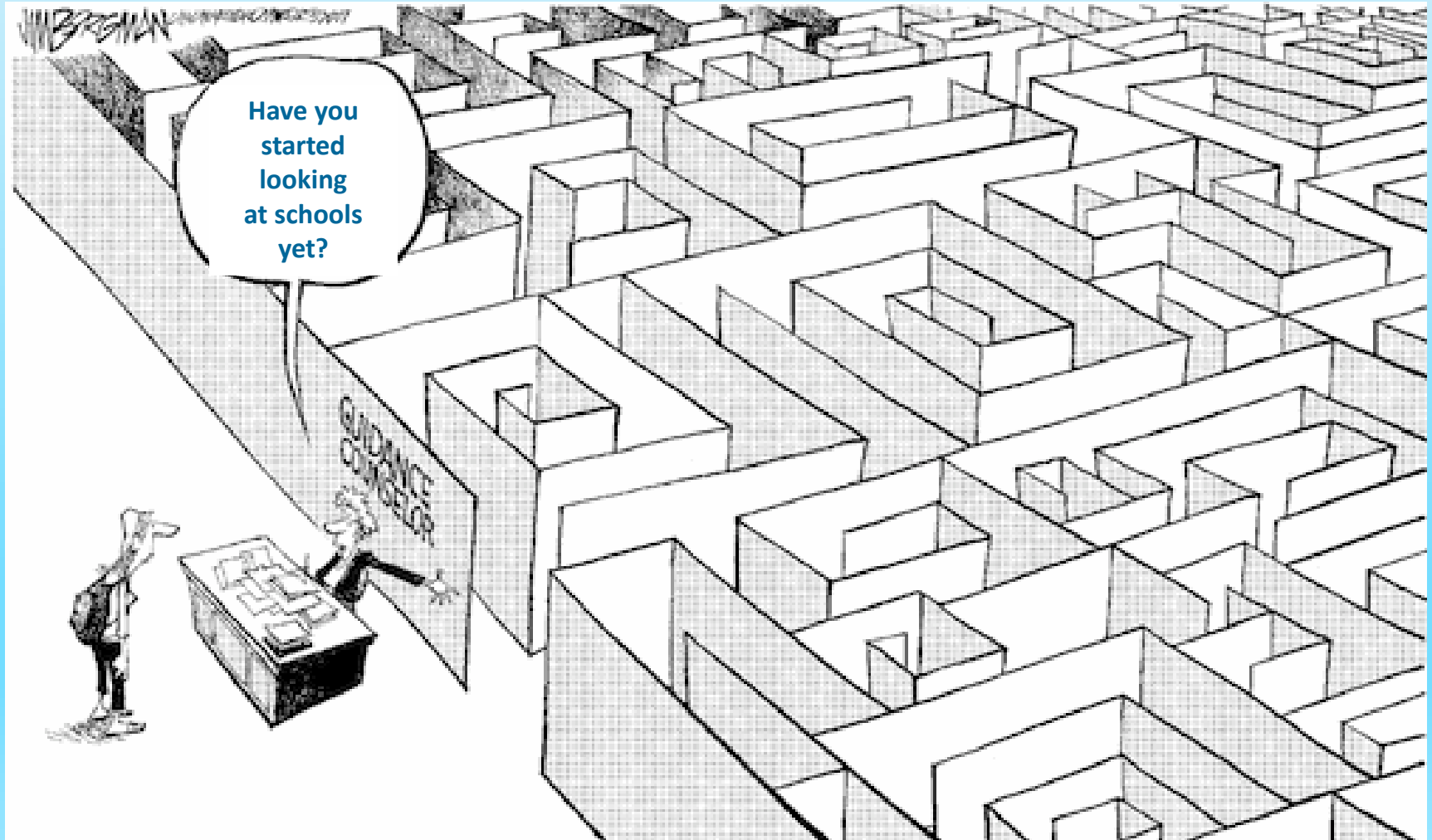




# **Transfer to Secondary School 2020**

# Choosing a school



# Choosing a school

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- How do I know which school is right for my child?
- Who can help me make that decision?



