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The Ultimate Barnet Education Guide (2026 Edition)

A guide for families moving to the London Borough of Barnet.

Welcome to Barnet. If you are moving to the area with children, you are looking in exactly the right place. As of 2026, Barnet holds a historic milestone: **100% of state-funded schools in the borough are rated "Good" or "Outstanding" by Ofsted.** Because the standard of education is universally excellent, choosing a school here usually comes down to location, faith requirements, and school size. We have compiled this comprehensive guide to help you navigate your options and find the perfect fit for your family.



Quick Guide to Admissions

-  **Community Schools:** Run directly by Barnet Council. Admissions are usually based purely on how close you live to the school (distance).
-  **Faith / Voluntary Aided (VA):** A foundation or trust helps run the school. **They set their own admissions criteria** and often require a Supplementary Information Form (SIF) or a religious leader's reference.
-  **Grammar Schools:** Highly selective state secondary schools that select pupils strictly based on academic ability via the 11+ entrance exam.
-  **Academy / Free School:** State-funded but independent of the council. They have more freedom over their curriculum and set their own admissions criteria.

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Maintained Nursery Schools

Dedicated early years centers funded by the state. Rolls fluctuate based on morning/afternoon and part-time sessions.

#	School Name	Gender	Category & Type	Latest Rating	Approx. Roll
1	Brookhill Nursery	 Mixed	 Community Nursery	Nov 2023 - Outstanding	~80
2	Hampden Way Nursery	 Mixed	 Community Nursery	Feb 2024 - Outstanding	~85
3	Moss Hall Nursery	 Mixed	 Community Nursery	May 2025 - Outstanding	~100
4	St Margaret's Nursery	 Mixed	 Community Nursery	Jan 2026 - Outstanding	~75



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Primary Schools (Infant, Junior, and Primary)

A typical 1-form entry primary has ~210 pupils, a 2-form has ~420, and a 3-form has ~630.

#	School Name	Gender	Category & Type	Latest Rating	Approx. Roll
1	Akiva School	 Mixed	 VA (Jewish)	Mar 2024 - Good	~420
2	All Saints' CofE (N20)	 Mixed	 VA (CofE)	Sep 2023 - Good	~210
3	All Saints' CofE (NW2)	 Mixed	 VA (CofE)	Nov 2022 - Good	~210
4	Alma Primary	 Mixed	 Free School (Jewish)	Jun 2025 - Outstanding	~420
5	Annunciation Catholic Infant	 Mixed	 VA (Catholic)	Jan 2024 - Good	~270
6	Annunciation Catholic Junior	 Mixed	 VA (Catholic)	Feb 2024 - Good	~360
7	Ashmole Primary	 Mixed	 Academy (Free School)	May 2023 - Outstanding	~420

8	Barnfield Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Oct 2025 - Good	~630
9	Beis Yaakov Primary	 Girls	 VA (Jewish)	Dec 2023 - Good	~400
10	Bell Lane Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Apr 2025 - Good	~420
11	Blessed Dominic Catholic	 Mixed	 VA (Catholic)	Sep 2024 - Outstanding	~420
12	Broadfields Primary	 Mixed	 Academy	Mar 2023 - Good	~630
13	Brookland Infant & Nursery	 Mixed	 Community Infant	Nov 2024 - Good	~300
14	Brookland Junior	 Mixed	 Community Junior	Nov 2024 - Good	~360
15	Brunswick Park Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Jan 2026 - Good	~420
16	Chalgrove Primary	 Mixed	 Community	May 2023 - Outstanding	~210

17	Childs Hill Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Oct 2022 - Outstanding	~420
18	Christ Church CofE (N11)	 Mixed	 VA (CofE)	Jun 2024 - Good	~210
19	Christ Church CofE (NW4)	 Mixed	 VA (CofE)	Sep 2025 - Good	~210
20	Church Hill School	 Mixed	 Community	Feb 2023 - Good	~420
21	Colindale Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Dec 2024 - Good	~800
22	Coppetts Wood Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Jan 2026 - Good	~420
23	Courtland School	 Mixed	 Community	Mar 2025 - Outstanding	~210
24	Cromer Road Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Nov 2023 - Good	~420
25	Danegrove Primary	 Mixed	 Community	May 2024 - Good	~630

