Starting secondary school in Southwark 2016/17

Applications close 31 October 2015
Apply online at www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions
Apply online

If your child is due to start secondary school in September 2016 you must apply online (www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions) from 1 September 2015 and submit your application before the closing date of 31 October 2015. However we would encourage you to submit your application by 23 October 2015 (Friday before half term) in case we need to contact you.

Need to know:

- It’s quick and easy to do
- You will get an email confirmation that your application has been received
- The system is accurate and helps you by checking for errors
- There is no risk that your application will get lost in the post
- You can make changes to your application up until the closing date without having to complete another form
- The system has a number of security procedures to protect your privacy
- Available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, up until the closing date of 31 October 2015
- During the evening of 1 March 2016 you will receive an email informing you of your child’s offer of a secondary school place

Please note you will be issued with a reference number once you have submitted your online application which will be similar to this: 210-2016-09-E-002100. If you do not receive a reference number it means your application has not been received and you will need to resubmit your application.

Keep a record of your unique user name, password and application number which you will use for your application.

It is important to keep this information safe so that you can log in and look at your application. You will also need this information to view the results of your application when they become available online during the evening of 1 March 2016.

For any further school admissions information or advice please contact the school admissions team by email at schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk or by phone on 020 7525 5337.
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Dear parents and carers

Starting secondary school is a huge milestone for you and your child. If your child is due to start secondary school in 2016, I hope that this brochure will help to clarify the process of deciding which school is right for your child by providing useful information about the different types of secondary schools in Southwark.

I regularly visit our secondary schools, and I can assure you that by choosing to send your child to a Southwark school, your child will go to a school that maintains some of the highest standards in the country. Southwark’s secondary schools are currently ranked in the top ten in England - a leap of 23 places from the previous year.

Southwark’s GCSE results are improving significantly and I am a firm believer in providing the best education possible for your child. That's why the council is committed to working with all secondary schools in Southwark to ensure over 70 per cent of students achieve at least five good GCSEs.

Applications for secondary school places will only be accepted online. To access an online application form, please visit www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions. If you don’t have access to the internet, or feel you need assistance in completing an application, please go to one of our Southwark libraries or a MySouthwark customer service point where someone will be more than happy to help you. Last year, parents found our apply online sessions very helpful, so please go along to one of these sessions if you need help with applying online.

It’s important that when you select the six preferred schools you would like your child to attend, that you read through this brochure carefully so that you understand what each school or academy offers, as some may specialise in arts, maths, languages, science or digital technology. I would also advise you to attend one of the open days so that you can tour the school and meet the teachers. That way you know you are selecting a school that is right for your child where they will thrive and meet their full potential.

Please let me know if you have any questions about secondary education in Southwark.

You can contact me by emailing victoria.mills@southwark.gov.uk or calling 020 7525 1969.

I wish you and your child the very best.

Victoria Mills
Cabinet member for children and schools, Southwark Council
# Key dates

## Application for a secondary school place for September 2016 intake

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| **1 September 2015 to Saturday 31 October 2015** | ■ The admissions process starts.  
■ Contact schools for a copy of their prospectus and details of when you can visit for open days/evenings. We strongly advise parents to visit schools before naming them as a preference on the application form. Please view pages 7 and 8 for Southwark’s school open day and evening dates.  
■ Apply for secondary schools by completing an online application form. To apply online visit [www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions)  
■ You must complete (and return directly to the school) the supplementary information form (SIF) if the school you have listed as one of your preferences requires this. Please contact the school to check their individual closing date. |
| **Saturday 31 October 2015, 11.59pm** | ■ Closing date for submitting online applications.  
■ You must ensure that we have received your online application alongside any additional supporting information by this date. We strongly recommend that you submit your application by **Friday 23 October 2015** so that we receive it before the half term holiday and can contact you if necessary. |
| **Tuesday 1 March 2016** | ■ Offer letters will be posted by first class to all parents/carers who have applied on time.  
■ Online applicants will be able to view their offer details in the evening at [www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions) |
| **Tuesday 15 March 2016** | ■ Should you wish to reject the offer of a school place allocated to your child, you must complete and return the notification slip attached to your offer letter by this date.  
■ No action is required if you want to accept the school place offered to your child and you are a Southwark resident. |
| **Appeals** | ■ Check dates of appeal hearings with individual schools. |

These are important deadlines which you will need to keep in mind. If you miss these dates, your chances of being offered a place at a preferred school will be reduced.
Finding the right school for your child

Start finding out about schools now

- Before you decide which schools to apply for and your order of preference, we strongly advise that you read the guidance in this brochure.

- You will find information about schools in Southwark either within this brochure, from the schools directly, online or by contacting Southwark Council’s school admissions team on 020 7525 5337.

- You can also talk to teachers and other parents/carers whilst thinking about what is important to you and your child.

Visit as many schools as possible

- Parents and carers are strongly encouraged to visit schools to see what each has to offer. Please see pages 7 and 8 for open day/evening dates.

- If you are interested in applying for a school, look at their oversubscription criteria in detail before completing the online application form and listing it as a preference. If your child meets some or most of a school’s criteria, they will have a greater chance of being offered a place over another child who doesn’t meet the criteria.

- If you are applying to a secondary school that uses banding as part of its criteria, your child will be required to take a test. Please contact the school for further details.

Look at school brochures/websites

- All schools produce their own brochures, which contain far more information about the school than we can provide in this brochure.

- Many schools also have their own website which can be a valuable source of information. School websites are included on the individual school’s page within this brochure.

- To help you research which schools are right for your child, all Southwark Council libraries offer free access to the internet with staff on hand to help. To find your local library contact Southwark Council’s customer service centre on 020 7525 5000.

Look at the most recent Ofsted reports

- All schools in Southwark are inspected regularly by the Office for Standards in Education (Ofsted). Ofsted’s main aim is to help improve the quality and standard of education and childcare through independent inspection. You can check the latest report for any school by asking the school for a copy or by visiting the Ofsted website www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ofsted

Extra help

- Help and advice is always available from Southwark Council’s school admissions team. We can answer any questions you may have about the admissions process. Email schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk or you can phone us on 020 7525 5337.
## School open days and evenings 2015

### ARK All Saints Academy
- **Wednesday 16 September** 5pm to 7pm
- **Saturday 19 September** 9.30am to 11.30am
- **Monday 21 September** 9.30am to 11.30am
- **Thursday 24 September** 9.30am to 11.30am

### ARK Globe Academy
- **Wednesday 30 September** 9am to 10.30am
- **Thursday 1 October** 5pm to 7pm
- **Saturday 3 October** 9.30am to 12pm
- **Tuesday 6 October (tour only)** 9am to 10.30am

### Bacon’s College
- **Wednesday 23 September** 5.30pm to 8pm
- **Thursday 24 September** 5.30pm to 8pm

### Compass School Southwark
- **Monday 28 September** 5pm to 8pm
  - Principal talk, followed by tour
- **Tuesday 29 September** 8.30am to 10.30am
- **Wednesday 30 September** 8.30am to 10.30am
- **Thursday 8 October** 8.30am to 10.30am
- **Friday 9 October** 8.30am to 10.30am
- **Monday 12 October** 4.30pm to 6pm
  - (Q&A drop in session and tour)
- **Tuesday 13 October** 8.30am to 10.30am
- **Thursday 29 October** 8.30am to 10.30am

