



Brent



A Public Consultation

**Proposal to Amalgamate
Roe Green Infant School and
Roe Green Junior School
Princes Avenue, Kingsbury, London, NW9 9JL**

**Consultation period:
Monday 22 June 2026 to
Sunday 19 July 2026**

Introduction

Brent Council and the governing bodies of Roe Green Infant School and Roe Green Junior School are proposing to undertake a consultation on the future organisation of the Roe Green schools as a combined primary school. To start this process the local authority and the governing bodies of the two schools are carrying out an informal consultation to gather views from staff, pupils' families, local residents living near the school and relevant stakeholders.

What is the proposal?

Brent Council, working with the governing bodies of the two schools, is seeking your views on the proposal to amalgamate Roe Green Infant and Junior Schools. This is a unique opportunity to bring two good schools together as a single educational institution. The combined school would build on the existing strengths and good practice within both schools, and over time there would be opportunities to further enhance whole school approaches to improve teaching and learning across all key stages.

The proposal is that Roe Green Infant and Junior Schools are joined together to form one combined primary school from an agreed date (which could be 1 September 2027). The amalgamated school would continue to use the existing buildings and site of the current schools, based at Princes Avenue, Kingsbury, London, NW9 9JL. The amalgamated school would continue to provide 840 places in Reception to Year 6 (120 per year group).

What would be the name of the school?

It is proposed the school is called Roe Green Primary School.

What are the benefits of amalgamation?

- Amalgamating the schools removes the need to reapply for Year 3 entry when moving from Year 2 to year 3. There would be no need for parents to apply for a place in the junior school, which can bring uncertainties depending on demand.
- All through primary schools make transition between Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 easier. Pupils will have better continuity as they continue their education, supporting improved attainment.
- One governing board would be responsible for operating the school resulting in consistency of leadership, vision and teaching across all age groups from 4 to 11 years old.

- Decisions around the use of buildings and any future capital investment in buildings would apply to the school as a whole rather than only one school, reducing any duplication and ensuring maximum benefit for any funding spent on the school.
- The combined school would benefit from collaborative working across staffing structures within both schools, cutting down on duplication which could bring financial benefits. This would also allow for linked software systems as well as savings through purchase of resources in larger quantities.
- A potential reduction in administration and statutory reporting. For example: one budget, one pupil premium report, one Ofsted inspection, and one set of contracts.

Costs of Amalgamation

- Whilst most income depends on the total number of pupils, Roe Green Infant and Roe Green Junior schools currently also receive individual "lump sums" and sports premium grants. If both schools amalgamate on 1 September 2027, the new school will receive funding equivalent to the formula funding of the closing schools added together for the appropriate proportion of the year. This means that they receive the combined lump sums for the remainder of the 2027/28 financial year and 70% of the second lump sum in the following year 2028/29 and no additional or second lumpsum in 2029/30 financial year from April 2029. The lumpsum from the sports premium grant will reduce from a combined sum of £32k to £16k from April 2028.
- The loss of income of approximately £66k in the financial year 2028/29, would be approximately 1% of the total budget share of the combined schools and could be at least partially mitigated by cost savings resulting from reduced overheads, economies of scale and through the generation of additional income.

How would an amalgamation be implemented?

In order to amalgamate the two Roe Green Schools it is proposed to close one school and expand the age range of the other school. The combined school would remain as a community school, which will continue to be a local authority maintained school. As a community school, the combined school would be able to prioritise social inclusion and offer tailored support for disadvantaged students. As a community school the local authority would continue to support the combined school, which may also have access to additional funding streams and resources, potentially leading to improved facilities and educational opportunities for students.

In previous amalgamations that the council has led on, it has been the junior school that has been closed to allow the amalgamation to take place. Therefore, for consistency of approach it is proposed Roe Green Infant School will be expanded and

Roe Green Junior School would close. The new school would then be one Primary School. As a community school, the combined school would retain the same DfE number as the current Roe Green Infant School.

What would an amalgamated school look like?

Roe Green Infant School would increase the age range of children it accepts up to 11 years old (Year 6) and would then change its name to *Roe Green Primary School* to reflect that it educates a wider age range. At the same time Roe Green Junior School would formally close. Roe Green Primary School would provide 120 place per year group and a total of 840 places.

All children on roll at the junior school at the point of amalgamation would continue as pupils of Roe Green Primary School. There would no longer be the requirement for parents/carers to apply for a place for a place at the junior school at the end of Year 2.

There would be one school occupying the existing buildings on the site – it is likely that Early Years and KS1 pupils would initially continue to be taught on the former infant school site while KS2 pupils continue on the former junior school site, although there would be the potential for change in the future if this suits the school community. The 'new' Roe Green Primary School would be led by one headteacher with one senior leadership team.

