

Welcome to Year 6

(TEACH)

The Educational Alliance
of Canford Heath



Moving up to Secondary School



How to apply

If you do not submit an application, you will not be offered a school place

- ✓ Application information will be sent to your child's current school in September
- ✓ You can apply online from 1 September 2025
- ✓ You must apply to the Local Authority where you live
- ✓ You can apply for any school, regardless of where it is located



Key points

- ✓ We strongly suggest you apply for four different schools
- ✓ List them in the order you want them - your favourite should be listed first
- ✓ Answer all the questions asked on the form
- ✓ Make sure you name any sibling(s) on the application
- ✓ Provide any evidence of religious faith (if relevant)
- ✓ Check school policies and submit completed Supplementary Information Forms directly to schools by 31 October 2025

Key points

- ✓ Make sure you provide your child's main address
- ✓ If you move house, you must inform the school and your local authority
- ✓ Using a fraudulent address will result in any offered place being withdrawn
- ✓ You have a right to express a preference for the school you prefer
- ✓ Preference is not the same as choice



You must apply on time, by the deadline of 31 October 2025

Information about schools

- ✓ Look at Ofsted Reports and School Prospectuses
- ✓ Look at statistics from previous years' allocations
- ✓ Read the admission policies for schools you want to apply to
- ✓ Read our Parent's guide at bcpcouncil.gov.uk from 1 September 2025



Academic testing - Grammar schools



Bournemouth School

Bournemouth School for Girls

Parkstone Grammar School

Poole Grammar School

- ✓ You can register your child for testing now
- ✓ Registration closes on Friday 5 September 2025 at midday
- ✓ Download registration form from the schools' websites, or
- ✓ Request a form from the schools' directly or register online
- ✓ Grammar school tests take place on Saturday 20 September 2025
- ✓ Tests in Maths, English and Verbal Reasoning
- ✓ Test results posted by the schools in mid-October 2025
- ✓ Sitting a school's test is not the same as making an application
- ✓ **You must also apply to your local authority by 31 October 2025**

Academic testing - Poole High School



Expressly Academic Class
Poole High School

- ✓ You must register your child for testing
- ✓ Registration closes on Sunday 14 September 2025 at 23:59
- ✓ Download registration form from the school's website, or
- ✓ Request a form from the school directly or register online
- ✓ The test is on Saturday 27 September 2025
- ✓ The test will include English, Maths and a Reasoning test
- ✓ Test results posted by the schools in mid-October 2025
- ✓ Sitting a school's test is not the same as making an application
- ✓ You must also apply to your local authority by **31 October 2025**

Faith schools - religious evidence



St Edward's RC/CE VA School

St Peter's Catholic School

**The Bishop of Winchester
Academy**

- ✓ If you are applying on faith grounds, check the school's admissions policy about how to provide religious evidence
- ✓ You must submit religious evidence directly to the school by the 31 October 2025
- ✓ You must also apply to your local authority by **31 October 2025**

Children with an EHCP

- ✓ If your child has an EHCP, the process for changing school is different
- ✓ You will need to speak to your child's SEND Case Officer to discuss your options
- ✓ You should visit schools you are interested in for your child
- ✓ An offer of a school place will be coordinated by your SEND Case Officer
- ✓ Your SEND Case Officer will update you on consultations for a school place
- ✓ You will be advised when a school has been named on your child's EHCP
- ✓ The timescales are different and a school may be named after National Offer Day

Before submitting the application

- ✓ Take your time - places are not offered on a first come first served basis
- ✓ Think carefully about the order you list your preferred schools
- ✓ Always list your most preferred school first
- ✓ If we can offer your first preference, we will do so and discard lower preferences - they will no longer be available as an option for you
- ✓ If more than one of the schools you listed can offer you a place, we'll give you the one you ranked highest on your application.
- ✓ Consider any test results - you will receive these before the closing date
- ✓ Consider how your child will get to school (and the potential costs involved)

Before submitting the application

- ✓ It is important to be realistic when applying for schools
- ✓ Consider listing four different schools on your application. Include at least one school that's close to home or where your child is likely to be offered a place. If you only list one school, or only very popular ones, there's a higher chance that you will receive an alternative school place further away from home.

Example

- ▶ Sarah really wanted Daniel to go to a very popular school two miles away from home. She was so confident he'd get in that she only listed the one school on her application form.
- ▶ Unfortunately, the school had more applicants than places, and Daniel didn't meet the top criteria (like having a sibling at the school or living very close). As a result, he wasn't offered a place.
- ▶ Because Sarah didn't list any other schools, the council had to find a place at a school with spaces left after all other applications were processed. This ended up being a school much farther away and not one Sarah would have chosen.

