



## **Oasis Academy Hobmoor Admission Arrangements for 2024-2025**

### **Introductory statement**

Oasis Academy Hobmoor is an academy where all young people are given the opportunity they deserve to make excellent progress and fulfil their full potential. Oasis academy Hobmoor is a fully inclusive Nursery and Primary academy, accepting children of all abilities, of any faith or none.

### **Admission number(s)**

The school has an admission number of 60 for entry into Reception year. The school will accordingly admit this number of students if there are sufficient applications. Where fewer applicants than the published admission number(s) for the relevant year group are received, the academy trust will offer places at the school to all those who have applied.

The Nursery offers free part-time provision of 15 hours per child. The current PAN for Nursery is 78.

### **Application process**

Arrangements for applications for places into Reception at the Academy will be made in accordance with Birmingham City Council's co-ordinated admission arrangements and will be made on the Common Application Form provided and administered by Birmingham City Council.

Please access the application form by visiting Birmingham City Council's website,

<https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions>

The deadline for applying is 15 January 2024. You will be allocated a school by Birmingham City council by email on 16 April 2024.

The Academy deals with the Nursery applications in house and take children in September, January and April providing it is the term after the child has turned 3 years of age.

### **Oversubscription criteria and Tie Break**

When the school is oversubscribed, after the admission of students with an Education, Health and Care plan or a Statement of Special Educational Needs naming the school, priority for admission 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.
2. Siblings – where there are siblings already at the Academy
3. Geography - Children living closest to the school as measured in a direct line from the home address to the school. The home address is where the child spends the majority of the time and is living with the person who has parental responsibility and is the main 'carer' as defined in section 576 of the Education Act 1996 (documentary evidence may be requested). If a child regularly lives at more than one address the LA will have to reach a conclusion about which should be counted as the main address when allocating places. This will normally be the address where the Child Benefit is paid and where the child is registered with a doctor. Home to school distances will be measured in a direct line from a point on the home address as held by the Local Authority to a central point within the main school building using the Local Authority's computerised mapping system.

**Tie-breaks** where there are more applications than there are places remaining within a particular category, the direct line distance from home to school will be used as a tie-break. When the furthest distance to qualify for a place relates to a household containing two or more children for whom application are made (e.g. twins, triplets etc), the remaining child will also be offered a place above the PAN, if necessary. This would also apply to a brother or sister born in the same academic year. Where two or more children live in a flat or other multi-home dwelling and it is not possible to determine which applicant lives closest to the preferred school as measured in a direct line from building to school; the available place(s) will be allocated by drawing lots. Any offer of a place determined by random allocation will be overseen by a member of staff from the Legal Division of Birmingham City Council.

### **Education, Health and Care Plan**

Children with Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP) follow the transfer arrangements set out in the Code of Practice and associated regulations and are not subject to general admissions arrangements.

### **Late applications**

All applications received by Birmingham City Council after the deadline will be considered to be late applications. Late applications will be considered after those received on time. If, following consideration of all applicants the school is oversubscribed, parents may request that their child is placed on the school's waiting list. For more information on late applications, please visit Birmingham City Council's website <https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions>

### **Admission of children outside their normal age group**

Parents may request that their child is admitted outside their normal age group. To do so parents should include a request with their application, specifying why admission out of normal year group is being requested, and the year group in which they wish their child to be allocated a place.

When such a request is made, the academy trust will 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 Principal and any supporting evidence provided by the parent. In the first instance, please contact [enquiries@oasishobmoor.org](mailto:enquiries@oasishobmoor.org)

### **Waiting lists**

The waiting list for Oasis Academy Hobmoor is held and maintained by Birmingham City Council. For more information on the waiting list, please visit Birmingham City Council's website,

<https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions> going to the Appeals section. All applicants refused a place have a right of appeal to an independent appeal panel constituted and operated in accordance with the School Admission Appeals Code. Appellants should contact School Admissions, <https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions>

### **Applicants living outside the Local Authority**

Parents living outside the Local Authority, where the academy is located, should use the Common Application Form provided by their home Local Authority.

### **Looked after children and previously looked after children:**

Looked after children and all previously looked after children and immediately after being looked after became subject to adoption, a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order. This includes those children who appear to Oasis Community Learning to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. Previously looked after children are children who were looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order)

### **Notes/Definitions**

#### **Sibling:**

'Sibling' means a natural brother or sister, a half brother or sister, a legally adopted brother or sister or half-brother or sister, a step brother or sister or other child living in the same household as part of the same family who, in any of these cases, will be living at the same address at the date of their application for a place.

**Looked after children and previously looked after children:**

1. "Looked after children" are those who are in the care of the local authority or provided accommodation by that authority under section 22 of the Children Act 1989.

2. In relation to school admissions legislation a 'looked after child' is a child in public care at the time of application to a school. Applicants can provide evidence demonstrating their child was previously in care to an institution acting as a Local Authority, or an organisation that supports the best interests of the community/child. In the case of previously looked after children, admission authorities may request a copy of the adoption order, child arrangements order or special guardianship order and a letter from the local authority that last looked after the child, confirming that they were looked after immediately prior to the order being made, or such evidence that demonstrates a child was in state care outside of England prior to being adopted.