### Harris Academy Bermondsey
- **Monday 14 September**
  - Tour at 10am and principal’s talk at 10.45am
- **Tuesday 15 September**
  - Tour at 10am and principal’s talk at 10.45am
- **Wednesday 16 September**
  - Tour at 10am and principal’s talk at 10.45am
- **Thursday 17 September**
  - Tour at 10am and principal’s talk at 10.45am

### Harris Academy Peckham
- **Thursday 1 October** 4.30pm to 7.30pm
- **Tuesday 6 October** 10.30am to 11.30am
- **Wednesday 7 October** 10.30am to 11.30am
- **Tuesday 13 October** 10.30am to 11.30am
- **Wednesday 14 October** 10.30am to 11.30am

### Harris Boys’ Academy East Dulwich
- **Thursday 24 September** 5pm to 7pm
- **Tuesday 29 September** 8.40am to 10.30am
- **Wednesday 30 September** 8.40am to 10.30am
- **Thursday 1 October** 8.40am to 10.30am

### Harris Girls’ Academy East Dulwich
- **Thursday 24 September** 5pm to 7pm
- **Wednesday 30 September** 5pm to 8pm
- **Monday 5 October** 8.45am
- **Tuesday 6 October** 8.45am
- **Wednesday 7 October** 8.45am

### Harris Academy Peckham
- **Friday 18 September**
  - Tour at 10am and principal’s talk at 10.45am
- **Wednesday 23 September** 5.30pm to 7.30pm
  - Principal’s talk 6pm to 7pm
- **Saturday 26 September** 10am to 12pm
  - Principal’s talk 10.30am to 11.30am

- **Individual appointments are available with the principal from Monday 21 September to Friday 2 October. Please contact the school for further information.**

### Harris Academy Peckham
- **Thursday 1 October** 4.30pm to 7.30pm
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When can my child start secondary school?

If your child was born between 1 September 2004 and 31 August 2005, your child is due to start secondary school in September 2016. You must start applying from September 2015 and submit your application before the closing date on 31 October 2015.

Different types of secondary schools in Southwark

There are three types of mainstream secondary schools in Southwark. The schools all follow the national curriculum and are regularly inspected by the Office for Standards in Education (Ofsted). For children starting school in Southwark there are 19 secondary schools to choose from.

Voluntary aided schools
There are three voluntary aided secondary schools in Southwark. The school’s governing body is responsible for their admissions and decides how pupils are admitted.

Academies
There are 14 academies in Southwark. The Academy Trust is responsible for school admissions and decides how pupils are admitted.

Free school
There is one secondary free school in Southwark and another one proposed to open in September 2016. The school’s governing body is responsible for school admissions and decides how pupils are admitted.

University Technical Colleges (UTC) and Studio Schools
University Technical Colleges and Studio Schools are opening in some areas to provide technically oriented courses of study or work skill based learning for 14 to 19 year olds. Southwark will coordinate applications for residents for UTCs and Studio Schools in neighbouring local authorities. Currently there are no UTCs or Studio Schools in Southwark. Please see www.utcolleges.org and www.studioschoolstrust.org for further information.

All of Southwark’s secondary schools are their own admissions authority and are responsible for setting their own admission arrangements. Southwark Council’s school admissions team coordinates admission applications to all schools. In cases where a decision not to offer a place has been made, parents/carers will need to contact each school or academy for further details.

Admission authorities are responsible for ensuring that their arrangements are fair, clear and compliant with current regulations. If you have a query about a particular arrangement, you must raise it directly with the relevant admission authority e.g. the school. If your query remains unresolved and it relates to a Southwark school, please contact our admissions compliance officer by email at admissions.compliance@southwark.gov.uk

You may also raise any objections to admission arrangements with the Office of the Schools Adjudicator by 15 May 2016. Please see page 46 for details on how to contact them.
How to apply

Information about applying

Before you start applying there are a few things you need to know.

- If you are a Southwark resident you must apply online by visiting www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions

- If you live in another borough you must complete the admission application for the borough in which you live, even if you would like to apply for a school in Southwark.

- When applying for a school place you may express a preference for up to six schools whether they are in Southwark or in another borough.

- Some schools need to collect information that is not included on the admission application. They request this information using a supplementary information form (SIF). The school will use the information you provide by comparing it against their published admissions criteria. For example, a faith school will require evidence of church attendance.

- You must complete a SIF if the school you have listed as one of your preferences requires this. Please view the individual school’s page within this brochure to check if a SIF is required.

- The SIF will be available from the school and must be completed and returned directly to the school. Please check the individual deadline date for returning the SIF with each school.

- The online application will not be valid unless it is submitted by 11:59pm on 31 October 2015. You will then receive an application reference number by email confirming that your application has been submitted successfully. If you do not receive this email please submit your application again as it will not have been received.

- Where a SIF is required alongside an admission application, your application may be invalid or your chance of a place reduced unless both the forms have been completed and received at the correct addresses by the closing dates. Please note that you will also need to sign the SIF before sending it to the school.

When can I start applying online?

- You can start applying online from 1 September 2015 at www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions

- If you do not have a computer at home or do not have internet access, Southwark Council libraries and MySouthwark customer service points offer free access to the internet with staff on hand to help. To find your local library or MySouthwark customer service point, contact Southwark Council’s customer service centre on 020 7525 5000.

How do I apply online?

Online school admission applications are quick and easy to do. All you will need is an email address to register with www.eadmissions.org.uk, which should take approximately five minutes. Don’t worry if you do not have an email address. You can sign up for a free email account by reading our leaflet ‘Registering for an email account’ which can be requested from the school admissions team by calling 020 7525 5337.
Follow the steps below and you’re ready to start your child’s online application.

**Step 1**
- To apply online go to [www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions)
- Click on [Apply for it School admissions](http://www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions)
- You will be taken to the eAdmissions webpage.

**Step 2  Registering to apply online**
This is the first time I am applying online using eAdmissions. What should I do?
- If this is the first time you are applying for a school place on the eAdmissions website, you must register to apply online. It is important that the person registering has parental responsibility for the child and that they both live at the same address that has been stated on the online application.
- You will need to click on ‘Register to apply online’. Once you have registered, you will be sent an email with your user name and instructions. Follow these instructions and you will be sent another email with your password.
- The email will also contain a web link which will take you to the eAdmissions log in page to start your application.
- I have applied online before using eAdmissions. What should I do?
  - If you have used the eAdmissions website before to apply for a school place for any of your children you do not need to register again. You will need to click on ‘Login to an existing account’ or ‘User login’ and log in with the same user name and password that you used when you previously applied online.
  - If you wish to change any of your personal details e.g. your address, email or phone numbers please click on ‘Edit your details’. You can then make the necessary changes but you must ensure you click ‘Save and continue’.
  - If you have forgotten your user name and password you must contact the technical support team by telephone on 020 8255 5555 (option 1) who will be able to assist you.

**Step 3  Completing the application**
- Each page on your screen will explain what you need to do as clearly as possible with a ‘Help’ button at the top of the page which you can click on if you need further guidance.
- Please ensure that the online application is fully completed and that you enter the details correctly. Failure to tick certain boxes, e.g. the sibling box or the social/medical box, will mean that the sibling or social/medical criteria may not be identified when your application is being processed.
- You must ensure that you click ‘Save and continue’ each time you complete a page of the application.
When and how do I submit the application?

