

**Bobby Moore Academy (BMA)
Admissions Arrangements 2018**

Admissions

Bobby Moore Academy will be a state funded school integral to the local community, open to pupils aged 4-19.

All 33 London boroughs work together to increase the number of pupils who receive an offer from one of their preferred schools. The Pan-London Co-ordinated Admission System document for 2018/19 outlines the rules and guidelines to which these offers are made.

In 2018, pupils will be admitted to reception and Y7.

Arrangements for applications for places in Reception and Year 7 at Bobby Moore Academy will be made in accordance with Newham's co-ordinated admission arrangements; parents resident in Newham can apply online at:

<https://www.newham.gov.uk/Pages/Services/Admissions-secondary-school.aspx>

Parents resident in Tower Hamlets can apply at:

http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/ignl/education_and_learning/schools/school_admissions/school_admissions.aspx

Parents resident in other areas must apply through their home local authority.

Admissions arrangements will be in line with the existing School Admissions Code, the School Admissions Appeals Code, and Admissions Law as it applies to maintained schools and academies.

Published Admission Number (PAN)

The admission number for reception will be 60 in 2018

The admission number for Y7 will be 180 pupils in 2018.

If the numbers of applications are equal to or less than the PAN all pupils will be admitted. If the numbers of applications exceed the PAN, the following over-subscription criteria will apply:

Oversubscription criteria for both primary and secondary phases

When the school is oversubscribed, after the admission of all pupils with an education, health and care plan, or statement of special educational needs naming the school, priority will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below in priority order:

1. Looked after children and children who were previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to adoption, a child arrangements order or special guardianship order.¹
2. Having a brother or sister who will be attending the school at the expected time of admission²
3. Other children.

Tie break

If the school becomes oversubscribed in either criteria 2 or 3 above a tie-break is needed to determine who is admitted we will first prioritise those living closest to the school for admission. We will use the Newham Geographical Information System (GIS) to calculate the distance from your child's home (the centroid point of the property) to school (the main entrance to the primary or secondary school respectively). For more information on calculation methods please see Newham's secondary and primary brochures. If it is not possible to distinguish between applicants because they live exactly the same distance from the school, we will first prioritise children who are eligible for the pupil premium³ and

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

² Brother or sister includes step or half siblings and other children who are living as permanent members of the household of a child on the school roll at the start of the academic year of admission

³ The following are eligible for the pupil premium: looked after children, children registered as eligible for free school meals or who are eligible to be registered for free school meals and

then via a random draw supervised by a person independent of BMA and/or David Ross Education Trust.

Where children of multiple birth (twins, triplets etc) applying at the same time are tied for the final place, the school will exceed PAN to admit them all, without applying random allocation.

Waiting list

Where in any year BMA receives more applications for places than there are places available, a waiting list will operate until the end of the first term⁴ after the beginning of the academic year. Where places become available they will be allocated in accordance with the oversubscription criteria above. Whenever a child joins or leaves the waiting list, it will be reordered in accordance with the oversubscription criteria. Therefore, it is important to note that children may move both up and down the list.

Out of Year Group Admissions

Parents may seek a place for their child outside of their normal age group, for example, if the child is gifted and talented or has experienced problems such as ill health. A summer born child⁵ will be permitted to enter YR in the term following their 4th or 5th birthday according to the parent's preferred starting year'.

For all other requests to be admitted out of normal age group, parents should apply in writing to the school at the point of application. When such a request is made, the academy trust will

children who have been registered as eligible for free school meals at any point in the last six years. To be eligible to be registered for free school meals you or your child will receive any of the following: Universal Credit; Income Support; income-based Jobseekers Allowance; an income-related employment and support allowance; support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999; Child Tax Credit (provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit) and have an annual income that, from 6 April 2011, does not exceed £16,190 (as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs); where a parent is entitled to the Working Tax Credit run-on (the payment someone receives for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit); the Guarantee element of State Pension Credit.

⁴ 31 December

⁵ The term summer born children relates to all children born from 1 April to 31 August. These children reach compulsory school age on 31 August following their fifth birthday (or on their fifth birthday if it falls on the 31 August). It is likely that the most requests for summer born children to be admitted out of their normal age group will come from parents of children born in the later summer months or those born prematurely.

make a decision on the basis of the circumstances of the case and in the best interests of the child concerned, taking into account the views of the parents and headteacher as well as any supporting evidence provided by the parent.

Shared Parenting

Where a child lives between addresses then the address where he or she resides will be as determined as the address at which the child is registered with their GP. Parents may be asked for evidence of this.

Fraudulent Information

If the allocation of a place has been made on the basis of fraudulent or intentionally misleading information, the governors will, in the first instance, reconsider the application.

Appeals Procedures

If you have been refused a place at BMA, having named it on your most recent school admission application you have the legal right to appeal against the decision and have your case heard by an Independent Appeal Panel. This process will be handled by Newham and the process is explained at:

<https://www.newham.gov.uk/Pages/Services/School-admissions-appeals.aspx>

You must send your appeal to:

Newham Independent School Appeals Service (NISAS)
1000 Dockside Road
London
E16 2QU