Transfer to Secondary School in September 2025

For children born between 1 September 2013 and 31 August 2014

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Introduction

Dear Parents and Carers,

This booklet aims to provide you with the information you need to apply for a secondary school place in Sutton or any other Local Authority area for September 2025.

This booklet is only for parents and carers of children living in Sutton – if you do not live in Sutton you should apply to your home local authority.

Please save a copy of this booklet and keep it until you have received and accepted an offer of a secondary school place for your child.

It is important to note the key dates on <u>page 5</u> to ensure your application is considered fully and correctly.

Last year 86 Sutton children did not receive a preference offer when they would have been eligible for at least one Sutton school had they named it. We strongly recommend that you use all 6 preferences and use your lower preferences to name schools both inside and outside of Sutton that you would have been eligible for in previous years, if you have not already named them within your top preferences. Failure to do this could result in your child either not receiving an offer on National Offer Day or being offered a school you did not apply for, which could be located outside the borough.

If you have any questions regarding school admissions, please visit <u>www.sutton.gov.uk/admissions</u> or email <u>suttonadmissions@cognus.org.uk</u>

Sutton's School Admissions Team processes are run by Cognus Limited on behalf of the London Borough of Sutton.



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USER NAME/EMAIL:	
PASSWORD:	
REFERENCE NUMBER:	

Applying online

Parents of children living in the London Borough of Sutton can apply online for a secondary place at <u>www.sutton.gov.uk/admissions</u> from 1 September 2024.

Last year, over 98% of Sutton residents applied online.

We recommend you visit the website and apply online because:

- you will receive earlier notification of the result of your application
- no forms will get lost in the post
- you will receive an instant email confirmation of your completed application once you have submitted it
- it is quick and simple, and no paper is involved
- there are no postage costs
- it is a safe and secure password protected operated system
- you can amend your application right up to the closing date

The online application form is straightforward but if you have any doubts about the information you should enter please see <u>pages 9-14</u> of this brochure for details.

If you do not have access to the internet at home, you can make an online application for your child free of charge at the Sutton Civic Offices or at any Sutton library. Please contact your local library for information about internet access. Alternatively, a friend, family member or your child's current school may be able to help you to apply online. You could also try an internet café or apply at work (with permission).

You must have an email address in order to apply online. If you do not already have an email address, the online system will allow you to create one.

If you live in Sutton and wish to complete a paper application form, please contact 0208 770 5000.

Once you have registered to apply online, please keep a note of your user name and password. You will be able to return to your application to make amendments until the closing date of 31 October 2024 and view the outcome on the evening of 3 March 2025.

If you apply online, please **do not** also submit a paper form. Submitting more than one application could, at the very least, delay your application.

Key dates

July 2025	Students transferring to Sutton secondary schools spend a day at their new school – check with individual schools for details.
May to July 2025	Admissions appeals.
Evening of 3 March 2025	Results available for applications submitted online.
3 March 2025	Notification of outcome posted to parents who did not apply online to their home address, by first class post, if no valid email address is held
12 December 2024	Latest date that an application that is late for good reason can be accepted. Reasons and evidence must be presented with the application by this date.
23 November 2024	Date of Glenthorne High School banding test.
12 October 2024	Date of <u>Glenthorne High School</u> Performing Arts aptitude workshop.
31 October 2024	Closing date for applications. Applications received after this date will be regarded as late.
31 October 2024	Closing date for return of Admissions Administration document and a Certificate of Catholic Practice for <u>St Philomena's</u> <u>Catholic High School for Girls</u> and <u>The John Fisher School</u> and registration for <u>Glenthorne High School</u> banding test.
16 October 2024	aptitude assessments.
20 September 2024 12 October 2024	Closing date to register for <u>Glenthorne High School</u> Performing Arts aptitude workshop. Dates of <u>Carshalton High School for Girls</u> Sport and/or Music
4 October 2024	Closing date for return of supplementary form to register for <u>Carshalton High School for Girls</u> Music or Sport aptitude workshop.
17 September 2024	Date for eligibility test for <u>Greenshaw High School</u> , <u>Nonsuch</u> <u>High School for Girls</u> , <u>Sutton Grammar School</u> , <u>Wallington</u> <u>County Grammar School</u> , <u>Wallington High School for Girls</u> , and <u>Wilson's School</u> .
2 August 2024	Closing date for eligibility test registrations for <u>Greenshaw High</u> <u>School, Nonsuch High School for Girls, Sutton Grammar</u> <u>School, Wallington County Grammar School, Wallington High</u> <u>School for Girls, and Wilson's School</u>

Open evenings

The following dates may be subject to change at short notice. Please check school websites for changes/updates

The following table gives the information currently available.

It is important that you also consider schools which are located outside Sutton, particularly if you live close to a borough boundary.

Carshalton Boys Sports College	19 September - ticketed event release date to be confirmed – please check school website
Carshalton High School for Girls	19 September
Cheam High School	10 October
Glenthorne High School	11 September
Greenshaw High School	Refer to the school website
Harris Academy Sutton	Refer to the school website
Nonsuch High School for Girls	Refer to the school website
Oaks Park High School	18 September
Overton Grange School	26 September
St Philomena's Catholic High School for Girls	Refer to the school website
Sutton Grammar School	25 September
The John Fisher School	Refer to the School website
Wallington County Grammar School	Refer to the school website
Wallington High School for Girls	Refer to the school website
Wilson's School	Refer to the school website

Open evening dates for schools outside Sutton are available from individual school websites.

Selection tests, aptitude assessments and supplementary forms

Some schools will require your child to sit tests or be assessed for all or some of their places.

These tests or assessments take place in the early part of the autumn term. Results are issued before the closing date for applications so that you know if your child is eligible for consideration and the school can be named on your application.

Registration is normally done online through the school website or a supplementary form available directly from the school.

The table below gives both the dates by which you must register for these tests as well as the test dates. If you are considering schools outside of Sutton, you should contact them to obtain further details:

School	Assessment type	Registration deadline	Test date
Carshalton High School for Girls*	Sport* Music*	4 October	12 October 16 October
Glenthorne High School***	Performing Arts workshop Banding test ***	20 September 31 October	12 October 23 November
Greenshaw High School **	Eligibility test (ability places only) *	2 August	17 September
Nonsuch High School for <u>Girls</u> **	Eligibility tests	2 August	17 September
Sutton Grammar School **	Eligibility tests	2 August	17 September
Wallington County Grammar School **	Eligibility tests	2 August	17 September
Wallington High School for <u>Girls</u> **	Eligibility tests	2 August	17 September
Wilson's School **	Eligibility tests Football & Music Programme	2 August 2 August (no separate registration required)	17 September 12 October

Following registration, invitations to tests or assessments will be issued by the schools.

* **Please note:** if you are **not** applying for an aptitude/ability place at Carshalton High School for Girls or Greenshaw High School, you do not need to complete their online registration form.

** **Please note:**_Greenshaw High School, Nonsuch High School for Girls, Sutton Grammar School, Wallington County Grammar School, Wallington High School for Girls, and Wilson's School (the 'participating schools') will be running a shared Selective Eligibility Test. Please go to any one of these schools' websites to access the registration form (this form constitutes the supplementary form for the six schools). **You only need to register your child once.** *** **Please note:** All applicants for <u>Glenthorne High School</u> must register online for the banding test

The outcome of the Selective Eligibility Test will enable:

- Greenshaw High School to make their ability place offers to successful candidates; and
- <u>Nonsuch High School for Girls, Sutton Grammar School, Wallington County Grammar</u> <u>School, Wallington High School for Girls</u> and <u>Wilson's School</u> to invite successful candidates back for second stage testing.

Second stage test arrangements will be notified by each individual school.

Please note that a successful outcome at the first stage test or second stage tests does not guarantee an offer of a place at any of the participating schools.

Further information about eligibility and entrance tests can be found on individual school websites; specific queries about these should be directed to the schools involved.

Other supplementary forms

Some other schools which do not have test arrangements may also ask for an additional form to be completed. This allows these schools to evaluate certain elements of their admission criteria. This is usually the case for faith designated schools who need a church reference and may also apply for other schools.

You should contact the schools to see if this will be necessary. In Sutton, <u>St Philomena's</u> <u>Catholic High School for Girls</u> and <u>The John Fisher School</u> schools require an Admissions Administration document and a Certificate of Catholic Practice form to be provided directly to the schools (registration deadline for both is **31 October**).

If you complete a supplementary/additional form for any of the above schools, **you must also name it as one of your preferences in your application if you want to be considered for a place at the school**. Completing a supplementary/additional form alone is not a valid application, and you will **not** be considered for a place at the school unless it has also been named as a preference in your application.

If you are applying for any school outside of Sutton, you should contact either the school or the Local Authority in which it is situated to see if a supplementary form is necessary. Details of neighbouring Local Authorities and their schools are shown on pages 45-49.

Completing your application

You should apply online via the Sutton website at www.sutton.gov.uk/admissions

This website will direct you through to the Pan-London eAdmissions system which is used by all Local Authorities in London and Surrey County Council. If you have any technical problems registering or logging into the eAdmissions system please email support@eadmissions.org.uk or call 020 8255 5555. This number is for technical problems only.

If you apply online, your application will automatically be directed to the correct borough. This will be the borough where your child is permanently resident based on the address you provide on the application.

You must not use a future address when making your school application. If you submit your application from an address that you do not live at, we reserve the right to cancel the application and you will be asked to reapply using your current address. You should also be aware that if this is close to the closing date it may jeopardise your chances of making an on time application to the correct Local Authority.

You may only complete one application. If you apply online, please do not also complete a paper application form.

If you apply online, there are guidance notes on the eAdmissions website to help you. The following notes may also be useful:

Section 1 – Your child

We need your child's full legal name, date of birth and sex.

An application can only be made from a single address and only a single application made for each child

The address used in an application must be that where an adult or adults with legal responsibility for the child live, as described below.

The home address is where a child normally lives. Where a child lives with parents with shared parental responsibility, each for part of a week, the address where the child lives is determined using a joint declaration from the parents stating the pattern of residence. If a child's residence is split equally between both parents, then parents will be asked to determine which residential address should be used for the purpose of admission to school. If no joint declaration is received and the residence is split equally by the closing date for applications, the home address will be determined to be the address where the child is registered with the doctor. However, all evidence will be taken into account. If the residence is not split equally between both parents, then the address used will be the address where the child spends the majority of the school week. In some cases, where distance is a relevant factor in admission decisions, a different address may be used if a family unit owns or has access to another property.