- When you have completed your application you must submit it by the closing date of 31 October 2015.
- You will not be able to sign the application. However, the registration process has a number of security measures aimed to verify the identity of the parent/carer.
- Use the ‘Submit Application’ button to submit your application. Once you have submitted your online application the system will show as ‘Submitted’ and show the date, time and version number of the submitted application.

- You will also receive an email confirming details of your application and will be given a unique application reference number similar to this: 210-2016-09-E-002100. If you do not receive such a number it means your application was not submitted successfully and you must try submitting it again as the school admissions team will not have received it.

Southwark Council cannot accept responsibility for application forms which are not received by the closing date.
Can I change my preferences once I have submitted my application?

- If you have submitted your online application before the closing date you are still able to make changes to it. If you do go back and make further changes you must save and submit your application again before the closing date.

- After the closing date Southwark Council’s school admissions team will accept the last submitted version of your application.

If you feel you may need further help and advice in completing an online application why not come along to our ‘Apply online’ information sessions? These will be held during the autumn term at schools across Southwark and our school admission officers will be available to give you one to one advice.

For any further school admissions information or advice, please email the school admissions team at schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk or call the team on 020 7525 5337.

Important information

- You must complete a supplementary information form (SIF) if the school you have listed as one of your preferences requires this. Please view the individual school’s page from page 17 onwards to check if a SIF is required. The SIF will be available from the school and must be completed and returned directly to the school. Please check the individual deadline date for returning the SIF with each school.

- If you are providing additional information to support your application such as a medical letter, make sure you upload this as an attachment with your online application or submit this by post to the school admissions team before the closing date of 31 October 2015. Please see the back cover for the school admissions postal address.

- It is important that you keep a copy of your final completed application and note down the reference number as you will need it to get the results of your application when they become available online during the evening of 1 March 2016.

- If you experience any technical difficulties or have any questions regarding the eAdmissions website you can contact the London Grid for Learning, which administers the website on 020 8255 5555 and select option 1.
What happens after the closing date?

How the decision to offer a school place is made

- Each of your preferences will be considered individually under each school’s oversubscription criteria.
- If you have listed any schools outside of Southwark, we will send your preferences to those boroughs electronically.
- All of Southwark’s secondary schools are non community, the governing body of each school applies their oversubscription criteria and decides on which applicants receive a school place. To view a summary of each school’s oversubscription criteria please view page 17 onwards.
- Once all schools have prioritised applications based on their oversubscription criteria, they will provide a ranked list to Southwark Council’s schools admissions team.
- If more than one offer can be made from your list of preferred schools, we will check your application to see which one is ranked highest and offer you that place. If only one school can be offered from your list, this is the school we will offer. Any schools listed as a lower preference will be automatically withdrawn so that these places can be offered to other applicants.
- Your child will only receive one offer of a school place.
- If your child is a Southwark resident and it is not possible to offer him/her a school you have listed as a preference, we will offer an alternative place at a school with capacity. This is likely to be the nearest Southwark school to the child’s home which has a vacancy.

Offer of a school place

- You will be able to view the results of your application on the eAdmissions website during the evening of 1 March 2016. You will also be sent a letter by first class post on 1 March 2016 which will provide more information regarding the decision and what to do next.

- Application results will not be provided over the telephone.
- Please note that the offer of a school place is conditional until proof of address has been confirmed by the school.
- Original copies of the following will be required
  - Child benefit documentation, or if you are no longer eligible to receive child benefit, a letter from the HMRC confirming that you were previously in receipt of child benefit.
  - Council tax bill
  - One other proof of address, e.g. TV licence, bank statement, credit/store card statement

Respond to your offer of a school place

- If you wish to accept your child’s offer of a school place you do not need to inform us. Your offer will be automatically accepted if you are a Southwark resident and forwarded to the allocated school after 15 March 2016.
- If you are rejecting your child’s offer of a school place, you must complete the slip attached to your offer letter and return it to Southwark Council’s school admissions team by 15 March 2016 so that other children may be offered the place. You must also inform us in writing of any other alternative suitable arrangement for education that has been made for your child.
- If you do not notify us of an alternative arrangement for your child’s education by 15 March 2016 we will forward their name to the school that has been offered/allocated in his/her offer letter.

Important information

If the council or an admission authority has reason to suspect that a family does not live at the address stated, we will carry out an investigation. Should we discover that a parent is making a fraudulent claim the offer of a place will be withdrawn.
Applications

If you are not offered a school of your preference

Waiting lists
- If it is not possible to offer a place at one of your preferred Southwark schools we will allocate an alternative school. Your child’s name will automatically be put on to the waiting lists of schools which were named as a higher preference on your application.
- Southwark Council’s school admissions team hold waiting lists for all Southwark schools until 31 August 2016.
- You may also ask for your child’s name to be added to the waiting list of any out of borough schools listed on your application form.
- The school admissions code requires admission authorities to hold their waiting list strictly in order of the priorities of their published oversubscription criteria. Please note, if your child’s name is added to a school’s waiting list, their position may go up or down the list depending on whether any late applicants have been added and how the oversubscription criteria applies to these children (i.e. if a late applicant meets a higher admissions criterion than others already on the list, they will be given a higher waiting list position). This then ensures that if a vacancy arises at a school at any time, the admissions criteria is used to determine which child is offered a place from the waiting list.
- If a conditional offer made from a waiting list is not accepted within five working days it will be withdrawn and offered to the next child on the list.
- If you change address whilst on a waiting list, evidence of the new address will be required when measuring for the home to school distance criterion.

Appeals
- You can appeal against the decision not to offer your child a place at a preferred school. Please contact the school directly for further information.
- You have the right to appeal to an independent appeals panel for each school you made an unsuccessful application to.
- Details of your right of appeal will be included in your offer letter.
- Each school sets their own deadline for when you can submit your appeal paperwork. Please contact the school directly for further information.
- More detailed information about the appeals process can be found by contacting Southwark Council’s schools admissions team on 020 7525 5337 or by obtaining a copy of the School Admissions Appeals Code from the Department for Education (DfE), contact details on page 45.

Late applications
- Applications received after 31 October 2015 will not be considered for a place until after the initial offer of places on 1 March 2016.
- However, under exceptional circumstances Southwark Council’s school admissions team can accept a late application where it considers there are exceptional circumstances. For example, if you have moved into Southwark between 31 October 2015 and 11 December 2015 your application may be accepted subject to valid proof. Confirmation of the move including the date will be required.
- If you are submitting a late application you must complete a paper form as the online application system will not be available after the closing date. You can download the form at www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions. You can also request the form from the school admissions team by calling 020 7525 5337.
- All other late applications received after 31 October 2015 will not be considered for a school place until after the initial offer of places on 1 March 2016.

Change of address after you have submitted your application form
- If your child’s home address has changed after you have submitted your application and before an offer of a school place has been made, you must notify Southwark Council’s school admissions team immediately.
- The school will then need to process your child’s application again in order to apply their oversubscription criteria.
Southwark Information, Advice and Support Team
Special Educational Needs and Disability and school preference advice

The role of this team is to give parents access to confidential and impartial information, advice and support so parents and young people can make informed decisions. This is achieved by working in partnership with parents and young people, providing information, services and training, working with relevant agencies and ensuring parents’ and young people’s views influence local policy and practice.

