

Secondary School Transfer Meeting



FOR CHILDREN STARTING YEAR 7 IN SEPTEMBER 2023

Aims



Clarify types of secondary schools

Outline of application process

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Everything you need to know is available here:



**Starting secondary school
in Southwark 2023/24**

Applications close 31 October 2022

Apply online at
www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions

The Process



September and October you would normally be visiting schools. This year the majority of schools are doing virtual tours and open days.

Submit **one** form by 31st October for any London state school.

Monday 31 October 2022,
11.59pm

■ Closing date for submitting online applications.

■ You must ensure that we have received your online application and you have uploaded any additional supporting documents with it by this date. We strongly recommend that you submit your application by **Friday 21 October 2022** so that we receive it before the half term holiday and can contact you if necessary.

Oct.

March 1st – school offers

The Application -

www.eadmissions.org.uk/eAdmissions
The application is all done online.

Welcome to eAdmissions

First time visitors

Create a new account.



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Returning visitors

Sign into an existing account.



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Find schools

In your area.



[Find](#)

You will already have used this account when applying for reception places.

Application Process



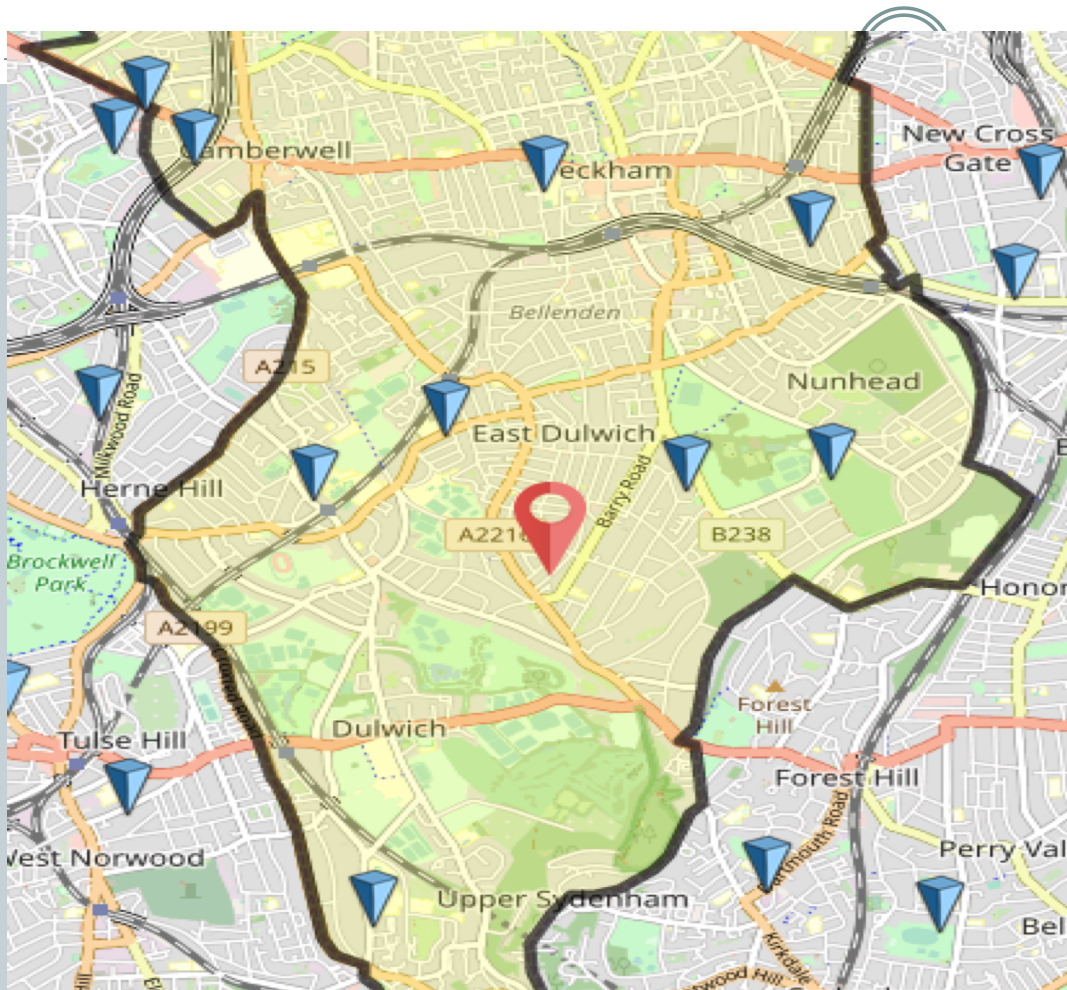
Complete one form from home borough. It is a question on the form.

