

# Schools Forum

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## Schools Budget

The Schools Forum agreed the draft schools budget for 2008-11 at the last meeting.

Since then the pupil numbers have been revised upward making a larger Dedicated Schools Grant. Additional information has also been received from the Learning & Skills Council and the total schools budget has increased by nearly £850,000.

We are still awaiting confirmation of our final DSG from the DCSF. We are expecting small negative and positive adjustments to our pupil numbers which may balance each other out. The final DSG and proposals for any subsequent adjustments will be brought to the next meeting of the Schools Forum.

Virtually all of the increase in the DSG has been added to the Individual Schools Budget or the Schools Specific Contingency. The breakdown of the contingency is now as follows:

<b>Contingencies</b>	<b>2008/9</b>
SEN Contingency	112,750
Statement Top-Ups	350,000
School Reorganisations	400,000
LSUs	115,000
FMSIS	27,680
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,005,430</b>
Exceptional Additional SEN panel	538,000

There have been some corrections in the budgets of the LA retained part of the school's budget but these are mainly transfers between headings as shown on the report overleaf.

In February, we were forecasting that the Central Expenditure Limit (CEL) would be breached because the increase in the Schools Budget was 4.5% but the increase in the ISB & PVI budget was only 4.35%. Members accepted this on the assurance that any increase in government funding would be used to improve the CEL.

Our submission to the DCSF (Section 52) still shows that the CEL is breached but the gap has been narrowed. The Schools Budget would need to increase by £242,000 with all of it directed to the ISB and Under 5s to avoid the CEL being breached completely this year. The CEL in subsequent years is not expected to be breached.

<b>CEL</b>	<b>2007/8</b>	<b>2008/9</b>	<b>Inc</b>	<b>2009/10</b>	<b>Inc</b>	<b>2010/11</b>	<b>Inc</b>
Schools Budget	208,916,459	218,947,279	4.80%	225,361,105	2.93%	235,238,748	4.38%
ISB & Under 5s	192,048,346	201,027,529	4.68%	206,928,365	2.94%	216,153,387	4.46%
Breached?			Yes		No		No

We are still awaiting confirmation of our final DSG from the DCSF. We are expecting small negative and positive adjustments to our pupil numbers which should roughly balance each other out. The final DSG and proposals for any subsequent adjustments will be brought to the next meeting of the Schools Forum.

**Estimated Schools Budget**

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**SCHOOLS BUDGET****Line Pupil Estimate**

		2008/9		
		Schools Forum Approved 5th Feb 2008	Section 52 Submitted April 2008	Difference (greater than £100)
		42,508	42,880	+372
		-		
1.0.1	Individual Schools Budget	196,332,473	197,055,439	+722,966
1.0.9	Expenditure for Education of Children under 5s in Private, voluntary/ independent settings	3,972,091	3,972,090	
1.1.2	School-specific contingencies	890,430	1,005,430	+115,000
1.2.1	Provision for pupils with SEN (including assigned resources)	538,000	538,000	
1.2.2	Provision for pupils with SEN, provision not included in line 1.2.1	2,650,206	2,587,220	-62,986
1.2.3	Support for inclusion	294,241	294,240	
1.2.4	Fees for pupils at independent special schools & abroad	6,442,043	6,511,760	+69,717
1.2.5	SEN transport	410,000	400,000	-10,000
1.2.6	Fees to independent schools for pupils without SEN	-	-	
1.2.7	Inter-authority recoupment	1,975,739	1,975,750	
1.2.8	Contribution to combined budgets	457,325	457,700	+375
1.3.1	Pupil Referral Units	1,371,809	1,375,440	+3,631
1.3.2	Behaviour Support Services	425,595	422,250	-3,345
1.3.3	Education out of school	401,343	450,470	+49,127
1.3.5	Central expenditure on Education of Children under 5s	666,621	633,000	-33,621
1.4.2	Free School Meals - eligibility	3,474	3,470	
1.4.3	Milk	38,069	38,070	
1.5.1	Insurance	191,000	191,000	
1.5.2	Museum and Library Services	42,333	42,330	
1.5.3	School admissions	331,649	328,650	-2,999
1.5.4	Licences/subscriptions	2,752	2,750	
1.5.5	Miscellaneous (not more than 0.1% total net SB)	36,629	36,630	
1.5.6	Servicing of schools forums	17,159	17,160	
1.6.2	Other Standards Fund Allocation - Non-Devolved	334,622	-	-334,622
1.7.1	Capital Expenditure from Revenue (CERA) (Schools)	273,808	608,430	+334,622
1.8.1	<b>TOTAL SCHOOLS BUDGET</b>	<b>218,099,411</b>	<b>218,947,279</b>	<b>+847,868</b>