What Sarah could have done differently

If Sarah had listed **four schools**, including:

- ▶ Her favourite school as first preference
- ▶ Two other schools she'd be happy with
- ▶ And a nearby school where Daniel had a good chance of getting in

Then, even if her favourite school didn't offer a place, Daniel might have been offered a place at one of the other schools she preferred instead of being placed wherever there was space.

Submit the application



Apply online



Paper application

- ✓ The online system will allow applications to be submitted until 23:59 on 31 October 2025
- ✓ Completed paper forms must be received by BCP Council by 23:59 on 31 October 2025
- ✓ Paper forms can be posted or emailed to BCP Council
- ✓ The address and email address are listed on the application form

Changes to your information

If something changes, let us know

- ✓ Tell us in writing (including email) if your information changes after submitting your application
- ✓ These changes must be submitted by 31 October 2025
- ✓ Any changes received after this date will be considered late
- ✓ Check the school's policy for a cut-off date for considering a change of address
- ✓ Most (but not all) schools use 31 October 2025
- ✓ If you move home, you must inform the school and BCP Council
- ✓ If you make changes after 31 October 2025, you are at greater risk of not being offered the school you want

How decisions are made

- ✓ Only put a school as first preference if it is the school that you want the most
- ✓ Your application is sent to each school you have requested but they are not told which preference number you put them on your form
- ✓ The school's job is to order the applications in line with their admissions policy and send back a list ranked in order of their oversubscription criteria
- ✓ Your preference order becomes important where more than one school could offer your child a place. If more than one school can offer, we will allocate a place at the one you listed highest on your form
- ✓ If you cannot be offered any of your preferences, we will offer an alternative school place - this will be the closest school with places, but may not be very near your home

When you will hear

- ✓ The national notification date is 2 March 2026
- ✓ Parents who applied online can login from 10am and view their offered school on this date
- ✓ Parents who supplied an email address will be sent a link to their offer letter on 2 March 2026
- ✓ For parents who did not supply an email address, an offer letter will be posted on 2 March 2026
- ✓ Late applicants who apply between 1 November 2025 and 23 January 2026 will hear on 25 March 2026
- ✓ If you apply from 24 January 2026 onwards, you will hear from April 2026 onwards, depending on the date the application was submitted



If you are unhappy with the offered school

- ✓ Accept the place offered

- ✓ Visit the school you have been offered if you haven't already

- ✓ Check your outcome letter to find out how to:
 - ▶ Be placed on your preferred school's waiting list
 - ▶ Appeal against the decision not to offer a place at your preferred school

- ✓ Accept the place even if you plan to appeal. Doing so:
 - ▶ does not impact upon an appeal panel's decision
 - ▶ does not affect your position on another waiting list
 - ▶ ensures you have a school place if the outcome of the appeal is not what you want

Late applications

- ✓ Applications received after the closing date of 31 October 2025 are classed as late
- ✓ Late applications are considered after all on-time applicants have been offered a place
- ✓ It is very likely that parents may not be offered a place at the school they want if they apply late
- ✓ Regularly oversubscribed schools may be full before late applications are considered
- ✓ If you apply late, it is very likely that most schools will be full and not able to offer you a place

Home to school transport



- ✓ Most children and young people living in the BCP Council area are not eligible for home to school transport assistance because they have access to a suitable school within a reasonable distance from their home
- ✓ If you apply for and are offered a place at a school which is not your local school, you will not normally qualify for free transport and will have to take on the costs yourself
- ✓ Transport assistance is not usually provided to attend a grammar or faith school because there is normally a suitable school nearer home

Contact details

For information about schools in the BCP Council area you can contact our teams:

The Children's Information Service (CIS)
01202 123222 or cis@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

The School Admissions and Transport Team
01202 127963 or school.admissions@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

It is important you ask any questions in time to make an on-time application

The deadline for on-time applications is 31 October 2025



Keep your eye out for secondary school open evenings by checking the school's website.

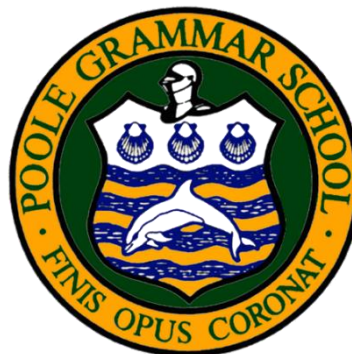
Have a look at more than one.



