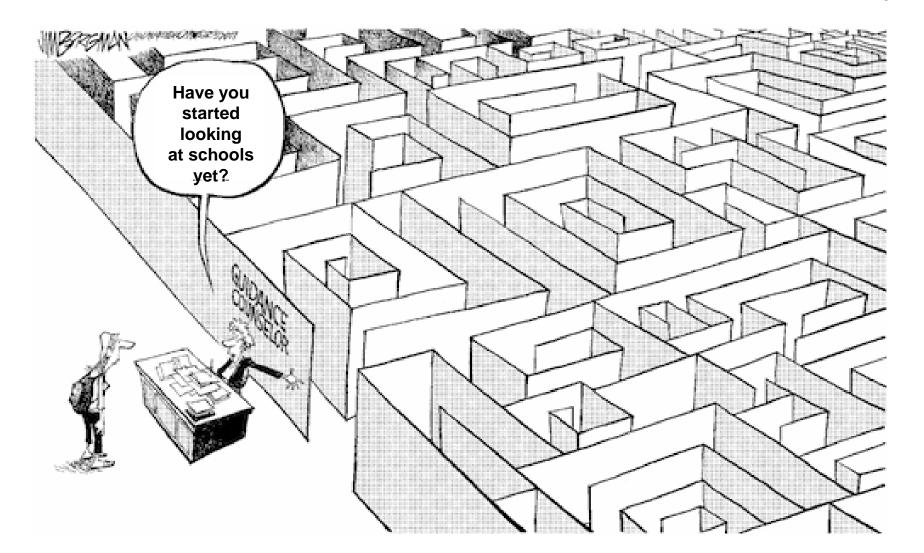
# Transfer to Secondary School 2023





How do I know which school is right for my child?

• Who can help me make that decision?

#### Talk to your child

- find out what they want
- consider how they will travel to school









#### Visit the schools

- attend open evenings
- talk to the teachers
- talk to the pupils

#### • When are the open evenings?

• During September and October 2022 (Dates to be confirmed)

- Read the school prospectus
  - it will have detailed information about:
    - how the school is run
    - which subjects are taught
    - the admissions criteria
  - available at the open evenings
  - download from the school website



School Prospectus

 Read the secondary education guide published by your home local authority





- the 2023 guide will be available online in September 2022
- download Barnet's guide at <u>www.barnet.gov.uk/schooladmissions</u>

#### Talk to the Customer Service Team

- the team can offer you advice and answer your questions
- how do I contact them?
  - tel: 020 8359 7651
  - <u>Contact Us online</u>



 if you live outside Barnet, you will find the contact details for your admissions team in Barnet's secondary education guide

Look at performance information online

- the latest Ofsted reports are available from the Ofsted website <u>www.ofsted.gov.uk</u>
  - achievement and attainment tables are available at <u>www.gov.uk/school-performance-tables</u>





- Look carefully at the admission criteria for each school
  - selection by aptitude
  - faith criteria
  - siblings
  - distance



 Remember most schools get more applications than they have places available......

Geographical distance for schools that were unable to offer to all applicants				
Name of School	Furthest distance offered (Miles)			
Archer Academy	0.219 (N2) 0.948 (N3) 0.97 (NW11)			
Ark Pioneer	2.141			
Ashmole Academy	0.578			
Christ College, Finchley	1.109			
The Compton School	0.755			
East Barnet	1.082			
JCoSS	1.161			
London Academy	2.901			
Mill Hill High	1.314			
Queen Elizabeth's Girls'	3.484			
Saracens High	1.215			
The Totteridge Aacdemy	2.029			
Wren Academy	0.301			

Full Secondary 2022 Allocation Table can be viewed at: https://www.barnet.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/apply-secondaryschool/transferring-secondary-school

#### • How soon can I apply?

- the application process begins on 1 September 2022
- Where do I apply?
  - apply online at <u>www.eadmissions.org.uk</u>





- How many schools can I apply for?
  - you can apply for up to **SiX** schools
  - you will rank the schools in your order of preference
  - it is important to think carefully about the order as you will not be able to change it after the closing date
- Can I apply to schools outside Barnet?
  - yes, you must include all your chosen schools, whether inside or outside the borough where you live

#### • Realistic Preferences

- if you only list one school, it will not increase your chances of getting a place at the school and your child will be considered for that one school only
- if this is unsuccessful, you may miss out on an offer which could have been made at another school which may no longer be available
- it is important to make realistic school choices to increase your chances of securing an offer and to avoid disappointment
- it is important to check how places were offered last year
- remember the cut-off distances are just a guide and will change every year.....
- .....just because you live nearer to the school than the last child offered a distance place last year, it doesn't mean your child is guaranteed a place



#### • Do I need to fill in any other forms?

- all voluntary aided schools and some foundation schools, free schools & academies will ask you to complete a Supplementary Information Form (SIF)
- the SIF will ask for additional information, for example
  - faith schools will ask about church attendance and require a priest's reference
  - selective schools may ask about any medical condition that needs to be taken into account at the test and they may also require a photograph
- Jewish schools will also ask you to complete a Certificate of Religious Practice (CRP), which must be signed by a Rabbi
- SIFs and CRPs must be returned to the individual schools