## 1.1 Standards Fund - School Lunch Grant

### 1.1.1 Purpose

The new School Lunch Grant will be available for a period of three years from 1 April 2008 – 31 March 2011. It replaces the Targeted School Meals Grant (5A) and the School Meals Grant (5B) and has new and different rules governing its use.

The purpose of the School Lunch Grant is to increase school lunch take-up by keeping down the price of a school lunch. The conditions of the grant require authorities and schools to use the funding to help meet the direct costs of a school lunch. The ring-fenced grant can only be spent in four ways:

- Contribute towards the costs of ingredients for school lunches
- Contribute towards the labour costs of catering staff.
- Pay for the purchase of small pieces of kitchen equipment e.g. microwave ovens, steamers etc.
- Pay for nutritional analysis software required to assess whether a menu meets the nutrient based school lunch standards and the expertise to operate the software.

Local authorities and schools cannot use the funding to pay for central teams, training of catering staff or promoting healthy eating to parents and pupils.

### 1.1.2 Allocation

The total funding for London Borough of Barnet in the first year is £485,741. The local authority is not required to devolve all of the funding to schools however, it should be allocated on a fair and equitable basis to all those that provide school lunches whether it is the local authority through its own service or a school who is providing its own lunches or using a contractor. Schools who do not provide lunches are not entitled to funding.

It is proposed that £160,000 is held centrally:

- £130,000 for the purchase of equipment. This would be held centrally and all schools would be invited to bid for money by putting forward a suitable business case.
- £30,000 to fund a centrally based facility for nutritionally analysing menus and recipes. All schools would be able to access this service free of charge.

£325,741 would be distributed to schools on a formula basis. Two alternative methods of allocation are shown overleaf. Whilst every school providing lunches would be allocated funding, it is proposed that the grant for those using the LBB Catering Service would be held centrally and used for food and labour costs of those schools. Schools not buying into the LBB service would receive the cash amount of the grant to use on the priorities above – either by themselves or their contractor.

Out of a number of options considered for distributing the funding to schools the following two options were considered to be the most fair and equitable.

**Option A** – All schools to receive £7.14 per pupil (all ages) on roll in January 2008. This option may be a little too simplistic and gives small schools too little funding.

**Option B** - A lump sum of £1000 for primary and secondary schools, £2000 for special schools and £500 for Pupil Referral Units plus £4.99 per pupil in Reception to Y13. Nursery schools and classes would not receive an allocation as these children are mostly part-time. This option targets funds more accurately at different types of school.

### 1.1.3 Alternative Formulae

#### School Lunch Grant 2008/9

Total Grant	<b>485,741</b>
Nutritional analysis and advice	<b>30,000</b>
Equipment (bidding)	<b>130,000</b>
To distribute to schools providing meals	<b>325,741</b>

Amount held for Catering Services Schools  
Total distributed to schools

<b>189,413</b>	<b>201,722</b>
<b>325,013</b>	<b>323,732</b>

School Name	Meals Provided at the School	Meals Provided by Barnet Catering	Option A	Option B
			All Pupils on roll (£7.14 each)	Basic + 4.99 Per pupil Reception & above
1000 Brookhill Nursery School	0	0	-	-
1001 Hampden Way Nursery	0	0	-	-
1002 Moss Hall Nursery	1	0	899	-
1003 St Margarets Nursery School	1	1	956	-
	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1,855</b>	<b>-</b>
3520 Akiva	1	0	1,820	2,272
3317 All Saints' CE Primary School, N20 9EZ	1	1	1,770	2,047
3300 All Saints Primary School	1	1	1,342	1,938
3514 Annunciation Junior School	1	1	1,620	2,132
3500 Annunciation RC Infant School	1	1	1,577	1,863
2064 Barnet Hill JMI School	1	1	1,349	1,758
2002 Barnfield School	1	1	3,333	3,035
2079 Beis Yaakov	0	0	-	-
2003 Bell Lane Primary School	1	1	2,712	2,656
3511 Blessed Dominic School	1	1	1,506	1,913
3519 Broadfields Primary School	1	1	3,347	3,030
2008 Brookland Infant School	1	0	2,269	2,347
2007 Brookland Junior School	1	0	2,576	2,801
2009 Brunswick Park Primary & Nursery School	1	1	1,613	1,983
2067 Chalgrove Primary School	1	1	1,177	1,823
2010 Child Hill School	1	1	2,462	2,397
3302 Christ Church CE Primary School	1	1	1,691	2,027
2011 Church Hill Primary School	1	1	1,477	2,032
3522 Claremont Primary School	1	1	2,119	2,242
2014 Colindale School	1	1	3,247	3,030
2015 Coppetts Wood	1	1	1,641	1,968
2016 Courtland School	1	1	1,506	2,052
2017 Cromer Road Primary School	1	1	2,983	3,085

