

22 January 2020

Our ref: 5932564

Thank you for your request received on 7 January 2020, for the following information:

- 1, What is the membership of Barnet's Deferred Entry Panel (i.e. to which professions do the members belong?)**
- 2, When was Barnet's Deferred Entry Panel created?**
- 3, What training is provided to members of the Deferred Entry Panel regarding their responsibilities in making decisions about the admission of summer-born children? (This includes the DfE guidance ' Advice on the admission of summer-born children')**
- 4, How many requests were made by the parents of summer-born children to start their children in Reception at compulsory school age in the following school years: 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18 and 2018/19? (These years refer to the dates of the requests, not the date of admission)**
- 5, Year by year, how many of these requests by the parents of summer-born children to start their children in Reception at compulsory school age were agreed by Barnet Council (for the schools for which the LA is the admissions authority), and how many were refused? Please break data down by school year and by the birth month of the child (April to August, inclusive).**

We have processed this request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Response

- 1, What is the membership of Barnet's Deferred Entry Panel (i.e. to which professions do the members belong?)***

The Panel is composed of Headteachers of Barnet Primary Schools and the Assistant Director of School Access and Corporate Services.

- 2, When was Barnet's Deferred Entry Panel created?***

December 2017

- 3, What training is provided to members of the Deferred Entry Panel regarding their responsibilities in making decisions about the admission of summer-born children? (This includes the DfE guidance ' Advice on the admission of summer-born children')***

Panel are conversant with the requirements of:

- School Admissions Code (December 2014)

Panel are conversant with the following advice:

- DfE Advice on the admission of summer born children (July 2013)
- DfE Advice on the admission of summer born children (December 2014)

4, How many requests were made by the parents of summer-born children to start their children in Reception at compulsory school age in the following school years: 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18 and 2018/19? (These years refer to the dates of the requests, not the date of admission)

We do not hold this information. Requests are collated by academic year and by date of admission.

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