ST THOMAS A BECKET RC PRIMARY SCHOOL

YEAR 6

Secondary School Applications

Academic Year 2026-2027

IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ

Dear Year 6 Parents, 11th September 2026

It is fantastic to see all the children settle back into this very important and exciting year. As I am sure you are aware, the children will be taking their SATs in May 2027. These test results are critical as they inform secondary schools of your child's progress, on leaving primary school and in many schools, they are used to help stream the children, also, on entry into Year 7.

Throughout their Year 6 journey, I am certain you will encourage and support your child to work hard and do their very best in their SATs.

Thank you to all parents, who, as requested, informed myself and their class teachers that they needed the time out of school to sit selection tests. I thoroughly understand that this might have been a stressful time for them so now that they are soon over, the children, as mentioned above, can settle well into their Year 6 work and the high expectations we always have at St Thomas a Becket.

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Secondary School Applications

In order that we can fully support you in this next step of your child's educational journey, we would like to invite you to a 'Secondary School Applications' information meeting. Myself, Miss Smith (Family Liaison Officer) and the Year Six teachers will be available to answer your questions. The meeting details are as follows:

Date: Monday, 28th September 2026
Theme: Secondary School Applications
Time: 3.20pm
Venue: KS2 Hall

Please see timetable for applications below:

Stage of Process	Deadline Date
Application period starts	1 September 2026
Closing date for applications	31 October 2026
Outcome of applications	1 March 2027
Deadline for accepting the offer	15 March 2027
Appeal hearings	May and June 2027
Induction day at secondary school	7 July 2027

- Use the e-Admissions portal on the Greenwich website to apply;
- You can apply for up to 6 secondary schools, listing them in order of preference;

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- For all information, please use the following link;

https://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/info/200286/apply_for_a_school_place/1937/apply_for_a_secondary_school_place

- 0pen days and mornings will give you an opportunity to visit schools to see first-hand the school in action. ***SOME YOU MAY HAVE TO BOOK ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE***
- ***The secondary school booklet is also online, with key information on each school.***

It is very important that you complete your application on time, including supplementary forms for St Paul's Academy, St Ursula's, St Thomas More, St Catherine's (Bexley) and St Columba's (Bexley).

As a Roman Catholic primary school, we would encourage you to visit the above Catholic secondary schools as they provide an excellent level of education, with a core Catholic ethos that informs the caring, spiritual community at the heart of all of these schools.

- Useful contacts for School Admissions Service:
  Telephone: 020 8921 8043
  Email: school-admissions@royalgreenwich.gov.uk

It is vitally important that you and your child pick the school which best fits and suits them, enabling them to be happy, to thrive, to make progress and make good friends in a caring, supportive, learning environment.

Finally, if you are taking your child a secondary school open morning, it is very important that you inform the school office before the open morning in order that your child receives an authorised absence mark.

Thank you for your co-operation and I wish you and your child well in your selection. We look forward to seeing you on the 28th September.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Cooper
Headteacher