All school admission applications for school places are subject to address checks to ensure school places are allocated fairly and in accordance with published admission arrangements.

These checks may be made using council systems, agencies, fraud departments, other education settings, or other resources available to us. Applicants may also be asked to provide additional evidence to support their application.

It is for the home Local Authority to determine if, on the balance of probability, the address given on an application is a child's normal place of residence or is considered to be an address of convenience. Some examples of circumstances which may fall under this definition are as follows:

- using the address of a relative, friend, childminder or business
- using the address of a parent with whom the child spends the minority of the week
- use of a rented or second owned property address on a temporary basis which gains advantage in the admissions process whilst still continuing to own or rent an alternative property
- renting a property to fall within a catchment area or postcode criteria, leaving another owned or rented property empty or available for rent
- use of a local address whilst the child lives overseas

In making a decision, the following factors will be taken into account alongside any evidence seen during the address checking process:

- the preference schools and if they are oversubscribed
- if the address being used gains an advantage in the admissions process
- the distance of the properties to the preference schools
- the length of time the arrangement has been in place
- current education providers and services working with the family
- any state benefits in payment

If an address of convenience is found to have been used, the home Local Authority will determine the address to be used based on the evidence found in their investigations. Where this address or preference schools fall within another Local Authority, they may be consulted in the decision. The on-time school application may be withdrawn and you will be asked to reapply to your home local authority which may be after the closing date, therefore making any new application a 'Late' application.

If a fraudulent address or address of convenience is found to have been used after the allocation of places, any offer made will also be withdrawn, and this may be the case even if the child has started the school.

Applicants living outside of England may only submit an application if they have a linked address within the Local Authority area, and documentary evidence must be supplied to show they will return to the address prior to the September in the year of entry; this address must not be an address of convenience.

If parents/carers wish to discuss their circumstances prior to making their application, they should contact <u>suttonadmissions@cognus.org.uk</u>

You are not required to provide evidence of your child's address when you apply, but we reserve the right to check council tax or other records for confirmation, or to contact you to ask you to provide further evidence or proof of address.

If you move address after completing your application, you must let us know at that time by emailing <u>suttonadmissions@cognus.org.uk</u> to inform us and provide evidence of your new address. The address that we will use in the allocation process may vary depending on the

school applied for and the date you moved. Any offer of a place based on where your child lives is conditional on your child being resident at this address at the closing date for applications or the date specified by the school.

Please give details of your child's current primary school from the menu.

If your child already has an **Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP)**, you do not need to follow this process as you will follow a different admissions route with your EHCP co-ordinator. If your child is undergoing an EHCP needs assessment but it is not yet complete, please follow this process but attach a letter telling us that this is the case. We will then liaise with the **Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Team** before the offers are made. Please do not delay making your application because you are waiting for the outcome of any needs assessment.

Section 2 – Parent or carer's details

We also need your name and address if it is different to the child's address. **Your contact details are vital**; please ensure you include an up-to-date telephone number and email address.

The person applying on behalf of the child should be the person with '<u>parental responsibility</u>' for the child. However, there may be occasions where this is not the case, and this should be indicated on the form.

If you make an application without the consent of all those with parental responsibility, we may consider this as an intentionally misleading application and your application, and any offer which has been made, may be withdrawn.

If you are unsure about your status, you should submit your application with an explanation of your situation.

We will check your address against council records and may request supporting evidence in the name that matches the first applicant given on the application form. If you move house, you should notify the Cognus School Admissions Team immediately and provide proof of the new address. Email <u>suttonadmissions@cognus.org.uk</u>.

Section 3 – Children Looked After and Previously Looked After / Children in Public Care

You need to state whether or not the child is, or has previously been, in the care of a local authority this includes those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.

This is defined as:

- children who are registered as being in the care of a local authority in accordance with <u>Section 22 of the Children Act 1989(a)</u>, e.g. fostered or living in a children's home, at the time an application for a school is made; and
- children who have left care through adoption (in accordance with <u>Section 46 of the</u> <u>Adoption and Children Act 2002</u>), a residence order/child arrangement order (in

accordance with <u>Section 8 of the Children Act 1989</u>) or special guardianship order (in accordance with <u>Section 14A of the Children Act 1989</u>).

• Children regarded as having been in state care outside of England if they were in the care of or were accommodated by a public authority, a religious organisation, or any other provider of care whose sole or main purpose is to benefit society

Required evidence for a Child Looked After

If you are applying for a child who is **currently in the care** of a local authority, you must provide a written statement from the child's social worker.

This should include:

- Confirmation the child is currently looked after
- The name of the local authority the child has been placed in the care of
- Confirmation that the child is currently placed with a foster carer or in local authority accommodation and the address at which they are currently living.

Required evidence for a Child Previously Looked After

If you are applying for a child who was previously in the care of a local authority in England, you will need to provide supporting evidence as outlined below according to the relevant circumstances.

For adopted children:

An adoption order made under section 46 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002, including the schedule which confirms details of the date and place of birth, and the placement of the child.

For children subject to a special guardianship order:

A written statement from the local authority where the child was previously in care confirming the child was in local authority care **immediately before** a special guardianship order was made. You must also provide a copy of the special guardianship order itself.

For children subject to a child arrangements/residence order:

A written statement from the local authority where the child was previously in care confirming the child was in local authority care **immediately before** a child arrangements/residence order was made. You must also provide a copy of the child arrangements/residence order itself

For children adopted from state care outside of England

As state care systems around the world vary greatly, some having more formal arrangements than others, the evidence provided by families may vary. Therefore, please submit any legal documents and correspondence that you have in English for consideration. Guidance on types of documentation can be found on the Department for Education website <u>Admissions</u> priority for children adopted from state care outside of England (publishing.service.gov.uk)

Section 4 – Your secondary school preferences

You may name up to **six** schools on the form. The schools do not have to be in Sutton, they can be in any borough.

Limiting the number of schools you name will not improve your chance of securing a place at your first preference school and you should consider schools for which your child would have been eligible for in previous years. The online application form will not allow you to name a school more than once – each application will only be considered once for each school.

Please think carefully about your **preference order**. If you receive an offer at a preference school, it may not be possible to offer a place at a lower preference school later on if you change your mind.

Last year 86 Sutton children did not receive a preference offer when they would have been eligible for at least one Sutton school had they named it. We strongly recommend that you use all 6 preferences and use your lower preferences to name Sutton and out of borough schools that you would have been eligible for in previous years, if you have not already named them within your top preferences. Failure to do this could result in your child either not receiving an offer on National Offer Day or being offered a school you did not apply for which could be located outside the borough.

Private (fee paying) schools are not part of the scheme and should not be included on your application.

You should check the admissions criteria for the school concerned as **sibling** rules may not be the same for each school, and not all schools give sibling priority. For most schools in Sutton that give priority for siblings, sibling is defined as brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner, and in every case, who is living as part of the same family unit at the same address, Monday to Friday. However, the definition might be different for some schools, especially those outside Sutton.

For Sutton schools, where a sibling is in Years 11 or 12 at the time of application they will normally be deemed as being in the school at the time of admission, unless the parent has specifically expressed that they will not be continuing the following year. Please contact your preference school to seek clarification.

If you believe your child is eligible for sibling priority at one of your preferred schools, you must include their details on your application. You should put the sibling details in the sibling section and **not in the comments box**

You should not name any child who is not a sibling, nor any child who attends a different school to the school named as a preference.

Please note: If you have an eligible sibling as described above and fail to include the sibling details in the correct section within the application, your application may be considered under a lower criterion.

What if I have medical or social reasons for wanting a school?

There is space on the application for you to give a reason for naming a school as a preference and this will be shared with the school. Whilst a school will have regard to the information you put here, this alone would not normally give priority for a place.

Some schools give priority to children who have a **professionally supported medical or social reason**, to attend a particular school.

Medical or social reasons will not be considered unless supported by professional evidence. You should tick the box for which school/s the medical/social criteria is applicable and attach your supporting documents to the online application (available after the application has been submitted). If you are unable to upload your evidence please email it to <u>suttonadmissions@cognus.org.uk</u> or alternatively please send it to Cognus School Admissions Team, Cognus Limited, Cantium House, Railway Approach, Wallington, SM6 0DZ quoting your application reference number (you may like to keep a copy in case of non-receipt).

Providing evidence does not guarantee that a child will be given priority at a particular school and in each case a decision will be made based on the merits of the case and whether the evidence demonstrates that a placement should be made at one particular school above any other.

Common medical conditions and allergies can usually be supported in all mainstream schools, therefore priority under a school's exceptional medical criterion would not normally be given for these.

Where a school **does not** give priority to **any** applications for an exceptional, social or medical need because this is not part of its oversubscription criteria any documentation provided by parents will not be taken into consideration by the school.

Parents are responsible for providing the evidence to support an application for a medical or social placement. The Local Authority is not responsible for ensuring parents provide it.

Evidence to support an application for medical or social priority must be received by 31 October 2024, which is the closing date for applications.

Evidence received after that date but by 12 December 2024 may be considered if it could not reasonably have been provided by 31 October 2024, but in all such cases the decision will be made by the admission authority for the school. Any evidence received after 12 December 2024 will not be considered until after the initial allocation of places.

A small number of schools give priority to **children of staff**; you should tick the box to confirm this.

Section 5 – Declaration and form submission

Please read the declaration carefully, check the box to confirm you accept it and submit the application by pressing the submit button. **Please note that saving alone will not submit your application, you must press submit.**

Once you have submitted your application correctly you should receive a confirmation email containing a reference number that looks like this 319-2025-09-E-001234. This confirms that your application has been received. If you do not receive an email with a reference number, it means your application has not been submitted and you should log back into the eAdmissions system and submit your application (or you may need to adjust your email software to receive 'no reply' emails). **Please make sure that you check for receipt of the confirmation email.**

By submitting your application you agree to the following declaration:

- I wish to apply for a place at each of the schools named in Section 4, and where I have applied for more than one school, I have listed my schools in my order of preference.
- I am the person with parental responsibility for the child named in this application, and we ordinarily reside at the address provided.
- I am not using a fraudulent address or an address of convenience and have read the definition of this on pages 9-10
- The information I have given is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
- Any false, deliberately misleading or withheld information may render this application invalid and could lead to the application and any associated school offer to be withdrawn.
- I have read the Privacy Notice <u>https://cognus.org.uk/privacy/</u> and understand how my information may be used.
- I will notify the Cognus School Admissions Team <u>suttonadmissions@cognus.org.uk</u> of any changes to the details in this application as soon as they occur, **including any change of address, and understand that failure to do so may result in an offer being withdrawn.**
- I authorise the London Borough of Sutton and the Cognus School Admissions Team to make checks as they deem necessary, including enquiries of other record systems held by the Council.

