

Hermitage Primary School

Admission policy



The school admits children using the admission criteria and guidelines from London Borough of Tower Hamlets. The number of children who can be admitted to each school in each Year group is reviewed and published on a yearly basis by the Local Authority – London Borough of Tower Hamlets. The school is a one and a half form entry school.

Children with a statement of special educational needs which names the school applied to, must be allocated a place. If, for the remaining places, there are more applications than places available, priority will be given in the following order:

- i. to children looked after by a local authority (in public care)
- ii. to brothers and sisters of a child who will be already attending the school when the child is admitted, including the school of separate infants and junior schools. The definition of 'sibling' includes twins, triplets, half-brothers/sisters, foster siblings and step-brothers/ sisters, residing in the same family home.
- iii. to pupils who live in the priority admission area of Stepney applying to their designated school. Within this category priority will be given to pupils who live nearest the school, as measured by the shortest walking distance to the nearest available pupil entrance in constant use.
- iv. to children living nearest to the school, as measured by the shortest walking distance. Therefore, accessibility by car or public transport will not be taken into account.

Parents may place their child on the school's waiting list after their second birthday. Children are offered places in the nursery after their third birthday. The school takes measures to ensure that all nursery children have a place in reception even through children admitted to nursery do not automatically qualify for a place in the main school (reception).

Parents who wish to admit their children in the school are encouraged to visit the school before placing their child on the waiting list.

The Headteacher is responsible for admission and is supported by the Office Manager and the Deputy Headteacher.

Date reviewed	Signature of Chair	Next review
26 January 2013		Spring 2015