Pupils transferring to Secondary School in September 2022





 All Year 6 pupils are due to transfer to secondary school in September 2022

 The national deadline to make an application for a secondary school place is:

Sunday 31st October 2021

 You will find out the outcome of your application on 1st March 2022

What do I need to do to apply.?

All parents and carers will need to contact the local authority in the borough in which they live.

The preferred option is to apply for secondary transfer online.

In exceptional cases, local authorities may accept hard copies of applications.

Your borough of residence secondary transfer form needs to be completed regardless of which school you would like your child to go to and regardless of which borough your preferred named school is in — whether Haringey, Hackney, Enfield, Islington, Camden, Barnet, Waltham Forest.

Supplementary Form (SIF)

 As well as completing the general local authority application form, if you would like your child to go to a Catholic school, you will need to approach the particular school **directly** to request their additional supplementary form (SIF)

These schools include:

St Thomas More La Sainte Union

St Ignatius College Cardinal Pole

Holy Family Bishop Douglas

St Aloysius College Maria Fidelis

Our Lady's Convent
 St Anne's Catholic Girls

Priest signing the SIF

- Each Catholic school supplementary form needs to be signed for by a priest in your parish.
- If **St Ignatius** is your parish and you would like to see the parish priest to have your form signed You will need to book an appointment by calling the Presbytery on 0208 800 2121.
- If your parish is not St Ignatius, you will need to approach a priest in the church where you attend masses and church services.



Virtual tours and real life visits

- During September and October 2021, secondary schools are offering parents and pupils a combination of virtual tours and real life- tours, head teacher presentations which will give families an opportunity to see what each secondary school has to offer new pupils.
- If a school you would like to consider is not on the list, you may need to look at your considered school's website to check their arrangements.



Which school is right for my child?



- Your decision about where you would like your child to go to secondary school, will depend on a number of factors and you will need to ask yourselves the following questions to assess your priorities:
- Do I want my child to go to a Catholic school ?
- Do I want my child to be in a mixed gender school or single gender school?
- Do I want my child to go to the same school as their siblings?
- Do I want my child to go to school close to home or is distance and journey not a key priority?
- Does my child want to go to the same school as his/ her peers?
- Which school would my child be happy to attend?

Research possible schools



- •You need to be focussed and do 'your homework' so that you are informed as best as possible to make the right choices for your child.
- •Do some research on secondary schools in the surrounding areas of your home.
- •Go on the websites of schools you might be interested in to find out about arrangements for their virtual tours and Open Evenings if they are holding these.



Completing the application



- Once you have completed this process of booking virtual tours or real life tours of the schools, you then will be need to complete the application form and list schools in order of preference.
- You must apply online at <u>www.eadmissions.org.uk</u>
- You will be requested to list up to six schools.
 Although you may not have six schools to list, it is recommended that you list at least a top three preferred schools.
- Your local authority admissions team, who receive your application, do not inform individual schools of the order you have placed them in.

Completing the application



- Listing one school as your first and only choice is not advisable –
 this is because, if your child does not get offered a place in this
 school, the borough Admissions Team will offer your child a place in
 a local school which has vacancies.
- Be realistic, have a back up plan of a local school on your list of 6
- The schools listed on your application are preferences.
 Your local authority will offer your child the highest preference possible but if your child does not qualify for a place at any of your preferred schools, they will be allocated a place at the nearest school with a vacancy.

Which borough? Which forms?

Which borough do you live in?	Which borough application form do I complete?	Are any of my choices Catholic schools?	Complete catholic school supplementary form and return directly to the school.
Haringey	Haringey	Yes	√
Hackney	Hackney	No	
Enfield	Enfield	Yes	√
Waltham Forest	Waltham Forest	No	X

Remember

- Make sure you do not miss the closing date to submit your application of Sunday 31st October 2021.
- Late applications will only be considered after all other places have been offered.
- Applications submitted after 31 October will not be processed until after all those submitted on time and it is very unlikely that your child will be offered one of your preferred schools.



• If you have any questions or would like support completing your online application form, please message Ms Curran on Class Dojo or call school to make an appointment.

Ms Curran will also be available in the office area: Tuesday 21st September and Wednesday 22nd September at 3.15- 4.15pm

Wishing you all the best of luck with the process of selecting a secondary school for your child !! ©

Websites

Go to your local authority website:

- Haringey Education Authority
- Hackney Education Authority
- Islington Education Authority
- Enfield Education Authority
- Waltham Forest Education Authority
- Tower Hamlets Education Authority
- Search for 'Secondary school admissions September 2021'