26	Deansbrook Infant	 Mixed	 Community Infant	Oct 2025 - Good	~360
27	Deansbrook Junior	 Mixed	 Academy (Junior)	Sep 2023 - Good	~360
28	Dollis Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Jun 2025 - Good	~630
29	Edgware Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Feb 2024 - Good	~630
30	Etz Chaim Jewish Primary	 Mixed	 Free School (Jewish)	Nov 2022 - Good	~180
31	Fairway Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Mar 2026 - Good	~210
32	Foulds School	 Mixed	 Community	Oct 2024 - Good	~210
33	Frith Manor Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Jan 2025 - Good	~630
34	Garden Suburb Infant	 Mixed	 Community Infant	Dec 2023 - Good	~270

35	Garden Suburb Junior	 Mixed	 Community Junior	May 2024 - Outstanding	~360
36	Goldbeaters Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Sep 2025 - Outstanding	~470
37	Grasvenor Avenue Infant	 Mixed	 Academy (Infant)	Nov 2023 - Good	~90
38	Hadley Wood Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Apr 2025 - Good	~210
39	Hollickwood Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Jan 2024 - Good	~210
40	Holly Park Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Jun 2023 - Good	~420
41	Holy Trinity CofE (N2)	 Mixed	 VA (CofE)	Mar 2025 - Good	~210
42	Holy Trinity CofE (NW11)	 Mixed	 VA (CofE)	Oct 2024 - Good	~210
43	Independent Jewish Day	 Mixed	 VA (Jewish)	Feb 2026 - Good	~210

44	Livingstone Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Sep 2022 - Outstanding	~210
45	Manorside Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Nov 2025 - Outstanding	~210
46	Martin Primary	 Mixed	 Community	May 2024 - Good	~420
47	Mathilda Marks-Kennedy	 Mixed	 VA (Jewish)	Jan 2025 - Outstanding	~210
48	Menorah Foundation	 Mixed	 VA (Jewish)	Dec 2024 - Outstanding	~420
49	Menorah Primary	 Girls	 VA (Jewish)	Mar 2023 - Good	~420
50	Monkfrith Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Oct 2025 - Good	~420
51	Monken Hadley CofE	 Mixed	 VA (CofE)	Jun 2024 - Outstanding	~105
52	Moss Hall Infant	 Mixed	 Community Infant	Nov 2022 - Outstanding	~360

53	Moss Hall Junior	 Mixed	 Community Junior	Sep 2023 - Good	~480
54	Northside Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Feb 2025 - Good	~210
55	Orion Primary	 Mixed	 Community	May 2023 - Outstanding	~955
56	Osidge Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Jan 2026 - Good	~420
57	Our Lady of Lourdes RC	 Mixed	 VA (Catholic)	Mar 2024 - Good	~420
58	Pardes House Primary	 Boys	 VA (Jewish)	Nov 2023 - Good	~420
59	Queenswell Infant	 Mixed	 Community Infant	Oct 2024 - Good	~270
60	Queenswell Junior	 Mixed	 Community Junior	Sep 2025 - Good	~360
61	Rosh Pinah Primary	 Mixed	 VA (Jewish)	Feb 2023 - Good	~420

62	Sacred Heart Catholic	 Mixed	 VA (Catholic)	May 2025 - Good	~420
63	Sacks Morasha Primary	 Mixed	 VA (Jewish)	Dec 2024 - Good	~210
64	St Agnes' Catholic	 Mixed	 VA (Catholic)	Mar 2026 - Outstanding	~420
65	St Andrew's CofE	 Mixed	 VA (CofE)	Nov 2025 - Good	~210
66	St Catherine's RC	 Mixed	 VA (Catholic)	Jan 2024 - Good	~210
67	St James' Catholic Primary	 Mixed	 VA (Catholic)	Jun 2023 - Good	~420
68	St John's CofE (N11)	 Mixed	 VA (CofE)	Oct 2022 - Good	~210
69	St John's CofE (N20)	 Mixed	 VA (CofE)	Feb 2025 - Good	~420
70	St Joseph's Catholic	 Mixed	 VA (Catholic)	Sep 2024 - Good	~420

