



Secondary Transfer Information

September 2020

Richard Newsome

Content



- Advice on **selecting the schools** to apply to for your child;
- Information about the **online application process**;
- Guidance on **National Offer Day**;
- Reminders of **key dates**.

Choosing Schools



- You may apply for up to six schools, and we advise that you **use all six preferences**.
- Lewisham advises parents and carers to **apply to the schools nearest to your homes**.
- **‘Visit’ as many local schools as possible**. This year, many schools are offering only virtual tours, but some are still offering physical visits.

Choosing Schools



- Look on schools' websites. They will have information about **exam results and inspection reports**.
- Schools' websites will also have **admissions policies** published.
- If you have an older child who attends a school already, it is likely that your younger child will be **prioritised for a place as a sibling**.

Online Application



- Online applications can now be submitted.
- The deadline for applications is **11.59pm on 31st October 2020.**
- Apply for schools by following this link:
<https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/>.
- The **Lewisham website** contains helpful information:
<https://lewisham.gov.uk/my services/education/schools/school-admission/applying-to-start-secondary-school>.

Online Application



- If you have used the online application for older children, your **logon details will be the same.**
- You will then be asked to add your child's details.
- Then, you can add your **six choices of schools.**
- Add your **choices in order of preference: 1 to 6.**
- When you are happy with the choices you have made, submit the application by **31st October 2020.**

National Offer Day



- You should receive an email during the evening of **Monday 1st March 2021**. This will tell you the school at which your child has been offered a place.
- We strongly advise that you accept the school place which is offered even if it is not your first choice. **Secondary school places must be accepted by Monday 15th March 2021.**

Changes of School Place



- If you are offered a place lower than your first choice on your application, **your child will automatically be added to the waiting lists** of the schools you listed higher.
- Lots can change between 1st March and September, and children may well receive an offer of a place at a school ranked more highly on the application.

Key Dates



- **31st October 2020:** By this date, you must have completed your child's secondary school application. Please ask Richard (AHT) or Katherine in the office if you need support in applying.
- **1st March 2021:** You will be offered a school place via email.
- **15th March 2021:** Accept your child's school place by this date.