



**Transfer to
Secondary School**

September 2020

Uphall Primary School

Secondary Ready- the whole child

Secondary ready suggests to us the whole child.

A child who is well adjusted, **understands leadership** and **responsibility**, is **emotionally and socially literate**, has a sense of **self-worth** and **confidence** and is prepared for the **challenge** that they will face as they move into secondary education.



What can you do to help?

- o Make sure your child comes to school every day and at the right time. **Excellent attendance is crucial.**
- o Ensure your child has a good night's sleep (**9.5 hours is the recommended amount by NHS for 11 yr olds**)
- o Ensure your child has a nutritious breakfast and varied healthy diet.
- o Encourage your child to always do *their* best.
- o Learn with them at home.
- o Attend workshops.
- o Know there is no such thing as pass or fail at 11.
- o Attend morning club for Maths and Reading every week if invited.
- o Encourage and foster a sense of independence and responsibility both in themselves as a learner at school and at home.

Secondary Transfers

Introduction

- o Children in Year 6 will transfer to Secondary School in September 2021
- o To apply you should be a resident in Redbridge - if you pay your council tax to a different borough you must contact your own borough and use their application process and form.
- o Arrangements are co-ordinated between boroughs and you may still apply for Redbridge schools if you wish.

Applying On-Line

You are **ONLY ABLE** to apply on-line;

1. It's quick, easy and safe
2. There is no risk your application can get lost
3. You will get an email confirmation and reference number
4. The system helps you by checking for errors.
5. You can change your application up to the closing date
6. You will receive an email giving you the outcome of your application on Monday ^{1st} March 2021.

To try it go to: www.redbridge.gov.uk/eAdmissions

Support for this online process will be available via zoom - we will advise of dates.

What is the timetable for applying?

2020

September- booklets available online

September – Applications open

Sept & Oct- secondary school open evenings and days (highly recommended)

Saturday 31st October- deadline for completed application forms

2021

1st March- Offer letters emailed (evening)

15th March- Deadline for responding to the offer (accept or decline)

30th March- Deadline for appeals (via Redbridge and Lynton house)

How to apply

- Read the booklet online carefully and ask for advice if there is anything you are not sure about.
- Find out more about the schools that interest you. Go to the secondary school open evenings or days.
- You may apply for **up to six schools**. Decide carefully on your order of preference.
- Complete Supplementary Information Form (SIF) if required for grammar/faith schools. These are available online as you complete the application process.
- You will also need to send proof of residency to support your application. Please see the booklet for the proof criteria.

How to apply- Grammar Schools

- o The level of ability for entry is very high.
- o Due to the current situation there is no confirmed date for the Redbridge 11 plus tests.
- o On the LBR website the earliest possible provisional date would be the week beginning 28th September with candidates being advised to be prepared to be tested on a Saturday in October.
- o Testing arrangements will be emailed out 10 days prior to the finalised date for testing.
- o There is currently no information on when results will be provided.
- o **You must include the school on your on-line application as one of your six choices**

Please continue to check the Redbridge website for further updates inline with government guidelines.

Academies, Foundation Schools and Faith Schools

Governing bodies of these schools are responsible for admission arrangements

- o If you wish to apply you must name the school on your on-line application form.
- o In the case of faith schools, you must also complete the Supplementary Information form and return it to the appropriate school-
NOT TO LYNTON HOUSE.

How do I complete the application form?

- Make sure that you understand the admission criteria for each school.
- Decide which school you wish to attend most and put that at the top of your application form as your first ranked school. After this name your second ranked school and so on. You do not have to name 6 schools.
- Parents are advised to rank the grammar school or denominational schools higher than the community schools.
- Use the ranking wisely, considering your catchment school.
- Last year we offered this same advice to our families and we had over 15 appeals as families did not put more than one school etc. Redbridge admissions do not always offer you the closest school to your home. It is an oversubscribed borough and so please be prepared to accept any one of the six schools you add.
- Appeals are very rarely heard and have to have exceptional grounds for a decision to be changed.

Catchment Area

- o Check you know which catchment area you live in - look in the booklet and find your road.
- o Some catchments are split across different sides of the road.
- o If you are not sure, contact the borough.

Example

ANIL

Anil lives in the catchment area of Oaks Park. His parents would like him to go to the grammar school, Ilford County High, but, if not, they would like Seven Kings. They rank their requested schools on the application as follows;

- 1st Ilford County
- 2nd Seven Kings
- 3rd Oaks Park

Anil does not qualify for a grammar school place in the selection tests. Although he lives close to Seven Kings, he does not qualify for a place, as there are other applicants with higher priority who live in the catchment area. Anil qualifies for a place at Oaks Park, as they live in the catchment area and there are enough places for all those catchment area children who apply.

Anil is offered Oaks Park, but remains on the Seven Kings and Ilford County waiting lists.

Advice and Support

- o If there is anything you are not clear about, ask for advice from the school; Dr Atwal, Mrs Cordeweener, Mrs Leavy, Mrs Sath, and the Year 6 teachers will be available.
- o You can also contact the Awards and Admissions Team at Lynton House.
- o We will be sending out a letter this week offering zoom sessions to support any families that would like assistance in completing the form.
- o Good luck 😊