

Secondary Transfer 2009

1. Applications from Slough Residents

The final number of applications from Slough residents for schools within Slough and outside was 1599 compared to 1602 the previous year.

2. Total Preferences for Slough Schools

The total number of preferences for Slough schools increased. (This figure includes preferences made by Slough residents and the residents of other boroughs). The total number of preferences for schools outside Slough has dropped. (This figure only includes preferences by Slough residents). The table below shows the details.

Slough Schools & PAN	Total Preferences 2007	Total Preferences 2008	Total Preferences 2009
Baylis (155)	366	336	356
Beechwood (150)	237	296	328
Herschel (120)	1482	1635	1556
Langley Grammar (145)	1336	1559	1538
Langley Academy (180)	339	514	509
St Bernard's (120)	524	570	578
St Joseph's (124)	342	312	352
Slough & Eton (165)	325	284	307
Slough Grammar (145)	1405	1396	1567
Westgate (150)	561	605	666
Wexham (150)	563	536	521
	7480	8043	8278
Other Schools	Slough Resident Preferences 2007	Slough Resident Preferences 2008	Slough Resident Preferences 2009
Altwood	137	153	87
Beaconsfield High	30	32	16
Burnham Upper	193	139	103
Burnham Grammar	514	545	529
Charters	9	9	3
Chesham High	1	1	1
Chalfont Community College	50	39	21
Churchmead	154	111	92
Cox Green	14	10	30
Cranford Community School	1	1	1
Desborough	118	58	68
Dormers Wells	0	1	1
Dr Challoners Grammar	10	7	2
Dr Challoners High	4	3	4
Furze Platt	7	10	10
Guru Nanak	16	22	6
John Hampden Grammar	5	4	9
Kendrick Girls Grammar	10	20	18
Matthew Arnold	1	2	4
Magna Carta	7	8	12
Newlands	31	37	21
Reading School	4	3	7
Sir William Borlase	4	3	4

The Royal Grammar	10	7	6
Tiffin Girls	3	2	4
Wye Valley	4	14	10
Uxbridge High	1	3	1
Vyners	0	2	2
Wycombe High School	4	3	2
Tiffin School	0	1	5
	1342	1250	1079

3. Place Offers

Place offers were fully co-ordinated by the Local Authority with support from all Slough schools, so that each parent received one offer only. All 1599 Slough resident parents who applied for a place were offered a place on the national offer day. The table below shows how many applicants were offered their preferred schools.

	Number of Offers Slough Residents	Percentage of Total Applications
First Preference	667	42%
Second Preference	296	19%
Third Preference	198	12%
Fourth Preference	188	12%
Fifth Preference	84	5%
Sixth Preference	38	2%
Alternative Offers	128	8%
Total	1599	100%

The proportion receiving their first preference is low by national standards because Slough is a fully selective area and many applicants who place a grammar school first on the application form do not reach the qualifying mark in the 11+ test. The proportion of applicants receiving one of their preferred schools is 92%. Where none of the preferred schools can be offered applicants are offered the nearest school with vacancies.

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