# Choosing a school

## ■ Talk to your child

☐ find out what they want

☐ consider how they will travel to school





# Choosing a school

## ■ Visit the schools

- ☐ go to the open evenings
- ☐ talk to the teachers
- ☐ talk to the pupils

## ■ When are the open evenings?

- ☐ from Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June – Wednesday 3rd October

TRANSFER TO SECONDARY SCHOOL 2020 – DATES AND TIMES OF OPEN EVENINGS IN 2019		
Monday 24 June	6.15 – 7.45pm	Ark Pinner Academy, The Harrow Centre, 24 Dollis Valley Drive, EN5 2JG
Thursday 27 June	3.30 – 5pm and/or 7 – 9pm Final Admission 6pm	St Michael's Catholic Grammar School (Girls), Nether Street, Finchley, N12 7NJ
Thursday 4 July	3 – 5pm Final Admission 7.30pm	Queen Elizabeth's School Barnet (Boys), Queens Road, Barnet, EN5 4DQ
Monday 15 July & Tuesday 16 July	9am – 12.30pm 9am – 12.30pm	The Henrietta Barnett School (Girls), Central Square, Hampstead Garden Suburb, NW11 7BN
Tuesday 10 September	5.30 – 8.30pm 6 – 8.30pm	Finchley Catholic High School (Boys), Woodside Lane, North Finchley, N12 8JA Coptall School (Girls), <del>Uxbridge</del> Road, Mill Hill, NW7 2G1
Thursday 12 September	6 – 8.30pm Final Admission 6pm	Queen Elizabeth's Girls' School, High Street, Barnet, EN5 5HH
Tuesday 17 September	6 – 8.30pm 5.30 – 8pm Final Admission 7.30pm 6.30 – 9pm	London Academy, Spur Road, Edgware, HA8 8DB Wren Academy Finchley, Milton Avenue, N12 9HB Hawmowen High (Girls), Page Street, Mill Hill, NW7 2GU
Wednesday 18 September	6 – 8pm 6.30 – 9pm	Ark Pinner Academy, Westcomb Drive, Barnet, EN5 2BB Hawmowen High (Boys), Molders Mill Road, Hendon NW41NA
Thursday 19 September	4 – 6.30pm Final Admission 7.30pm 6 – 8.30pm 6 – 9pm	Mill Hill County High School, Worcester Crescent, NW4 4LL St Andrew the Apostle Greek Orthodox School, North London Business Park, Bromesick Park Road, N11 1BP The Archer Academy, Lower School, Ragmyn Close, East Finchley, London N2 9CA
Monday 23 September	6 – 8.30pm Final Admission 6pm	Baill Barnett School, Chestnut Grove, East Barnet, EN4 8JU
Tuesday 24 September	6.30 – 8.30pm	Christ's College Finchley, East End Road, Finchley, N2 8SB
Wednesday 25 September	4.30 – 6pm 5.30 – 7.30pm 5.30 – 8pm 5.45 – 8pm Final Admission 6.15pm	Whitefield School, Claremont Road, Cricklewood, NW2 1JH Bishop Douglass School, Hamilton Road, East Finchley, N2 8SD Prism Barnett School, Harrington Avenue, Prism Barnett, N11 3LS JCofS (Jewish Community Secondary School), Castlewood Road, New Barnet, EN4 9GE
Monday 30 September	6 – 8.30pm	St Mary's and St John's CE School, Stamford Hallway, Downage, Hendon, NW4 1AB
Tuesday 1 October	5.30 – 8pm Final Admission 7.30pm	Ark Pinner Academy, Westcomb Drive, Barnet, EN5 2BB
Wednesday 2 October	6.30pm 5.30 – 8pm 5.30 – 8pm	Ashmole Academy, Cecil Road, Southgate, N14 5LJ Hendon School, Golders Way, Hendon, NW4 2HT St James' Catholic High School, Great Strand, Colindale, NW9 5PL
Thursday 3 October	5.30 – 8pm 5.30 – 8pm 5 – 8.30pm	The Iotteridge Academy, Barnet Lane, Iotteridge, N20 5AZ Starcene High School, Lancane Avenue, Colindale NW9 5PN The Compton School, Summers Lane, North Finchley, N12 9UG