Where do I send my completed application?

Wherever possible we recommend completing your application using the online system to avoid any potential postal problems. Online applicants will automatically receive a reference number to confirm that their application has been received, and we recommend this as the safest method for making applications. For more details see <u>page 4</u>.

If you are unable to apply online and are completing a paper application form, it should be emailed to <u>suttonadmisssions@cognus.org.uk</u> or posted to School Admissions Team, Cognus Limited, Cantium House, Railway Approach, Wallington, SM6 0DZ. **Do not complete a paper application form if you have applied online.**

However you apply, applications must be received by **31 October 2024**. No responsibility can be taken for forms lost in the post.

If you post an application form, please obtain proof of postage as any forms that go missing in the postal system will be the responsibility of the applicant. If you send a paper form in a large envelope, please note that postage will be in excess of a single first class stamp. If insufficient postage is paid, it may be delayed or undelivered and your application will be jeopardised. If you require proof of receipt you must enclose a **Stamped**, **Self-Addressed Envelope** with your application. We will not acknowledge receipt otherwise.

Guide to applying for a secondary school place

Which schools should I apply for?

In previous years, applicants who have not received an offer of a preferred school have usually either only used a few of their 6 possible preferences or had not named local schools (either inside or outside the borough) for which they would have been eligible in previous years. It is better to name such schools on your original application than try to add them after the allocation.

Before deciding which schools to apply for, gather as much information about the schools as possible using a variety of sources. We suggest that you:

- visit the schools (see page 6 for details of open evenings)
- obtain school prospectuses
- look at school websites
- read the descriptions of Sutton schools in this booklet

Please do not base your decisions solely on exam results or what other people say about a school. We recommend that all families make up their own minds and that your child is involved in the application process. Visit school open evenings with your child and remember that different children thrive in different environments, not just those that the parents feel are appropriate. Also take into account how easy it will be for your child to get to the school on time from your home address.

It is also important that you consider such issues as the admissions criteria for each school; how places are allocated and who gets priority when a school is oversubscribed. Different schools will have different admissions policies and these may affect the chances that your child will be offered a place.

Page 20 shows how places were allocated last year. This shows the furthest distance to which each school was able to offer a place last year and should be used as a guide only. Each year the distances to which schools offered will vary according to a number of factors such as the number of places on offer, how many applications are received for each school and where each applicant lives.

If you are thinking about applying for any schools outside Sutton, please also get a copy of the relevant Local Authority brochure or contact the school(s) directly for information about admissions criteria or supplementary forms. See <u>pages 45-49</u> for details.

How do I check my distance to nearby schools?

Some schools will give higher priority within some of their criteria for those who live nearest to the school. You can get information on where your local schools are, how far they are from your home address, and what the furthest distance is to which they have offered places in recent years all by using the distance checker available at <u>www.sutton.gov.uk/admissions</u>.

How are places allocated?

Our admissions process operates an equal preference scheme, which means that each admissions authority will consider applications without knowing the order of preference on your application. If your child is unsuccessful at your first preference school, they will not get overlooked by schools lower down your order of preference.

The admissions authority, which can be the Local Authority or the school itself, will decide whether a place can be offered. Where a school is oversubscribed, the admissions criteria are used to rank applications. This is the order in which children will be offered places.

If your child is eligible for only one of the schools you listed as a preference, this will be the offer that is made to you. Where a child can be offered two or more of their preferred schools, the offer made will be for the highest preference school. Any lower preferences will be automatically withdrawn.

Where you have applied to schools in more than one London borough, these boroughs exchange details electronically and the process is repeated. Again, the highest potential offer is retained and the others discarded. This process continues until each child has no more than one offer.

If your child is not eligible for any of the schools you applied for, and you are a Sutton resident, we will try and offer your child a place at an alternative appropriate school with a vacancy.

When will I know the outcome of my application?

Online applicants will be able to view the outcome of their application on the evening of 3 March 2025. You will receive an email giving you the outcome of your application. Applicants who use a paper form will receive their outcome in a letter sent on 3 March 2025 if an email address is not held by the school admissions team. All Local Authorities will send outcomes, either by letter or email, to their own residents on 3 March 2025, giving instructions on how to accept or decline any place you have been offered.

What if my application is submitted late or I move after the deadline?

If your application is made after the closing date of 31 October 2024 or you change your existing preferences after this date, your application will be treated as late. A late application will not be considered until after all those that were received on time and may jeopardise the possibility of your child being offered a place at one of your preferred schools. This is unless you can provide proof that there were exceptional reasons that prevented you from applying on time.

If you submit an application or change your existing preferences, or order of preferences, after 31 October 2024 but by the 12 December 2024 with good reason for doing so, the application will be treated as on time subject to receipt of acceptable proofs.

Parents must submit written evidence giving details of their case. Where a change of address has occurred we will require a copy of their new council tax bill together with a solicitor's letter regarding contract completion or a copy of the new tenancy agreement, we may also ask for

proof that you have moved out of your previous address and no longer have access to it see pages 9-10.

What if I change my address during the process?

You should ensure you make an on-time application to your home local authority by closing date of 31st October using the address that you are living at when you submit your application. If you subsequently move, you must immediately advise your home local authority.

If the move takes place after the 31st October but by the 12 December 2024 you should advise your home local authority, and, if the move is to a new local authority you should also provide details to the new local authority. Sutton school admissions team will require confirmation that your family have moved out of the previous property and no longer have access to it and that your family have moved into the new property. Each change of address will be looked at individually. Providing information regarding a change of address does not guarantee that the new address can be used for the school application.

If you move after the 'late with good reason' date, we are unable to amend the address on your school application until after the 3 March. We will update the correspondence address to ensure any communications are correctly addressed.

What is a waiting list?

Where a school is oversubscribed and has more applicants than places available, offers are made according to the admissions criteria. Those who cannot be offered a place will be added to a waiting list, providing they are not offered one of their higher preference schools. Waiting lists are kept in the same order as the admissions criteria of the school.

All applicants will automatically be held on waiting lists for higher preference schools than the one offered and you will be contacted if a place becomes available. If the schools are outside Sutton, providing the child is eligible (e.g. a child cannot be added to the waiting list for a selective school if they did not pass the entrance test) we will pass the child's information to the relevant borough(s) to add to their waiting lists.

All Sutton Secondary schools are either Voluntary Aided or Academy schools and maintain their own waiting lists. Waiting lists are cancelled on the 31 December. If you wish to remain on the list for Sutton schools after the 31 December, you must email/write to the admissions authority (the school itself) before this date and then at the end of the academic year thereafter.

Waiting lists can change: for example, if a child moves into the area after the initial allocations have been made their name will be added to the waiting list in accordance with the admissions criteria. If they live closer to the chosen school than you do, their name may go above your child's on the waiting list. Therefore a child can go up or down a waiting list.

Can I appeal if I don't get the place I want?

All parents have the right of appeal against a decision not to offer a place for a child, providing an application has been made. For Voluntary Aided schools, Foundation schools or Academies, they should be lodged directly with the governing body of the particular school. Information about how to appeal will be sent to all applicants who are not offered their first preference school. This will be included in the letter or online response sent on 3 March 2025. Appeals are likely to be heard during May and July.

Only a small number of appeals are upheld each year. Those that are upheld tend to have significant supporting professional evidence showing why only that particular school is suitable for the child. If you do have supporting evidence, please provide this with the original application as it may help avoid the need for an appeal hearing.

What if my child has special educational needs?

If your child has an **Education Health and Care Plan** and you live in Sutton, you will need to call the SEN(D) Team on 020 8323 0454 as the application process is different from that described in this brochure. If your child receives support under SEN Support, you should follow the procedures in this booklet.

In addition, **Sutton Information, Advice & Support Service** supports parents and carers of children with Special Educational Needs living in Sutton. They offer impartial advice and support and can discuss options for children moving on to secondary education. They offer support to parents and carers whose children have an **Education Health and Care Plan** or those who are currently on SEN Support.

Sutton Information, Advice & Support Service can be contacted as follows:

Telephone: 020 8323 0462 Email: <u>siass@cognus.org.uk</u> Web: <u>https://www.siass.co.uk/</u>

See pages 51-53 for answers to some other frequently asked questions

How places were allocated last year

The following table indicates the published admission number at each Sutton secondary school and where relevant, how far places were allocated to on distance.

	DfE Number	Published Admission Number (PAN)	Furthest Distance (metres)
Comprehensive Schools			
Carshalton Boys Sports College	319 4000	240	4,185
Carshalton High School for Girls	319 4002	240	3,780
Cheam High School	319 5403	320	1,492
(Worcester Park Places)			678
Glenthorne High School	319 4011	247	N/A
Greenshaw High School	319 4007	314	1,176
Harris Academy Sutton	319 4005	195	1,171
Oaks Park High	319 4015	210	4,070
Overton Grange School	319 4019	210	All
St Philomena's Catholic High School for Girls	319 5406	234	N/A
The John Fisher School	319 5402	180	N/A
Selective Schools			
Nonsuch High School for Girls	319 5401	210	N/A
Sutton Grammar School	319 5404	135	N/A
Wallington County Grammar School	319 5407	150	N/A
Wallington High School for Girls	319 5405	210	N/A
Wilson's School	319 5400	186	N/A

Even if your address falls within the previous years' cut-off distances for a school, there is no guarantee your child will obtain a place there for next September.

