Information for parents

Admissions to Riverside

Admissions to Riverside are agreed by the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Panel of Haringey's Children and Young People's Service, advised by the Educational Psychology Service (EPS), in discussion with the school.

Contact the SEND Local Offer Team

You can contact the team in any of these ways.

PHONE
020 8489 1913

EMAIL
sen@haringey.gov.uk

POST
Additional Needs and Disabilities
Alexandra House, 2nd Floor
10 Station Road, Wood Green
N22 7TR

WEBSITE
haringey.gov.uk/children-and-families/schools-and-education/special-schools/sen-admission

How joining Riverside works

STEP 1

Referral

Initial referrals can be made at any age from Year 6, right up to in-year Year 11 in some cases, from mainstream or other special schools. Students will usually have an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) and be experiencing significant difficulties with their learning. An annual group joins from The Brook primary special school at secondary transfer, as well as students from other schools.

STEP 2

Visit and tour

New parents are invited to visit and tour the school and talk to the headteacher before stating their preferences.

STEP 3

We meet your child

Once a place is confirmed, Riverside teachers visit the student's current school to meet them and their staff and share information.

How joining Riverside works

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STEP 4

Induction Day, early July

Morning: all new students come to Riverside and join the class and staff they will be with in September.
Evening: parents of new students (and those whose child is moving to a new class) get a briefing from the headteacher, meet other parents and the new staff, share initial plans for September and visit the class. New parents also complete the admission forms.

STEP 5

A transition that fits

Induction and familiarisation can be tailored to each student. Some are best suited to the morning of the Induction Day followed by a fresh start in September. Others need a fuller package, which can include one or more individual placement sessions at Riverside and social stories to help them settle in successfully.

Key times

Before stating preferences
Visit, tour and meet the headteacher

Early July
New Students and Parents Induction Day

September
Your child starts in their new class