What you can expect from the team:
- a response to enquiries by phone, email or letter within five working days
- the team telephone line will be open between 9am and 5pm, or if the phone is busy you will be able to leave a message on the confidential answer phone
- regular sessions held during term time where parents can make an appointment or drop in to meet them to discuss education, health or social care issues
- annual secondary transfer events and information sessions held for parents and young people
- information sessions held for parents and young people
- advice and support for parents and young people with admission appeals for primary and secondary school.

Southwark Information, Advice and Support Team
This service is free to all parents and young people who live in Southwark and have a child aged 0 to 25 years with special educational needs and/or disabilities.

☎ 020 7525 3104
✉ sias@southwark.gov.uk

School preference advice
This service is free to all parents who live in Southwark and need advice and support with the school application process for both secondary and primary. The team will also take referrals from professionals working with parents who feel that they need more support with the process.

☎ 020 7525 5211
✉ sias@southwark.gov.uk

Special educational needs and disabilities team
Further information on the admissions process for children with statements of special educational needs or Education, Health and Care Plans can be obtained by contacting Southwark Council’s special educational needs and disabilities team directly.

☎ 020 7525 4278
✉ sen@southwark.gov.uk
✉ www.southwark.gov.uk/sen

Southwark’s Local Offer provides information about the services and opportunities available locally to children, young people and their families.
Please visit us at www.localoffer.southwark.gov.uk or contact Southwark IAS if you prefer to speak to one of the team.

☎ 0207 525 3104
✉ localoffer@southwark.gov.uk
✉ www.localoffer.southwark.gov.uk
✉ @localofferswk
The schools

Please note, the published admission numbers (PAN) stated on each school’s page relate to the 2016/17 academic year and are correct at the time of publication. However, the PANs may be subject to change.
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**ORS All Saints Academy**

**Church of England academy (mixed)**

**Headteacher:** Ms Lucy Frame

**DfE number:** 210/4001

**Address:** Wyndham Road, SE5 0UB

**Telephone:** 020 7450 5959

**Website:** www.arkallsaintsacademy.org

**Email:** info@arkallsaintsacademy.org

**Total wheelchair access**

**Age range:** 11 to 18 (Sixth form – opens in September 2018)

**Published admissions number:** 120

**Nearest station:** Oval

**Bus routes:** 68, 185, 436, P5, 12, 45, 35, 40, 42, 148, 171, 176, 468, 36

**Supplementary information form required:** No

**Specialisms:** Maths

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**Oversubscription criteria 2016 (summary)**

*contact academy for full criteria*

Where the number of applications for admission is greater than the published admissions number, after the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan or a statement of special educational needs where ARK All Saints Academy is named on the plan or statement, the criteria will be applied in the order in which they are set out below:

1. looked after children and children who were looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence/special guardianship order).

2. children of staff at the school where there is a demonstrable skills shortage

3. children who have a sibling who already attends the school and who will continue to do so on the date of admission (for this purpose, sibling means a whole, half or step-brother or step-sister resident at the same address)

4. children of staff in the school – where there is no demonstrable skill shortage, priority may be given where the academy is oversubscribed to a child of a person who will have been employed in the academy for two or more years at the time the application is made

5. distance measurement by a straight line route. A child’s home will be the address at which the child normally resides and which has been notified to the academy and other relevant agencies as being the child’s normal place of residence.
Oversubscription criteria 2016 (summary)  
contact academy for full criteria

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan or a statement of special educational needs where the academy is named on the plan or statement, the remaining places will then be offered in the following order of priority:

1. looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence or special guardianship order)

2. children of staff at the school where there is a demonstrable skill shortage

3. children who have a sibling who already attends the school and who will continue to do so on the date of admission (for this purpose sibling means a whole, half or step brother or step sister resident at the same address)

4. children of staff in the school – where there is no demonstrable skill shortage, priority may be given where the academy is oversubscribed to a child of a person who will have been employed in the academy for two or more years at the time the application is made

5. distance measurement by a straight line route. A child’s home will be the address at which the child normally resides and which has been notified to the academy and other relevant agencies as being the child’s normal place of residence.

This school keeps a waiting list to fill any casual vacancies occurring if students leave during the academic year or withdraw from a place that has been offered.
Oversubscription criteria 2016 (summary)  
contact academy for full criteria

If the college is oversubscribed the area served by the college is divided into an inner and an outer catchment area. 135 (75 per cent) of the available places will be allocated to applicants living in the inner area and 45 (25 per cent) to applicants living in the outer area.

All applicants must take a reasoning test which will be used to place each applicant into an ability band within their catchment area, each containing, as far as possible, the same number of applicants. Within each of these bands applicants will be considered for admission in accordance with the criteria below, applied in order.

After places have been allocated to children with an Education, Health and Care Plan or a statement of special educational needs, the remaining places within each catchment area band will be allocated in the following order of priority:

1. looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence or special guardianship order)

2. random allocation within each ability band.

This process will be supervised by a person independent of the college.
### Oversubscription criteria 2016 (summary)

**contact school for full criteria**

When the Compass School is oversubscribed, after the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan or a statement of special educational needs where the school is named in the plan or statement, priority for admission will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below, in priority order:

1. looked after children and previously looked after children who ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence or special guardianship order)

2. children who have a sibling (full, half, step, fostered or adopted brother or sister) already attending the school at the time of the admission

3. children eligible for the Pupil Premium

4. geographical proximity to the school, as measured from the child’s home to the front gates of the school in a straight line.

If in categories 1 to 4 above, a tie break is necessary to determine which child is admitted, random allocation will be used.
All applicants must take a non-verbal reasoning (NVR) test that places them in a rank order. This will take place on Friday 11 December 2015. We will then place all applicants in one of nine ability bands, where ability is referenced to the national ability profile. After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan or a statement of special educational needs where the academy is named on the plan or statement, applicants will be considered for admission within each of the nine bands in accordance with the criteria below:

1. looked after children in public care and children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence or special guardianship order)

2. students for whom admission to the academy is essential because of significant medical/social needs. All applications under this criterion must be supported with relevant written evidence from a doctor or social worker

3. students whose siblings currently attend the academy and who will continue to do so on the date of admission

4. girls who are in attendance at Harris Primary Academy Peckham Park

5. proximity of students’ permanent address to the academy using straight line, computer calculated measurements.

Students who have not taken the banding test (apart from looked after children and previously looked after children who must always be given priority) will be considered after students who have sat the banding test. They will be prioritised on the basis of criteria two, three and four (in order). All applicants will be offered fair access to the test and reminded of the dates, times and locations available to sit the test.
Oversubscription criteria 2016 (summary)
contact academy for full criteria

We will offer a place to students whose Education, Health and Care Plan or statement of special educational need specifically names Harris Academy Peckham (maximum five per cent of intake) and looked after children.

We will apply a banding system for the remaining places, as follows:

All applicants must take a non verbal reasoning test (NVR) that places them in a rank order.

We will then place all applicants in one of five ability bands, each containing, as far as possible, the same number of children based on their performance in the NVR. This ensures that the ability profile of our intake reflects the range of all applicants.

