



## Moving from Primary to Secondary School

### A guide to the secondary transfer process for pupils in year 5 with Wandsworth Education, Health and Care Plans.

#### Your School Preferences

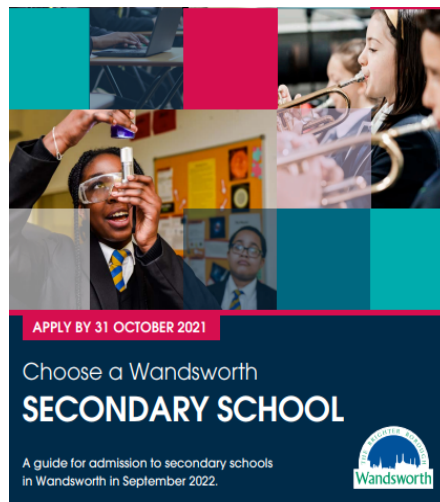
Children with Education Health and Care Plans (EHCPs) **do not apply for secondary schools through the normal application process**. Instead, the Special Needs Assessment Section (SNAS) ask you for your preferences and then consult with schools on your behalf. Pupils with EHCPs **do not have to sit** the Wandsworth Secondary Admissions test.

All information on secondary schools can be found on the council's website:

[Schools and admissions - Wandsworth Borough Council](#) and in this brochure: [choose a wandsworth secondary school.pdf](#)

Please see **pages 43 to 47** which explains the process in more detail under this heading:

**Children with special educational needs and placements in mainstream schools with support, specialist units/bases or special schools.**



**Visits:** You may already have visited some schools; some schools have more open days this term. Information on all the schools' open dates is here:

[Secondary school open days - Wandsworth Borough Council](#).

We advise that you talk to the SEN department of schools you are considering, to find out how they will meet your child's needs.

### What are the Different types of schools?

#### 1) Mainstream Schools

Most children with Education Health and Care Plans (EHCP) go to mainstream state-funded schools. There are 11 mainstream state schools in Wandsworth which take pupils from 11-19. They may be called a 'school', a 'college' or an 'academy'. Some specialise in a particular subject area e.g. Art or Languages. Further information about the types of schools can be found here: [Types of secondary schools - Wandsworth Borough Council](#)

Some schools are faith schools (St Cecilia's and St John Bosco, Catholic) but children with EHCPs do not have to be of this faith. All are co-educational (take boys and girls) except for Burntwood (girls only) and Ernest Bevin (boys only). You can also make a preference for schools outside of Wandsworth.

Independent schools are privately funded schools that require the payment of fees to attend which is not usually covered by support from an EHCP. The [Choose an](#)

[Independent School](#) brochure contains information about local independent secondary schools.

## Mainstream schools' map



## Secondary schools list

1. Ark Putney Academy
2. Ashcroft Technology Academy
3. Bolingbroke Academy
4. Burntwood School
5. Chestnut Grove Academy
6. Ernest Bevin College
7. Graveney School
8. Harris Academy Battersea
9. Saint Cecilia's Church of England School
10. Southfields Academy
11. St John Bosco College

## 2) Resource Bases

A resource base, sometimes called a 'unit', is a specialist part of a mainstream school for pupils requiring a higher level of support. A resource base has additional staffing, expertise, and facilities. Pupils follow personalised timetables and plans of interventions with time in the base, and some time in mainstream classes.

- Ashcroft Technology Academy has a base for pupils with Autism Spectrum Conditions (ARC)
- Saint John Bosco College has two bases for pupils with Autism – Savio base for pupils with a diagnosis of autism, speech and language difficulties, or social communication disorder, and Devereux base for pupils with additional Social, emotional, or mental health needs.
- Southfields Academy has a base for children with speech, language, and communication needs, some also have ASD.
- Southfields Academy also has a separate base for pupils with a hearing impairment, the Rowan Hearing Support Centre.

## 3) Special Schools

Some pupils transfer to specialist secondary schools.

- Garratt Park School is for pupils with moderate learning difficulties and associated needs such as communication difficulties or ASD.
- Oak Lodge School is for pupils with speech, language, communication and/or hearing needs.
- Paddock School is for pupils with complex learning needs and Autism.
- Nightingale Community Academy is for boys with a range of social, emotional, and behavioural difficulties including ADHD.

- Bradstow school is a residential school in Kent for pupils with the most severe and complex needs.

Further information on these schools can be found on their websites and in the Choose a Secondary School booklet (see below)

## Advice and Support

The Wandsworth Information, Advice and Support Service has excellent information on their website about secondary transfer: [WIASS information and resources on SEND - Wandsworth Borough Council](#)

WIASS is a free service providing confidential and impartial information, advice and support to children and young people (aged 0-25) with special educational needs and/or disabilities and their parents.



**WIASS**  
Wandsworth Information, Advice & Support Service

Please see this link which has useful tips to consider when thinking about your preference of schools: [Schools and admissions - Wandsworth Borough Council](#) and in this brochure: [choose a wandsworth secondary school.pdf](#)



## What happens when?

<b>Summer term 2022:</b>	Primary schools hold transfer reviews to develop your child's Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP). SNAS update and amend your child's EHCP.
<b>June 2022:</b>	School visits, discussions with your child's primary school and Senco and your EHC Coordinator. SNAS ask for your school preferences. <i>We will send you a preference form in June with further information.</i>
<b>July 2022:</b>	<b><u>Deadline for you to submit your preferences.</u></b> <i>If you are not able to make a decision by this date, please do let us know and we can discuss extending the deadline</i>
<b>From September:</b>	SNAS consult with schools
<b>February 2023:</b>	SNAS will name the agreed secondary school on your child's EHCP on or before February 15 <sup>th</sup> .

## Your EHC Coordinator:

The Review team is responsible for annual reviews, the phase transfers processes and any matters linked to the EHCP. Cases are placed into the teams based on the age of the child or young person. This allows officers to develop expertise in different phases of education and child development.

You can find out who your EHC Coordinator is [here](#).

Embedded Links:

School and Admissions: <https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/schools-and-admissions/>

Choosing a School:

[https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/media/9381/choose a wandsworth secondary school.pdf](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/media/9381/choose_a_wandsworth_secondary_school.pdf)

Secondary open days: <https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/schools-and-admissions/admissions/secondary-school-admissions/secondary-school-open-days/>

Types of Secondary Schools: <https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/schools-and-admissions/schools/types-of-school/secondary-schools/types-of-secondary-schools/>

Choosing an Independent School:

[https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/media/9255/choose an independent school 2022.pdf](https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/media/9255/choose_an_independent_school_2022.pdf)

WIAS: <https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/schools-and-admissions/wandsworth-information-advice-and-support-service-wiass/wiass-information-and-resources-on-send/>

EHC Coordinators:

[https://thrive.wandsworth.gov.uk/kb5/wandsworth/fsd/service.page?id=hCgcP\\_O3IRo](https://thrive.wandsworth.gov.uk/kb5/wandsworth/fsd/service.page?id=hCgcP_O3IRo)