

Admissions Policy

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Display on website:	Yes
Purpose:	Criteria for school admissions as per Local Authority guidelines
Consultation:	FGB only (LA guidelines)
Links with other policies:	None

Children enter the school in the September of the academic year in which they turn five. All children attend part-time during the child's 'staggered introduction' (further details below). All children have the option to become full-time before October half term.

All admissions are managed by the Local Authority (LA) and more information is available via

http://www.richmond.gov.uk/primary_school_admissions

Reception

The deadline for Reception admissions varies each year but will be published annually on the local authority website. For September 2021 the applications open 1st September 2020, close on 15th January 2021 and offers are sent out on 16th April 2021.

Applications are made online via https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/eAdmissions/app

In-Year Admissions

There are no deadlines for in-year admissions. While the LA manages all admissions, we ask parents to contact the school office to discuss any particular needs.

Parents and Carers are encouraged to attend a personalised tour and to meet the Headteacher.

Criteria for Admissions

Kew Riverside Primary School follows the Local Education Authority's criteria for admissions. When there are more applicants than there are places available, places will be allocated in the following order:

- 1. Looked after children
- 2. Cases of exceptional family, social or medical need requiring attendance at the school
- 3. Children who have siblings at the school
- 4. Children of members of staff who have been employed at the school for two or more years at the time of application
- 5. Children living closest to the school, measured by the shortest route by road and/or maintained footpath from the property to the nearest pedestrian school gate

For more details follow the link to school admission arrangements for the schools year 2021:

school_admission_arrangements_2021_to_2022.pdf (richmond.gov.uk)

In the event that a place is not available, parents will be invited to place the child's name on the waiting list. Waiting lists for community schools will be held in criteria order (regardless of when an application is received) until the end of the academic year in July 2022. After this date, parents will have to request in writing to have their child's name added to a waiting list for any community school.

Appeals Procedure

Under the School Standards and Framework Act 1998, Parents and Carers have the right to appeal to an independent appeals panel. Applicants will receive an appeals form and information about the procedure with the notification letter if a family is unsuccessful in obtaining a place Kew Riverside Primary School.

Staggered Introduction

During the first half term children start into reception is staggered. This will typically include:

Week 1	Home Visits
Week 2	Stay and play for 1 hour for 1 day, parents are welcome, split AM and PM Half the class attend in the morning and half in the afternoon over five days
Week 3	From the Wednesday all children in school for morning session and lunch
Week 4	Children in full time

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