SCHOOL LOCATIONS

- 1 Carshalton Boys Sports College
- 2 Carshalton High School for Girls
- 3 Cheam High School
- **4** Glenthorne High School
- **5** Greenshaw High School
- 6 Harris Academy Sutton
- 7 Nonsuch High School for Girls
- 8 Oaks Park High School
- 9 Overton Grange School
- **10** St Philomena's Catholic High School for Girls
- **11** Sutton Grammar School
- **12** The John Fisher School
- **13** Wallington County Grammar School
- 14 Wallington High School for Girls
- 15 Wilson's School



Admissions Criteria

Carshalton Boys Sports College

(DfE number 319 4000)

Address:	Winchcombe Road, Carshalton, SM5 1RW		
Telephone:	020 8714 3100		
Fax:	020 8714 3190		
Website:	http://www.carshaltonboys.org/		
Email:	contact@carshaltonboys.org		
Head Teacher:	Mr S Barber BSc Econ (Hons.) MA Ed		
Open Evening Date:	19 September 2024 - Please refer to the school website for further		
details and updates (booking is essential)			

Published Admissions Number: 240 Applications received for September 2024: 741

Carshalton Boys Sports College is a comprehensive school for boys aged 11 - 19 (with girls accepted into the sixth form) with approximately 1400 pupils. Where the school is oversubscribed places will be allocated in the following order of priority:

- 1. Looked After Children and former Looked After Children (see page <u>11</u> for more details).
- 2. Where there are professionally supported medical reasons or exceptional social reasons (see page <u>14</u> for more details).
- 3. Children of permanent staff employed by Carshalton Boys Sports College employed by the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made or the member of staff employed by the school has been recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
- 4. Where there will be an older sibling at the school at the time of the younger child's admission (see page <u>13</u> for more details).
- 5. Proximity to the school from the pupil's home address, the distance measured in a straight line to the main entrance of the school building, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority. The address to be used in the initial allocation of places will be the address on 31 October 2024 unless a subsequent move has been accepted for allocation purposes (see page page 18 for more details).

Where two or more applicants share priority for a place, the child to be allocated will be determined by the drawing of lots.

Distance offered under criterion 5 for the last three years:

20244.185km20234.002km2022All

Carshalton High School for Girls

(DfE number 319 4002)

Address:	West Street, Carshalton, SM5 2QX	
Telephone:	020 8647 8294	
Fax:	020 8773 8931	
Website:	http://www.chsg.org.uk	
Email:	office@chsg.org.uk	
Head Teacher:	Mr P Baumann-Winn MA (Hons) NPQH	
Open Evening Date:	19 September 2024 - Please refer to the school website for further	
details and updates (booking is essential)		

Published Admissions Number: 240 Applications received for September 2024: 894

Carshalton High School for Girls is an 11-19 comprehensive school with a mixed Sixth Form. It has approximately 1400 students on roll. Where the school is oversubscribed places will be allocated in the following order of priority:

- 1. Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children (see page 11 for more details).
- Where there are professionally supported medical reasons or exceptional social reasons (see <u>page 14</u> for more details).
- 3. Up to 24 places for students awarded a scholarship in either Music or Sport. If you wish to be considered for a place under this criterion, you must complete the supplementary admission form for Year 7 entry. This form can be completed on line and is available to download from the school's website www.chsg.org.uk. Only complete this form if you wish to be considered for a place under this criterion. Please see <u>pages 7-8</u> for more details on supplementary forms.
- 4. Where there will be an older sister at the school at the time of the younger child's admission (see <u>page 13</u> for more details).
- 5. Proximity to the school from the pupil's home address, the distance measured in a straight line to the main entrance of the school building, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority. The address to be used in the initial allocation of places will be the address on 31 October 2024 unless a subsequent move has been accepted for allocation purposes (see page 18 for more details).

Where two or more applicants share priority for a place, the child to be allocated will be determined by the drawing of lots.

Distance offered under criterion 5 for the last three years:

20243.780km20234.793km202210.383km

Cheam High School (DfE number 319 5403)

Address:	Chatsworth Road, Cheam, SM3 8PW
Telephone:	020 8644 5790
Website:	www.cheam.sutton.sch.uk
Email:	secretary@cheam.sutton.sch.uk
Executive Principal:	Ms R Allott MA (Cantab) Med
Head Teacher:	Mr P Naudi MA (OXON)
Open Evening Date:	10 October 2024 5.30 – 8.30pm Please refer to the school website for

further details and updates

Published Admissions Number: 320 Applications received for September 2024: 1648

Cheam High School is a mixed comprehensive school for children aged 11 - 19 with approximately 2000 pupils. Places are allocated in the following order of priority:

- 1. Looked After Children or previously Looked After Children (see page 11 for more details
- 2. Where there are social welfare reasons or medical grounds (see page 14 for more details).
- 3. Where there will be a sibling expected to be attending the school at the time of admission (see <u>page 13</u> for more details).
- 4. To children of staff currently employed on a permanent contract by Cheam Academies Network Trust where one (or more) of the following applies:
 - i. The member of staff has been employed by Cheam Academies Network Trust on a permanent contract for two or more consecutive years before the time of application for a school place
 - ii. The member of staff has been recruited to fill a post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
- 5. Proximity to the school, as the crow flies, of the home where the child resides (measured from the highway of the Chatsworth Road entrance) with those living nearer the school being given the higher priority. The address to be used in the initial allocation of places will be the address on 31 October 2024 unless a subsequent move has been accepted for allocation purposes (see <u>page 18</u> for more details).

Places to be allocated so that the total number allocated under criteria 1, 2, 3, 4 and including any children that have an **Education Health and Care Plan** is no more than 290

6. Up to 30 places to be allocated to children who live within 1.1km (measured as the crow flies) of Dorchester Primary School (Worcester Park) with those living nearer to Dorchester Primary School being given priority.

Distance offered for the last three years:

	Criterion 5	Criterion 6
2024	1.492km	0.678km
2023	1.227km	0.597km
2022	1.220km	0.433km

Glenthorne High School

(DfE number 319 4011)

Address:	Sutton Common Road, Sutton SM3 9PS
Telephone:	020 8644 6307
Website:	www.glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk
Email:	enquiries@glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk
Head Teacher:	Dr S Peacock BSc, PhD, PGCE
Open Evening Date:	Wednesday 11 September 2024, 5 - 9pm Please refer to the school

website for further details and updates.

Workshop Date for Performing Arts Places: Saturday 12 October 2024

Banding Tests Date: Saturday 23 November 2024

Published Admissions Number: 247 Applications received for September 2024: 1821

Glenthorne High School is an 11 to 19 mixed comprehensive school with approximately 1750 pupils. The school has 247 places available in Year 7, including places for any children that have an **Education Health and Care Plan** which names Glenthorne and a maximum of 24 places for children with an aptitude in the Performing Arts.

The remaining 223 places will be allocated using a "banding system". Applicants will be tested and placed in one of nine ability bands based on their test results, with the following numbers allocated to each band:

Band	Percentage	Number of	Number of Available Places
	Of Places	Available places	Under Worcester Park Priority
Band 1	4%	8	1
Band 2	7%	14	2
Band 3	12%	23	3
Band 4	17%	33	5
Band 5	20%	40	5
Band 6	17%	33	5
Band 7	12%	23	3
Band 8	7%	14	2
Band 9	4%	8	1
TOTAL	100%	196	27

Where the school is oversubscribed, places will be allocated to bands in the following order of priority:

1. Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children (see page 11 for more details).

- 2. Children with exceptional medical reasons or exceptional social reasons for attendance at Glenthorne, rather than at any other school. Applications must be made in writing and must be supported by written professional evidence (see <u>page 14</u> for more details).
- 3. Children of permanent staff where:
 - a) The member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more consecutive years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made; **or**
 - b) The member of staff employed by the school has been recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is demonstrable skills shortage.
- 4. Children who have an older brother or sister at the school at the time of the younger child's admission (see <u>page 13</u> for more details)
- 5. Children living in proximity to the school, with those living closer to the school receiving higher priority. The distance is measured in a straight line from the main front door of the school to the child's home address.
- 6. Children living 1.5 kilometres or under from the junction of Langley Avenue, Boscombe Road, Dorchester Road and Clarkes Avenue in Worcester Park will be allocated a place, subject to a maximum of 27 places being available under this priority.

Aptitude Places

If you wish to be considered for an aptitude place in the Performing Arts (Music, Dance or Drama), you must complete the on-line registration process by midnight 20 September 2024 in addition to the Common Application Form. The registration process is open from 1 July 2024 and can be accessed via a tab on the school website: www.glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk

Children applying for an aptitude place may also be considered for banded places if they sit the banding tests.

Banding Tests

Applicants will be tested and placed in one of nine ability bands based on their test results. The nine bands will be based on locally standardised results in an English and a Maths test. The "banding system" is used to ensure a comprehensive intake of children of all abilities into Year 7. All parents/carers should register their children for the English and Maths banding tests and must complete the on-line registration process by 31 October 2024 in addition to the Common Application Form. The registration process is open from 1 July 2024 and can be accessed via a tab on the school website: www.glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk

A copy of the full Admissions Policy is available on the school website: <u>www.glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk</u>

Distance offered under criterion 5:

2024 N/A (No longer relevant because of Banding)
2023 N/A (No longer relevant because of Banding)
2022 N/A (No longer relevant because of Banding)

Greenshaw High School

(DfE number 319 4007)

Address:	Grennell Road, Sutton, SM1 3DY
Telephone:	020 8715 1001
Website:	www.greenshaw.co.uk
Email:	admissions@greenshaw.co.uk
Head Teacher:	Mr N House
Open Evening Date:	Please refer to the school website for further details and updates.
Ability Test Date:	Tuesday 17 September 2024

Published Admissions Number: 314

Applications received for September 2024: 2300

Greenshaw High School is a mixed comprehensive school for children aged 11-19 with approximately 1872 pupils. Of the 314 places available for the September 2024 intake, 60 are offered on the basis of ability. Where the school is oversubscribed places will be allocated in the following order of priority:

- 1. Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children (see page 11 for more details).
- Where there are professionally supported medical reasons or exceptional social reasons (see <u>page 14</u> for more details). Applicants wishing to be considered under this criterion should complete the Trust's Social and Medical Form <u>Greenshaw High School</u>
- 60 places are offered on the basis of ability, priority being given to those scoring highest in the test. Where there are two or more pupils on the same score, pupils will be ranked according to distance. Only applicants who wish to apply for an ability place must complete the Greenshaw online registration form. Please see pages 7-8 for more details on supplementary forms.
- 4. Children of permanent staff where:
 The member of staff has been employed at Greenshaw High School for two or more consecutive years; or
 - The member of staff has been recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage
- 5. Where there will be an older brother or sister at the school at the time of the younger child's admission (see <u>page 13</u> for more details).
- 6. Proximity to the school from the pupil's home address, the distance measured in a straight line to the main entrance of the school building, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority. The address to be used in the initial allocation of places will be the address on 31 October 2024 unless a subsequent move has been accepted for allocation purposes (see page 18 for more details).

Where two or more applicants share priority for a place, the child to be allocated will be determined by the drawing of lots.

Distance offered under criterion 6 for the last three years:

2024	1.176km
2023	1.185km
2022	1.352km

Harris Academy Sutton

(DfE number 319 4005)

Permanent Address:	2 Chiltern Road, Sutton SM2 5RD
Telephone:	020 3962 4500
Website:	www.harrissutton.org.uk
Email:	info@harrissutton.org.uk
Principal:	Mr James Fisher
Open Evening Date:	Please refer to the school website for further details and updates.

