

APPLICATION FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL
2020



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Have you considered making your application online at www.newport.gov.uk/schooladmissions

- Please answer all questions and ensure that you sign the form in the space provided.
- Please read the School Admissions Policy 2020/2021 and the guidance notes attached before filling in this form.
- For assistance with this application, email school.admissions@newport.gov.uk or call 01633 656656
- Details of your catchment school can be found at www.newport.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Section A: Child's details

Full legal name: _____ male / female

Full chosen name (if different from above): _____

Date of birth: _____ (please supply a copy of the child's birth certificate if applicable)

Home address: _____

_____ Postcode: _____

Please state the name of your child's current school: _____

Is your child a Looked After Child (by social services) a Previously Looked After Child (by social services) Not applicable

If yes, please state which Local Authority this is under _____

Social Worker's full name _____ Signature*: _____

For a previously Looked After Child please provide supporting evidence, such as an Adoption Certificate

* As the Social Worker for this Looked After Child, I confirm that this application has been fully considered and the first preference school named in Section C is the most appropriate to meet their needs.

Section B: Applicant details

Full name: _____ Relationship to child: _____

Home address (if different from above): _____

_____ Postcode: _____

Home tel: _____ Mobile tel: _____

Email address: _____

Please indicate if you wish to receive correspondence in; English / Welsh / Bilingually

Section C: School preferences

Is your preference of school: Welsh-medium English-medium Faith-based

(You may need to apply to a different admission authority – see guidance notes)

Please indicate your preferred school(s) (in order of preference). You may express more than one preference.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Section D: Additional needs

Does your child hold a Statement of Special Educational Needs which names a school? Yes No

If yes, which school is named? _____

Please indicate your child's special medical circumstances, if any: _____

The information requested is regarded as special category data and we require your consent to process this information. **Please note, we will continue to process your application if you do not give consent, however, we will not use this information for any other purpose.**

Please check this box to consent

You may withdraw your consent at any time by **contacting school.admissions@newport.gov.uk** or by calling Newport City Council on **01633 656656**

Section E: Relevant Sibling

Does your child have a brother or sister attending any of the schools you have listed? Yes No

Or are you also making an application for another child? Yes No

Please provide details of the relevant sibling who is nearest in age to the child for whom the application is being made:

Name _____ Date of birth _____ School _____

If your child has a relevant sibling but you do not mention it here, the School Admissions Team will be unable to take this sibling into consideration when determining your application.

Section F: Other information

Is this a child currently on the child protection register? Yes No

If yes, please state which Local Authority this is under _____

Is this a child of UK service personnel or other Crown Servants (including diplomats)? Yes No

If yes, please specify _____

Is this a child of multiple birth (e.g. twin or triplet)? Yes No

Section G: Supporting evidence (please tick all relevant statements)

Newport City Council would like to ask for your consent to check your Council Tax record as evidence of your home address. **Please note, we will continue to process your application if you do not give consent, however, we will require alternative evidence from you. We will not use this information for any other purpose.**

You may withdraw your consent at any time by contacting **school.admissions@newport.gov.uk** or by calling Newport City Council on 01633 656656.

Newport City Council may check my Council Tax record as proof of address;

Please check this box to consent. My Council Tax Account number is _____

I attach a copy of my child's birth certificate, NHS medical card or valid passport. DO NOT SEND ORIGINALS

Other relevant evidence is attached (please specify) _____



Section H: Important information to note

Please ensure that your completed application is submitted to: **School Admissions Team, Civic Centre, Newport, NP20 4UR by 27 November 2019**. This is to ensure that a decision is issued to you by no later than 2 March 2020.
We recommend that you keep a copy of the completed form for your own records.

Declaration

I have read the Information in the School Admissions Policy and understand that the application is subject to the terms and conditions outlined in this document and therefore there is no guarantee of admission to my chosen school.

I confirm that I have parental responsibility for the pupil and have obtained the agreement of all other persons who have parental responsibility for the pupil to make this application. The information I have provided is accurate and complete, to the best of my knowledge.

Signed: _____

Full name (PRINT): _____ **Date:** _____

Assisted Applications

Please provide your name and contact details below if you have completed this application form on the applicant's behalf. Note that if this is the case, the applicant is still required to sign the above declaration to confirm that they understand the terms and conditions of the application.

