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RE: Applying for High Schools for September 2024

Dear Parents & Carers with Children in Year 5 & 6,

If your child has just started **Year 6**, they will need to apply for their high school place (for Sept 2024) by **31st October 2023**.

All the information to help you do this is online and this letter and attached presentation will signpost the key information for you. We have also sent you the application guides for the three local authorities (Brent, Barnet & Harrow) that tend to serve our school community.

We always send this information to year 5 families so they can start planning ahead – if you have a child in year 5 you do not need to do anything yet, but I do suggest you at least read how the process works so you are ahead of the game for this time next year!

The presentation attached in the email seeks to support you with the application process; it summarises key information and we hope it will answer many of your key questions. If you do need any help, please contact me via the school office; a member of the senior leadership team will then be in contact.

KEY NOTES:

- You must apply for your place in high school through the local authority in which you live. If you have a Brent address, apply via Brent, if you have a Barnet address, apply via Barnet etc. You can apply for schools in other local authorities, for example, you can have a Barnet address and still apply to both Kingsbury High and Claremont. See the guides sent for more information.*
- Also, please note that admission processes for private/selective schools are very different and if this is the path you are considering you must research and contact those schools directly. Their processes do start much earlier so if you have a child currently in Year 5 start your research now!*

I would encourage you to attend high school open evening events which take place in September and October. You can find the dates for these in the guides we have emailed out to you. Also, each high school website will provide more details on their events, you will need to search for the ones you are most interested in.



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All the information you need can be found via the following places:

Brent	https://www.brent.gov.uk/education-schools-and-learning/school-admissions/apply-for-a-secondary-school-place#planandprepare
Barnet	https://www.barnet.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/apply-secondary-school/transferring-secondary-school
Harrow	https://www.harrow.gov.uk/schools-learning/apply-secondary-school-place

Don't forget, the closing date for your application is 31st October 2023 – PLEASE DO NOT MISS THIS IMPORTANT DEADLINE!

Yours sincerely,

Mr James Simmons
Headteacher



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