Published Admissions Number: 195

Applications received for September 2024: 1797

Harris Academy Sutton is a new mixed academy moving into its sixth year in September 2025. At full capacity will cater for children aged 11-19 and will have 975 students in Years 7-11 and 300 in the sixth form. The academy is situated on the site of the London Cancer Hub in a new £40 million state-of-the-art Passivhaus building. Where the school is oversubscribed, places will be allocated in the following order of priority:

- 1. Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children (see page 11 for more details).
- 2. Where there will be an older brother or sister at the school at the time of the younger child's admission (see <u>page 13</u> for more details).
- 3. Children of permanent staff where the member of staff has been recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
- 4. Proximity to the school from the pupil's home address, the distance measured in a straight line to the main entrance of the permanent school building, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority. The address to be used in the initial allocation of places will be the address on 31 October 2024 unless a subsequent move has been accepted for allocation purposes (see <u>page 18</u> for more details).

Where two or more applicants share priority for a place, the child to be allocated will be

determined by the drawing of lots.

Distance offered under criterion 4 for the last three years:

2024	1.171km
2023	1.137km
2022	1.337km

Nonsuch High School for Girls

(DfE number 319 5401)

Address:	Ewell Road, Cheam, SM3 8AB
Telephone:	020 8394 3400
Website:	www.nonsuchschool.org
Email:	admissions@nonsuchschool.org
Head Teacher:	Mrs A Williamson-Jones
Open Evening Date:	Please refer to the school website or contact the school directly.
Test Date:	Selective Eligibility Test (SET) – Tuesday 17 September 2024
	For those eligible, the Nonsuch and Wallington Second Stage
	Entrance Examination (NWSSEE) – Saturday 28 September 2024

Published Admissions Number: 210

Applications received for September 2024: 999 Number of girls who sat the SET for 2024: 2704 Number of girls who sat the NWSSEE for 2024: 1149

Nonsuch High School for Girls is a selective grammar school. There are approximately 1400 pupils in the school. Places are allocated to those pupils who are of selective ability in the following summarised order of priority:

- Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children (see <u>page 11</u> for more details) who achieve the pass mark or above in the entrance test or whose score is up to 20% lower than the pass mark for the SET and the standardised pass marks in the NWSSEE Maths and NWSSEE English.
- 2. 85 places on the basis of score in the entrance test in order of highest score, irrespective of home address.
- 3. Up to 35 places for Children in receipt of Pupil Premium who achieve the pass mark or above in the entrance test or whose score is up to 20% lower than the pass mark for the SET and the standardised pass marks in the NWSSEE Maths and NWSSEE English by rank order irrespective of address.
- 4. Up to 125 places linked to our catchment area circle. This will be in order of highest score to those whose permanent place of residence is 5.25 km or less from the front door of Nonsuch measured in a straight line. The address to be used in the initial allocation of places will be the address on 31 October 2024 unless a subsequent move has been accepted for allocation purposes (see page 18 for more details).

In the event of a tie for the final place under criteria in 2, 3, 4 and 5, places will be allocated according to proximity to the school, measured in a straight line with those living nearest gaining the highest priority.

Applicants for this school were required to complete the Selective Eligibility Test (SET) registration form available on any of the participating school's websites (Nonsuch High School for Girls, Wallington High School for Girls, Greenshaw High School, Sutton Grammar School, Wilsons School, Wallington County Grammar School). In order to sit the test, the SET registration form must have been submitted by midnight on Friday 2 August 2024. Please see <u>pages 7-8</u> for more details.

The outcome of the SET will be sent to parents/carers by email. Those deemed selective will be invited back to sit the Nonsuch and Wallington Second Stage Entrance Examination (NWSSEE). However, success in the entrance test does not automatically mean that your child will be offered a place at the school because each year, more children pass the test than there are places available. If your child does not pass the test, they will not be eligible for a place at the school.

Oaks Park High School

(DfE number 319 4008)

Address:	Damson Way, Carshalton, SM5 4NS
Telephone:	020 8647 5842
Fax:	020 8254 7800
Website:	http://www.oaksparkhigh.org.uk
Email:	office@oaksparkhigh.org.uk
Head Teacher:	Mr A Amin BSc (Hons) MA
Open Evening Date:	Wednesday 18 September - from 5.30pm to 8.30 pm

Published Admissions Number: 210 Applications received for September 2024: 750

Oaks Park High School - part of the Cheam Academies Network - is a mixed school for students aged 11 to 19, which is truly comprehensive. We are an inclusive and caring school, proud to serve our local community.

Our goal is to help young people develop the skills, knowledge and qualifications they need to become adults we can be proud of. Our staff are fully committed to students' wellbeing, achievement and progress in all areas. Our students have a wide range of talents and abilities and we aim to develop every child to help them reach their full potential. This is done through the teaching of a broad and balanced curriculum in a school with outstanding facilities that create an inspirational learning environment.

Where the school is oversubscribed places will be allocated in the following order of priority:

- 1. Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children (see page 11 for more details).
- 2. Where there are professionally supported medical reasons or exceptional social reasons (see <u>page 14</u> for more details).
- 3. Children of staff employed on a permanent contract at Oaks Park High provided:
 - The member of staff has been employed by the school for two or more consecutive years
 - The member of staff employed has been recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage
- 4. Where a sibling is already at the school at the time of admission. (see <u>page 13</u> for more details).
- 5. Straight line distance between the child's home address and the main school (measured from the centre of the front entrance of the school) Distances will be measured in a straight line from the child's home address using the GIS system maintained by Sutton's School Admissions team (see <u>page 18</u> for more details).
 - Tie-breaker arrangements

Where oversubscription occurs in categories (1)-(5) above, the subsequent criterion will be applied as a tie-breaker. If oversubscription occurs in category (5), and home to school distance is equal, lots will be drawn. Where this applies to twins or other multiple births, the school will consider if it can accommodate the additional child(ren) on a case by case basis.

2024	4.070km
2023	3.376km
2022	4.292km

Overton Grange School

(DfE number 319 4019)

Address:	Stanley Road, Sutton, SM2 6TQ
Telephone:	020 8239 2383
Website:	www.overtongrange.sutton.sch.uk
Email:	admissions@overtongrange.sutton.sch.uk
Head Teacher:	Chris McNab
Open Evening Date:	26 September 2024 5.00-8.00pm

Published Admissions Number: 210 Applications received for September 2024: 718

Overton Grange School is a mixed non-selective school for children aged 11 - 19 and has approximately 1250 pupils. Where the school is oversubscribed places will be allocated in the following order of priority:

- 1. Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children (see page 11 for more details).
- 2. Where there are professionally supported medical reasons or exceptional social reasons (see <u>page 14</u> for more details).
- 3. Where there will be an older brother or sister at the school at the time of the younger child's admission (see <u>page 13</u> for more details).
- 4. To children of staff currently employed on a permanent contract by Overton Grange School where one (or more) of the following applies:
 - i. The member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more consecutive years;
 - ii. The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
- 5. Proximity to the school from the pupil's home address, the distance measured in a straight line to the main entrance of the school building, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority. The address to be used in the initial allocation of places will be the address on 31 October 2024 unless a subsequent move has been accepted for allocation purposes (see page 18 for more details).

Where two or more applicants share priority for a place, the child to be allocated will be determined by the drawing of lots.

Distance offered under criterion 5 for the last three years:

2024	All
2023	All
2022	All

St Philomena's Catholic High School for Girls

(DfE number 319 5406)

Address:	Shorts Road, Carshalton, SM5 3PS
Telephone:	020 8642 2025
Website:	www.stphils.org.uk
Email:	enquiries@stphils.org.uk
Head Teacher:	Ms M Noone
Open Evening Date:	Tuesday 2 July 2024
Open Morning Dates:	Monday 23 September to Friday 27 September 2024.
Please check the school website for further details regarding the Open Evening, and for Open	
Morning booking arrangements in due course. Queries to the Admissions Officer by email	
admissions@stphils.org.uk	

Published Admissions Number: 234

Applications received for September 2024: 862

St Philomena's Catholic High School for Girls is an 11-18 Catholic comprehensive school, with approximately 1464 students on roll currently. Applications are assessed in terms of membership of and commitment to the Catholic faith and should be supported by a priest known to the family using a <u>Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP)</u>. Applications from Candidates of faiths other than Catholic and of no faith are also welcomed. Other Faith applications should be supported by a <u>Religious Leader Form</u> / other evidence of membership.

In accordance with the <u>Admissions Policy 2025</u>, where applications exceed the number of places available, priority will be given in the following order:-

- Looked After Catholic girls or Looked After girls in the care of Catholic families and previously Looked After Catholic girls who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a residence order, child arrangements order or guardianship order and Catholic girls who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted (see <u>Appendix 1</u>). Applicants should submit a <u>Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP)</u> or a copy of the Baptismal certificate or evidence of reception into the Catholic Church for the Candidate. (see <u>page 11</u> for more details).
- Baptised Catholic girls who have a sibling who will be in the school in the academic year starting September 2025. (See <u>Appendix 2</u>). Applicants should submit a <u>Certificate of Catholic</u> <u>Practice (CCP)</u> or a copy of the Baptismal certificate or evidence of reception into the Catholic Church for the Candidate.
- 3.
- (a) Baptised Catholic girls in possession of a Certificate of Catholic Practice CCP. Applicants should submit a <u>Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP)</u> for the Candidate.
- (b) Baptised Catholic girls. *Applicants should submit a copy of the Baptismal certificate or evidence of reception into the Catholic Church for the Candidate.*
- 4. Other Looked After girls and other previously Looked After girls who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a residence order, child arrangements order, or guardianship order and girls who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted. (see <u>Appendix 1</u>)

- 5. Children enrolled in the catechumenate. Evidence of enrolment in the catechumenate will be required.
- 6. Other girls who have a sibling who will be in the school in the academic year starting September 2025. (See <u>Appendix 2</u>)
- Other girls who attend a maintained Catholic primary school in the Sutton Catholic Deanery, namely St Mary's Catholic Junior School Carshalton, St Elphege's Catholic Junior School Wallington, St Cecilia's Catholic Primary School Cheam. (see <u>Appendix 3</u> for details relating to the Deanery).

8.

