



Secondary Transfer and The Isle of Wight Residential 2024

Deciding on a School



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Primary School

- ▶ Best Interests of YOUR child. Where is your child going to **thrive**?
- ▶ What school is best going to meet their needs?
- ▶ What school can offer your child a curriculum and a learning approach which will fit with them?
- ▶ School Ethos
- ▶ SEN
- ▶ Clubs, activities
- ▶ Travel implications and costs
- ▶ Children can often do very well in schools we didn't want to send them to and cope with what we didn't think they would.
- ▶ The majority however end up where we hope and equally succeed there too.

Secondary Transfer

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Secondary school places

Applications are open. Apply by **Tuesday 31 October**.

You must apply for a secondary school place for your child to start year 7 at secondary school. You will need to do this when your child is in year 6 at primary school.

If your child is already at secondary school and you want to move them to a different school you must apply for an [in year admission](#).

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Choose a school



Apply for a school place



Receive your offer



Apply

To apply for a year 7 place complete our online application form.

Please read our [admissions privacy notice](#) before you apply for a school place.

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Secondary Transfer

- ▶ [KCC Secondary School Places](#)
- ▶ Select up to 4 preferences
- ▶ Rank in order of preference
- ▶ Applications for Secondary Transfers open 1 September 2023
- ▶ Applications to be submitted by 31 October 2023

Ranking the Schools

- ▶ a place will be offered at the highest available ranked preference for which they are eligible for a place;
- ▶ and if a place cannot be offered at a school named on the form, a place will be offered at an alternative school.
- ▶ The schools do not know how you ranked them so you could put a grammar first and a high school second
- ▶ Do use all 4 choices

PESE/Secondary Transfer

KCC Secondary School Places

Key Action	Scheme Date
Assessment decision sent to parents	Wednesday 18 October 2023
National closing date for application forms	Tuesday 31 October 2023
National Offer Day: e-mails sent after 4pm and letters sent 1st class	Friday 1 March 2024
Schools send out welcome letters no earlier than	Tuesday 5 March 2024
The date by which places should be accepted or declined to schools.	Friday 15 March 2024
Deadline for lodging appeals	Thursday 28 March 2024



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Grammar or High School

Grammars

- ▶ Tonbridge, Tunbridge Wells and Maidstone
- ▶ You may have to pay for travel
- ▶ They are single sex schools

High Schools

- ▶ Local school is Wrotham
- ▶ In Sevenoaks are Trinity and Knole
- ▶ Others are Hugh Christie in Tonbridge, The Malling School, Aylesford School, Meopham School
- ▶ Church schools are Bennet Memorial and Trinity



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Travel to Secondary School

- ▶ Your child can get free travel if they attend their nearest appropriate school.
- ▶ *While parents are free to name any school they wish during the admissions process, their child will only be eligible for free transport where the school selected is their nearest appropriate school for transport purposes. In other words, while KCC are happy for parents to exercise parental choice in their selection of schools, this may mean forgoing your entitlement to free transport.*
- ▶ If you live more than 3 miles from the school using the shortest available walking route.
- ▶ A walking route can include public footpaths, bridleways, other footpaths as well as recognised roads where they are available.
- ▶ Your nearest suitable school may not always be the school of your choice

- ▶ *Children assessed suitable for a Grammar school do not automatically secure eligibility for transport assistance to a Grammar school. A Grammar school is a parental preference and where it is not the nearest school, there may be no eligibility to receive free transport. All mainstream schools are required to be able to meet the educational needs of children across the mainstream ability range including those in the top 25% of the range. Just as a Grammar school assessment does not guarantee entry into a Grammar school, an offer of a place at a Grammar school does not determine that transport will be provided if an alternative mainstream non-selective school or Academy is closer to a child's home address.*
- ▶ There is assistance available for low income families
- ▶ *Where it is not possible to offer any of a parent's school preferences through the main admissions round, KCC will allocate a place at the next nearest school with an available space. Where this occurs, children will be eligible for free school transport to the allocated school, where it is beyond the statutory distance, if their parent has named their nearest schools, making use of all available preferences. If parent's admission preferences are not expressed in the order outlined above, Kent County Council will not be responsible for providing transport assistance.*

Home to School Transport Guidance 2023/24



POSITION 1

- ▶ I did **not** put my child in for the Kent Test
- ▶ Investigate (visit) all the high schools you can and place the 4 best in order of preference on the SCAF form
- ▶ Complete online by 31st October 2023 and tell the school office you have done so.

