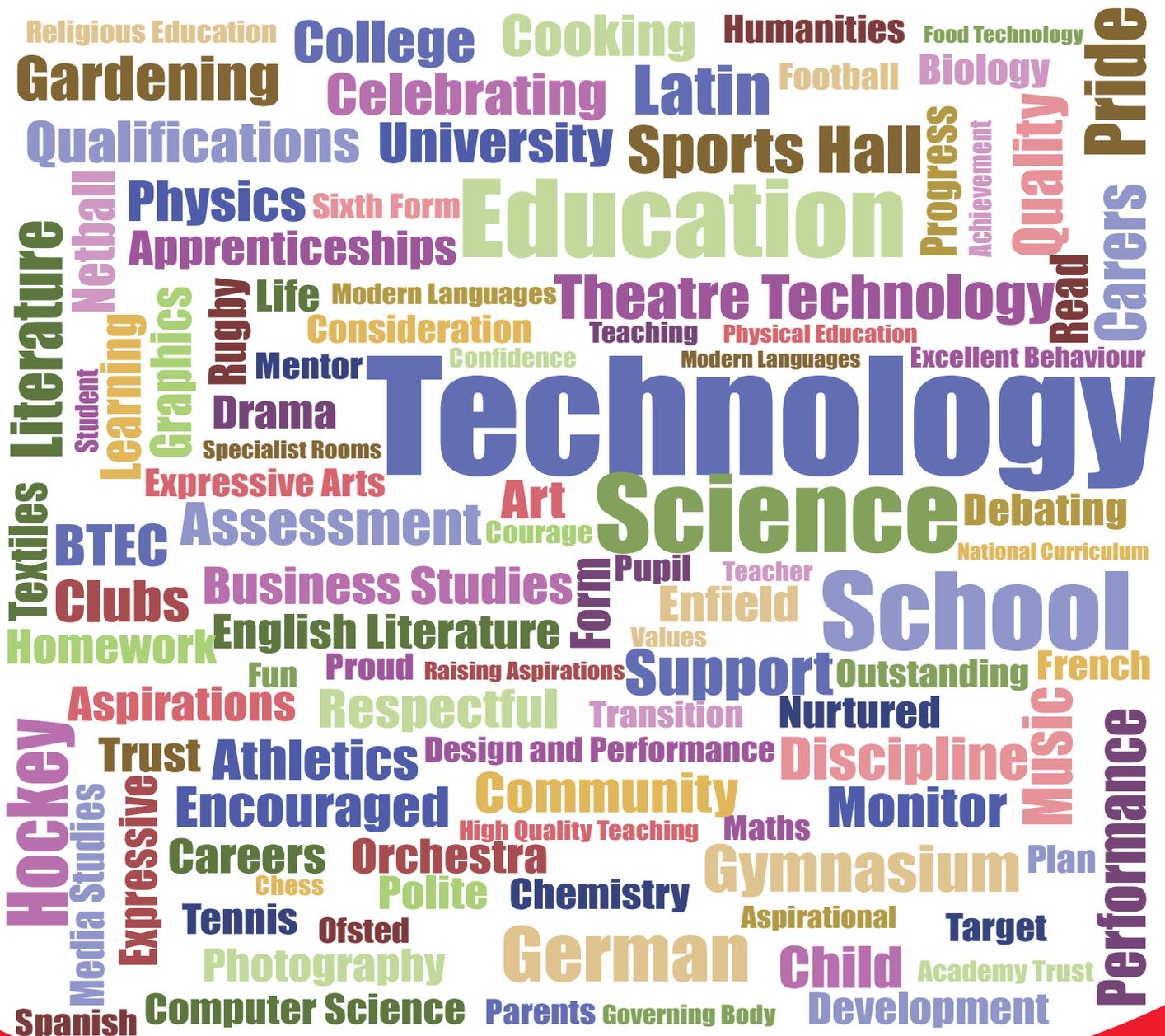


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September 2021



Applying for a Secondary School for September 2021

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The process for applying for secondary school for your child is beginning soon. This leaflet gives you a broad outline of the timetable and what happens.

This information is being sent out before the process starts and should be treated as guidance only.

The Guide to Secondary Schools in Enfield information brochure will be available online for all families at the beginning of September at www.enfield.gov.uk/admissions.

Which children will transfer to secondary school in 2021?

Children born between 01.09.09 and 31.08.10 will be transferring to secondary school in September 2021. If your child has an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP), SEN Services will contact you to explain the process for transfer as the arrangements for your child will be different. For more information contact SEN@enfield.gov.uk

Online Applications

We ask that all parents make an online application for a school place. The online portal can be accessed via this link: www.eadmissions.org.uk. You will be able to make an open online application from 1 September 2020 through to 31 October 2020. You can make changes to your preferences throughout the application period but please ensure you follow the instructions to resubmit any amendments made.

How the system works

- You can apply for up to 6 schools
- The application is submitted to the local authority where you live
- You can apply for schools in Enfield or elsewhere
- A computer system is used to exchange information about Enfield residents applying for schools outside the borough. Other boroughs tell us about their residents applying for Enfield schools.
- If a school has more applications than places, the published admission criteria is used to decide who should be offered a place.
- No child is offered more than one school place.
- You will get the results of your application on 1 March 2021.

