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Dear Parent

This school list names different types of schools (including 6<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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,

**The Law:**



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**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):

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.

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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: [wiass@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:wiass@wandsworth.gov.uk)

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## Secondary Schools (Maintained and Independent) for Pupils with Emotional and Behavioural Difficulties

<b>Berkshire</b>				
<b>High Close School (Non-Maintained)</b>	A Day/Residential pupils with social, emotional and behaviour difficulties  <b>Boys and Girls Ages 11 - 16 Years</b>	Wiltshire Road Wokingham Berkshire RG40 1TT	<b>01189 785767</b>	<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.highclose.org.uk">www.highclose.org.uk</a>  <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:enquiries@highclose.org.uk">enquiries@highclose.org.uk</a>
<b>Croydon</b>				
<b>Beckmead Family of Schools (Maintained)</b>	A Special School for pupils with emotional and behavioural difficulties.  <b>Boys Ages 11-16 Years</b>	Monks Orchard Road Beckenham BR3 3BZ	<b>020 8777 9311</b>	<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.beckmeadtrust.org">www.beckmeadtrust.org</a>  <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:information@beckmeadtrust.org">information@beckmeadtrust.org</a>

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<b>Lambeth</b>				
<b>Elm Court School</b>  (Maintained)	A Special School for pupils with emotional and behavioural difficulties  <b>Girls and Boys</b> <b>Ages 11 - 18 Years</b>	Elm Park London SW2 2EF	<b>020 8674 3412</b>	Website: <a href="http://www.elmcourt.lambeth.sch.uk">www.elmcourt.lambeth.sch.uk</a>  Email: <a href="mailto:admin@elmcourt.lambeth.sch.uk">admin@elmcourt.lambeth.sch.uk</a>
<b>Merton</b>				
<b>Melrose School</b>  (Maintained)	A Special School for pupils with social, emotional and behavioural difficulties  <b>Girls and boys</b> <b>Ages 11 - 16 Years</b>	Church Road Mitcham Surrey CR4 3BE	<b>020 8646 2620</b>	Website: <a href="http://www.melrose.merton.sch.uk">www.melrose.merton.sch.uk</a>  Email: <a href="mailto:melroseschool@melbury.merton.sch.uk">melroseschool@melbury.merton.sch.uk</a>

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<b>Southwark</b>				
<b>Octavia House Walworth</b>  (Independent)  Section 41*	A Day Special School for pupils with social, emotional and behavioural difficulties (including ADHD and ODD)  <b>Girls and boys</b> <b>Ages 11 - 16 Years</b>	Larcom House Larcom Street London SE17 1RT	<b>020 3651 4396</b>	<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.ohs.uk">www.ohs.uk</a>  <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:referrals@ohs.uk">referrals@ohs.uk</a>
<b>Surrey</b>				
<b>Chart Wood School</b>	A Day/Residential School for pupils with social, emotional and behaviour difficulties  <b>Boys</b> <b>Age 11 - 16 Years</b>	Unified Academy, Chart Lane South, Dorking, Surrey RH5 4DB	<b>01737 215488</b>	<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.chartwoodschool.org">www.chartwoodschool.org</a>  <b>Email:</b> <a href="http://www.unifiedacademy.org">www.unifiedacademy.org</a>

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<b>Sutton</b>				
<b>Wandle Valley School (Academy)</b>	Wandle Valley School is a Special Academy working to support pupils with SEMH difficulties  <b>Boys and Girls Age 5 – 16 Years</b>	Welbeck Road Carshalton Surrey SM5 1LW	<b>0208 648 1365</b>	<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.wandlevalleyschool.org.uk">www.wandlevalleyschool.org.uk</a>  <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:office@wandlevalleyschool.org.uk">office@wandlevalleyschool.org.uk</a>
<b>Wandsworth</b>				
<b>Nightingale Academy (Academy)</b>	A Special School for children with emotional and behavioural difficulties  <b>Boys Ages 5 - 19 Years</b>	Beechcroft Road Tooting London SW17 7DF	<b>020 8874 9096</b>	<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.nightingaleca.org">www.nightingaleca.org</a>  <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:info@nightingaleca.org">info@nightingaleca.org</a>

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The following school search websites can also help you:

[www.specialneedsuk.org](http://www.specialneedsuk.org)

[www.specialneedsguide.co.uk](http://www.specialneedsguide.co.uk)

[www.schoolsearch.co.uk](http://www.schoolsearch.co.uk) (for independent schools)

[www.isc.co.uk](http://www.isc.co.uk) (for independent schools)

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