(a) Baptised Girls from Eastern Orthodox Churches with evidence of membership. *Applicants should submit a copy of the Baptismal certificate for the Candidate and a <u>Religious</u> <u>Leader Form</u>/evidence of membership.*

(b) Girls from other Christian denominations with evidence of membership. Applicants should submit a certificate of Baptism/dedication and/or a <u>Religious Leader Form</u>/evidence of membership.

8. Girls of other faiths with evidence of membership. *Applicants should submit a <u>Religious Leader</u> <u>Form</u>/evidence of membership.*

9. Other Girls.

Oversubscription within each Criterion

Applications received by the closing date will be dealt with in accordance with the above oversubscription criteria and with the London Borough of Sutton Co-ordinated Scheme. Where more than one Candidate has the same Category of ranking under the above criteria, those Candidates will be further ranked in the following order:

- (i) Where there are medical, pastoral or social reasons why the Candidate should be admitted to the School and not to any other school for which the Candidate may be eligible. Compelling written evidence from a professional – for example a doctor, priest, social worker or educational welfare officer (please note this list is not exhaustive) must be supplied at the time of application or subsequently, but before the closing date for applications. Although the Admissions Committee may, at its discretion, make enquiries to satisfy itself as to the matters referred to in the material supplied, it will not be required to make any independent investigation and it will be entitled to rely entirely on the material supplied by the applicant (see <u>page 14</u> for more details).
- (ii) Proximity to the school from the Candidate's home address, the distance measured in a straight line from the school entrance at the junction of Shorts Road and Alma Road by the London Borough of Sutton using a Geographical Computerised Information System (see <u>Appendix 6</u>) with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority. The address to be used in the initial allocation of places will be the address on 31 October 2024 unless a subsequent move has been accepted for allocation purposes (see <u>page 18</u> for more details).
- (iii) Where two or more Candidates share priority for a place, e.g., where two Candidates live equidistant from the School, the Candidate to be ranked with the higher priority will be selected by the drawing of lots in the presence of an independent witness.

Applicants for this school should complete an <u>Admissions Administration Document</u>. Please see <u>pages 7-8</u> for more details.

Sutton Grammar School (DfE number 319 5404)

Address:	Manor Lane, Sutton, SM1 4AS
Telephone:	020 8642 3821
Website:	www.suttongrammar.sutton.sch.uk
Email:	admissions@suttongrammar.sutton.sch.uk
Head Teacher:	Mr B Cloves BSc MEd
Open Evening Date:	25 September 2024, - Please refer to the school website for further
details and updates.	
Test Date:	Selective Eligibility Test – 17 September 2024
Second Stage Test:	For those eligible – 5 October 2024. Shared with Wallington County
	Grammar and Wilson's School
Published Admissions	Number: 135

Number of male candidates at Selective Eligibility Test for September 2024: 3107 Number of candidates at second stage test for September 2024: 1272

Sutton Grammar School is a selective school for boys. Girls are admitted to the Sixth Form. There are approximately 1038 pupils in the school.

After the allocation of places to qualified boys with an EHCP, places are allocated to eligible candidates in the following order:

- 1. Boys who are looked after by a local authority or were previously looked after. Supporting evidence of the status will be required (see <u>page 11</u> for more details).
- 2. Boys whose parent is a member of staff employed at the school as an employee under a continuing contract with an indefinite term (a permanent contract) for a continuous period of at least two years at the date of registration for the SET.
- 3. 10 Places for boys in receipt of income-based free school meals
- 4. 75 places by rank order of the scores in the selection tests where the home address of the boy is in one of the postcodes SM1 to 7, KT4, KT17, CR0 4--, CR4.
- 5. Remaining places unallocated, by rank order of the scores in the selection tests from any home address.

The final score will be rounded to the nearest four marks. There will usually be several boys with the same final score. Where the admission of all of these would exceed the number of places available, places will be allocated by proximity of the boy's home address (measured in a straight line) to the front door of the School in Manor Lane. All distances will be measured using a computerised Geographical Information System maintained by the London Borough of Sutton.

Applicants for this school were required to complete a supplementary form which is the online registration to sit the Selective Eligibility Test and can be accessed via the school's website. In order to sit the Selective Eligibility Test, the online supplementary form must have been completed by midnight on 2 August 2024. Please see <u>pages 7-8</u> for more details.

Parents will receive an outcome of this first-stage testing. Those boys deemed eligible will be invited to take a second set of tests for Sutton Grammar School.

If your son is invited to the second stage tests, you will be notified as to whether or not he has met the required standard by email. Meeting the required standard does not constitute an offer of a place. Parents should note that while Sutton Grammar School, Wallington County Grammar School and Wilson's School are sharing a second stage test, each school will be treating the results of the test in accordance with its own admissions criteria. Please visit the website of each school for further details.

The John Fisher School

(DfE number 319 5402)

Address:	Peaks Hill, Purley, CR8 3YP	
Telephone:	020 8660 4555	
Website:	https://www.johnfisherschool.org	
Email:	admissions@johnfisherschool.org	
Head Teacher:	Mr Robert Teague	
Open Evening Date	Please refer to the school website for further details and updates.	
Published Admissions Number: 180		

Applications received for September 2024: 457

The John Fisher School is a Catholic comprehensive school for boys with 1156 students on roll. Applications are assessed in terms of membership of, and commitment to, the Catholic faith and should be supported by a priest known to the family.

The main order of priority for admission is: Category A. Catholic boys Category B. Other boys

In the event of over-subscription in either of the above categories, applications will be ranked as follows:

	Category A Candidates (Baptised Catholic Boys)
1	Looked after Catholic boys and all previously looked after Catholic boys who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Catholic boys who appear (to the Governing Board) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted.
2	Baptised Catholic boys, in possession of a Certificate of Catholic Practice, who will have an older sibling in the school in September 2025.
3	Baptised Catholic boys, in possession of a Certificate of Catholic Practice, who will NOT have an older sibling in the school in September 2025.
4	Baptised Catholic boys.

30 of the 180 available places will be awarded to Candidates living in the Sutton Catholic Deanery (see Admissions Policy for details), who meet the criteria in Category A, and who have not already gained places. Candidates will be ranked according to the criteria above. Should there be insufficient Candidates to fill these 30 places, the remaining places will be offered to remaining Candidates from outside the Catholic Sutton Deanery.

	Category B Candidates (Boys of other faiths and none)
1	Looked after boys and all previously looked after boys who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a child arrangement order or special guardianship order. Boys who appear (to the Governing Board) to have been in state care outside of England and cease to be in state care outside of England as a result of being adopted.
2	Boys enrolled in the catechumenate. Evidence of enrolment in the catechumenate will be required.
3	Boys who are members of Eastern Orthodox Churches. Evidence of Baptism will be required.
4	Any other boys

A baptismal certificate or evidence of reception into the Catholic Church must be provided for all candidates in Category A.

A Certificate of Catholic Practice should be submitted for all Candidates in categories A2 and A3.

All forms are found on the school's website under the parents and carers, year 7 admissions Parents and Carers | The John Fisher School

Wallington County Grammar School

(DfE number 319 5407)

Address:	Croydon Road, Wallington, SM6 7PH	
Telephone:	020 8647 2235	
Website:	www.wcgs-sutton.co.uk	
Email:	enquiries@wcgs.org.uk or admissions@wcgs.org.uk	
Head Teacher:	Mr J Bean	
Open Evening Date:	Thursday 4 July – Please refer to the school's website.	
Test Date:	Selective Eligibility Test – 17 September 2024	
Second Stage Test:	For those eligible – 5 October 2024. Shared with Sutton Grammar and	
	Wilson's School	
Published Admissions Number: 150		

Applications received for September 2024: 861

The School admits 150 boys into Year 7 each year on the basis of their ability. Included in this number are all boys for whom Wallington County Grammar School (WCGS) is the named School on their Education, Health & Care Plan (EHCP) who meet the School's Admission Criteria & Arrangements.

In order to make a valid application, your son will need to reach the Wallington County Grammar School combined qualifying standard from the SET and the second stage test in order to be eligible to be considered for a place at our School. The SET will be held in the autumn term of 2024.

A joint second stage entrance test will be held a short while after the SET in the autumn term of 2024 and this is a test run jointly by Wallington County Grammar School, Sutton Grammar School and Wilson's School. Results of the SET and the second stage entrance test will be communicated to parents before this CAF deadline.

Boys will be regarded as being of selective ability if they reach the combined qualifying standard from the Selective Eligibility Test (SET) and the WCGS second stage test. In the event that the number of eligible applications exceeds the number of places available an oversubscription criteria will apply.

- 1. A Looked After Child (LAC) or Previously Looked After Child (PLAC) (see <u>page 11</u> for more details)
- 2. Children of permanent staff

Children of permanent staff at Wallington County Grammar School who have been recruited to fill a vacant post where there is a demonstrable skill shortage as determined by the Trust or those who have worked at the school for 2 consecutive years or more.

3. Entrance Testing

In rank order of performance in the Selective Eligibility Test (SET) and the second stage entrance test. The total number of places awarded under criteria 1, 2 and 3 will not initially exceed 110.

4. Pupil Premium (PP)

In rank order of performance in the SET and second stage entrance test. Up to 25 places are available for those boys who are successful in reaching the pass mark from the SET and second stage entrance test and who are eligible for Pupil Premium (PP) through their current school at the time of registering for the Selective Eligibility Test (SET). Any unfilled places in this criterion on National Offer Day and thereafter will be filled by criterion 3.

5. Sutton Postcodes

In rank order of performance in the SET and second stage test. Up to 15 places for those boys who are successful in reaching the WCGS pass mark from the SET and second stage test where the permanent Home Address is one of the postcodes SM1, SM2, SM3, SM4, SM5, SM6, SM7, KT4 8---, CR0 4 --, and CR4 4 --, at the time of Common Application Form (CAF) submission deadline. Any unfilled places in this criterion on National Offer Day and thereafter will be filled by criterion 3.

Please refer to the admissions arrangements document on the school's website

Reaching the qualifying standard in the Selective Eligibility Test (SET) and our second stage test does not mean a place at Wallington County Grammar School will be offered as we pass many more boys than we have places for.

Applicants for this school were required to complete a Selective Eligibility Test registration form on-line. In order to sit the test on a date to be confirmed, the Selective Eligibility Test online registration form must have been submitted by 2 August 2024 (there is an earlier deadline of 14th June 2024 for submission of requests for special adjustments for candidates with SEN, and for supporting evidence). Please see <u>pages</u> 7-8 for more details.