Name: _____

Contact number: _____

Relationship to applicant: _____



Section A: Child's details

Name

Your child may be known by one name but have a different legal name. The legal name is the name stated on the birth certificate (unless you have legally changed the child's name since birth. In this case please provide a copy of the legal change of name papers). Please note that the council will refer to your child by their legal name for the purposes of this application.

Address

For this application, the Council will consider the child's home address to be the genuine principal place of residence where the child permanently resides with their parent/legal guardian as at the stipulated closing date, and does not mean the address at which the child is cared for by relatives or others. If a child is resident with relatives or others for reasons other than legal guardianship, that address will not be considered for allocation purposes. Where parents have shared responsibility for the child and the child spends equal time with both parents during the school week, or the home address is in dispute, the place of residence of the parent who receives the Child Benefit will be considered the child's home for allocation purposes.

Please note the council will undertake thorough residency checks and reserves the right to request independent confirmation of the child's address. Applicants may be asked to supply additional documentation to support their application.

The council will use the home address to determine the catchment school for allocation purposes. However please note that there is no guarantee of a place, even at your catchment school. Those pupils living within a school's catchment area will be given priority over those children living outside the catchment area.

It is the applicant's responsibility to advise the School Admissions Team of any changes in circumstances, including a change of address following submission of the application. This is to ensure that correspondence is sent to the correct address and will not affect the outcome of the application if this is after the closing date. Any new address can only be taken into consideration when determining the outcome of an application if the child lives there on the closing date and satisfactory evidence is provided to confirm this. Depending upon the circumstances, and the timing of the information provided, such changes may impact on the application process.

Current school

Note that attendance at a primary school does not guarantee that a place will be made available for your child at any particular secondary school, and priority for admission is not given to those children attending any primary school within a cluster.

Looked after children / previously looked after children

Where the application is for a child who is currently under the care of a local authority, the relevant social worker must sign the application form to authenticate the validity of the application and confirm the appropriateness of choice of school. Evidence such as an adoption certificate will be required to confirm the status of previously looked after children.



Section B: Applicant details

Please note that this application must be made by an adult who has parental responsibility for the child. It is not the responsibility of the school admissions team to determine parental responsibility. However, in certain circumstances, it may be necessary for the council to request evidence of this.

Where parental responsibility is equally shared, the council will ask the child's parents to determine which parent should submit the application. If parents cannot agree and neither has obtained a court order stating who should be making the application, the council will accept an application from the parent in receipt of child benefit for the named child. If there is a residence order in place affecting the child for whom the application is being made, a copy of the order must be submitted with the application.

Where parental responsibility is held by someone other than the child's mother or father, it will be necessary to submit evidence of this in support of the application. An acceptable form of evidence for this purpose would be a copy of any legal document awarding parental responsibility to the adult making the application.

Section C: School preferences

Before choosing which school to apply for you should read the School Admissions Policy which lists all of the schools in Newport and you can visit www.newport.gov.uk/schooladmissions to find out what your catchment school is. In making an application it is recommended that at least 3 different school preferences are named to increase the chances of securing a place that is acceptable. This is because there is no guarantee of any particular school place and there are some areas of Newport where demand for school places is particularly high. Applicants cannot be considered for a school unless they have expressed a preference for it. If you do not express a preference for your catchment school, an applicant residing outside of the catchment area who does express a preference for it will receive a higher priority than you as an in-catchment resident.

You will also need to consider how your child will travel to school as they will not necessarily be eligible for school transport. Free home to school transport is provided to secondary aged pupils who live 3 miles or more from their catchment school or nearest available school. This includes Welsh-medium and faith schools. In addition the Learner Travel (Wales) Measure states that a child is eligible for free home to school transport to an alternative school if this is nearer than the catchment school and provided that the qualifying distance is met.

Voluntary aided schools / faith schools

If you would like to apply for a school place at a voluntary aided or faith school (i.e. St Joseph's Roman Catholic High School), please contact the school directly to make an application. The school admissions team will not be able to consider any request for this school because the governing body is the Admission Authority. St Joseph's has their own admissions policy and parents are asked to contact the school for full details of admission arrangements. Please note however that since all Admissions Authorities within a local authority area are required to work together towards a common set of closing dates and offer dates, the council's agreed timetable will be adhered to in all instances.

Applicants who wish to express additional preferences for community schools should complete both a Newport City Council application and the application supplied by the voluntary aided school to which they are applying, making the order of their preferences clear in both applications. Information sharing protocols exist between the Council and its' voluntary aided schools to identify children for whom more than one application has been made. Those applicants who do not specify an order of preference will be contacted and asked to confirm this before the application is determined.

