

FAIR ACCESS PROTOCOL

The underlying principles of this protocol are as follows:

- Harrow's Fair Access Protocol may exceptionally require schools to admit children in excess of published admission numbers in order to protect the interests of vulnerable children and those with challenging behaviour. These pupils will be shared equally among Harrow schools. Pupils placed through the Protocol will take priority over children on the waiting lists
- This protocol applies only to children living in Harrow. Confirmation of residence will be required.
- Wherever it is possible, and if specifically requested by the parent/carer, children will allocated a school of their faith **provided a Supplementary Information Form has been submitted to the school providing relevant supporting information and where the school agrees the child meets the faith criterion.**

Which children are covered?

- A child looked after by a Local Authority and who does not have a school place including CLA who can be treated as "excepted pupils" for an infant class places.
- Newly arrived young people where no school place is available (eg refugees, asylum seekers, families moving into Harrow from other parts of the UK or abroad).
- Children who have been permanently excluded or for whom a managed move has been agreed by the Rapid Intervention Team.
- Newly arrived Year 11 students whose first language is not English.

Which children are not covered?

- Children on roll in school where the parent is seeking a transfer to another school.
- Newly arrived children where a school place has been allocated but the parents have not taken up the place / the child has not started at the school.

Which schools are involved in this protocol?

All Harrow community and voluntary aided schools