Within each of the five bands, we have the following categories and offer places in priority order as listed below:

1. looked after students in public care and children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence or special guardianship order)

2. students with significant medical or social needs supported by professional evidence

3. siblings, defined as brothers or sisters of students who are on roll at the academy at the time of admission

4. students who are in attendance at Harris Primary Academy, Peckham Park and Harris Primary Free School, Peckham

5. proximity of the child’s permanent address to the school – closest first. The distance which determines how close a student lives to the academy is the straight line measurement from the main entrance of the student’s permanent address to the main entrance of the academy

6. if at the end of the process two or more applicants are tied for last place and it is not possible to decide who is allocated the place using the criteria above, the place will be decided by random allocation, independently verified.
Oversubscription criteria 2016 (summary)
contact academy for full criteria

The Harris Boys’ Academy East Dulwich, will consider all applications for places from boys. Where fewer than 150 applications are received, the academy will offer places to all those who have applied.

The academy will admit students representing all levels of ability among applicants for admission to the academy. All applicants will take a non verbal reasoning test, which will be standardised against the national distribution of ability. Then students will be placed in rank order and will be allocated to one of nine groups.

Where the number of applications for admission is greater than the published admissions number, and after the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan or a statement of special educational needs where the academy is named on the plan or statement, applications will be considered against the criteria set out below to rank in each group.

1. looked after boys and previously looked after boys who ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence or special guardianship order)
2. boys for whom it is essential that they be admitted to the academy because of significant medical or social needs
3. boys who, on the date of their proposed admission, will have a brother who will then be a student at Harris Boys’ Academy East Dulwich
4. nearest to the academy, as calculated by straight line distance from the students home to the front door of the academy.

Students who have not taken the banding test (apart from looked after children or those with an Education, Health and Care Plan or a statement of special educational needs who must always be given priority) will be considered after students who have sat the banding test.
Oversubscription criteria 2016 (summary)
contact academy for full criteria

Applications for children with an Education, Health and Care Plan or a statement of special educational needs are considered under a separate process. The allocation of the remaining places will take place under a framework of fair banding where all applicants will undertake a non-verbal reasoning test. These applicants will be placed in nine ability bands depending on the score an applicant achieves. This process is to ensure a comprehensive intake into the academy. The criteria to allocate places within each band will be applied in the order set out below. It should be noted, however, that places are awarded first to students who have attended the academy’s testing session.

1. looked after children and previously looked after children. Such students will be given top priority in each band before the oversubscription criteria is applied

2. girls for whom it is essential that they be admitted to the academy because of significant medical or social needs, evidenced by written evidence from a professional such as a doctor or social worker

3. girls who, on the date of their proposed admission, will have a sister who will then be a student at Harris Girls’ Academy, East Dulwich. A student’s sister is defined for this purpose as a natural or adopted sister, or half sister, who will be living with the student at the same address on the date of their entry to the academy

4. one third of the remaining places available in each band (rounded up to the next whole number) will then be allocated to those living nearest to the academy as calculated by straight line distance from the student’s home to the road junction of Shelbury Road and Colyton Road and living no more than 1 kilometre away from that point. Any applicants not allocated a place on this basis will be added to those awaiting random allocation as set out in 5 below. Any places not filled by this distance criteria will also be added to the available places in each band to be filled by random allocation

5. remaining students who have sat the admissions test and have not been allocated a place will be selected for a place in each band through a random allocation procedure until each band is full. Should any band not be full at the end of this process, students from the nearest adjacent band will be allocated using random allocation to fill the unallocated places, alternating between the band above and below. The random allocation will be verified by a person independent of the academy who will certify that it has been carried out properly and fairly.

Please note, the determined admission arrangements 2016 for Harris Girls’ Academy East Dulwich are currently being reviewed by the Office of the Schools Adjudicator and may be subject to change. Please contact the academy for further information.
If there are more applicants than the number of places available, the following oversubscription criteria will be applied.

Applicants will be placed in one of three ability bands according to their test scores, including those with an Education, Health and Care Plan or a statement of special educational needs that names the school, in accordance with the School Admissions Code 2014. Places within each band will be allocated in the following order of priority:

1. children in public care (looked after children) or children who were looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence or special guardianship order)

2. children who satisfy our scholarship criteria based on aptitude for music or sport. Please refer to scholarship oversubscription criteria for more information

3. children who will have brothers or sisters attending the school at their time of entry

4. where professional evidence indicates that there are particular psychological, medical or social needs which the school’s learning support faculty agrees can best be addressed at the school

5. random allocation within each ability band. This process will be supervised by a person not employed by the school.
Oversubscription criteria 2016 (summary) contact school for full criteria

Where the number of applications exceeds 124, the governors will offer places using the criteria in the order stated below:

1. looked after Roman Catholic girls or looked after girls in the care of Roman Catholic families and previously looked after Roman Catholic girls who ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence or special guardianship order)

2. baptised Roman Catholic girls. Evidence of baptism will be required. Applications in this category will then be placed within the following sub categories, based on religious practice, age at baptism and whether the applicant attends a feeder school (see table 1 overleaf)

3. girls who are catechumens or candidates - evidence will be required

4. other looked after children, or children who were looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a residence/special guardianship order)

5. girls who are baptised members of an Orthodox Christian Church. Evidence of baptism will be required

6. girls who are members of other Christian denominations that are part of Churches Together in England. To demonstrate membership, applicants will need to provide evidence of baptism (where applicable) and evidence from the priest or minister of a designated place of worship

7. girls who are members of other Christian denominations who are not affiliated to Churches Together in England. To demonstrate membership, applicants will need to provide evidence of baptism (where applicable) and evidence from the priest or minister of a designated place of worship

8. girls of other faiths whose membership to that faith can be confirmed by a priest, minister or religious leader of a designated place of worship

9. any other girls.

The following order of priorities will be applied when applications within any of the above categories or sub categories exceed the places available and it is necessary to decide between applications.

i. The attendance of a sister or sisters at the school at the time of admission (natural sisters, step sisters, adopted and foster sisters). This does not include other relatives e.g. cousins.
ii. Exceptional social, medical or pastoral need of the child which can be met most appropriately at this school.

iii. Age of child at baptism.

iv. Distance from home to school. Places will be offered to girls living nearest the school using a straight line measurement from the front door of the applicant home to the main gate of the school.

1. Baptised Roman Catholic girls

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Oversubscription criteria 2016 (summary)
contact school for full criteria

Whenever there are more applications than places available, priority will be given to baptised Catholic applicants in accordance with the oversubscription criteria listed below.

At any time where there are more applications for places than the number of places available, places will be offered according to the following order of priority:

1. looked after Catholic children or looked after children in the care of Catholic families and previously looked after Catholic children who ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence or special guardianship order)

2. children who, together with one or both parents, are baptised, practising members of the Catholic Church and who attend one of the following local Catholic primary schools: St Joseph’s Junior, Camberwell; English Martyrs’, Walworth; St James the Great, Peckham; St Francis, Peckham; St Francesca, Honor Oak; St Anthony’s, East Dulwich; St George’s Cathedral, Southwark; St Helen’s, Brixton; St Anne’s, Vauxhall; and are resident in the Camberwell, Cathedral or Lambeth Deaneries. Maps showing deanery boundaries can be viewed

3. children, who together with one or both parents are baptised, practising members of the Catholic Church and are resident in the Camberwell, Cathedral or Lambeth Deaneries

4. children who are baptised members of the Catholic Church and are resident in the Camberwell, Cathedral or Lambeth Deaneries

5. children who are baptised members of the Catholic Church

6. other looked after children, or children who were looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or become subject to a child arrangement/residence/special guardianship order)

7. children who are baptised members of Historic Eastern Churches

8. children who are members of churches that are part of Churches Together in England

9. any other applicants.

