

**Admissions Priorities for Places in
Oversubscribed Community and Controlled Schools**

(a) Children who are in public care

(b) Children in respect of whom a formal Statutory Assessment of Special Educational Needs has commenced and where the LA considers the preferred school to be the most appropriate to meet the child's needs

(c) Children who are receiving a significant level of LA funded support in order to meet their Special Education Needs and where the LA considers the preferred school to be the most appropriate to meet the child's needs

2. Children with a particular medical condition which can be met most appropriately by the preferred school. Applications must be accompanied by a medical declaration form and signed by the child's General Practitioner or Consultant confirming the condition and detailing the child's needs. All applications under this criterion will be assessed by the LEA to decide whether the child's needs can be met most appropriately by the preferred school.

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(a) Having a brother or sister at the school [not nursery] at the time of admission

(b) For admissions to Infant Schools having a brother or sister at the preferred school or at a linked Junior School on the same site or nearby at the time of admission.

(c) For admissions to Junior Schools, being on roll at the "linked" Infant school at the closing date for applications and thereafter, having a brother or sister at the preferred school or at a linked school [not nursery].

4. Denominational grounds, supported by the Church. Applications based on this criterion must be accompanied by a completed declaration form signed by a Priest, Minister or Community Leader to signify support.

5. Distance measured in a straight line from a child's home to the school's main entrance (as determined by the Head Teacher)

In all cases, should the number of applicants exceed the number of places available, places will be allocated on the basis of distance between home and school, as measured in a straight line from home to the main entrance to the school with priority being given to those living closest to the school.

Children transfer to a junior school at the beginning of the academic year in which they are 8 years old. The vast majority of our children transfer to Ocker Hill Junior School but it is necessary to apply. These forms will be sent to you during the Autumn term when your child is in Year 2. **If you apply late, after the closing date set by the local authority you will not be guaranteed a place in Ocker Hill Junior School.***

When parents receive application forms for a school place, it is imperative that these are completed and returned to the appropriate school in good time. Failure to do so may mean your child not being considered for a place until after allocations have been made. If your child is not allocated a place at the school of your choice, there is a system of appeals – please contact the school for further information.