# Choosing a school

## ■ Read the school prospectus

☐ it will have detailed information about:

- how the school is run
- which subjects are taught
- the admissions criteria

☐ available at the open evenings

☐ download from the school website



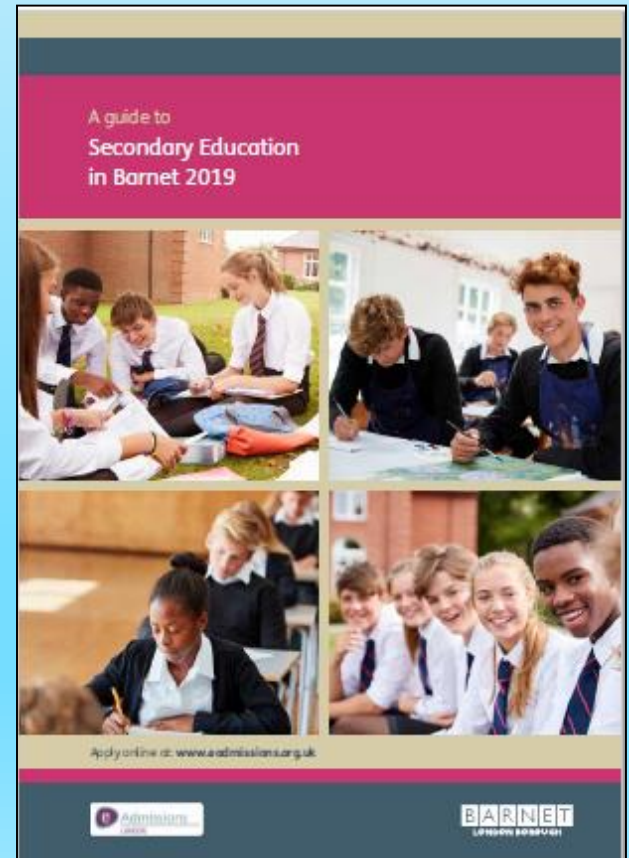
School Prospectus



# Choosing a school

- Read the secondary education guide published by your home local authority

- ☐ the 2020 guide will be available in September 2019
- ☐ download Barnet's guide at [www.barnet.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.barnet.gov.uk/schooladmissions)





# Choosing a school

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## ■ Talk to the Customer Service Team



- ☐ the team can offer you advice and answer your questions
- ☐ how do I contact them?
  - tel: 020 8359 7651
  - email: [school.admissions@barnet.gov.uk](mailto:school.admissions@barnet.gov.uk)
  - if you live outside Barnet, you will find the contact details for your admissions team in Barnet's secondary education guide





# Choosing a school

## ■ Look at exam results and Ofsted reports

- ☐ the latest Ofsted reports are available from the Ofsted website [www.ofsted.gov.uk](http://www.ofsted.gov.uk)
- ☐ achievement and attainment tables are available at [www.gov.uk/school-performance-tables](http://www.gov.uk/school-performance-tables)





## Choosing a school

- Look carefully at the admission criteria for each school
  - ☐ selection by aptitude
  - ☐ faith criteria
  - ☐ siblings
  - ☐ Distance
- Remember most schools get more applications than they have places available.....



# Cut-off Distances 1 March 2019

Name of School	Furthest distance offered (miles)
The Archer Academy (Priority Post Codes)	N2 (0.303) N3 (1.285) NW11 (1.106)
Ashmole School	0.39
Bishop Douglass Catholic	6.981
Christ's College	3.468
The Compton School	0.637
Copthall School	7.143
East Barnet School	0.926
Finchley Catholic High School (Catholic – distance)	4.834
Friern Barnet School	3.204
Hendon School	4.86
London Academy	9.363
Mill Hill High School	0.927
Queen Elizabeth's Girls' School	1.992
Saracens High School	1.04
St Andrew the Apostle (Community - distance)	1.18
St James' Catholic High School (Any other applicant)	1.477
The Totteridge Academy	7.902
Whitefield School	5.278
Wren Academy (Community - distance)	0.332

# How do I apply?

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## ■ How soon can I apply?

- ☐ the application process begins on 1 September 2019

## ■ Where do I apply?

- ☐ apply online at [www.eadmissions.org.uk](http://www.eadmissions.org.uk)





# How do I apply?

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## ■ How many schools can I apply for?

- ☐ you can apply for up to Six schools
- ☐ you will rank the schools in your order of preference
- ☐ it is important to think carefully about the order as you will not be able to change it after the closing date

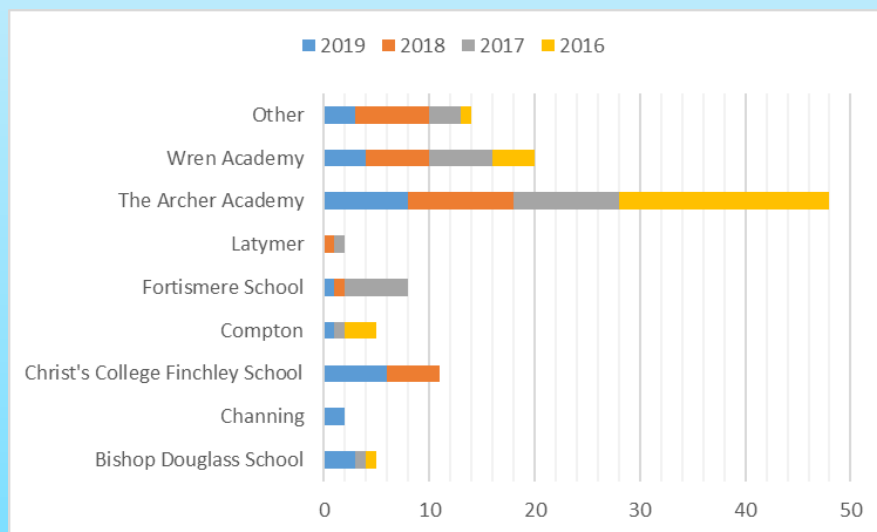
## ■ Can I apply to schools outside Barnet?

- ☐ yes, you must include all your chosen schools, whether inside or outside the borough where you live

# Where do our children go to?

## DESTINATION SCHOOLS FOR YEAR 6 SECONDARY TRANSFER

School	2019	2018	2017	2016
Ashmole		1		
Bishop Douglass School	3		1	1
Channing	2			
Christ's College Finchley School	6	5		
Compton	1		1	3
Dame Alice Owen	1	1		
East Barnet				
Finchley Catholic			1	
Fortismere School	1	1	6	
Greig Academy				1
Greystokes				
Highgate			1	
Latymer		1	1	
Mill Hill		2		
QE Boys School				
QE Girls School		1		
St James' Catholic High School	1		1	
South Hampstead	1			
The Archer Academy	8	10	10	20
The Totteridge Academy		1		
Woodfields		1		
Wren Academy	4	6	6	4
	28	30	28	29





# How do I apply?

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- **Realistic Preferences**

- if you only list one school, it will not increase your chances of getting a place at the school and your child will be considered for that one school only
- if this is unsuccessful, you may miss out on an offer which could have been made at another school and you are likely to be offered a place at the nearest school with a vacancy
- it is important to make realistic school choices to increase your chances of securing an offer and to avoid disappointment
- it is important to check how places were offered last year
- remember the cut-off distances are just a guide and will change every year.....
- .....just because you live nearer to the school than the last child offered a distance place last year, it doesn't mean your child is guaranteed a place



