

# **Admission Policy**

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# Introduction

L'Ecole Bilingue is an independent school which teaches the curriculum set by the French Ministry of Education. L'école bilingue's aim is to provide a high quality non-religious education. Children learn a second language in a natural way with all the attention, care, encouragement and motivation they need. The best of both French and English teaching methods are used.

Many qualities can be developed through the learning of another language: multiculturalism, communication skills, respect of differences, curiosity, and eagerness to learn...broadening of horizons!

Children of all nationalities, religions and ethnic backgrounds are welcome at L'école bilingue from 2 years and nine month of age. Priority will only be given to children with siblings within the school. Registration is based upon a first come first served basis. Parents should ensure that they can support their child with the use of both languages at home (Baby sitter, nanny, music or art classes,...).

## **Processing of application**

The School will process applications regardless of the origin or previous school results of the child. A confirmation of receipt of an application form will be sent by email.

Parents are requested to complete the registration form with true statements about their child. Any misleading application will be treated as an incomplete application and will not be processed. The School's Terms and Conditions, tariffs and conditions for qualifying for bursaries are published on the School's website.

### Available places.

The number of places available in each school year is limited. The maximum permitted aggregate capacity of the School is 120 pupils. The organisation of classes is described on the School's website.

## **Priorities for admitting applicants**

Applications are listed by their date the reception at school. Priorities are listed below:

<u>Priority 1:</u> Pupil who has a sibling registered at l'Ecole Bilingue at the time of the application. <u>Priority 2:</u> Children of employees of the school. <u>Priority 3</u>: Siblings or children of families who attended l'Ecole Bilingue in the past but are no longer at school.

If a place becomes available during the course of the year, it will be allocated according to the above order of priority depending on the date of application.

L'Ecole Bilingue is an institution approved by the French Department for Education and partner of the AEFE. In London this ensures the continuity of education in the French secondary system at the end of the schooling with us (CM2-6eme).

However this also means that whilst parents are free to choose the school of their choice, children need to finish their schooling in the establishment of first registration. Transfers between "école homologuées" will be accepted only under exceptional circumstances.

#### **Registration procedure:**

- 1. Return the registration form duly completed with the registration fee in order for the school to register the child.
- 2. Families are contacted from January before the start of the school in September when a place is available. Once a child has been accepted, a £600 deposit will be asked on reception of receipt. The deposit is not refundable if a child does not take up a place at the School.
- 3. Confirm your child's place by paying the first term in advance by the end of May before the school year begins (After having acknowledged school's internal rules).