2073 Danegrove JMI School	1	0	4,403	4,077
2019 Deansbrook Infant School	1	0	2,241	2,257
2018 Deansbrook Junior School	1	0	2,533	2,771
2021 Dollis Infant School	1	0	2,141	2,237
5200 Dollis Junior School	1	0	2,590	2,810
2023 Edgware Infant and Nursery School	1	1	2,312	2,242
2022 Edgware Junior School	1	1	2,134	2,491
2024 Fairway Primary School	1	1	1,863	2,042
2025 Foulds	1	1	2,198	2,536
2026 Frith Manor School	1	1	5,031	4,102
2028 Garden Suburb Infant School	1	1	1,927	2,347
2027 Garden Suburb Junior	1	1	2,469	2,726
2029 Goldbeaters Primary School	1	1	3,311	3,045
2030 Grasvenor Avenue Infants	1	1	350	1,244
3516 Hasmorean Primary School	1	1	1,734	2,062
2031 Hollickwood JMI School	1	1	1,242	1,748
2032 Holly Park School	1	1	3,525	3,060
3304 Holy Trinity School	1	0	1,713	2,007
2074 Hyde JMI School	1	1	3,226	2,830
3515 Independent Jewish Day School	1	1	1,584	1,963
2036 Livingstone School	1	1	1,541	1,948
2037 Manorside Primary School	1	1	1,713	1,948
3523 Martin Primary School	1	1	3,254	2,965
5948 Mathilda Marks-Kennedy School	0	0	-	-
5949 Menorah Foundation School	0	0	-	-
3513 Menorah Primary School	1	1	2,976	2,810
3305 Monken Hadley C E Primary School	1	1	999	1,698
2042 Monkfrith School	1	1	1,506	2,052
2044 Moss Hall Infant School	1	0	1,920	2,342
2043 Moss Hall Junior School	1	0	2,533	2,771
2045 Northside School	1	1	1,755	2,003
2077 Orion Primary School	1	1	3,340	3,060
5201 Osidge Primary School	1	1	2,990	3,090
3501 Our Lady of Lourdes School	1	1	1,741	2,042
2078 Pardes House School	0	0	-	-
2000 Parkfield Primary School	1	0	2,226	2,302
2071 Queenswell Infant School	1	1	2,383	2,292
2072 Queenswell Junior School	1	1	2,348	2,641
3512 Rosh Pinah	1	0	3,254	3,080
3510 Sacred Heart School	1	1	3,004	3,100
3502 St Agnes RC Primary School	1	1	2,469	2,476
3315 St Andrew's C E	1	1	1,477	2,032
3504 St Catherines R C Primary	1	1	2,512	2,576
3307 St John's CE School N11	1	1	1,727	2,032
3309 St Johns N20	1	1	1,727	2,047
3508 St Joseph's Infant School	1	1	1,598	1,883
3509 St Joseph's Junior School	1	1	1,763	2,232
3521 St Mary's & St John's CE Primary	1	1	3,311	3,065
3311 St Mary's C E Primary School N3 1BT	1	0	3,432	3,070
3312 St Mary's School EN4	1	1	1,491	2,042
3314 St Pauls CE Primary School	1	1	1,477	2,032
3313 St Paul's School, N11	1	1	1,684	2,027
3506 St Vincent's RC Primary School	1	0	2,234	2,561
3507 ST. THERESA'S R.C. PRIMARY SCHOOL	1	1	1,470	2,027
2052 Summerside Primary School	1	0	2,640	2,641
2070 Sunnyfields Primary	1	0	1,613	1,973
3316 Trent C of E Primary School	1	1	1,499	2,047
2055 Tudor School	1	1	1,706	1,978
2057 Underhill Infant School	1	1	985	1,688
2056 Underhill Junior School	1	1	1,962	2,372
2076 Wessex Gardens Primary School	1	1	2,562	2,501
2060 WHITINGS HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL	1	1	1,541	1,848
3518 Woodcroft Primary School	1	1	3,040	2,870
2054 Woodridge Primary School	1	0	1,463	2,022
	<b>83</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>180,529</b>	<b>197,215</b>