POSITION 2

- ▶ I did put my child in for the Kent Test
- ▶ Investigate (visit) all the grammar schools and high schools you can
- ▶ I find out on 18th October that my child is assessed as grammar
- ▶ Kent Test approx. = 332 aggregate, 107+ in all 3
- ▶ If you wish to choose a grammar school education then place the 4 best grammar schools in order of preference on the SCAF form
- ▶ Complete online by 31st October and tell the school office you have done so

POSITION 3

- ▶ I did put my child in for the Kent Test
- ▶ Investigate (visit) all the grammar schools and high schools you can
- ▶ I find out on 18th October that they are assessed as **high**
- ▶ Make an appointment with Mrs Martin or Mrs Quantick if this is the case and then make a decision
- ▶ a) we will accept high school assessment
- ▶ b) we want to appeal for a grammar school

Results day

We can only send this to the email address used to register your child. If you did not provide an email address, we will post your child's result to you on results day by first class post. You can ask your child's primary school for their test scores the day after results go out.

- ▶ To be given a grammar school assessment, **children needed a total score of 332 or more, with no single score lower than 107.**
- ▶ The highest possible total score is 423.
- ▶ Where children have been assessed suitable for grammar school via their local Head Teacher Assessment Panel, their score may be below the 332 total score threshold. Children may also score higher than 332, but still be assessed as suitable for high school in cases where one or more of their individual scores were below 107.
- ▶ Children can of course have a score over the aggregate score, but not scored above the pass mark in all three tests
- ▶ eg $110+120+106=337$ This child has not gained at least 107 in all tests
- ▶ eg $109+109+109=327$ This child has not gained at least above 332 in all tests
- ▶ eg $110+120+109=339$ This child has gained at least 107 in all tests and scored a total above 332

Head teacher's Appeals

- School receives test scores before parents - we can not share these with parents.
- Headteacher appeal if necessary
- Test scores Y5 T5, Y5 T6
- School work/reports Y5 T6, Y6 T1
- Writing task
- Headteacher comments
- Reading ages and assessments Y5 T5, Y5 T6

Parental Appeals

- ▶ The email /letter will indicate suitable for high school or grammar school (H or G)
- ▶ Scores will not be given. Indications of appeals will not be given.
- ▶ This information can be obtained from the Headteacher, the day after you have received the results.
- ▶ If you wish to make a parental appeal to an independent appeal panel, you must wait until a school place has been allocated which is usually in March.
- ▶ You **MUST** accept the place offered at the high school. You can reject it later if your appeal is successful.
- ▶ The deadline for lodging an appeal is 28th March 2024.
- ▶ The parent is responsible for providing all evidence for the appeal



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Waiting Lists

- ▶ **If your child is assessed as suitable for grammar school**, any Kent grammar school you apply for will consider your application, but this does not guarantee your child will be offered a place. If more children qualify for places than it has space for, the school must use its [admissions criteria](#) to decide which children to offer places to. If your child is not offered a place at a grammar school because it is full you can put their name on the school's [waiting list](#). You can also [appeal](#) to explain why you think the school should admit your child even though it is full.
- ▶ **If your child was not tested or was not assessed as suitable for a Kent grammar school**, you can still apply for a Kent grammar school but your application will be turned down. You will then have the right to [appeal](#) to explain why you think grammar school is a suitable option for your child.
- ▶ Where parents have lodged an appeal against the refusal of a place and a place becomes available at the school, the place can then be offered without an appeal being heard, provided there are no other applicants at that time ranked higher on the school's waiting list, which is held in accordance with the school's oversubscription criteria. (Where the school is a Grammar school, a place may only be offered if the child has been assessed as being suitable for a Grammar school place and there are no other applicants at that time ranked higher on the school's waiting list.)

In Summary

- ▶ Places are allocated on 1st March 2024.
- ▶ You should accept the place you are offered.
- ▶ Try and speak positively about this school as your child might go there even if its not what you wanted.
- ▶ You can still put your child's name on the waiting list for any other schools you have listed if you would have preferred that school. You can also appeal to them.

We are here to help

- ▶ Please, please , please if you have any questions do not hesitate to ask us. It may well be that we can answer them for you and if we can't we may be able to point you in the right direction!



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- ▶ Monday 20th - Friday 24th May
- ▶ Mrs Martin, Mr Wheatley, Mrs Quantick and Miss Shaw



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Travel to Portsmouth	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
D-Day Museum Packed Lunch	Football Golf / Archery / Axe- throwing	Carisbrooke Castle	Aqua Park	Travel home Arrive approx 1:00 pm
Ferry to Isle of Wight Coach to Tapnell farm	Lunch	Lunch Carisbrooke Castle activities	Lunch	
Team Building	Fossil hunting		Farm Park	
Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	
Farm park Free Play	Movie night	Farm park Free Play	Disco	





Cost

Parent Payment Plan	Amount
Payment 1: Deposit (securing child's place) 18th October	£100.00
Payment 2: 13th December	£98.25
Payment 3: 7th February	£98.25
Payment 4: 27th March	£98.25
Payment 5: 24th April 2024	£98.25
Total	£493.00

Deposit of £100 by Wednesday 18th October
Only other cost is pocket money £15