Apply for up to 6 schools in any borough on the same form. The more the merrier!

Rank the schools in order of preference

Applications are passed between boroughs

Schools to apply to but be realistic!



Be realistic with your choices. There is very little chance of you being offered a place in a school if you live too far away. If you only put both Charter schools down, for example, and you live over 900m away as the crow flies, you will not be offered a place at a school you have not listed.

Be Realistic!!

There are a number of Secondary schools in Southwark but you need to be realistic with your choices. Data from 20 applications:

North Charter 192 places The furthest distance offered a place for Sept 2021 intake was 1000 meters.

Charter East Dulwich. 240 places. The furthest distance offered a place for Sept 2021 intake was 897 meters.

Harris Girls East Dulwich accept 150 girls. All applicants are banded (November ish) and an equal number of places in each ability band are offered.

Harris Boys East Dulwich – 150 places Harris Boys Peckham – 180 places Kingsdale – Officially the most 'sort after' school in London. 300 places in Yr 7. 15% of places are given to those who achieve a music or sports scholarship. Apply BEFORE OCT 11th. All applicants are banded (November ish) and an equal number of places in each ability band are offered. There is no priority given for Southwark residents. There is a random selection in each ability band.

Heber Pupils Destinations



JAGS – 1

St Dunstan's – 2

The Charter East
Dulwich – 15

The Charter North
Dulwich – 2

Kingsdale – 15

Harris Girls – 1

Harris Boys – 1

Other schools
include:

Ark All Saints Academy

St Thomas the Apostle
Sydenham

Remind your child that just because your child wants to go to a certain school they may not get that school.

Admission Process



If the number of applications are greater than places available:

Schools follow a similar admission criteria:

1. Special need (EHCP) and children in care - documents need to be attached with application to support this criterion. No documents provided with application then the child will not be considered under this criteria.
2. Siblings (on roll)
3. Exceptional medical/social need –
4. Children of staff (Not every school has this category)
5. Distance to school (straight line measure) – except Kingsdale

Make sure you have read each school criteria and meet the criteria for the schools they are applying for/ make realistic choices.

Questions



Do I have to accept the school I have been allocated?

Yes. You will need to accept the place. You will go on the waiting list for the other schools higher on your waiting list. There is also then the process of appeal.

How many schools should I put on the application?

As many as you can even if you're likely to get a sibling place!

I always advise parents to see as many schools as possible. We have had children offered schools that they didn't look at.

The appeal process.

The appeal process is very specific. An appeal will only be approved if the admissions process hasn't been followed. Your child not liking the school they have been allocated would not be acceptable.

FAQ



Do you automatically go on the waiting list for a school higher up on your list?

Yes you automatically go on all waiting lists and will remain there until the 1st of September unless you accept a place at a higher ranked school. On the 1st of September, waiting lists get transferred to the individual schools who will then be administering them. They may ask you if you wish to remain on the waiting list at this point. Don't forget there is always movement on the waiting lists.

Contact For Support



If there is anything I can do for support - completing the online form for example - please drop me an email. If you have any questions after the 1st March, please just get in touch.

You can catch me on the gate on Monday or Tuesday or drop me an email:

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