Choosing a school

- Read the Guide to Secondary Schools booklet which will be available at the beginning of September online at www.enfield.gov.uk/admissions
- Talk to your child to find out where they would like attend.
- Do your research, look at exam results, Ofsted reports, the school's website and read the school prospectus.
- Consider how your child will get to school, public transport, walking or cycling?
- Don't listen to gossip, what's right for other children may not be the same for your child.
- Think about how realistic your choice is, most schools get more applications than they have places available.

► **Fact or fiction – Answers to playground questions:**

Fiction **My child has a right to a place at one of my choices**

Fact *The schools listed on your application are preferences. We will offer your child the highest preference possible but if your child does not qualify for a place at any of your preferred schools, we will allocate a place at the nearest school that still has a vacancy.*

Fiction **It does not matter if my application is late**

Fact *Most applications submitted after 31 October will not be processed until after all those submitted on time. It is very unlikely that your child will be offered one of your preferred schools.*

Fiction **Listing one school will give me a better chance of getting that school.**

Fact *If you only list one school and your child does not qualify for a place we will offer a place at the nearest school with a vacancy.*

Fiction **I can only apply for Enfield Schools**

Fact *You can apply for schools in Enfield and out of borough schools by listing them on your online application*

Fiction **Children in my road go to the school so my child will too**

Fact *The number of children offered a place under each criterion changes every year so just because you know children living near you go to a certain school, this does not mean that your child will be offered a place.*

Fiction **If I apply to a school in another borough, their residents will have priority over my child**

Fact *An admissions authority cannot give priority to its own residents.*

Fiction **I have an older child already at the school so my other child will automatically get a place**

Fact *Everyone must apply for a school place even if there is an older child at the school. Many schools give priority to siblings, but this does not guarantee a place if there are other children who qualify under a higher criterion.*

Fiction **Listing the same school six times will improve my chances of being offered a place.**

Fact *Your child can only be considered once for a school and any duplicate preferences will be deleted.*

Fiction **I live nearer to the school than the last child offered under the distance criterion last year, so my child is guaranteed a place.**

Fact *Information is published to let you know the furthest distance that has been offered in the past, but the furthest distance changes every year. We cannot guarantee that any child will be offered a place at any school.*

▶ **How to Apply**

- You will apply online at www.eadmissions.org.uk. We suggest you register your details as early as possible in September. You can submit your application once you have had the opportunity to learn more about the schools. The closing date is 31 October 2020.
- Make sure you register on time if you want your child to sit for schools with selection tests. In Enfield the schools this affects are Enfield Grammar, Kingsmead and The Latymer. Details of the arrangements are published on each school's website.
- If you are applying for a school that requires you to complete a supplementary information form these must be returned to the school directly by the specified date. The Enfield schools that require a supplementary form are: Bishop Stopford's, Enfield Grammar (sport or music applications only), Kingsmead (performance only) St. Anne's Catholic High School for Girls, St. Ignatius College, The Latymer and Wren Academy Enfield.

▶ **How offers will be made**

- All the preferences (schools) listed will be considered by the relevant admissions authority.
- If the number of applications received for a school exceeds the number of available places, the oversubscription criteria (rules) will be used to decide which children are eligible to be offered a place.
- If your child could be offered a place at more than one school, we will look to see which school you have listed as your higher preference and this place will be offered.
- All lower preferences are then withdrawn.

- Your child will still be considered for any schools that you listed as a higher preference.
- All online applicants will receive an email during the evening of 1 March 2021.
- Most parents will be offered a place at a school they are happy with. However, this is not always the case and some families are disappointed with the outcome of their application. If this is the case, further information will be sent to you in March.

It is important that you understand the way in which places are allocated. If you have any queries, please either:

- Talk to your child's primary school;
- Read the Guide to Secondary Schools brochure which will be available online in September.
- Contact the Admission Service in Enfield – email esas@enfield.gov.uk

