

Year 5

notes for transfer process to Year 7

to junior and primary schools only - not to be printed and shared with parents Secondary School Admissions 2024

Information on how/when parents apply for a secondary school place?

The Secondary School Admissions Flyer for parents will be provided in June to every year 5 pupil in primary, junior and independent schools in the City. This and all admissions literature can be provided in other languages please let us know if this is something you need.

The Secondary Admissions Booklet 2024 for Southend-on-Sea schools and residents will be published in due course and will be available on the Council with the aim of providing details as early as possible, however the application window is only between **1 September 2023 and 31 October 2023** and therefore applications can only be submitted during this time.

What the LA advises parents to do now?

- to visit as many secondary schools as possible and keep in mind some school open days are later in the year (times and dates provided on parent flyer, council website and respective school websites)
- to obtain prospectuses/information from school visits
- to read the schools admission criteria and consider the probability of admission based on allocations of previous years (booklet or school website)
- to register with the Consortium of Selective Schools in Essex (CSSE) in the period 16 May to 30 June 2023 if they wish their child to take the 11+ test.
- Council page for 11+ is <u>Southend 11 Plus</u> (<u>https://southend11plus.uk</u>) page has practice questions and more information such as grammar myth busters
- This page also has further support for preparing for the test

What must parents do when the applications open?

- we ask that parents keep a record of all their actions, especially the username and password when they register online
- 1 September 31 October 2023; one parent to register and apply on the Council website. The parent that submits the application can amend the application as many times as they wish up to 31 October.
- register for any other aptitude tests, and to complete the SIF for faith schools
- the aptitude registration period closes 1 September 2023 (The Eastwood Academy)
- we recommend that one of their choices is their catchment school; It does not have to be first preference
- we recommend that parents use all 5 preferences

A reminder: Parents must apply to Southend Council if they are resident in the city and pay council tax to Southend Council. This is regardless of which primary/junior school they attend.

What happens between after the closing date and National offer day, 1 March 2024?

As most of you know applications are processed, addresses checked, applications are ranked by each school, the LA checks ranked lists, we run offers recorded and highest offer possible on preferred lists matched, exchanges of files with other LAs for schools outside the area (this is very complex and runs Nov-Feb) and applicants applying from other LAs, allocations are drafted and after multiple exchanges offers are prepared. Offers are finalised and outcome prepared in time for 1 March 2024.

Secondary Admissions Booklet 2024

Will be published on the Council's website notification of publication will be sent to schools.





What are the key facts on secondary schools in the area?

School Name	PAN	
Belfairs Academy	292	 LAC/PLAC inc overseas PLAC Catchment with Sibling Catchment Pupils of staff Out of catchment with sibling Out of catchment
Cecil Jones Academy	220	 LAC/PLAC inc overseas PLAC Catchment with Sibling Catchment Pupils of staff Out of catchment with sibling Out of catchment
Chase High School	226	 LAC/PLAC inc overseas PLAC Siblings Catchment Out of catchment
Shoeburyness High School	310	 LAC/PLAC inc overseas PLAC 31 places selective (academic order) if selective places remain in 31, will look at borderline (295 to 303) Catchment sibling Catchment Out of catchment with sibling Pupils who are attending year 6 at the following feeder primary schools: Bournes Green Junior; Friars Primary; Hinguar Primary; Richmond Avenue Primary; St George's Catholic Primary and Thorpedene Primary; Out of catchment
Southchurch High School	168	 LAC/PLAC inc overseas PLAC Siblings Pupils of Staff Catchment Out of catchment
The Eastwood Academy	220	 LAC/PLAC Siblings Selective admission based on aptitude (10% of PAN and in sport or performing arts – SIF needed (SIF deadline is 1 Sept please alert your pupils to this) Catchment Pupils of Staff Out of catchment
Faith Schools	faith a	Schools accept applications for non-Catholic pupils that respect nd wish for a faith school Explanatory notes/maps provided in condary admission booklet and on the school's website.
St Bernard's High School	175	 Up to 63 Selective places only priority considered and gained 303 on CSSE 11+ Catholic children in public care or who were previously in public care (see explanatory note 1) Practising* Catholic girls living in the following parishes, whose application is supported by a Certificate of Catholic Practice from their Parish Priest: Our Lady of Lourdes, Leigh-on-Sea; St. Helen's, Westcliff-on-Sea; Sacred Heart, Southend- on-Sea; St. Teresa's, Rochford; St. George's, Shoebury; St. Peter's, Eastwood; St. John Fisher, Prittlewell; Holy Family, South Benfleet; Our Lady