All staff would be employed by the 'new' Roe Green Primary School with any transfer governed by relevant Human Resource (HR) policies and subject to consultation with all staff and their professional associations/unions if this was identified as required and applicable. Although we do not anticipate any change to the staffing structure for teaching roles, it will be necessary to review the other staffing structures to ensure they are fit for purpose.

There would be one governing body responsible for the combined school.

From the time of the amalgamation, there would be a new budget for the school calculated in accordance with the Brent schools funding formula, which is essentially based on an amount per pupil.

When would an amalgamation happen?

The amalgamated school could be established from 1 September 2027, subject to the statutory consultation process and the implementation of relevant HR processes.

What would be the impact of the amalgamation?

The amalgamation will cause little disruption to pupils or the wider community. The two schools would be able to share resources to benefit from economies of scale through one headteacher, with staff working across all age groups within the school, and one set of systems.

Families of pupils attending Year 2 at the Roe Green Primary School would no longer be required to submit an application to the local authority to secure a place in Year 3 as all pupils will automatically transition between these two year groups. While the proposals are underway, and until the amalgamation takes place on the agreed date, the local authority will continue to co-ordinate applications to Roe Green Junior School for September 2027. Any offers made will be transferred so children can start or continue at Roe Green Primary School if the amalgamation is completed by this time.

The amalgamated school would continue to use the local authority's determined admissions arrangements for determining how children should be admitted at the start of Reception and in-year. The criteria for admissions to Year 3 at Roe Green Junior School would no longer apply.

The Roe Green Primary School will remain on the same site as the existing infant and junior schools. There are no proposals to change the physical size of the school, or to change the use of any part of either school site, as part of the amalgamation.

The consultation process

The informal consultation will start on **Monday 22 June 2026**, will run for four weeks and will end on **Sunday 19 July 2026**.

The closing date for online responses is Sunday 19 July 2026 and any hard copies returned by hand or post must be submitted to either Roe Green school office by Friday 17 July 2026.

How can I make comments about the proposals?

Parents, carers, staff, governors and members of the public are invited to send their comments by replying using the online feedback form available at www.brent.gov.uk/neighbourhoods-and-communities/have-your-say

Public meetings have been arranged for any stakeholders or interested parties to attend.

Public meeting: Monday 6th July 2026
Venue: Roe Green Infant School Hall
Time: 9.30 – 10.30am

Public meeting: Monday 6th July 2026
Venue: Roe Green Junior School Hall
Time: 5.30 – 6.30pm

A consultation meeting has been arranged specifically for the staff and governors of both schools – the public cannot attend this meeting.

Staff meeting: Thursday 9th July 2026
Venue: Roe Green Junior School Hall
Time: 4.00 – 5.00pm

Comments made at the meetings will be recorded in written format and will contribute to the consultation outcomes.

How will the decision about the proposed amalgamation and expansion of the schools be made?

After the informal consultation is complete, all the responses regardless of whether they are comments in support of the proposal, objections, or other suggestions will be collated and considered by the Local Authority and the governing body of both schools.

A report will be prepared for Brent Council's Lead Member for Cabinet Member for Children's Services, Employment and Climate Action to consider all the responses and decide if the local authority should progress to a formal (statutory) consultation. This process will commence with the issuing of a statutory notice which outlines exactly what the proposals are and lasts for four weeks. Following any formal consultation, Brent Council will make a final decision on whether the schools should amalgamate and the date of when this should happen.

Where can I get further information or assistance?

Should you require assistance with this consultation, please contact either of the school offices.



INFORMAL CONSULTATION RESPONSE FORM

Proposal to Amalgamate Roe Green Infant School and Roe Green Junior School

The proposal is to bring Roe Green Infant School and Roe Green Junior School together as one merged primary school from an agreed date (which could be 1 September 2027). The newly formed primary School would use the existing buildings and site as the current schools, based at Princes Avenue, Kingsbury, London, NW9 9JL.

We welcome your views on this proposal. Please fill in this form and return it to either school office no later than Friday 17 July 2026. You can also complete the form online at www.brent.gov.uk/neighbourhoods-and-communities/have-your-say where responses must be received by 11.59pm on Sunday 19 July 2026.

1. Do you agree with the proposal to amalgamate our two schools to become one school?

Please circle/ delete as appropriate:

YES / NO

2. If you like the proposal, please say why you think it is a good idea:
3. If you disagree with the proposal, please tell us why you are concerned:
4. If you have any other comments, issues or questions, or have any alternative suggestions, please state them here (you can continue on the back of this form if necessary).