71	St Jude's CofE	 Mixed	 VA (CofE)	Mar 2024 - Good	~210
72	St Mary's CofE (EN4)	 Mixed	 VA (CofE)	May 2025 - Good	~420
73	St Mary's CofE (N3)	 Mixed	 VA (CofE)	Nov 2023 - Good	~420
74	St Paul's CofE (N11)	 Mixed	 VA (CofE)	Jan 2026 - Good	~210
75	St Paul's CofE (NW7)	 Mixed	 VA (CofE)	Oct 2024 - Good	~210
76	St Theresa's Catholic	 Mixed	 VA (Catholic)	Dec 2023 - Good	~210
77	St Vincent's Catholic	 Mixed	 VA (Catholic)	Feb 2025 - Good	~420
78	Summerside Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Sep 2025 - Good	~420
79	Sunnyfields Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Mar 2023 - Good	~210

80	The Hyde School	 Mixed	 Academy	Jun 2024 - Outstanding	~420
81	Trent CofE Primary	 Mixed	 VA (CofE)	Nov 2022 - Outstanding	~210
82	Tudor Primary	 Mixed	 Community	May 2025 - Good	~420
83	Underhill School	 Mixed	 Academy	Jan 2024 - Good	~630
84	Wessex Gardens Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Oct 2023 - Good	~420
85	Whitings Hill Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Feb 2026 - Good	~420
86	Woodridge Primary	 Mixed	 Community	Sep 2024 - Outstanding	~210

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Secondary Schools (11-18)

Barnet's secondary landscape features a mix of single-sex selective grammar schools, comprehensive academies, and highly sought-after faith schools.

#	School Name	Gender	Category & Type	Latest Rating	Approx. Roll
1	Ark Pioneer Academy	 Mixed	 Academy (Free School)	Jun 2023 - Outstanding	~900
2	Ashmole Academy	 Mixed	 Academy	Nov 2025 - Good	~1,900
3	Bishop Douglass School	 Mixed	 Academy (Catholic)	Mar 2024 - Good	~900
4	Christ's College Finchley	 Mixed	 Academy	Oct 2022 - Good	~1,000
5	Copthall School	 Girls	 Academy	Feb 2025 - Good	~1,000
6	East Barnet School	 Mixed	 Academy	May 2024 - Good	~1,350

7	Finchley Catholic High	👦 Boys (Mixed 6th)	🏛️ VA (Catholic)	Jan 2026 - Good	~1,200
8	Friern Barnet School	👦👧 Mixed	🏛️ Community (Foundation)	Sep 2023 - Good	~850
9	Hasmonean High for Boys	👦 Boys	🏛️ Academy (Jewish)	Dec 2024 - Good	~1,000
10	Hasmonean High for Girls	👧 Girls	🏛️ Academy (Jewish)	Dec 2024 - Good	~1,000
11	Hendon School	👦👧 Mixed	🏛️ Academy	Mar 2025 - Good	~1,300
12	Henrietta Barnett School	👧 Girls	🎓 Academy (Selective Grammar)	Nov 2022 - Outstanding	~750
13	JCoSS	👦👧 Mixed	🏛️ VA (Jewish)	Sep 2025 - Good	~1,350
14	London Academy	👦👧 Mixed	🏛️ Academy (All-Through)	Feb 2024 - Good	~1,500

15	Mill Hill County High	 Mixed	 Academy (Foundation)	Oct 2023 - Good	~1,700
16	Queen Elizabeth's (QE Boys)	 Boys	 Academy (Selective Grammar)	May 2022 - Outstanding	~1,300
17	Queen Elizabeth's Girls'	 Girls	 Academy	Jun 2025 - Good	~1,200
18	Saracens High School	 Mixed	 Free School	Jan 2024 - Good	~900
19	St Andrew the Apostle	 Mixed	 Free School (Greek Orthodox)	Mar 2026 - Good	~800
20	St James' Catholic High	 Mixed	 VA (Catholic)	Nov 2024 - Good	~1,100
21	St Mary's & St John's (SMSJ)	 Mixed	 VA (CofE, All-Through)	Sep 2023 - Good	~1,500
22	St Michael's Catholic	 Girls	 VA (Selective Grammar)	Oct 2022 - Outstanding	~750

