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Wandsworth
Information,
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Support Service



The local SENDIASS, working in partnership with children and young people with SEND and their parents

Dear Parent

This school list names different types of schools (including 6th forms within a school).

Our schools' lists are designed to give you an idea of what is available in the local area.

However, it does not include the names of every school and we cannot guarantee that all the schools listed are suitable for your child/young person.

Please note: School details can change quickly and although we try to update our school lists every year, some details may change before then. We recommend that you look at the school's website for further information (SEN Policy/Information report) and visiting a school is usually the best way to find out if it's the right one.

You can also use the Ofsted website www.ofsted.gov.uk to get further information about the school.

We recommend that you ask to speak to/make an appointment with the Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator (SENCO)/Inclusion Manager, or with the Headteacher when contacting a school for the first time.

The Wandsworth Information and Advice Support Service (WIASS) is an impartial service; therefore, we do not make recommendations about individual schools and do not endorse any of the schools on this list.

However, we will explain your rights and the LA's duties when deciding on which school/s:

For example,

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The Law:

You have the right to request the following types of school/s or college/s, to be named in your child's/young person's (16-25) EHC Plan

- A maintained school or nursery (mainstream or special school). These are schools that are funded by a Local Authority (LA)
- An Academy or free school (mainstream or special) These are schools that are funded by the Secretary of State (Government).
- Further education or sixth form college
- A non-maintained special school. These are charitable foundations and "not for profit" schools.
- A Section 41 school. These are independent schools or specialist colleges that have been approved by the Secretary of State (Government)

The LA must consult the above school/colleges if you ask them to

The LA must name one of the above school/s unless it can prove one of the following:

- It would be unsuitable for the age, ability, aptitude or SEN of the child or young person, or
- The attendance of the child or young person there would be incompatible with the efficient

- a) Education of others, or
- b) Use of resources

Independent Schools (that are not non-maintained or Section 41 schools):

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You can ask the LA to consider **(this is not a right)** a request for an independent school that is **not** a non-maintained or Section 41 school.

If you request the LA to consult an independent school, please ensure you have a **confirmed** offer of a place.

If you have any questions about the lists or you would like more advice or information about deciding on school/s, please contact the WIASS office.

Helpline number: 020 8871 8065 (24 hour answer machine)

Email: wiaas@wandsworth.gov.uk

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Primary and Secondary Special Schools for Pupils with Dyspraxia

Wandsworth				
Centre Academy <u>Section 41*</u> (Independent)	A School for pupils with a range of learning difficulties including dyspraxia. Boys and Girls Ages 8 - 19 Years	92 St Johns Hill Battersea London SW11 1SH	020 7738 2344	Website: www.centreacademy.net Email: LondonSchool@centreacademy.co.uk
The Dominie (Independent)	A School which specialises in the education of pupils with dyspraxia and dyslexia. Boys and girls Ages 6 - 12 Years	55 Warriner Gardens Battersea London SW11 4DX	020 7720 8783	Website: www.thedominie.co.uk Email: info@thedominie.co.uk

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Hammersmith and Fulham

<p>Burlington House (Independent)</p>	<p>A School for pupils with specific learning difficulties such as dyslexia and dyspraxia</p> <p>Boys and Girls Ages 9 - 16 Years</p>	<p>Bishop's Avenue Fulham London SW6 6EG</p>	<p>020 7610 9018</p>	<p>Website: www.burlingtonhouseschool.com Email: admissions@burlingtonhouseschool.com</p>
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If you want more information on Section 41 then please visit <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/independent-special-schools-and-colleges> or contact the Wandsworth Information, Advice and Support Service on 020 8871 8065 or email wiass@wandsworth.gov.uk

The following school search websites can also help you:

www.specialneedsuk.org

www.schoolsearch.co.uk (for independent schools)

www.isc.co.uk (for independent schools)

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