Where the offer of places to all the applicants in any of the categories listed previously would lead to oversubscription, the following provisions will be applied in each of the previous categories in order of priority:

i. the attendance of a brother(s) or sister(s) at the school at the time of admission
ii. pupils who are currently attending one of the following local Catholic primary schools, St Joseph’s Junior, Camberwell; English Martyrs’, Walworth; St James the Great, Peckham; St Francis, Peckham; St Francesca, Honor Oak; St Anthony’s, East Dulwich; St George’s Cathedral, Southwark; St Helen’s, Brixton; St Anne’s, Vauxhall

iii. the deaneries would be prioritised in the following order – Camberwell, Cathedral and Lambeth

iv. exceptional social or medical need of the child, which can be most appropriately met at this school. Written evidence from a professional must be provided

v. where the offer of places to all the applicants in any of the sub categories listed above would still lead to oversubscription, the places up to the admission number will be offered to those living nearest the school.
### Oversubscription criteria 2016 (summary)

**contact school for full criteria**

Where the number of applications exceeds 125, the governors will offer places using the following criteria in the order stated:

1. **looked after Catholic children** or looked after children in the care of Catholic families, previously looked after Catholic children or previously looked after children in the care of Catholic families but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order)

2. **baptised Catholic children**. Evidence of Baptism will be required. Applications in this category will then be placed in sub categories, based on the level and length of the family’s Mass attendance on Sundays and whether the applicant attends a feeder school. Evidence must be provided by the parent/guardian and be endorsed by a priest at the church(es) where the family normally worship or have worshipped

3. **children enrolled in the catechumenate**. Evidence of enrolment in the catechumenate or attendance at RCIC programme will be required

4. **other looked after children** or previously looked after children that ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order)

5. **children who are members of Eastern Orthodox Churches**. Evidence of Baptism will be required

6. **children of families who are members of other Christian denominations that are part of Churches Together in England**. Evidence of Baptism or dedication (where applicable) and confirmation of membership from a priest or minister of a designated place of worship must be submitted

7. **children of other faiths and whose membership to that faith can be confirmed by a priest, minister or religious leader of a designated place of worship**

8. **any other children**.

The following order of priorities will be applied in turn when applications within any of the above categories or subcategories exceed the places available and it is necessary to decide between applications.

i. **Attendance of a sibling on the college roll at the time of admission**. Evidence of the relationship may be required.

ii. **Exceptional social, medical or pastoral needs which can be met most appropriately at this college**. Strong and relevant written evidence must be provided by an appropriate professional authority indicating why the college is most suitable (e.g. qualified medical practitioner, education welfare officer, social worker or Catholic priest).

iii. **Distance from home to college**. Places will be offered to applicants living nearest to the college in a straight line measurement using a geographical computerised information system. Distance is measured from the Llewellyn Street entrance of the College to the residence, using the postcode. Where the last remaining place is to be allocated and two or more applicants are deemed to live at the same distance from the college, the place will be decided by the drawing of lots.
**St Saviour’s and St Olave’s School**

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<td>🏡 New Kent Road, SE1 4AN</td>
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**Oversubscription criteria 2016 (summary)**

**contact school for full criteria**

The governors’ admission policy recognises that this is a Church of England school. It makes provision for the admission of girls from practising Christian families. It also provides for the admission of girls from families committed to other faiths, or to none, who wish their daughter to be educated in a school with a Christian ethos. There are three categories of places. Looked after children and previously looked after children will be given priority in each admission category.

1. **Foundation places (70)**
   - 70 places each year will be offered to girls who satisfy the following criteria in order of priority:
   - (i) Girls who themselves and/or whose parent/carer can show that they are a regular worshipper at an Anglican church at least fortnightly for at least two years prior to application. Evidence of church commitment from the parish priest or similar church leader will be required.
   - (ii) Girls who themselves and/or whose parent/carer can show that they are a regular worshipper at a Christian church (i.e. recognised by the Churches Together in England or the Evangelical Alliance) at least fortnightly for at least two years prior to application. Evidence of church commitment from the minister will be required.
   - Within categories (i) and (ii) priority will be given according to the following criteria:
     1. Those whose sisters attend the school at the time of admission.
     2. Those who attend feeder primary schools.

2. **Open places (37)**
   - 37 places will be offered to girls who are not eligible for foundation places. Where there is oversubscription, the criteria below will be applied:
     - (i) Those whose sisters attend the school at the time of admission.
     - (ii) Those who attend feeder primary schools.
     - (iii) Nearness from home to the school, measured in a straight line.

3. **15 per cent ability places (18)**
   - In order to achieve a balanced intake, 18 places will be offered to girls who score highest on the school’s general ability test. To be considered for an ability place, parents/carers must complete and return the school’s supplementary information form. Parents/carers are also advised to apply for either a foundation or open place so that in the event they are not offered an ability place, their child can be considered under their alternative chosen category.

**Tie break**

If two or more applicants have equal right to a place under any of the criteria for either foundation or open places and there are insufficient places, distance will be used to decide between applicants. If applicants are equidistant from the school, the governing body will draw lots to decide.

For full details of the oversubscription criteria for 2016, please contact the school directly.
St Thomas the Apostle College

Roman Catholic voluntary aided school (boys)  
Age range: 11 to 18 (sixth form – yes)

Executive Headteacher: Mr S E Cefai MA, NPQH  
Published admissions number: 152

Headteacher: Mr E Connolly B.ENG Hon  
Nearest station: Queens Road, Nunhead and New Cross Gate

DfE number: 210/5402  
Bus routes: 36, 136, 171, 177, 78, P12, P13

Hollydale Rd, SE15 2EB  
Supplementary information form required: Yes

020 7639 0106  
Specialisms: Maths and computing

www.stac.uk.com  

enquiries@stac.southwark.sch.uk  

Total wheelchair access

Oversubscription criteria 2016 (summary)  
contact school for full criteria

The full criteria is available in the application pack, but a summary is outlined below:

1. looked after Catholic children or looked after children in the care of Catholic families and previously looked after Catholic children who ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence or special guardianship order)

2. applicants who, together with one or both parents, are baptised, practising members of the Catholic Church and who attend a Catholic primary school

3. applicants who, together with one or both parents, are baptised, practising members of the Catholic Church, who are on a waiting list of a Catholic primary school and who have been in this country for less than two years or who have moved into the area in the past two years having previously been at a Catholic primary school

4. applicants who, together with one or both parents, are baptised, practising members of the Catholic Church and have made their first Holy Communion

5. applicants who are baptised members of the Catholic Church.

If there are more applications than places, we will always give priority to Catholic applicants in accordance with the oversubscription criteria listed above.

All applicants must declare their positive support for the college aims and ethos. The governing body has responsibility for admissions to this college, and intends to admit 152 pupils to Year 7.

If the offer of places to all the applicants in any of the categories listed above leads to oversubscription we will consider the frequency of church attendance by the applicant together with one or both parents, the number of years the family has been attending church regularly, and the age of the applicant at baptism and first Holy Communion.

