# Secondary SchoolTransfer September2021

Good morning and welcome to all our Year 5 parents & carers

#### • • Why a meeting?

- To ensure you have the most up to date information, things do change even though you may have older children who have gone through the process
- To support you all, through this process, from start to post offer date and beyond
- To be your point of contact for all/any queries
- o To help you to <u>not</u> fall into 'the trap' of past parent experiences at Botwell!

#### • • Which School?

- Catholic Education
- Non-selective or selective e.g. Grammar
- Schools within LA or outside it
- o Visit the schools. Is this the right environment for my child?
- Asks questions of pupil tour guides, talk to teachers, look at books and displays.....
- Don't listen to gossip....
- Don't worry about friends.....

#### • • Which School?

- Secondary school will highlight what it requires
- Ask about furthest distance place offers for the previous year when you visit the schools
- Complete requested additional information (if required it is always available on the secondary school's website) for secondary school & submit to the secondary school
- Complete application form for LA & Submit to LA
- Get all the paperwork together and <u>do not</u> miss the deadline.

#### Decisions, Decisions

- Parental choice
- However, a school can only admit up to its standard admission number

(Read each school's admission criteria)

- Oversubscription Criteria
- Criteria will be available on each school's website

## • • • Hillingdon LA

www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schools

Flyers to be sent to schools in September

#### • • LA Application Form

- Resident in Hillingdon or elsewhere complete form for that LA
- LA want all applications on-line
- Application forms will <u>not</u> automatically be sent to Primary school
- Hard Paper Copies <u>must be requested by</u>
  <u>parents</u> only available from Civic Centre on 01895 556644
- Primary school will accept paper application forms and provide a receipt of submission
- o 6 Preferences (Please don't just put 1 or 2!) (Think carefully about the order of the schools you put down & if unsure please ask)

### Application Process

- LA FORM Apply from Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020
- Closing date midnight on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October
  2020 for on-line and paper applications
- Closing date to hand paper application to school
  Noon Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2020
- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2021 offer of places posted to parents or online
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2021 Acceptance deadline
- 10+ days later in March 2021 deadline for appeal request

## • • Application Process

- The Governors are the admissions authority in Catholic Schools
- The LA co-ordinate the admissions process
- Catholic/Faith schools will expect parents to complete a supplementary information form – one to be completed for <u>EACH</u> school
- Do not be late with your application

#### • • Other Issues

- On-line receipt/email within 24 hours if not phone LA
- Letter receipt for hard copy applications
- Outside of home borough schools <u>must</u> be included in LA application form
- o Accept place offered in March even if you are going to appeal! (Otherwise you could end up with any unallocated place in a school anywhere in the borough)
- 6 Preferences DON'T LIST JUST ONE SCHOOL!

#### Slough Admissions

- Slough Consortium of Grammar schools process (Herschel, St Bernard's, Langley, Upton Court Grammar Schools)
- www.sloughconsortium.org.uk
- Please be aware that you <u>must be registered</u> to be tested in advance of the testing process <u>(opened Friday</u> 1<sup>st</sup> May 2020)
- Registration deadline is: midnight Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2020
- 11+ Tests will take place on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup>
  September 2020
- Test Results Notification date will be in early to mid October 2020
- More information available from Mrs Wilkinson if needed

#### **Bucks Admissions**

- Nee'd to register(open now) with Bucks by deadline of 3pm on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2020
- www.buckscc.gov.uk/services/education/schooladmissions
- Once registered you will be allocated a test centre during July 2020
- Tests will take place on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> & Thursday
  10<sup>th</sup> September 2020
- Score/Results notification will be in early to mid
  October 2020

#### SW Herts Admissions

- Need to register with consortium by Friday 19<sup>th</sup>
  June 2020 (No late registrations will be accepted)
- Website Address <u>www.swhertsschools.org.uk</u>
- Once registered you will be allocated a test centre on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020
- Tests will take place on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September
  2020
- Score/results notification will be on Wednesday
  14<sup>th</sup> October 2020

#### Advice

- Visit the school, take your child, talk to staff. It is a very important decision – not just about friends!
- Complete the school's supplementary information form. This will provide the school with evidence of your catholicity.
- Do not be late with your application to the LA or the supplementary information to the School.
- Come and discuss with Mrs Wilkinson if you need help or advice before applying or if you need help with your application

#### • • Final Point:

## Remember we are here to help and support you throughout this process –

Just come and ask us — not other parents!

Any Questions?

This powerpoint will also be available on our school website (under Admissions) from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2020