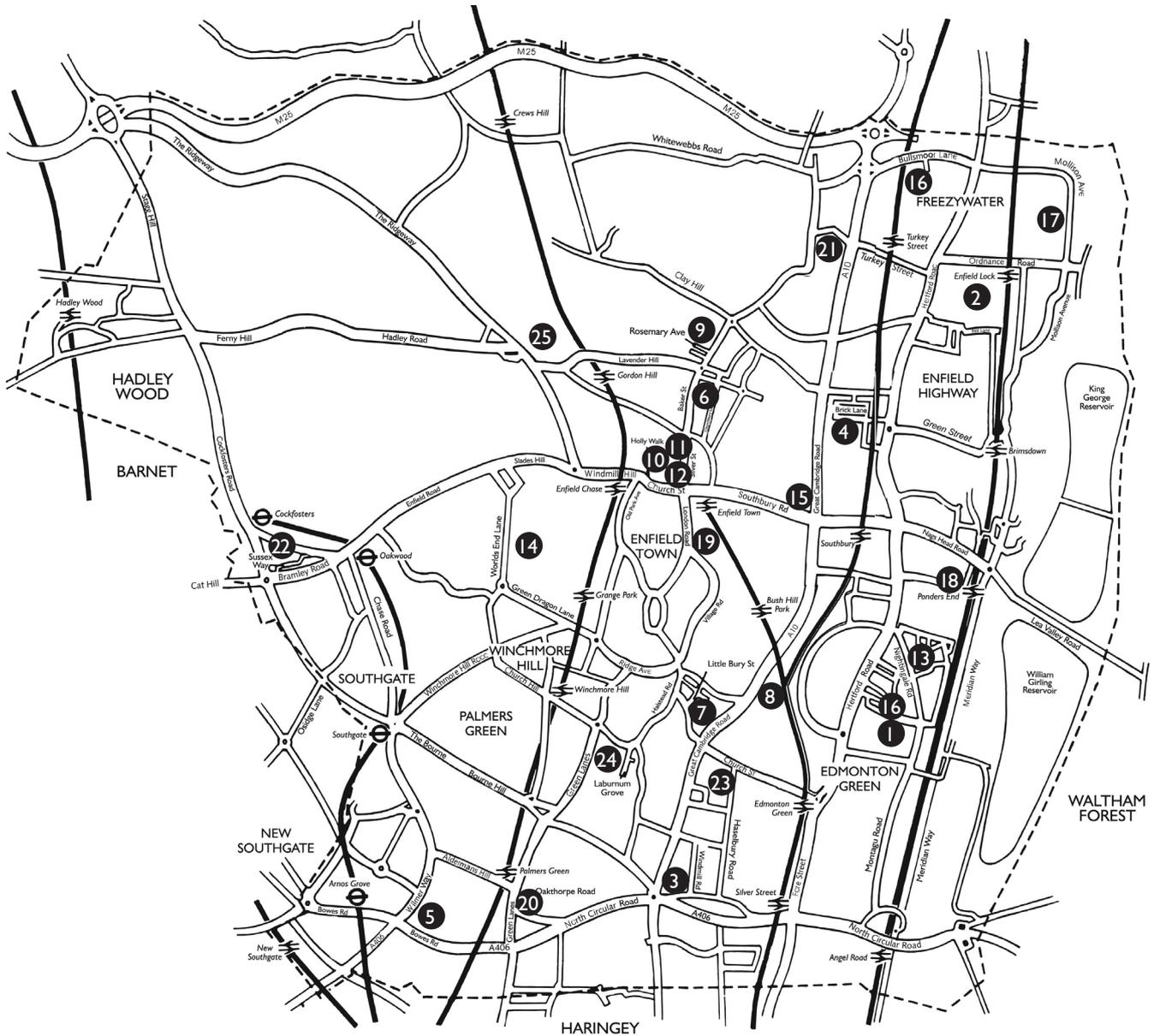
▶ **Visiting Secondary Schools**

At the current time it looks unlikely that schools will be holding open evenings for parents to visit, although this will be reviewed again in September 2020.

It is therefore important that parents/ carers check the websites of schools you are interested in for further details. Information will also be published on the council website at

www.enfield.gov.uk/admissions

Borough School Map



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| 1. AIM North London | 10. Enfield County School for Girls – Upper School | 19. St. Anne’s, Catholic High School for Girls – Lower School |
| 2. Ark John Keats Academy | 11. Enfield Grammar – Lower School | 20. St. Anne’s, Catholic High School for Girls – Upper School |
| 3. Aylward Academy | 12. Enfield Grammar – Upper School | 21. St. Ignatius College |
| 4. Bishop Stopford’s School | 13. Heron Hall Academy | 22. Southgate School |
| 5. Broomfield School | 14. Highlands School | 23. The Latymer School |
| 6. Chace Community School | 15. Kingsmead School | 24. Winchmore School |
| 7. Edmonton County – Bury Campus | 16. Lea Valley Academy | 25. Wren Academy Enfield |
| 8. Edmonton County – Cambridge Campus | 17. Oasis Academy Enfield | |
| 9. Enfield County, School for Girls – Lower School | 18. Oasis Academy Hadley | |

Useful contacts

Local Authorities

London Borough of Barnet

Tel: 020 8359 7651

Email: school.admissions@barnet.gov.uk

www.barnet.gov.uk/school-admissions

London Borough of Haringey

Tel: 020 8489 1000

Email: schooladmissions@haringey.gov.uk

www.haringey.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Hertfordshire County Council

Tel: 0300 123 4043

Email: admissions.central@hertfordshire.gov.uk

www.hertsdirect.org/admissions

London Borough of Waltham Forest

Tel: 020 8496 3000

Email: admissions@walthamforest.gov.uk

www.walthamforest.gov.uk

Essex County Council

Tel: 0845 6032200

Email: admissions@essex.gov.uk

www.essex.gov.uk/admissions

London Borough of Hackney

Tel: 020 8820 7247

Email: admissions@learningtrust.co.uk

www.learningtrust.co.uk

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To avoid missing an email from us, please add our email to your address book.

When emailing please include your child's name and date of birth

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