Tie break
If the offer of places to all the applicants in any of the categories listed above would still lead to oversubscription, we will offer places up to the admission number to those living nearest the college.
The Charter School

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**Oversubscription criteria 2016 (summary)**

Contact academy for full criteria

If there are more applications than places available, The Charter School will allocate places in the following order of priority:

1. looked after children, or children who were looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or become subject to a child arrangement/residence/special guardianship order)

2. children with exceptional medical, psychological or social needs which means that the school is the most suitable to best address their needs

3. children who will have siblings attending the school at the time of their entry

4. children living nearest to the school measured by the shortest safe walking distance.
The Charter School East Dulwich

Free school - opening in September 2016

Headteacher: Alex Crossman

DfE number: 210/4003

c/o The Charter School, Red Post Hill, SE24 9JH*

020 7346 6600

www.chartereastdulwich.org.uk

enquiries@chartereastdulwich.org.uk

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Age range: 11 to 19

Published admissions number: 120

Supplementary information form required: No

Specialisms: None

*(temporary postal address)

Oversubscription criteria 2016 (summary) contact school for full criteria

When The Charter School East Dulwich is oversubscribed, after the admission of children with an Education, Health and Care Plan naming the school, priority for admission will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below, in priority order:

1. looked after children and children who were previously looked after but immediately after becoming subject to adoption, a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order

2. children with a sibling already enrolled in The Charter School East Dulwich

3. children with exceptional medical, psychological or social needs which are best met by The Charter School East Dulwich

4. other children living closest to the school using a straight line measurement. The distance from each child’s home to the school will be measured using the computerised Geographical Information System (GIS). A centroid (centre point) supplied by Ordnance Survey determines the start point of the home address. The finish point is the nodal point at the Jarvis Road entrance to the site.

The Charter School East Dulwich is a new free school opening in September 2016 and will be accepting direct applications from parents/carers from 1 September 2015. If you are interested in your child attending the school, please visit their website at www.chartereastdulwich.org.uk to complete an online expression of interest form. Alternatively, you can print a copy of the form or contact the school to have one posted to you.

Please note, you may submit an expression of interest to The Charter School East Dulwich, in addition to the six preferences you are able to make using Southwark’s online application.
The City of London Academy

Academy (mixed)  Age range: 11 to 19 (sixth form – yes)
Headteacher: Mr Richard Bannister MA  Published admissions number: 240
DfE number: 210/6905  Nearest station: Bermondsey, South Bermondsey
Address: 240 Lynton Road, SE1 5LA  Bus routes: P12 and 381
Phone: 020 7394 5100  Supplementary information form required: Yes
Email: info@cityacademy.co.uk  (information technology specialism applicants only).
Website: www.cityacademy.co.uk  Specialisms: Information technology and sport

Oversubscription criteria 2016 (summary)
contact the academy for full criteria

In the event of oversubscription the following arrangements will apply:

1. applicants who are looked after, having regard to any collective agreement operated by Southwark Council over the admission of looked after children. This also includes children who were looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or become subject to a child arrangement/residence/special guardianship order)

A banding system is adopted for the remaining places. Each applicant will be required to take a non verbal reasoning test which places the applicant in a rank order

Those pupils (maximum 24) selected on the basis of assessed aptitude for the information technology specialism will be excluded from the rank order list and admitted

The remaining applicants will then be placed in one of five bands based on their performance in the test. Places will be allocated so that an equivalent number of applicants are admitted from each band. Applicants will be admitted according to the criteria listed below in the order listed:

2. eligible applicants residing in our catchment area in the City of London (this is currently estimated as a maximum of 30 applicants)

3. eligible applicants residing in our catchment area in Southwark, and where there are more such applicants than places, according to the following criteria listed in priority order:

4. siblings of Year 7 to 11 pupils already attending the academy

5. children with special medical or social needs which the academy is best placed to meet (backed up by professional advice from the health authority and/or social services on why the academy is necessary)

6. children attending Redriff Primary School

7. children who live nearest to the academy, measured by the shortest safe walking distance from their normal family home to the corner of Lynton Road and St James’s Road by the main academy building

8. eligible applicants residing outside of the catchment areas and where there are more applicants than places available – children attending the Sir John Cass’s VA Foundation Primary School in the City of London will be given priority.

SEN admissions
Applicants with an Education, Health and Care Plan or a statement of special educational needs which appropriately names the academy will be admitted, subject to separate arrangements.
Oversubscription criteria (summary) 2016
contact academy for full criteria

Where the number of applications for admission is greater than the number of places available the governors will apply the following oversubscription criteria. After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan or a statement of special educational needs and where the academy is named on the plan or statement the criteria will be applied in the order in which they are set out below:

1. looked after children and children who were looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement/residence/special guardianship order)

2. children who are eligible for the pupil premium

3. children for whom it is essential that they be admitted to the academy because of a significant medical or social need

4. siblings of pupils who will be registered pupils of the academy on the first day of term where the applicant pupil would be joining the school

5. children who live nearest to the school using a straight line measurement from the main entrance of the academy to the main entrance of the child's home. A child's home is considered to be the child's permanent residence. If custody of a child is shared, the address given should be that of the parent or carer with whom the child spends most of the school week

6. children of staff employed for at least two years at the academy or recruited to meet a skills shortage.

All applicants will take a standardised non verbal reasoning test which will be used to place each applicant into an appropriate group.
Oversubscription criteria 2016 (summary)

Where the number of applications for admission is greater than the admissions number, applications will be considered against the criteria set out below. After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan or a statement of special educational needs where the academy is named on the plan or statement, the criteria will be applied in the following order:

1. looked after children, or children who were looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or become subject to a child arrangement/residence/special guardianship order)

2. children of staff at the school where there is a demonstrable skill shortage

3. children who have a sibling who already attends the school and who will continue to do so on the date of admission (for this purpose siblings means a whole, half or step brother or step sister resident at the same address)

4. children of staff in the school – where there is no demonstrable skill shortage, priority may be given where the academy is oversubscribed to a child of a person who will have been employed in the academy for two or more years at the time the application is made

5. distance measurement by a straight line route. A child’s home will be the address at which the child normally resides and which has been notified to the academy and other relevant agencies as being the child’s normal place of residence.
In year applications are places applied for outside of the secondary transfer process and starting reception class. Please read below for information on how to apply for an in year place for your child.

Families applying for a place in Southwark schools must complete the Southwark in year application form. Completed forms are to be returned to: School admissions team (4th floor), Hub 2, children's services, Southwark Council, PO Box 64529, London SE1P 5LX or by email to inyear.admissions@southwark.gov.uk.

However, Southwark families applying to transfer their child from one Southwark school to another Southwark school must return their completed form directly to the school they are applying to.

Families applying for a school place outside of Southwark are to contact the relevant local authority to enquire about applying for places in their area.

The in year form is available to download at www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions
Alternatively, you can request the form by calling 020 7525 5337.

Families who are applying for a voluntary aided (church) school, academy, foundation or free school must contact the school directly to ask if they require families to complete a supplementary information form (SIF). All completed SIFs must be returned directly to the school of application.

For further information about in year admissions please visit www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions
Early help service

In order for young people to get the best out of their education it is important that they attend school regularly, they arrive on time, and that they get the right support to help them reach their potential. The early help service is available through Southwark’s schools to provide some of this support.

