uk

Transport for London

Information on transport

 www.tfl.gov.uk/fares/free-and-discounted-travel

 0343 222 1234

Schools outside of Southwark

You must always complete the application form for the borough in which you live. You can apply for up to six schools (excluding independent schools) whether they are in Southwark or in another borough.

For further information about schools in other boroughs please contact them directly using the list below.

London borough admissions teams telephone numbers

Bexley	020 8303 7777
Bromley	020 8313 4044
Camden	020 7974 1625
Croydon	020 8726 6400
Greenwich	020 8921 8043
Hackney	020 8820 7000 option 3
Islington	020 7527 5515
Kensington and Chelsea	020 7745 6432
Lambeth	020 7926 9503
Lewisham	020 8314 8282
Merton	020 8274 4906
Newham	020 8430 2000
Tower Hamlets	020 7364 5006
Wandsworth	020 8871 6000
Westminster	020 7745 6433

Map of primary schools in Southwark

Community primary schools

- 1 Albion Primary School
- 2 Alfred Salter Primary School
- 3 Bellenden Primary School
- 4 Bessemer Grange Primary School
- 5 Bird in Bush Primary School
- 6 Brunswick Park Primary School
- 7 Crampton Primary School
- 8 Crawford Primary School
- 9 Dulwich Wood Primary School
- 10 Goodrich Primary School
- 11 Grange Primary School
- 12 Heber Primary School
- 13 Hollydale Primary School
- 14 Ilderton Primary School
- 15 Ivydale Primary School
- 16 John Ruskin Primary School
- 17 Keyworth Primary School
- 18 Michael Faraday Primary School
- 19 Oliver Goldsmith Primary School
- 20 Phoenix Primary School
- 21 Pilgrim's Way Primary School
- 22 Riverside Primary School
- 23 Robert Browning Primary School
- 24 Rye Oak Primary School
- 25 Snowsfields Primary School
- 26 Southwark Park School
- 27 Tower Bridge Primary School
- 28 Victory Primary School

Academies

- 29 Angel Oak Academy
- 30 ARK Globe Academy
- 31 Charles Dickens Primary School
- 32 Dog Kennel Hill Primary School
- 33 Dulwich Hamlet Junior School
- 34 Goose Green Primary School
- 35 Harris Primary Academy, Peckham Park
- 36 John Donne Primary School
- 37 Lyndhurst Primary School

- 38 Redriff Primary
- 39 Rotherhithe Primary School
- 40 Surrey Square Primary School

Faith schools

- 41 Boucher Church of England Primary School
- 42 The Cathedral School of St Saviour and St Mary Overie
- 43 Dulwich Village C of E Infants' School
- 44 Peter Hills with St Mary's and St Paul's C of E Primary School
- 45 St George's C of E Primary School
- 46 St James' C of E Primary School
- 47 St John's and St Clement's C of E Primary School
- 48 St Jude's C of E Primary School
- 49 St Paul's C of E Primary School
- 50 St Peter's Walworth C of E Primary School
- 51 English Martyrs' Catholic Primary School
- 52 Saint Joseph's Catholic Primary School, The Borough
- 53 St Anthony's Catholic Primary School
- 54 St Francis Catholic Primary School
- 55 St George's Cathedral Catholic Primary School
- 56 St James the Great Catholic Primary School
- 57 St John's Catholic Primary School
- 58 St Joseph's Camberwell Catholic Schools' Federation (Infants)
- 59 St Joseph's Camberwell Catholic Schools' Federation (Juniors)
- 60 St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, George Row
- 61 St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Gomm Road

Foundation schools

- 62 Friars Primary Foundation School

Free schools

- 63 Galleywall Primary City of London Academy
- 64 Harris Primary Academy East Dulwich
- 65 John Keats Primary School
- 66 Judith Kerr Free School
- 67 The Belham Primary School



You may also be interested in taking a look at the following brochures:



**Starting secondary school
in Southwark 2026/27**

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www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions

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Southwark Council

 www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions

 schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk