

# Whitchurch Primary School and Nursery

Applying for Secondary Schools

July 2025



# Consider first...

1. Where would you like your child to go?
2. How will they get there?
3. Which school suits their needs and aspirations? (for example, there are some which specialise in Science or PE)
4. How far is it from siblings and will this cause an issue?
5. Do the schools hold the same values that you do? Look at their website.



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# Click on the DfE page



## Google/ DfE/ apply for secondary schools

 GOV.UK  
<https://www.gov.uk> > ... > Schools and education

### Apply for a secondary school place

You can **apply** for a place at a state **secondary school** online or by using your council's app form. You **apply** through your local council.

1.

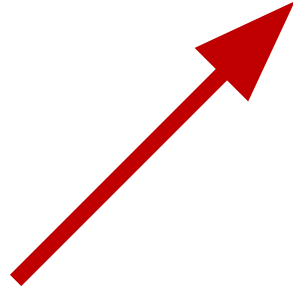


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You apply through your local council even if you're applying for schools in another council area.

2.



Enter a postcode  
For example SW1A 2AA

[Find your local council](#)

[Find a postcode on Royal Mail's postcode finder](#)

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# Guidance Information

## Apply for a secondary school place

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Guide here

The information on this page is about children starting secondary school in September 2025.

Children start secondary school in September 2025, if they were born between 1 September 2013 and 31 August 2014. To apply for a school place you will need to complete an application form.

Please familiarise yourself with the information on this page, and then apply via the button at the end of this page.

See the [guide to secondary schools 2025-26](#) for information on:

- how to apply for a secondary school place
- school admission arrangements for each school

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# Secondary school open days and evenings

The list for open days has not been released yet. We will send it out to parents when it is available via School Spider.

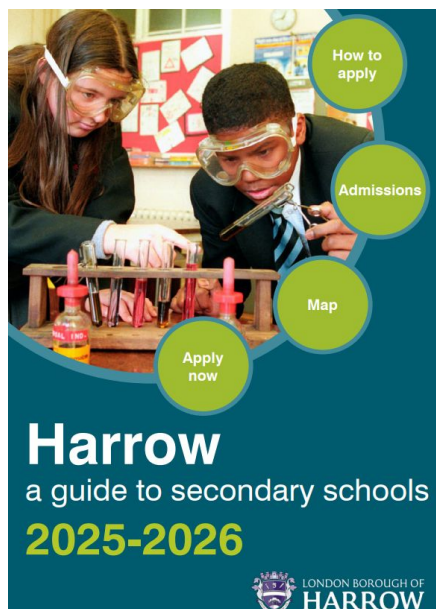
School name
Avanti House
Bentley Wood
Canons High
Harrow High
Hatch End
Nower Hill
Park High
Pinner High
Rooks Heath
Salvatorian
Sacred Heart
Whitefriars
Whitmore

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# Applications



The closing date for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025

Information about each secondary school can be found in this booklet

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# Hints and tips on choosing a school

- Think what kind of school your child is best suited to: You may want to think about whether you want a same-sex school, a faith-based school, a school with a specialism in the arts, sports, science etc, a uniform vs. non-uniform school, whether there are breakfast/after-school clubs, and travel to and from school.
- Familiarise yourself with the admissions criteria for schools.
- Look at the information on how places were allocated in previous year.
- Look at the school Ofsted report / school website. Schools do change over time so it is important to get your information from a variety of sources and remember that not everything you hear about a school may still be true.
- During your research, you will need to read the admissions criteria for the school(s) you want to apply to.

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# Questions

Or, you can contact us at:

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