School attendance

The early help service monitors school attendance and exclusions and helps schools and parents meet their legal responsibilities. Our officers work closely with schools to improve levels of attendance and behaviour, and will always try to work in partnership with parents to resolve any difficulties.

If your child is too unwell to attend school, you should contact the school straight away and tell the school when you expect them to return.

The council and government expect that parents will not disrupt children’s education by taking them on holiday during the school term. Headteachers may authorise up to ten days of absence in exceptional circumstances. If permission is not given and a family goes on holiday they risk a penalty notice and a fine of £60 per parent. In addition, if your child is absent for more than ten days without the headteacher’s agreement, you may risk losing the school place. Please speak to the school before making your travel arrangements.

You can contact Southwark Council’s early help service direct by contacting the duty desk on 020 7525 2714 between 9am and 5pm, Monday to Friday, where you will be able to arrange an appointment to see an officer or have a telephone discussion.

Child employment

National regulations and local bylaws protect children from harm and exploitation through unsuitable employment. For advice and applications for work permits and chaperone licences, please contact Southwark Council’s child employment team on 020 7525 2702.

Safeguarding your child

Schools and Southwark Council have a legal duty to safeguard pupils and promote their welfare and wellbeing through effective links with parents and carers. They must consider reporting any unexplained injuries, unusual behaviour or worrying things said by or about the child and will not take risks with the safety or welfare of your child.

- Good communication is very important between home and school about any accidents, illness or upset that might be affecting your child.
- If you cannot collect your child from school on time, you must contact the school as soon as possible.
- You must give your child’s school your contact details and details of a relative or friend who is willing to act as an emergency contact.
- A referral to children’s social care will not normally be made without discussing this with you first but please make sure that the school knows how to contact you.
- If you think that your child is being bullied by other children (including upsetting text messages or via the internet) you must report this to their teacher, head of year, form tutor or class teacher.
Exclusions
A headteacher may exclude a child in response to serious breaches of the school’s disciplinary procedures. Advice for parents regarding exclusions is available from Southwark Council’s pupil inclusion coordinator (exclusions) on 020 7525 7190/2699.

Private fostering
If you are looking after a child or young person who is not a close relative for 28 days or more, you must inform Southwark Council on 020 7525 1921. They will make sure that you and the child are given support and will also be able to tell you about other services which might be helpful.

Education when away from school
Schools have to provide continued education for any pupil who is unable to attend school for a period of up to 15 school days. Your child’s school will make arrangements for setting and marking school work to do at home. However, you must first contact the school to put these arrangements in place. If your child is likely to be out of school for more than 15 school days, tuition will need to be provided in your home. The school or parent must inform Southwark Council in writing as soon as it is known that the absence is likely to be more than 15 days. Evidence relating to the child’s absence must also be supplied from the child’s GP, consultant or social worker confirming that the pupil is unable to attend school.
Pupil benefits: a quick reference guide

Clothing grants

Clothing grants, worth £45, are for children who are moving from primary school to secondary school (not including independent schools). They are available to families in receipt of one of the following benefits below. In addition we also require proof of child benefit in order to process the clothing grant.

Free school meals

Your child may be entitled to a free school lunch each day if they go to a state maintained school in Southwark and you, the parent or carer, are in receipt of the following benefits:

- Income support
- Jobseeker’s allowance (income based)
- Child tax credit – provided you are not entitled to working tax credit
- State pension – this benefit must be your sole source of income
- Employment Support Allowance (ESA)
- Support under Part IV of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

Please contact your child’s school directly for an application form.

Free travel

All pupils attending Southwark schools will be eligible to travel on London buses free of charge, some may choose to walk or cycle to and from school. If you have accepted a place at the nearest school available to you and none of these travel options are reasonable or you meet one of the criteria set out in our school travel assistance policy, we may consider additional travel support.

For further information and to view our school travel assistance policy visit:

- www.southwark.gov.uk/schooltransport
- pupil.benefits@southwark.gov.uk
to request a copy.

All children under 16 (and under 18 in full time education) can travel for free on London buses. All children aged 14 and 15 will need an Oyster photocard to travel for free, these are available from Post Offices and many local shops. Contact Transport for London for more information on free travel on London buses for under 16s on:

- 0343 222 1234
- www.tfl.gov.uk

For school meals and clothing allowance information, you can speak with the school office or contact Southwark Council’s pupil benefits team on:

- 020 7525 5051
- pupil.benefits@southwark.gov.uk
Useful contacts

Customer service centre
☎ csc@southwark.gov.uk
✉ 020 7525 5000

Early help service
🌐 www.southwark.gov.uk/ICSS
✉ earlyhelp@southwark.gov.uk
☎ 020 7525 4780/2714

Family Information Service
For a full listing of nurseries, after school clubs and services
🌐 www.southwark.gov.uk/familyinfo
✉ family.info@southwark.gov.uk
☎ 0800 013 0639

Libraries
🌐 www.southwark.gov.uk/libraries
✉ southwark.libraries@southwark.gov.uk
☎ 020 7525 2000

Pupil benefits team
🌐 www.southwark.gov.uk/pupilbenefits
✉ pupil.benefits@southwark.gov.uk
☎ 020 7525 5051

School admissions team (4th floor), Hub 2
Children’s services
Southwark Council
PO Box 64529
London SE1P 5LX
🌐 www.southwark.gov.uk/schooladmissions
✉ schools.admissions@southwark.gov.uk
☎ 020 7525 5337

Southwark Information, Advice and Support Team
✉ sias@southwark.gov.uk
☎ 020 7525 3104

Special educational needs and disabilities team
🌐 www.southwark.gov.uk/sen
✉ sen@southwark.gov.uk
☎ 020 7525 4278

Other organisations

Advisory Centre for Education (ACE)
Advice on exclusion, bullying, special educational needs and appeals etc
72 Durnsford Road
London N11 2EJ
🌐 www.ace-ed.org.uk
✉ enquiries@ace-ed.org.uk
☎ 020 8888 3377

Department for Education (DfE)
National government information on education (correspondence address)
Piccadilly Gate
Store Street
Manchester, M1 2WD
🌐 www.education.gov.uk
☎ 0370 000 2288

Direct Gov
Public services all in one place
🌐 www.gov.uk/browse/education
Independent Schools Council
Promotes choice, diversity and excellence in education
🌐 www.isc.co.uk
📞 020 7766 7070

Local Government Ombudsman
If you have a complaint about the council (correspondence address)
PO Box 4771
Coventry CV4 0EH
🌐 www.lgo.org.uk
📞 0300 061 0614

Southwark Diocesan Board of Education
(Church of England)
48 Union Street
London SE1 1TD
📞 020 7234 9200

Southwark Schools Commission
(Roman Catholic)
St Edward’s House
St Paul’s Wood Hill
Orpington BR5 2SR
📞 01689 982 9331

Office of the Schools Adjudicator
For complaints/concerns with admission arrangements
3rd Floor, Bishopsgate House
Feethams
Darlington DL1 5QE
🌐 www.education.gov.uk/schoolsadjudicator/
✉️ osa.team@osa.gsi.gov.uk
📞 01325 735 303

Transport for London
Information on transport
🌐 www.tfl.gov.uk
📞 0343 222 1234

Schools outside of Southwark
You must always complete the application form for the borough in which you live. You can apply for up to six schools (excluding independent schools) whether they are in Southwark or in another borough.

For further information about schools in other boroughs please contact them directly using the list below.

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