# How do I apply?

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

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







## How do I apply?

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- **What else do I need to provide?**
  - **Proof of address**
    - your child's permanent address must be used on the application form
    - You must not use a temporary address or an address of convenience, this include a child minder's address, a business address or the address of a relative or friend
    - If you own a property previously used as a home address and apply from another address, the second address will be treated as an address of convenience
    - if you have moved within the last two years you will be asked to provide proof of the new address and proof that you have disposed of the previous property



# Fraudulent addresses

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

# Selection Tests

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





# Selection Tests

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## ■ When will the tests be held?

- ☐ most schools will hold tests early in the autumn term
- ☐ some schools will hold the tests in the summer term while your child is still in Year 5

# Selection Tests

## Barnet Schools

	Test Dates	Deadline for Test Applications
Ashmole Academy	Musical Aptitude ~ Sat 8 June Music Auditions ~ Tues 2 & Wed 3 July	Fri 17 May
Friern Barnet School	Enhanced Arts Programme ~ Thurs 11 July	Mon 1 July
Hendon School	Banding Tests ~ Sat 30 Nov & Sun 1 Dec	Thurs 31 October
The Henrietta Barnett School	Tues 3 September	Wed 17 July
Mill Hill County High School	Technology Aptitude Test ~ Sat 14 Sept Music Auditions ~ Sun 9 June, Sat 22 June, Sun 30 June & Sat 6 July Dance Auditions ~ Sat 15 June & Sun 7 July	Fri 18 May
Queen Elizabeth's Boys' School	Thurs 19 September	Fri 12 July
St Mary's & St John's CE School	1st Performing Arts Aptitude ~ To be confirmed 2nd Performing Arts Aptitude ~ To be confirmed  Banding Test ~ To be confirmed	Information awaited  Thurs 31 October
St Michael's Catholic Grammar School	Fri 13 September	Tues 9 July

# Selection Tests

## Schools in neighbouring local authorities

	Test Dates	Deadline for Test Applications
Dame Alice Owen's (Herts)	Entrance Exam Part 1 ~ Mon 2 September Entrance Exam Part 2 ~ Sat 28 September Musical Aptitude Test ~ Tues 3 September	Wed 19 June
The Latymer School (Enfield)	Sun 1 September and Tues 3 September	Wed 3 July



# How do I apply?

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## ■ When is the closing date?

- ☐ 31 October 2019
- ☐ the online system will close at 12 midnight on 31 October





# Late applications

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## ■ What happens if I miss the deadline?

- ☐ late applications will not be considered until after the first round of offers
- ☐ if there is a good reason for a late application, it may be treated as on-time
- ☐ you must let the Admissions Team know your reason by Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2019





# What happens next?



## ■ Co-ordinated admissions

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





# What happens next?

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## ■ How will places be allocated?

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

# Offers

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- Will I be offered more than one school place?
  - ☐ if your child can be offered more than one school, you will be offered the school which you ranked higher
  - ☐ the lower preference schools will be withdrawn and offered to other children
  - ☐ no child will be offered more than one school place



# Offers.

- Are there enough school places available?
  - Yes
  - There is an increased demand for secondary school places
  - This was expected and Barnet has planned for the additional places needed
  - Every child will be provided with a school place
  - It may not always be possible to offer a preference school



## Offers

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### ■ When will I hear?

- ☐ National Offer Day is Monday 2 March 2020
- ☐ you will be sent an email with the result of your application during the evening of 2 March
- ☐ You can then login into your eAdmissions account for further information



# Offers

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## ■ Accepting offers

☐ places to be accepted or declined online by

**16 March 2020**

# No Offer?

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

# Appeals

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





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