

## **TOOTING PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS CRITERIA 2025 – 2026**

The published admission number for 2025 Entry is 60.

If the school is oversubscribed, after the admission of pupils with an Educational Health & Care Plan (EHCP), where the school is named by a local authority in the EHCP, priority for admission will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below, and applied in that order:

- (i) Children Looked After or children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order). (see note 1)
- (ii) Children with a professionally supported exceptional medical or social need for a place at a particular school, as decided by the Governing Body (see note 2)
- (iii) Brothers and sisters of children on the roll of the school on the date of application (see note 3)
- (iv) Children of employees of the Graveney Trust who work at Tooting Primary School (see note 4)
- (v) Children in order of straight line distance from home to school as measured by Wandsworth Council's Geographical Information System (see note 5).

### **NOTES**

1. A child looked after is a child in the care of a local authority or provided with accommodation by that authority in accordance with section 22 of the Children Act 1989. Children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted are as defined by section 46 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002, or those who became subject to a residence order (under section 8 of the terms of the Children Act 1989) or special guardianship order (under section 14A of the Children Act 1989).
2. Applications made on acute medical grounds must be supported by a current letter from a specialist health professional. Applications made on exceptional social grounds must be supported by a current letter from a social worker or other care professional working with the family. The letters must give reasons why the child's condition or circumstances make it necessary for the child to attend the school and the difficulties that would be caused if they had to attend an alternative school. If this information is not provided by the application closing date, the application will not be considered under this criterion.
3. A sibling is defined as a full brother or sister, a step/half brother or sister living at the same address, a child who is living at the same address as part of the family, by reason of a court order, or a child who has been placed with foster carers as a result of being looked after by a local authority.
4. The member of staff must have been employed by the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made or be a member of staff who was recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
5. The permanent address of the parent/guardian with whom the child is living on the closing date for applications will be used for this purpose. A childminder's address will not be accepted. Distance is measured by Wandsworth Borough Council on behalf of the school, using the GIS computerised system. Measurements produced by alternative measuring systems will not be taken into account in any circumstances. The distance is measured from the applicant's home to the front gates of the school, using a straight line measurement. The school reserves the right to verify applicants' addresses with nursery schools and electoral registers.