#### • What else do I need to provide?

- Proof of address
  - your child's permanent address must be used on the application form
  - you must not use a temporary address or an address of convenience, this include a child minder's address, a business address or the address of a relative or friend
  - if you own a property previously used as a home address and apply from another address, the second address may be treated as an address of convenience
  - if you have moved within the last two years you will be asked to provide proof of the new address and proof that you have disposed of the previous property
  - if there is some doubt about whether an address of convenience is being used, an investigation will be carried out and the findings reviewed by a panel

### **Fraudulent addresses**

- each year a small number of parents provide a false address to get a school place
- in doing so they could be depriving your child of a place
- providing false information is a criminal offence
- if you know someone who intends to use a false address, you can report this in confidence to the Corporate Anti-Fraud Team
- report it online at <u>www.barnet.gov.uk/anti-fraud</u>
- call the fraud hotline on 020 8359 2007

### **Selection Tests**

- Schools must give parents the test results before they apply for a school place
  - applications to sit the tests should be made directly to the individual school



#### **Selection Tests**

- When will the tests be held?
  - Selection tests for Barnet schools (Ashmole Academy, Friern Barnet, The Henrietta Barnett, Mill Hill County High, Queen Elizabeth Boys', St Michael's Catholic Grammar), will be held from May to September 2022
  - Banding tests (St Mary's & St John's CE, Hendon) are likely to be held in October / November 2022 (dates to be confirmed)

#### **Selection Tests (Barnet Schools)**

(please check individual school websites for updated information)

School	Test	Deadline to apply (2022)	Test date (2022)	
Ashmole Academy	Musical Aptitude Musical Auditions	Fri 20 May	Sun 12 Jun Tues 5 to Thurs 7 Jul Wed 13 Jul	
Friern Barnet	Enhanced Arts Programme	Fri 8 Jul		
The Henrietta Barnett	Academic Selection Test (Round One) Academic Selection Test (Round Two)	Fri 15 Jul (5pm)	Thurs 1 and Fri 2 Sep Early Oct	
Mill Hill County	Technology Aptitude Test Music Aptitude Test Dance Aptitude Test	Fri 13 May (3pm)	Sat 10 Sep Sat 11 Jun, Sun 19 Jun, Sat 25 Jun, Sun 3 Jul Sun 26 Jun and Sat 9 Jul	
Queen Elizabeth Boys	Academic Selection Test	Fri 15 Jul	Wed 21 and Thurs 22 Sep	
St Michael's Catholic	Selection Test	Tues 5 Jul	Fri 16 Sep	

#### **Selection Tests (Other Boroughs)**

(please check individual school websites for updated information)

School	Test	Deadline to apply (2022)	Test date (2022)
Dame Alice Owen's (Hertfordshire)	Musical Aptitude Test (Part 1)		Thurs 1 Sep
	Music Aptitude Test (Part 2)		From Mon 26 Sep
	Academic Selection Test (Part 1)	Thurs 9 Jun	Thurs 1 Sep
	Academic Selection Test (Part 2)		Sat 1 oct
The Latymer (Enfield)	Academic Selection Test	Fri 8 Jul	Fri 2 to Sun 4 Sep

### When do I apply?

#### When is the closing date?

- 31 October 2022
- the online system will close at 12 midnight on 31 October



### Late applications

#### • What happens if I miss the deadline?

- late applications will not be considered until after all 'on time' applicants have been offered a place
- if there is an exceptional reason for a late application, it may be treated as on-time
- you must let the Admissions Team know your reason by Friday 9 December 2022



# What happens next?

#### **Co-ordinated admissions**

- all 33 London boroughs and surrounding county councils are included in the co-ordinated admissions process
- application lists are exchanged
- offer lists are drawn up
- offer lists are exchanged



### What happens next?

How will places be allocated?

- if the school receives more applications than places available, the published admissions criteria will be applied to decide who can be offered a place
- each school listed on the application form is considered against the admissions criteria regardless of the preference order
- your ranking order is <u>not</u> passed to the individual schools

### Offers

#### Will I be offered more than one school place?

- no child will be offered more than one school place
- if your child qualifies for more than one school place, you will be offered the school which you ranked higher on your application form
- any school ranked as a lower preference than the one you have been offered will automatically be withdrawn and offered to another child

### Offers

#### Are there enough school places available?

- Yes
- There has been an increase in the demand for secondary school places
- This was expected and Barnet has planned for the additional places needed
- Every child will be provided with a school place
- It may not always be possible to offer a preference school

### Offers

#### When will I hear?

- National Offer Day is Wednesday 1 March 2023
- you will be sent an email with the result of your application during the evening of 1 March
- You can then login into your eAdmissions account for further information



#### Accepting offers

#### places must be accepted or declined online by Wednesday 15 March 2023

### No Offer?

- What happens if I don't get any of my preferred schools?
  - your child will be allocated a place at the nearest school with a vacancy
  - remain on the waiting lists
  - appeal for a place
  - join waiting lists for other schools



- every parent has the right of appeal
- appeals are heard by an independent panel
- you will have the opportunity to present your case in person
- you will need to convince the panel that your child's needs are more important than the school's need to limit the admission number
- appeals are unlikely to be successful unless there are exceptional grounds

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