23	The Archer Academy	 Mixed	 Academy	Feb 2025 - Good	~900
24	The Compton School	 Mixed	 Academy	May 2024 - Outstanding	~1,350
25	The Totteridge Academy	 Mixed	 Academy	Jan 2026 - Good	~900
26	Whitefield School	 Mixed	 Academy	Nov 2023 - Good	~800
27	Wren Academy Finchley	 Mixed	 Academy (CofE, All-Through)	Mar 2024 - Outstanding	~1,400

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Special Schools & Pupil Referral Units (PRUs)

Specialist provisions have heavily restricted capacities to ensure high staff-to-student ratios and tailored support.

#	School Name	Gender	Category & Type	Latest Rating	Approx. Roll
1	Mapledown School	 Mixed	 Community Special (Severe Needs)	Sep 2024 - Outstanding	~80
2	Northway School	 Mixed	 Community Special (Autism/Mod.)	Nov 2023 - Good	~120
3	Oak Hill School	 Mixed	 Academy Special (SEMH)	Mar 2025 - Good	~60
4	Oak Lodge School	 Mixed	 Academy Special (Mod./Severe)	May 2022 - Outstanding	~180
5	Pavilion Study Centre	 Mixed	 PRU (Alternative Provision)	Feb 2024 - Outstanding	~100
6	The Windmill School	 Mixed	 Free Special (Autism Specific)	Jan 2026 - Good	~90

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Colleges and Sixth Forms (16-19)

Dedicated post-16 providers offering A-Levels, T-Levels, and vocational courses.

#	School Name	Gender	Category & Type	Latest Rating	Approx. Roll
1	Woodhouse College	 Mixed	 16-19 Academy	Nov 2025 - Outstanding	~1,500
2	Imperial College Maths	 Mixed	 16-19 Free School (STEM)	May 2025 - Outstanding	~100
3	Barnet & Southgate College	 Mixed	 Further Education College	Mar 2024 - Good	~12,000+



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Understanding Catchments & How to Apply

One of the biggest misconceptions about moving is that schools have fixed "catchment areas" drawn on a map. In reality, most Barnet schools operate on a **"Cut-off Distance"** (measured as a straight line from the child's front door to the school gate). This distance changes every *single year* based on birth rates, how many siblings are applying, and local demand.

Here is how it works:

1. **Community Primary Schools (Distance is King):** Priority is given to Looked After Children and siblings. After that, places are offered based entirely on straight-line distance. For heavily oversubscribed "Outstanding" schools, the cut-off distance can shrink to as little as **0.3 to 0.5 miles** in a busy year.
2. **Faith Schools / Voluntary Aided (Faith over Distance):** Schools like St Michael's Catholic or Mathilda Marks-Kennedy prioritize faith over distance. You will almost always need to submit a **Supplementary Information Form (SIF)** signed by a religious leader confirming your attendance at a place of worship.
3. **Grammar Schools (The 11+ Exam):** Barnet's world-class grammar schools (Queen Elizabeth's Boys and Henrietta Barnett) **do not have local catchments**. They select purely on academic merit via the 11+ entrance exams.
4. **Academies & Free Schools (Priority Postcodes):** Some secondary academies have unique rules. For example, The Archer Academy gives priority to specific postcodes (N2, N3, NW11), while JCoSS uses specific "nodal points" around the borough to measure distance.

How to Check & Apply

As distance cut-offs change annually, the most accurate way to plan your move is by looking at the previous year's admissions data.

 [Access the Barnet Council School Admissions Portal Here](#)

Use the official Barnet portal to:

- **Check Primary Priority Area Maps:** View the latest geographical guidance for community primary schools to see historically safe distances.
- **Download the Admissions Guide:** See the exact distance cut-offs (measured in miles) for the most recent academic year to benchmark your prospective new home.
- **Apply Online:** Access the national eAdmissions portal when the application window opens (the deadline is usually **October 31st** for Secondary Schools and **January 15th** for Primary Schools).

Need a bespoke check? If you have found a property you love with our agency, speak to your agent! We can help you run a straight-line distance check from the property's front door to the school gates to give you the clearest picture of your admissions chances.

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