

**School Admissions** 

Hackney Council
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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Admissions Update**

During the Spring Term a number of children were offered a school place and if the headteacher at the receiving school agreed to a delayed start, these children started at the beginning of the Summer Term, which was **15th April 2024.** 

# Starting at Princess May in September

You <u>don't need to take any action</u> if you want your child to move to Princess May Primary School.

#### Applying for other schools

Some parents have indicated that they want their child to remain until the end of the school year (until July 2024) to start a new school in September 2024. We understand this is very important for parents and the children. Any offers made during the Summer Term means your child may start in September with the agreement of the headteacher of the receiving school.

#### Uniform

Hackney Council will be providing £30 for every child to support in purchasing new school uniform. Families who have already moved to a new school will also be able to claim this support. More information about how to claim the uniform support will be shared with you this term.



# Frequently asked questions

### How long will my child have to wait for our preferred school?

It is impossible to give a timeframe of how long you may have to wait for space to become available at your preferred school. Also, your child's position on the waiting list can go up as well as down, because other families may be applying for the same school and if they live closer, they will rank higher on the waiting list. When there is a vacancy at a school, the child who is number 1 on the waiting list during the allocation round is offered the place.

### I do not want to send my child to Princess May.

Josephine will be happy to provide information on other schools which have current vacancies that your child could start in September, but these may be further away.

### How long can my child remain on the waiting list?

Your child will be able to remain on the waiting list of your preferred school[s] for an additional school year until July 2025. If you want your child to continue on the waiting list after this date, you will need to re-apply in August 2025.

#### Will my child still have social priority during the next school year?

Hackney School Admissions agreed to award social priority at any of the nearest 3 community schools to the applicant's home address to **all** children who are attending a school that will close permanently in August 2024. After this date, the social priority awarded will be removed. However, this does not stop you from making a claim for social/medical priority for your child, and if agreed, your **child will be awarded social priority for one school only**, which is in line with the In Year Admissions Arrangements. Applicants will have to provide independent professional evidence. The evidence will be reviewed for a decision by the Head of Admissions and the Admissions Manager.

Kind regards,

**David Court** 

Interim Assistant Director, School Estates Strategy



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Information and FAQ	The wider background briefing and further details can be found on the Council's website at <a href="https://education.hackney.gov.uk/content/primary-schools-potential-changes">https://education.hackney.gov.uk/content/primary-schools-potential-changes</a> FAQ for school staff: <a href="https://education.hackney.gov.uk/content/frequently-asked-questions-school-staff">https://education.hackney.gov.uk/content/frequently-asked-questions-school-staff</a> FAQ : <a href="https://education.hackney.gov.uk/content/school-estates-faqs">https://education.hackney.gov.uk/content/school-estates-faqs</a> Please reach out to your school leadership with any questions or concerns.		
Admissions	Families who would like support can contact the Josephine Williams via email <a href="mailto:josephine.williams@hackney.gov.uk">josephine.williams@hackney.gov.uk</a> via telephone Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9am to 12pm, 020 8820 7690		
Support available for families	WAMHS offer ongoing support you can access via your school's CAMHS Worker In School (CWIS)/ Education Mental Health Practitioner (EMHP).  The Family Coach service can provide a non-judgemental and confidential space to support families. Engage with this service through your SENCO or email familycoach@hackney.gov.uk  Ask your headteacher about this support if you wish to access it.		
Support for families with children with an EHC Plan	For families to contact regarding the transfer process, EHCP Team: SENDPhasetransfers@hackney.gov.uk  Hackney SEND Information, Advice and Guidance Service (SENDIAGS) can provide parents with impartial advice and support when choosing schools. You can contact the service via email at sendiags@hackney.gov.uk or by phone on 020 7275 6036.		



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