

# WIA&SS

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

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## Residential Primary and Secondary Schools for Pupils with Hearing Impairment

Wandsworth				
<p><b>Oak Lodge School</b>  (Maintained)</p>	<p>A Special School (Day and Residential) for Pupils with hearing, speech, language and communication needs</p> <p><b>Girls and Boys</b> <b>Ages 10 - 19 Years</b></p>	<p>101 Nightingale Lane London SW12 8NA</p>	<p><b>020 8673 3453</b></p>	<p><b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:info@oaklodge.wandsworth.sch.uk">info@oaklodge.wandsworth.sch.uk</a></p> <p><b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.oaklodge.wandsworth.sch.uk">www.oaklodge.wandsworth.sch.uk</a></p>

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Berkshire				
<b>Mary Hare School</b>  <b>(Independent)</b>	A Special School (Day and Weekly Boarding) for Pupils with hearing impairment  <b>Girls and Boys</b> <b>Ages 5 - 18 Years</b>	Primary: Mill Hall Pigeons Farm Road Newbury Berkshire RG19 8XA	<b>01635 573 800</b>	<b>Website: <a href="http://www.maryhare.org.uk">www.maryhare.org.uk</a></b>  <b>Email: <a href="mailto:primary@maryhare.org.uk">primary@maryhare.org.uk</a></b>
		Secondary: Arlington Manor Snelsmere Common Newbury Berkshire RG14 3BQ	<b>01635 244200</b>	<b>Email: <a href="mailto:enquiries@maryhare.org.uk">enquiries@maryhare.org.uk</a></b>

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East Sussex				
<b>Hamilton Lodge School and College</b>  (Non-maintained)	A Special School (Day and Residential) for Pupils with hearing impairment  <b>Girls and Boys</b> <b>Ages 5 - 19 Years</b>	Walpole Road Brighton East Sussex BN2 0LS	<b>01273 682362</b>	<b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:admin@hamiltonlsc.co.uk">admin@hamiltonlsc.co.uk</a>  <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.hamiltonls.co.uk">www.hamiltonls.co.uk</a>

Wandsworth Hearing Support Service can advise on specialist schools for children and young people with hearing impairments and on specialist provision for hearing impaired pupils in mainstream schools in Wandsworth. Contact details for the Wandsworth Hearing Support Service are:

**Telephone: 020 8394 5944**

**Website:** [www.wandsworthhearingsupportservice.org.uk](http://www.wandsworthhearingsupportservice.org.uk)

All boroughs have their own HI Services. You can find contact details for these on the relevant Local Authority website.

**The following school search websites can also help you:**

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

[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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