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		 of Ransom, Rayleigh and Our Lady of Canvey, Canvey Island. 4. Other practising Catholic girls whose application is supported by a Certificate of Catholic Practice from their Parish Priest. 5. Baptised Catholics whose application is not supported by a Certificate of Catholic Practice from their Parish Priest. 6. Other children in public care or who were previously in public care (see explanatory notes below) 7. Girls of the Eastern Orthodox Church*** and whose normal place of residence lies within the priority area (see map attached) whose application is supported by their priest. 8. Practising Christian girls attending Catholic Primary schools, whose application is supported in writing by their Minister. 9. Practising Christian girls whose normal place of residence lies within the priority area (see map attached) and whose application is supported in writing by their Minister. 10. Non-Christian girls whose normal place of residence lies within the priority area (see map attached) and whose application is supported in writing by their Minister. 11. Applications from girls who do not fall into the above categories.
St Thomas More High School	180	 Up to 30 selective places whose normal place of residence lies within the postcode areas of SS0, SS1, SS2, SS3, SS4, SS5, SS6, SS7, SS8 and SS9 and gained 303 on CSSE 11+ "Looked after" boys from Catholic families and boys who were looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted by Catholic families (or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order). Baptised, practising" Catholic boys living in the parishes of Our Lady of Lourdes, Leigh on Sea; St. Helen's, Westcliff on Sea; Sacred Heart, Southend on Sea; St. Georges, Shoebury; St. Peter's, Eastwood; St. John Fisher, Prittlewell; St. Teresa's, Rochford; Holy Family, South Benfleet; Our Lady of Ransom, Rayleigh and Our Lady of Canvey, Canvey Island. Other baptised, practising* Catholic boys. Baptised Catholic boys Other "looked after" boys and boys who were looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted by families (or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order). Practising* Christian boys attending Catholic primary schools. In allocating places, the Governors will consider priority to applications that are supported in writing by their Minister. Practising* Christian boys whose parents desire for them a Catholic education. In allocating places, the Governors will consider priority to applications that are supported in writing by their Minister. Families who desire a Catholic education for their son.

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Grammar Schools	details order,	s split between priority areas and within these for LAC/PP. Full is in the secondary admission booklet. All ranked in academic highest to lowest. All criteria have an admission limit – refer ctive school admission arrangements.
Southend High School for Boys Southend High School for Girls Westcliff High School for Boys Westcliff High School for Girls	180 180 185 184	 Reside within SS0-SS9 gained >303 on CSSE 11+ and Pupil Premium (including LAC and EHCP that have met the academic pass mark) Reside within SS0-SS9 gained >303 on CSSE 11+ Reside outside SS0-SS9 gained >303 on CSSE 11+ and Pupil Premium (including LAC and EHCP that have met the academic pass mark) Reside outside SS0-SS9 gained >303 on CSSE 11+

What is the key information about the 11+?

Testing body is the Consortium of selective schools of Essex (CSSE) <u>www.csse.org.uk</u>

- All information and important dates are published in the CSSE Information Guide. Parent to visit the CSSE website for registration for the test and selection of test venue. Registration for the CSSE is the SIF for selective schools.
- Registration for the 2024 Entry Examination will open 16 May 2023 and close 30 June 2023
- Examination Date: Saturday 23 September 2023 (alternative day Tuesday 3 October 2023)
- Council page for 11+ is <u>Southend 11 Plus</u> (<u>https://southend11plus.uk</u>) page has practice questions and more information such as grammar myth busters
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What advice can Junior and Primary Schools give to parents?

- 1. Consider which school you prefer by visiting the school, looking at the school website and other research about the school, considering if the school offer subjects, clubs, etc
- 2. Only one parent can make the application.
- 3. Consider how your child will get to school.
- 4. Apply to Southend if you pay Council Tax to them. Apply to Essex County Council if you pay council tax to them.
- 5. Do not forget to tick all criteria that are relevant to your child. For example: catchment, sibling at the school, pupil of staff, selective.
- 6. If moving/changing address during September-July. Provide the School Admissions Team at Southend Council a copy of exchange of contract or tenancy agreement. The council will ask for more information where required.
- 7. Address used is child's normal place of residence at the time of application and as on 31 October.
- 8. When you have submitted or posted your application have you kept a copy as your proof (a copy of the form and proof of postage/submission at the Civic Centre)
- 9. Rules for more complex situations can be found in the secondary admissions booklet.
 - Separated families and shared addresses, Children of multiple siblings (twins etc)
 - Moving address, Living abroad etc

What additional support is available from the School Admissions Team?

As well as the Secondary Booklet, information on the School Admissions website, and parents being able to contact the team via email, we are also holding an informal information event online

Secondary School Admissions Information Event Online Tuesday 26th September at 5pm

Parents can register online here