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Information for Parents & Carers



Poole High School

a Business & Enterprise College



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Our Vision is to **promote a love** of learning in order to **maximise the life chances** of every child in our Trust.

Through nurturing, high expectations and skilled teaching, we will have a lasting and positive impact on our local and wider community.

Our Values

Trust

Excellence

Aspiration

Collaboration

Honesty

The Team

Mrs McCloy (6M) - Year Leader and Class Teacher

Mr Nixon (6N) - Class Teacher

Mr Roast (6R) - Class Teacher

Mrs Hill and Mrs Young (6YH) - Class Teachers

Miss Williams - Deputy Head and Set Teacher

Mrs Turner - SENCo

Miss Cobb - Pastoral Care

Miss Greenham - HLTA

Miss Green - HLTA

Mrs Davies - TA

Mrs Williams - TA

Mrs Simmons - TA

Miss Curtis - TA

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Uniform

- ▶ Purple jumper or cardigan with logo.
- ▶ Plain white short or long-sleeved school shirt with collar. Tucked in and buttoned up at the neck.
- ▶ Purple and grey striped tie clip on or tie.
- ▶ Grey, black or charcoal tailored school trousers.
- ▶ Grey, black or charcoal knee length skirts.

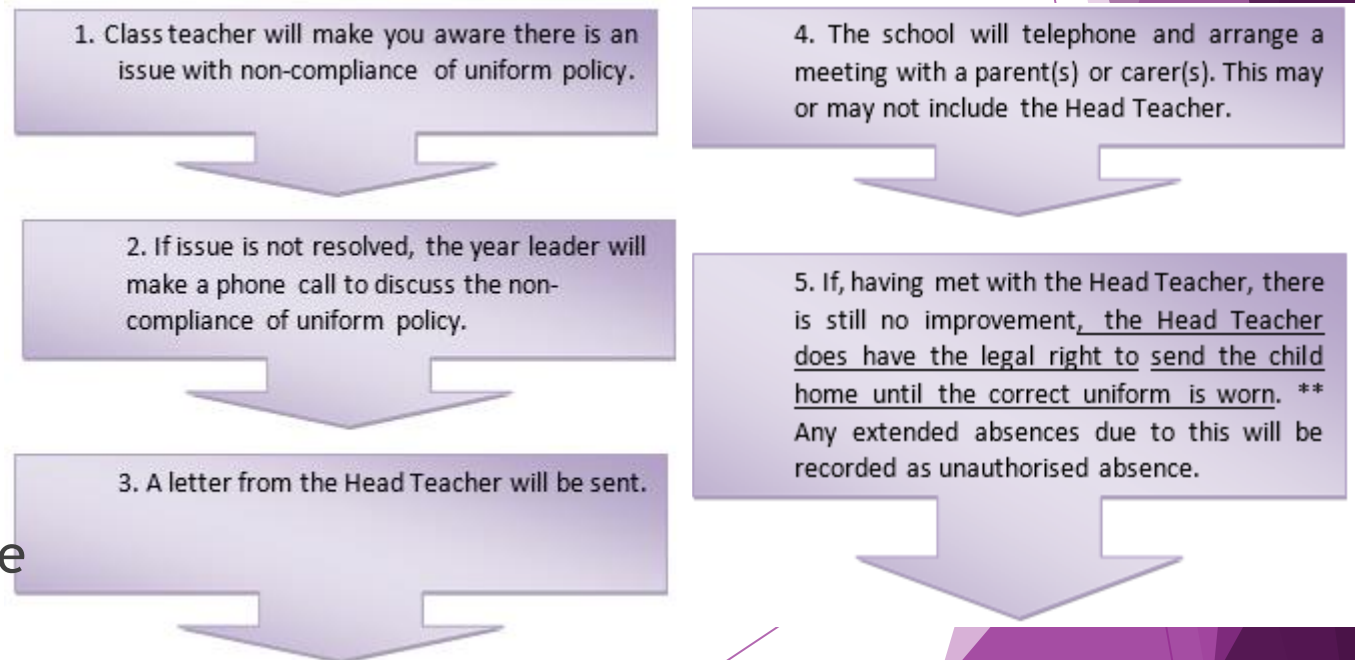


- ▶ Plain grey, black or white socks or tights.
- ▶ Lilac and white striped or checked dress - knee length (Summer only)
- ▶ Traditional black low heeled school shoes. Velcro, laces, buckle or slip on only.