Welsh medium schools

If your preference is for a Welsh-medium education then please indicate this on the form by ticking the box to inform the admissions team. In Newport there are 3 Welsh-medium primary schools, all with a nursery attached, and 1 Welsh-medium secondary school details of which can be found on our website www.newport.gov.uk or in the School admissions policy 2020/2021. Pupils or parents who would like Welsh-medium education do not have to be fluent Welsh speakers to be accepted into Welsh-medium schools. Visit www.newport.gov.uk/becomingbilingual for more information.



Community schools

This application form enables applicants to express a preference for any Newport community secondary school; including Welsh-medium; however there is no guarantee of a school place. If the number of applications to a school is fewer than or equal to the number of places available, all applicants will be admitted.

If the number of applications to a school is greater than the number of places available, the information applicants give will be used to rank a child's priority for a place in line with the following oversubscription criteria. Where a school is named in a statement of Special Educational Needs, the Council has a duty to admit the child to the named school before the over-subscription criteria is applied against applications received.

1. Looked-After Children (children in public care) and previously Looked-After Children.
2. Pupils living within the catchment area and making an application on medical grounds or placed on the Child Protection Register and recommended by Social Services. .
3. Pupils living within the catchment area but with relevant siblings.
4. Pupils living within the catchment area.
5. Pupils living outside of the catchment area and making an application on medical grounds or placed on the Child Protection Register and recommended by Social Services.
6. Pupils living outside of the catchment area but with relevant siblings .
7. Pupils living outside of the catchment area.

After considering the above categories, or if the number of applications in any one of the above categories exceeds the published admission number, priority will be based on those residing closest to the preferred school (see the School Admissions Policy for full details).

All preferences will be considered equally and you will be offered a place in your highest ranked school where a place is available. Any applications that are received after the closing date will only be processed after places have been allocated for applications that were received on time, and this may increase the possibility of not achieving a place at a preferred school.

Where all of the applicant's preferences are refused, and they are a Newport resident, the child will be allocated an alternative place at the catchment school if places are available. Should the catchment school also be unavailable the applicant will be informed of the schools that have places available and invited to express additional preferences for consideration under the Council's late application and additional preference arrangements. Unsuccessful applicants who do not reside in Newport should contact their home local authority for an alternative school or submit additional preferences for other schools in Newport.

Applicants should note that in accordance with the Council's Home to School Transport Policy, they will be responsible for all transport costs and arrangements where the preferred school is not the catchment school, or where the home to school distance is less than 3 miles if attending the catchment school.

Admission to a school outside of Newport:

To apply for a school outside Newport, please apply directly to the relevant admission authority.

Admission to an Independent School:

To apply for an Independent school you must go directly to that school. Applicants are also advised to apply for a place at a Newport School in case the application to the independent school is unsuccessful, stating on the application form that a place is being sought at an independent school.

Applications from people living outside of Newport:

Parents of children living in other authorities who want their children to go to a Newport school should refer to Newport City Council's admissions policy and apply in accordance with the NCC application process.



Section D: Additional needs

Special Educational Needs (SEN)

Children with a formal statement of special educational needs are afforded priority ONLY if the school to which the parent is applying is named in Newport City Council's statement.

Medical needs

For applications where the preference is based on medical grounds the application must be supported by a medical consultant's report, obtained by the parents, specifying the medical advantage of the child attending the preferred school.

Please note that reports from family doctors are not accepted for this purpose. Note that priority is only given if places are available.

Section E: Relevant sibling

Children who will have a brother or sister at the school to which the parent is applying, at the date of admission, will be given a higher priority than those who do not. Please note however that having a sibling at the school does not guarantee admission for any other children in the family. Brothers and sisters, whether half, full, step, or foster will be considered relevant where living in the same household. Please note that siblings in Years 12 and 13 are not considered relevant.

Section F: Other information

Applications for children placed on the Child Protection Register must be supported by a written recommendation from a Social Worker giving reasons for the child's admission to a particular school in order to receive priority. Note that priority is only given if places are available.

Children of UK Service personnel are subject to frequent movement and if, as a result of the serving/returning officer's posting/discharge, this generates a need for a school place in Newport, the child will be admitted to the school if the application is accompanied by:

- Official proof of posting i.e. a posting notice; or
- A discharge notice; and A copy of the Service Identity Card.