Wallington High School for Girls

(DfE number 319 5405)

Address:	Woodcote Road, Wallington, SM6 0PH
Telephone:	020 8647 2380
Fax:	020 8647 2270
Website:	www.wallingtongirls.sutton.sch.uk/
Email:	admissions@girlslearningtrust.org
Head Teacher:	Ms T O'Brien
Open Evening Date:	Please refer to the school website or contact the school directly
Test Date:	Selective Eligibility Test (SET) – Tuesday 17 September 2024
	For those eligible, the Nonsuch and Wallington Second Stage
	Entrance Examination (NWSSEE) – Saturday 28 September 2024

Published Admissions Number: 210

Applications received for September 2024: 992 Number of girls who sat the SET for 2024: 2704 Number of girls who sat the NWSSEE for 2024: 1149

Wallington High School for Girls is a selective grammar school. There are approximately 1400 pupils in the school. Places are allocated to those pupils who are of selective ability in the following summarised order of priority:

- 1. Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children (see <u>page 11</u> for more details) who achieve the pass mark or above in the entrance test or whose score is up to 20% lower than the pass mark for the SET and the standardised pass marks in the NWSSEE Maths and NWSSEE English.
- 2. 100 places on the basis of score in the entrance tests in order of highest score, irrespective of home address.
- 3. Up to 35 places for Children in receipt of Pupil Premium who achieve the pass mark or above in the entrance test or whose score is up to 20% lower than the pass mark for the SET and the standardised pass marks in the NWSSEE Maths and NWSSEE English by rank order irrespective of address.
- 4. Up to 110 places linked to our catchment area circle. This will be in order of highest score to those whose permanent place of residence is within a 6.7km radius of the main entrance to the School building. The address to be used in the initial allocation of places will be the address on 31 October 2024, unless a subsequent move has been accepted for allocation purposes.

In the event of a tie for the final place under criteria 2, 3 and 4 places will be allocated according to proximity to the school, measured in a straight line, with those living nearest gaining the highest priority.

Applicants for this school were required to complete the Selective Eligibility Test (SET) registration form available on any of the participating school's websites (Nonsuch High School for Girls, Wallington High School for Girls, Greenshaw High School, Sutton Grammar School, Wilsons School, Wallington County Grammar School).

In order to sit the test, the SET registration form must have been submitted by midnight on Friday 2 August 2024. Please see pages 7-8 for more details.

The outcome of the SET will be sent to parents/carers by email. Those deemed selective will be invited back to sit the Nonsuch and Wallington Second Stage Entrance Examination (NWSSEE). However, success in the entrance test does not automatically mean that your child will be offered a place at the school because each year, more children pass the test than there are places available. If your child does not pass the test, they will not be eligible for a place at the school.

Wilson's School

(DfE number 319 5400)

Address:	Mollison Drive, Wallington, SM6 9JW
Telephone:	020 8773 2931
Website:	www.wilsons.school
Email:	admissions@wilsonsschool.sutton.sch.uk
Head Teacher:	Mr N J Cole BA Hons
Open Evening Dates:	Various dates in June 2024 -Please refer to the school website
Test Arrangements:	Selective Eligibility Test – Tuesday 17 September 2024
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For those eligible, second stage Entrance Examination – Saturday 5 October 2024 (Shared

with Sutton Grammar School and Wallington County Grammar School).

Published Admissions Number: 186

Number of male candidates at Selective Eligibility Test for September 2024: 3107 Number of candidates at second stage test for September 2024: 1249

Wilson's is a selective boys' school with approximately 1300 pupils. Boys in Year 6 at primary school in September 2024 and deemed to be of selective ability as determined by their performance in the entrance tests will be eligible for a place at the school in September 2025. Where the number of eligible candidates for admission exceeds the number of places available, places are offered to boys in the order set out below:

- 1. Looked After Children or Previously Looked After Children (see <u>page 11</u> for more details) by rank order of standardised score in the entrance tests.
- 2. 14 places for boys eligible to receive Free School Meals by rank order of standardised score in the entrance tests.
- 3. Up to 9 places for boys who have demonstrated aptitude in football and up to 9 places for boys who have demonstrated aptitude in music (by achieving a pass score in the relevant aptitude test) by rank order of performance in the relevant aptitude test. The aptitude tests will take place on 12 October 2024.
- 4. Remaining places including any unallocated places under criteria 2 and 3 will be allocated to boys according to their position in the rank order of standardised score in the entrance tests.

Boys who meet the required standard in the Selective Eligibility Test will be invited to sit the second stage Entrance Examination. This test will be shared with Sutton Grammar School and Wallington County Grammar School. The outcome of the second stage examination for Wilson's School will be sent by email. If your son passes the second stage Entrance Examination, you must include Wilson's School as a preference on your common application form in order to be considered for the school. However, success in the test does not automatically mean that your son will be offered a place at the school, because each year more boys pass the test than there are places available. If your son does not pass the test, he will not be eligible for a place at the school. Please note that while Wilson's School, Sutton Grammar School and Wallington County Grammar School are sharing a second stage test each school will be treating the results of the test in accordance with its own admission criteria. Please visit the school's website for further details.

Applicants for this school were required to complete a supplementary form which is the online registration to sit the Selective Eligibility Test and can be accessed via the school's website. In order to sit the Selective Eligibility Test, the online supplementary form must have been completed by midnight on 2 August 2024. Please see <u>pages 7-8</u> for more details.

Schools outside the London Borough of Sutton

If you are a Sutton resident and you wish to apply for a school outside Sutton, you must name the school as one of your six preferences on your online application form. You should also contact the school or Local Authority directly to find out if any supplementary forms are necessary and the basis on which places are offered.

Details of schools in neighbouring local authorities are set out below.

London Borough of Croydon

Children, Young People and Education, Bernard Weatherill House, 8 Mint Walk, Croydon CR0 1EA Telephone Number: 020 8726 6400 Website: www.croydon.gov.uk Archbishop Tenison's CofE High School DfE Number: 306 4600 Selborne Road, Telephone Number: (020) 8688 4014 Croydon CR0 5JQ DfE Number: 306 4014 Ark Blake Academy 6 Morland Road Telephone Number (020) 3443 9000 Croydon CR0 6NA **Coloma Convent Girl's School** DfE Number: 306 5405 Upper Shirley Road, Telephone Number: (020) 8654 6228 Croydon CR9 5AS **Coombe Wood School** DfE Number: 306 4012 30 Melville Avenue. Telephone Number: (020) 8289 4745 South Croydon CR0 7HY **Orchard Park High** DfE Number: 306 4004 Orchard Way, Shirley, Telephone Number: (020) 8776 0220 Croydon CR0 7NJ Harris Academy Purley DfE Number: 306 6908 Kendra Hall Road, Telephone Number: (020) 8681 1141 South Croydon CR2 6DT Harris Invictus Academy Croydon DfE Number 306 4002 88 London Road. Telephone number: (020) 3371 3002 Croydon CR0 2TB **Norbury High School** DfE Number: 306 5406 for Girls Telephone Number: (020) 8679 0062 Kensington Avenue, Thornton Heath, Surrey CR7 8BT

Oasis Academy Arena Albert Road, South Norwood London SE25 4QL

Oasis Academy Coulsdon Homefield Road, Old Coulsdon, Surrey CR5 1ES

Oasis Academy Shirley Park Shirley Road, Croydon CR9 7AL

Riddlesdown Collegiate Honister Heights, Purley CR8 1EX

Shirley High Performing Arts College Shirley Church Road, Shirley, Croydon CR0 5EF

St Joseph's RC College (Boys) Beulah Hill, Upper Norwood, London SE19 3HL

St Mary's Catholic High School Woburn Road, Croydon CR9 2EE

The Archbishop Lanfranc Academy Mitcham Road, Croydon CR9 3AS

The Quest Academy Farnborough Avenue, South Croydon CR2 8HD

Thomas More Catholic School Russell Hill Road, Purley CR8 2XP

Woodcote High School Meadow Rise, Coulsdon, Surrey CR5 2EH DfE Number: 306 2045 Telephone Number: (020) 8240 6700

DfE Number: 306 6907 Telephone Number: 01737 551161

DfE Number: 306 6909 Telephone Number: (020) 8656 0222

DfE Number: 306 5400 Telephone Number: (020) 8668 5136

DfE Number: 306 5407 Telephone Number: (020) 8656 9755

DfE Number: 306 5402 Telephone Number: (020) 8761 1426

DfE Number: 306 4702 Telephone Number: (020) 8686 3837

DfE Number: 306 4003 Telephone Number: (020) 8689 1255

DfE Number: 306 6910 Telephone Number: (020) 8657 8935

DfE Number: 306 5403 Telephone Number: (020) 8668 6251

DfE Number: 306 4031 Telephone Number: (020) 8668 6464

Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames

School Admissions, Achieving for Children, Guildhall 2, Kingston upon Thames KT1 1EU Website: <u>Kingston School Admissions</u>

Chessington School Garrison Lane, Chessington KT9 2JS

Coombe Boys' School College Gardens, Blakes Lane, New Malden KT3 6NU

Coombe Girls' School Clarence Avenue, New Malden KT3 3TU

The Hollyfield School and Sixth Form Centre Surbiton Hill Road, Surbiton KT6 4TU

The Holy Cross School (RC Girls) Sandal Road, New Malden KT3 5AR

The Kingston Academy Richmond Road, Kingston Upon Thames KT2 5PE

Richard Challoner School (RC Boys) Manor Drive North, New Malden KT3 5PE

Southborough High School (Boys) Hook Road, Surbiton KT6 5AS

The Tiffin Girls' School (Selective) Richmond Road, Kingston upon Thames KT2 5PL

Tiffin School (Selective Boys) Queen Elizabeth Road, Kingston upon Thames KT2 6RL

Tolworth Girls' School and 6th Form Tala Close, Surbiton KT6 7EY DfE Number: 314 4006 Telephone Number: (020) 8974 1156

DfE Number: 314 5403 Telephone Number: (020) 8949 1537

DfE Number: 314 4004 Telephone Number: (020) 8942 1242

DfE Number: 314 5404 Telephone Number: (020) 8339 4500

DfE Number: 314 5402 Telephone Number: (020) 8395 4225

DfE Number: 314 4001 Telephone Number: (020) 8465 6200

DfE Number: 314 5401 Telephone Number: (020) 8330 5947

DfE Number: 314 4009 Telephone Number: (020) 8391 4324

DfE Number: 314 4010 Telephone Number: (020) 8546 0773

DfE Number: 314 5400 Telephone Number: (020) 8546 4638

DfE Number: 314 4011 Telephone Number: (020) 8397 3854

London Borough of Merton

Children, Schools and Families Department, Merton Civic Centre London Road, Morden, Surrey SM4 5DX Telephone Number: 020 8274 4906 Website: <u>Merton School Admissions</u>

