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To all parents of Year 6 children attending a Barnet primary school

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**Dear Parent** 

## **TRANSFER TO SECONDARY SCHOOL 2018**

The leaflets that you have been given by your child's primary school explain how to apply for a secondary school place.

Before you begin your application, please download the booklet 'A Guide to Secondary Education in Barnet' from <u>www.barnet.gov.uk/schooladmissions</u>. The guide will give you all the information you need to know about the secondary transfer process.

Parents of children in Year 6 who have a statement of Special Educational Needs (SEN) or an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHC) will receive information about their arrangements for transfer from the SEN Team and will complete a different form.

When you are deciding which schools to apply for, do take time to look at the admissions criteria for each school, as these are the rules that will be used to decide how places will be allocated. If you think that your application will be considered under a distance criterion, you should check to see if your home address falls within the usual allocation area. Further information about our schools, or schools outside Barnet, can be found on the individual school's website. We recommend that you attend the open evenings for the schools you are interested in to help you decide which schools you prefer.

You must submit **one** application to your home council to apply to all schools (except private schools) whether the school is within or outside Barnet. The application must be made online at <u>www.eadmissions.org.uk</u>. Parents wishing to apply for a place at Saracens High School, which plans to open in Colindale in 2018, can apply for a place on the Parent Portal at <u>https://enrol.barnet.gov.uk/website/default.aspx</u>.

If you need help and support to complete your application form, please telephone the School Admissions Customer Contact Centre on 020 8359 7651. We will also be holding regular Admissions Surgeries at Burnt Oak Library to help parents, further details will be available on our website soon <u>www.barnet.gov.uk/schooladmissions</u>.

The deadline for submitting your application is **Tuesday 31 October 2017**. If you submit your application after the deadline, it will be considered after all applications that were received by the closing date and you will not receive an outcome email on National Offer Day, 1 March 2018. However, if there is a good reason why you could not return your





application by 31 October, it may be considered as 'on time' if it is received by **Friday 8 December 2017** and the reason for the lateness is fully explained on the Reason for Late Application form and accepted by the Local Authority.

Some schools, usually faith schools or selective schools, will also require you to complete a Supplementary Information Form (SIF) **in addition** to the e-admissions form. These will be available at the open evenings. For further information, please refer to the individual school pages in the booklet and to the booklets published by other local authorities if applicable.

If you have any queries about the process, please contact the School Admissions Customer Contact Centre before you submit your application on 020 8359 7651 or send an email to school.admissions@barnet.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

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