Children of UK Crown Servants (including diplomats) are subject to frequent movement and if moving into Newport, will be determined as meeting the residency criteria for the relevant catchment school if the application is accompanied by an official Foreign and Commonwealth Office letter declaring:

- a definite return date;
- confirmation of the new address wherever possible;
- confirmation of the Crown Servant status.

Children of multiple birth

If when applying the over-subscription criteria, the last child to be admitted is one of a multiple birth, then the Council will admit the other sibling(s). Please provide photocopies in all cases as the council cannot guarantee the safe return of original documents and is unable to provide a photocopying service.

Section G: Supporting evidence

Proof of residency

This is required in support of all applications. If you live in Newport it is possible for the council to refer to your council tax record. This can only be done with parental consent.

Any applicants unwilling /unable to allow this, or those who do not live within Newport should provide additional physical photocopied evidence in order to verify their home address. In such cases, accepted forms of physical evidence are;

- a valid driving licence
- a current council tax bill (where the applicant lives outside of Newport);
- or a current child benefit / child tax credit notification naming the child for whom the application is being made.



Proof of date of birth

It is the council's policy that children are taught in their chronological year group, unless exceptional circumstances apply. For this reason, if your child is not currently in a Newport school this application must be supported by a photocopy of the child's birth certificate, NHS medical card or valid passport.

Important information to note

Please make sure that you have read the declaration before signing and dating the form. If the application is submitted unsigned, this could delay the processing of your application, thus increasing the possibility of not achieving a place at your preferred school.

Allegations of fraudulent claims will be investigated and places may be withdrawn if applicants have knowingly provided false information in order to obtain the advantage of a particular school, to which they would not normally be entitled.

DATA PROTECTION ACT: Newport City Council is registered under the Data Protection Act 2018, allowing the council to hold and process personal data. Such information will only be used for the purpose for which it was provided and as allowed by the Act.

For the purpose of processing applications for school places in Newport the information you provide on this application form may be shared with other agencies that are directly involved in the education, health and welfare of school children, including other local admission authorities.

Privacy policy: please view online at www.newport.gov.uk/privacynotice

Checklist for applicants - please use this checklist before submitting your application

- Could you make this application online instead?**
If you are making your application before the closing date you could visit www.newport.gov.uk/schooladmissions and submit your application online. One of the benefits of this is that you will be able to view your decision online on the offer date.
- Have you completed the correct application form?**
This application form is for parents applying for a September 2020 Secondary School place in a Newport City Council community school only. If you require a different application form please contact school admissions on 01633 656656.
- Have you read and understood these notes before completing your application?**
Should you require any assistance in completing this form, any clarification of the admissions process, including details of your catchment school, or a copy of the School Admissions Policy, please contact school admissions on 01633 656656 or by emailing school.admissions@newport.gov.uk
- Do you have parental responsibility for the child for whom the application is being made?**
If no, please ask the person with parental responsibility to complete and sign the application form. If you have parental responsibility but are not the parent, have you provided the relevant evidence as detailed under Section B of the guidance notes?
- If the child for whom the application is being made is under the care of a local authority, has the social worker signed the application?**
- If the child for whom the application is being made is on the Child Protection Register, have you provided a letter from the social worker?**
- If the child for whom the application is being made was previously under the care of a local authority, have you provided a copy of the adoption certificate with the application?**



- Do you know what your catchment school is?**
Details of your catchment school can be found on the council's website (www.newport.gov.uk/schooladmissions)
- Have you answered all questions fully and to the best of your knowledge, including details of any relevant medical factors and / or relevant siblings?**
- Have you given permission for school admissions to refer to your council tax record?**
If not, have you provided acceptable physical evidence as detailed in Section G?
- Have you attached a photocopy of your child's birth certificate as detailed in Section G?**
- Have you signed the application form?**
- Will your application be received by the school admissions team before the closing date of 27 November 2019?**

*It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the **school admissions team** - NOT your preferred school - receives your completed application safely and on time. If you are posting your application it is recommended that the form is sent by recorded delivery. The Council cannot accept responsibility for any application or evidence that is lost in the postal system. Any applications that are received by the school admissions team after the closing date or applications that remain incomplete (i.e. without proof of address) at the closing date will be determined as being late; this may increase the possibility of not achieving a place at your preferred school.*