5406 Ashmole School	1	1	9,883	7,908
5408 Bishop Douglass School	1	0	5,859	5,095
4211 Christ's College Finchley	1	0	6,615	5,623
4210 COPTHALL SCHOOL	1	1	7,978	6,576
4212 East Barnet School	1	0	8,713	7,090
5405 Finchley Catholic High School	1	0	7,793	6,446
4003 Friern Barnet School	1	1	5,516	4,855
5409 Hasmorean High School	1	0	7,215	6,042
5400 Hendon School	1	0	9,198	7,429
5402 Mill Hill High School	1	0	12,096	9,454
4208 Queen Elizabeth's Girls' School	1	1	8,021	6,606
5401 Queen Elizabeth's School	1	0	8,442	6,900
5407 St James' Catholic High School	1	0	8,057	6,631
5404 St Michaels Catholic School	1	0	5,209	4,641
5403 St. Mary's CE High School	1	1	6,166	5,309
4215 The Compton School	1	0	6,251	5,369
4752 The Henrietta Barnett School	1	1	5,052	4,531
4009 The Ravenscroft School	1	1	6,287	5,394
4012 Whitefield School	1	0	5,652	4,950
	<b>19</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>140,003</b>	<b>116,851</b>
7000 Oak Lodge Special School	1	1	1,170	2,818
7005 Northway School	1	1	485	2,339
7009 Oakleigh School	1	1	549	2,214
7010 Mapledown School	1	1	421	2,294
	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2,626</b>	<b>9,666</b>
	<b>108</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>325,013</b>	<b>323,732</b>
Northgate	1	1	150	605
Pavilion	1	1	507	854
Discovery Bay	1	0	71	550
	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>728</b>	<b>2009</b>
All Schools	<b>111</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>325741</b>	<b>325741</b>

## 1.2 Learning Support Units

Following the last Schools Forum funding for secondary learning support units was discussed by the Barnet Behaviour Partnership (Secondary Headteachers). They decided to propose the following to the Schools Forum:

- 2008/9 Existing secondaries to receive the same funding as 2007/8
- 2009/10 Existing secondaries to receive half the funding of 2008/9
- 2010/11 No funding for LSUs for existing secondaries

A working group will be set up to consider the needs of all schools for learning support and recommend to the Schools Forum how the money released in this funding cycle might be targeted.

In the longer term the Schools Forum will need to consider the future of this funding element of the funding formula for 2011-2014.



### 1.3 Nominations for vacancies on the Schools Forum

We have been seeking additional members and the results will be reported at the meeting.

### 1.4 Report of the Early Years Working Group

The first meeting took place on 30<sup>th</sup> April with representatives of all the different stakeholders. Sarah Vipond from Middlesex University Nursery represents both the the private sector and the Early Years Working Group on the Schools Forum.

The group agreed the following workplan.

No	Date	Issues to be discussed
1	30 <sup>th</sup> April 2008	Introductions Terms of reference Approval of workplan
2	11 <sup>th</sup> June 2008	Lessons learned from pathfinders Models for implementing 15hours and flexibility
3	16 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2008	PVI cost analysis 2008 Costs in maintained settings Staff – child ratios
4	Tba Dec 2008	Main elements of funding formula Use of standards funds
5	Tba April 2009	Data requirements – government census
6	Tba June 2009	Funding additional educational need and deprivation
7	Tba Sep 2009	Evaluation of alternative funding formulae Consultation with all providers.
8	Tba Dec 2009	Recommendations to the Schools Forum
9	Tba June 2010	Review of implementation of new funding formula