Harris Academy Merton Wide Way, Mitcham, Surrey CR4 1BP

Harris Academy Morden Lilleshall Road, Morden, Surrey SM4 6DU

Harris Academy Wimbledon High Path, London, SW19 2JY

Raynes Park High School Bushey Road, Raynes Park, London SW20 0JL

Ricards Lodge High School (Girls) Lake Road, Wimbledon, London SW19 7HB

Rutlish School (Boys) Watery Lane, Merton Park, London SW20 9AD

St Mark's Church of England Academy Acacia Road, Mitcham, Surrey CR4 1SF

Ursuline High School (RC Girls) Crescent Road, Wimbledon, London SW20 8HA

Wimbledon College (RC Boys) Edge Hill, London SW19 4NS DfE Number: 315 6905 Telephone Number: (020) 8623 1000

DfE Number: 315 4000 Telephone Number: (020) 8687 1157

DfE Number: 315 4001 Telephone Number: (020) 3962 4300

DfE Number: 315 4052 Telephone Number: (020) 8946 4112

DfE Number: 315 4050 Telephone Number: (020) 8946 2208

DfE Number: 315 4500 Telephone Number: (020) 8542 1212

DfE Number: 315 6906 Telephone Number: (020) 8648 6627

DfE Number: 315 5400 Telephone Number: (020) 8255 2688

DfE Number: 315 4701 Telephone Number: (020) 8946 2533

Surrey County Council

School Admissions Team, PO Box 475, Reigate, Surrey RH2 2HP Telephone Number: 0300 200 1004

Blenheim High School Longmead Road, Epsom, Surrey KT19 9BH

de Stafford School Burntwood Lane, Caterham, Surrey CR3 5YX

Epsom and Ewell High School Ruxley Lane, West Ewell Surrey KT19 9JW

Glyn School (Boys) The Kingsway, Ewell, Surrey KT17 1NB

Howard of Effingham School Lower Road, Effingham, Surrey KT24 5JR

Rosebery School (Girls) White Horse Drive, Epsom, Surrey KT18 7NQ

St Andrew's Catholic School Grange Road, Leatherhead, Surrey KT22 7JP

The Ashcombe School Ashcombe Road, Dorking, Surrey RH4 1LY

The Beacon School Picquets Way, Banstead, Surrey SM7 1AG

Therfield School Dilston Road, Leatherhead, Surrey KT22 7NZ

Warlingham School Tithepit Shaw Lane, Warlingham, Surrey CR6 9YB Website: Surrey School Admissions

DfE Number: 936 5417 Telephone Number: 01372 745333

DfE Number: 936 5408 Telephone Number: 01883 347818

DfE Number: 936 5405 Telephone Number: (020) 8974 0400

DfE Number: 936 5404 Telephone Number: (020) 8716 4949

DfE Number: 936 4036 Telephone Number: 01372 453694

DfE Number: 936 5407 Telephone Number: 01372 720439

DfE Number: 936 4611 Telephone Number: 01372 277881

DfE Number: 936 4454 Telephone Number: 01306 886312

DfE Number: 936 5406 Telephone Number: 01737 359103

DfE Number: 936 4073 Telephone Number: 01372 818123

DfE Number: 936 4153 Telephone Number: 01883 624067

Independent schools

Information about independent schools can be obtained from:

Independent Schools Council First Floor, 27 Queen Anne's Gate, London, SW1H 9BU Tel: (020) 7766 7070 Web: <u>www.isc.co.uk</u>

To apply, contact the school direct for further details and an application form. Independent schools must **not** be named on your application form. The Local Authority cannot act as your agent in contacting a private school. It has no role at all in admissions to private school, or in relation to any other aspect of education at a private school.

Frequently asked questions

If I complete the application form online, should I send in a paper copy as well?

No. If you complete the online application form you should print out and retain your receipt but please do not fill in a paper copy as well. If we receive two applications it will, at the very least, delay the process and may jeopardise your school offer. We recommend you apply online if possible.

I don't live in Sutton. Can I apply for Sutton schools?

Yes. You must name the Sutton school(s) in your home local authority application.

I live in Sutton. Can I apply for schools in other boroughs?

Yes. You can apply online and you should name all schools in order of preference whether they are in Sutton or in other boroughs. You should check with out of borough schools to see if there is a supplementary form required (see <u>pages 45-49</u>).

If I already have a child at my preferred school will I automatically get another place?

Not necessarily. Whilst many schools give priority to siblings some, such as selective schools, do not. Please check the school descriptions in this booklet or contact schools directly to find out if they give priority.

Do I have to name six schools?

No. However, we strongly recommend that you use all 6 preferences to maximise your chances of being offered a school place on 3 March 2024, as it is not always possible to allocate places later if you add schools or change your mind. You should think about your preference order very carefully. If your child is eligible for an offer of more than one school, only the highest preference offer will be made and all lower preferences will be discarded.

Are my preferences confidential?

Yes. Your preference order and the names of other schools you list will not be released. All admissions authorities (the local authority or the school itself) will consider your application without reference to this information. If you are unsuccessful in your application and lodge an appeal, your application and preference order may be shared with the admissions authority and appeals panel.

We live in Sutton. Do I have a right to a place in a Sutton school?

A local authority has a responsibility to provide school places for children in its area. However, the Education Act 1996 (Section 18) does not specify that schools have to be located in that borough. If you are unsuccessful in your preference schools, we will try and offer an alternative school.

Am I entitled to apply only for single sex schools?

You may express a preference for single sex schools, however by law, the authority is under no obligation to consider only single sex schools for any applicant. All places are considered according to the published criteria which cannot, by law, give priority to parents who only name single sex schools.

What do I do if I don't get the place I want?

You are entitled to reject any place offered. However, if you reject an offer it will then become your responsibility to secure an alternative.

If you are offered a place at a school that is not your first preference, you will automatically go on the waiting list for your higher preference schools. Any preferences that are lower than the offered preference are withdrawn. You will also have the right of appeal against any school that does not offer a place, providing it was named as one of your preferences (refer to the appeals section on page 20).

If you are offered one of your lower preferences, we recommend that you accept the place while waiting to see if a higher offer can be made. This ensures that your child will have a school to go to in September and does not prejudice your right of appeal or your place on higher preference waiting lists.

I am a Sutton resident. What happens if I don't get any of my preferred schools?

If you are a Sutton resident and we are unable to offer you any of your preferences, we will consider allocating you a place at an appropriate school with a vacancy. You do not have to accept this but doing so will not prejudice your right of appeal or your position on the waiting lists for your preferred schools. If you reject the offer made, it will become your responsibility to seek an alternative.

If I do not get a school offer that I am happy with, can I educate my child at home?

You may choose to take this option but we do not recommend that you do so. If you decide that this is the best option for you, you must notify the Cognus School Admissions Team by email or letter. You must provide a curriculum suitable for a student of secondary age and the Home Education Officer has a duty to ensure that the education you provide is appropriate. The local authority will ask for full details of your arrangement and our advisers will make monitoring visits while you are educating your child at home. We do not provide materials, tutors or funding and cannot support you to educate your child at home.

I have been offered a place at an Independent school. What should I do?

If you are accepting a place in an independent school and you have been offered a place by the Cognus School Admissions Team please inform us of this. It is very important that you do this otherwise you may be preventing another child from receiving an offer of a place. Also, if your child is expected to start at a school in September and does not arrive, a School Attendance Officer will visit you to find out what arrangements you have made for his or her education.

If my child starts secondary school, can I apply for a move to another school?

We do not recommend a child changes school unless there is a house move involved which makes travel to school particularly difficult. If you wish to consider a change of school, please contact the Cognus School Admissions Team for advice and to discuss the options available (see <u>contact details</u> on next page).

Does Sutton provide clothing grants for school uniforms?

No. There is no grant available for clothing. However, many schools offer their own discount schemes.

Is my child entitled to claim free school meals?

To qualify for free school meals at a Sutton school, you must be in receipt of certain qualifying benefits. Your secondary school will give all parents a form to complete to assess eligibility.

Any qualifying family who registers their eligibility for free meals will help raise money for the school following a government commitment to give schools additional funding for each pupil registered per year, even if you decide not to make use of the meals. If you think you may be entitled to free school meals, we would ask you submit an application through your school.

Will I be eligible for travel assistance if my child is unable to walk to school?

Eligibility for travel assistance will normally be where the nearest qualifying school is over 2 miles for a child under 8 or over 3 miles for a child 8 and over. For a child with special educational needs or disabilities, these distance thresholds do not apply, but eligibility can only be considered for the nearest qualifying school where the child is unable to walk to school, accompanied if necessary. In both cases, the nearest qualifying school is the closest one you may have been eligible for; this means if you name and are offered a preferred school, and you could have been offered a closer one had you named it as a higher preference, you may not be eligible for assistance.

What if my child has health problems?

You should make an appointment with the appropriate person at the school to discuss the problem. If you want to discuss the problems further, you can phone the school nursing department on 020 8770 5409 or visit their website <u>School Nursing | Sutton Health and Care</u>

Do schools provide for children with disabilities?

Sutton schools have access for children with disabilities. Please take the opportunity at the school open events or contact the school direct to discuss your child's needs with the staff.

Can my child be admitted outside their normal age group?

Parents may request that their child is exceptionally admitted outside their age group. The Admissions Authority will decide whether or not the individual child's circumstances make this appropriate, taking into account of the child's individual needs and abilities and considering which year group these needs can best be met. Such requests will only be agreed in exceptional circumstances. Decisions will be made on the basis of the circumstances of each case and in the best interests of the child's academic, social and emotional development; where relevant, their medical history and the views of a medical professional; whether they have previously been educated out of their normal age group; and whether they may naturally have fallen into a lower age group if it were not for being born prematurely. Please contact your home Local Authority for more information.

Where can I find out more about admissions to Sutton secondary schools?

More information is available by going to <u>www.sutton.gov.uk/admissions</u>. Alternatively, you can contact the schools directly for more information about what they offer and any specific admissions requirements. You can also visit the school websites.

Where can I get more help?

If there is anything that you are still unsure of, the Cognus School Admissions Team will be pleased to help you. Please email <u>suttonadmissions@cognus.org.uk</u> visit <u>www.sutton.gov.uk/admissions</u> or call our contact centre on 020 8770 5000.