Uniform

- ▶ All pupils are expected to wear the appropriate uniform from home to school and home again, except when permission has been given because of school educational visits, or pre-arranged activity days, such as Comic Relief or non-uniform days. All pupils are representing the school at all times and should take pride in being part of their community.

- ▶ If your child does attend school in uniform which does not conform to the agreed school policy, please note the following procedures will be followed:



Attendance in Year 6

63% of KS2 pupils in BCP met the expected standard in reading, writing and maths.

National 60%

- ◆ **more than 90% attendance** 65% of pupils achieved RWM
- ◆ **less than 90% attendance** 45% of pupils achieved RWM
- ◆ **less than 50% attendance** 5% of pupils achieved RWM

Attendance

Of pupils who fall below **50%** attendance, only **3%** will achieve five A-C equivalent GCSE grade (including English and maths).

Of pupils who fall within **80 and 90%** attendance, only **35%** will achieve five A-C equivalent GCSE grade (including English and maths).

Of pupils who fall below **95%** attendance, only **73%** will achieve five A-C equivalent GCSE grade (including English and maths).

We are here to help and support you in getting this right. If we are concerned about your child's attendance, we will speak to you.

Special Educational Needs

- ▶ If your child needs additional support in school then the class teacher or **Mrs Turner** will contact you.
- ▶ Your child may receive 'school support' and be put on the Special Educational Needs register.
- ▶ Your child will have additional targets set which will be shared with you during a separate meeting. These targets will be reviewed once a term.

What are we offering?

- ▶ Commitment and respect for your children as individuals
- ▶ Building on previous years' progress
- ▶ A secure environment where your children are free to ask the questions they want answered
- ▶ Quality lessons by teachers
- ▶ Targeted group teaching
- ▶ Extra support where required through targeted intervention

What do we expect?

- ▶ Good routines (e.g. remembering PE kit) in order to maximise learning time.
- ▶ A commitment to doing their best and achieving potential in all work.
- ▶ A reflective approach to learning - become life long learners.
- ▶ Homework done on time and to the best of their best ability - let us know if there has been a problem completing it.
- ▶ Increased independence in their learning in preparation for KS3.

What we want for the children

- ▶ A new start every day!
- ▶ An environment of shared respect.
- ▶ A desire to achieve and do their best - encouraged by high expectations and challenge.
- ▶ A love of learning fostered by knowing that their best is all that matters!
- ▶ A happy year which leaves fond memories.

The SATS : week commencing 11th May 2026

- ▶ Compulsory tests for end of Key Stage 2 - all Year 6 children nationally
- ▶ GPS test
- ▶ Reading comprehension test (one hour)
- ▶ Maths tests - three written papers without calculators, which includes an arithmetic test
- ▶ Writing - no written test. Writing grade based on Teacher's assessment which is externally moderated
- ▶ Reading, Maths and SPaG test marked by external markers and returned at beginning of July - results will be given towards the end of July.

SATs Week 2026

KS2 National Tests

This will take place on Monday 11th May to
Thursday 14th May 2026

**PLEASE DO NOT BOOK A HOLIDAY DURING
THIS TIME!**

- ▶ This year's results:
- ▶ Reading: EXS **85%** GDS 45% NATIONAL **74%**
- ▶ Maths: EXS **84%** GDS 29% NATIONAL **73%**
- ▶ Writing: EXS **76%** GDS 10% NATIONAL **72%**
- ▶ GPS: EXS **82%** GDS 43% NATIONAL **59%**



Physical Literacy

- It reflects how we **value, enjoy** and **engage** with physical activity
- It **shapes and is shaped by** how we move, connect, think and feel in and through movement
- It is **affected** by people, communities, culture, circumstances, places, and spaces around us
- It **contributes** to our health, wellbeing and quality of life
- It evolves, **changes**, ebbs and flows throughout life
- It's **personal** because no one person's relationship is the same
- It's **why** we like and loathe physical activity



Our current situation...

- ▶ Only 46% of children in CHJS agreed that they enjoyed taking part in exercise and sport.
- ▶ 4 in 10 children at CHJS are not active for 60 minutes a day.
- ▶ “If I find something difficult, I keep trying until I can do it.”

Only 43% of children at CHJS agreed with this statement



Opportunities for physical activity at CHJS

- ▶ Active travel to and from school
- ▶ Active Start from 8.15am every morning
- ▶ Breaktimes (Friday Disco!)
- ▶ Lunchtime clubs (child and adult-led)
- ▶ Lunchtime sports container
- ▶ After-school clubs
- ▶ Fun Run / Sporting teams and fixtures
- ▶ Sports festivals

