



**Childrens Services
Education & Partnerships
School Admissions**
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Parent / Carer

Date: July 2025
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Dear Parent/Carer,

TRANSFER TO SECONDARY SCHOOL - ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-27

As your child is due to start their final year of primary school in September 2025, you now need to apply for their secondary school place.

You must read 'A guide for parents with children starting secondary school in 2026' which provides further information about the process and is available to view on our webpage:
www.barnsley.gov.uk/schooladmissions.

You must decide which three schools you want to apply for and then list these in preference order on your application. You can apply for Barnsley schools and/or any other Authority schools. **If you do not live in Barnsley, you must apply directly to your own Local Authority.**

We recommend that you apply online at www.barnsley.gov.uk/schooladmissions select **Secondary School Places** and click on the **Apply Online** link. Please ensure that you submit your application by the closing date **31st October 2025**.

If you have difficulty or are unable to apply online you must contact School Admissions and we will provide support and assistance in making your application.

We strongly recommend applying online as it is secure and you will be able to view your offer on the portal from 12:30 am on offer day. If you choose to send a form via post then please contact School Admissions prior to the closing date to check it has arrived as the Authority cannot be responsible for forms lost in the post.

On offer day, **2nd March 2026**, you will be sent a single offer of a place at a secondary school.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact School Admissions.

Yours faithfully,

School Admissions

Secondary School Open Evenings 2025

School	Day	Date
Trinity St Edwards	Thursday	18th September 2025
Horizon Community College	Saturday	20th September 2025
Astrea Academy Dearne	Wednesday	24th September 2025
Darton Academy	Thursday	25th September 2025
Outwood Academy Shafton	Thursday	25th September 2025
Holy Trinity	Thursday	2nd October 2025
Penistone Grammar School	Thursday	2nd October 2025
Barnsley Academy	Thursday	2nd October 2025
Kirk Balk Academy	Thursday	9th October 2025
Outwood Academy Carlton	Thursday	9th October 2025
Netherwood Academy	Thursday	16th October 2025

Please check the relevant school's website for up to date information and timings before attending in case there have been any changes, some schools may also require you to register/book.