for admission to primary and secondary school



Coordinated scheme for admission to primary school (Reception and Year 3) for 2024/25

Applications

- September 2023. These will be available in all Surrey primary schools. The leaflet will refer parents to the Surrey County Council website www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions via which parents will be able to access the admissions information and apply online from 30 October 2023. Alternatively, they can obtain a primary school admissions booklet and a paper preference form by ringing the Surrey Schools and Childcare Service on 0300 200 1004.
- 2. paper form which will be available from 30 October 2023. Parents living outside Surrey must

Along with all other local auth application form invites parents to express a preference for up to four maintained primary schools or academies (including free schools) within and/or outside of Surrey. This enables Surrey County Council to offer a place at the highest possible ranked school for which the applicant meets the admission criteria.

- 3. In accordance with the School Admissions Code, the order of preference given on the application form will not be revealed to a school within the area of Surrey. However, where a parent resident in Surrey expresses a preference for a school in the area of another local
 - authority in order that it can determine the highest ranked preference in cases where a child is eligible for a place at more than one school i
- 4. The closing date for all applications (either online or paper) will be 15 January 2024. Changes to ranked preferences and applications received after the closing date will not be accepted unless they are covered by paragraphs in this scheme which relate to late applications and changes of preference. If a parent completes more than one application
 - on the latest date before the closing date. If the date is the same, will contact the parents to ask them to confirm their ranked preferences.
- 5. Schools that are their own admission authority must not use any other application form but may use a supplementary form if they need to request additional information that is required
 - school admissions booklet will indicate which schools require a supplementary form. Supplementary forms can be accessed via the website or can be obtained from each school. All supplementary forms should be returned to the school by the date specified by the school but in any case no later than the national closing date of 15 January 2024. The supplementary form should clearly indicate where it is to be returned. Where supplementary forms are used by admission authorities within Surrey, the admissions team will seek to ensure that these only collect information which is required by the published oversubscription criteria, in accordance with the School Admissions Code.

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signed tenancy agreement). Other cases might relate to a single parent family where the

- 35. After 16 April 2024 some parents may wish to change a preference or order of preference preferences or order of preferences after 16 April 2024. Parents may also name additional preferences after the offer day of 16 April 2024.
- 36. The coordination scheme will end on 31 August 2024. Applications received after 31 August 2024 will be considered

Post Offer

- 37. place by 30 April 2024, or within two weeks of the date of any subsequent offer.
- authority, will make every reasonable effort to contact the parent to find out whether or not they wish to accept the place. Only where the parent fails to respond and the admissions team or school, where it is its own admission authority, can demonstrate that every reasonable effort has been made to contact the parent, will the offer of a place be withdrawn.
- 39. Where an applicant resident in Surrey accepts or declines a place in a Surrey school by 30 April 2024 8 May 2024.
- 40. Where an applicant resident in Surrey accepts or declines a place in a school maintained by another local authority by 30 April 2024 information to the maintaining local authority by 8 May 2024. Where such information is received from applicants after 30 April 2024 admissions team will pass it on to the maintaining local authority as it is received.
- 41. Where an acceptance or decline is received for a Surrey school in respect of an applicant as it is received.
- 42. When acting as a maintaining local authority, Surrey will inform the home local authority, where different, of an offer that can be made for a maintained school or academy (including a free school) in Surrey, in order that the home local authority can offer the place.
- 43. When acting as a maintaining local authority, Surrey and the admission authorities within it will not inform an applicant resident in another local authority that a place can be offered.
- 44. When acting as a home local authority, Surrey will offer a place at a maintained school or academy (including a free school) in the area of another local authority, provided that the school is ranked higher on the common application form than any school already offered.
- 45. When acting as a home local authority, when Surrey is informed by a maintaining local authority of an offer which can be made to an applicant resident in Surrey which is ranked lower on the common application form than any school already offered, it will inform the maintaining local authority that the offer will not be made.
- 46. When acting as a home local authority, when Surrey has agreed to a change of preferences or preference order, it will inform any maintaining local authority affected by the change.

- 47. When acting as a maintaining local authority, Surrey will inform the home local authority, where different, of any change to an applicant's offer status as soon as it occurs.
- 48. When acting as a maintaining local authority, Surrey will accept new applications (including additional preferences or preference order changes) from home local authorities for maintained schools and academies (including free schools) in its area.

Waiting Lists

49. Where a child does not receive an offer of their first preference school, their name will be placed on the waiting list for each school in Surrey that is named as a higher preference school to the one they have been offered, in accordance with the policy of each admission authority. Parents will be advised that if they want to go on the waiting list for an out of county preference school that they should contact the school or the maintaining local authority for

Coordinated scheme for admission to secondary school (Year 7 and Year 10) for 2024/25

Applications

1. team will distribute information leaflets on admissions early in September 2023

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Post Offer

- 36. place by 15 March 2024, or within two weeks of the date of any subsequent offer.
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- 38. Where an applicant resident in Surrey accepts or declines a place in a Surrey school by 15 March 2024 2024.
- 39. Where an applicant resident in Surrey accepts or declines a place in a school maintained by another local authority by 15 March 2024 information to the maintaining local authority by 22 March 2024. Where such information is received from applicants after 15 March 2024 maintaining local authority as it is received.
- 40. Where an acceptance or decline is received for a Surrey school in respect of an applicant as it is received.
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