



APPENDIX H

PAN-LONDON CO-ORDINATED ADMISSION SYSTEM

Template Pan London Schemes for Co-ordination of Admissions to Year 7 and Reception in Maintained Schools and Academies in 2013/14 and the LA Scheme for In Year Admissions 2013/14

Contents

Page 2: Definitions used in this document

Page 4: Template scheme for co-ordination of admissions to Year 7 in September 2013

Page 9: Template scheme for co-ordination of admissions to Reception in September 2013

Page 13: Content of Common Application Form -Year 7 and Reception Schemes (Schedule 1)

Page 14: Template outcome letter -Year 7 and Reception Schemes (Schedule 2)

Page 15: Timetable for Year 7 Scheme (Schedule 3A)

Page 16: Timetable for Reception Scheme (Schedule 3B)

Page 17: Lewisham's In Year Co-ordinated Scheme

Template LA Schemes for Co-ordination of Admissions to Year 7 and Reception in
2013/14

Definitions used in the template schemes

“the Application Year”	the academic year in which the parent makes an application (i.e. in relation to the academic year of entry, the academic year preceding it).
“the Board”	the Pan-London Admissions Executive Board, which is responsible for the Scheme
“the Business User Guide (BUG)”	the document issued annually to participating LAs setting out the operational procedures of the Scheme
“the Common Application Form”	this is the form that each authority must have under the Regulations for parents to use to express their preferences, set out in rank order
“the Equal Preference System”	the model whereby all preferences listed by parents on the Common Application Form are considered under the over-subscription criteria for each school without reference to parental rankings. Where a pupil is eligible to be offered a place at more than one school within an LA, or across more than one participating LA, the rankings are used to determine the single offer by selecting the school ranked highest of those which can offer a place
“the Highly Recommended Elements”	the elements of the Template Scheme that are not mandatory but to which subscription is strongly recommended in order to maximise co-ordination and thereby simplify the application process as far as possible
“the Home LA”	the LA in which the applicant/parent/carer is resident
“the LIAAG Address Verification Register”	the document containing the address verification policy of each participating LA
“the Local Admission System (LAS)”	the IT module for administering admissions in each LA and for determining the highest offer both within and between participating LAs
“the London E-Admissions Portal”	the common online application system used by the 33 London LAs and Surrey County Council
“the Maintaining LA”	the LA which maintains a school to which an applicant/parent/carer has applied

“the Mandatory Elements”	those elements of the Template Scheme to which authorities must subscribe in order to be considered as ‘Participating Authorities’ and to benefit from use of the Pan-London Register
“the Notification Letter”	the agreed form of letter sent to applicants on the Prescribed Day which communicates any determination granting or refusing admission to a primary or secondary school, which is attached as Schedule 2
“the Prescribed Day”	the day on which outcome letters are posted to parents/carers. For secondary schools: 1st March in the year following the relevant determination year except that , in any year in which that day is not a working day, the prescribed day shall be the next working day. For primary schools: A date determined annually by the Board.
“the Pan-London Register (PLR)”	the database which will sort and transmit application and outcome data between the LAS of each participating LA
“the Pan-London Timetable”	the framework for processing of application and outcome data, which is attached as Schedule 3
“the Participating LA”	any LA that has indicated in the Memorandum of Agreement that they are willing to incorporate, at a minimum, the mandatory elements of the Template LA Scheme presented here.
“the Qualifying Scheme”	the scheme which each LA is required to formulate in accordance with the School Admissions (Co-ordination of Admission Arrangements) Regulations 2008 for co-ordinating arrangements for the admission of children to maintained primary and secondary schools and academies.

Template Scheme for Co-ordination of Admissions to Year 7 in 2013/14

Applications

1. Lewisham LA will advise home LAs of their resident pupils on the roll of its maintained primary schools and academies who are eligible to transfer to secondary school in the forthcoming academic year.
2. Applications from Lewisham residents will be made on its Common Application Form, which will be available and able to be submitted on-line. This will include all the fields and information specified in Schedule 1 to this Template LA Scheme. These will be supplemented by any additional fields and information which are deemed necessary by Lewisham LA to enable the admission authorities in the area to apply their published oversubscription criteria.
3. Lewisham LA will take all reasonable steps to ensure that every parent/carer who is resident in the borough and has a child in their last year of primary education within a maintained school, either in Lewisham or any other maintaining LA, receives a copy of Lewisham's admissions booklet and Common Application Form, including details of how to apply online. The admissions booklet will also be available to parents/carers who do not live in Lewisham, and will include information on how they can access their home LA's Common Application Form.
4. The admission authorities within Lewisham will not use supplementary information forms except where the information available through the Common Application Form is insufficient for consideration of the application against the published oversubscription criteria. Where supplementary information forms are used by the admissions authorities within Lewisham, the LA will seek to ensure that these only collect information which is required by the published oversubscription criteria, in accordance with paragraph 1.83 of the School Admissions Code 2010.
5. Where supplementary information forms are used by admission authorities in Lewisham LA, they will be available on Lewisham's website. Such forms will advise parents that they must also complete their home LA's Common Application Form. Lewisham LA's admission booklet and website will indicate which schools in the borough require supplementary forms to be completed and where they can be obtained.
6. Where an admission authority in Lewisham receives a supplementary information form, Lewisham LA will not consider it to be a valid application unless the parent/carer has also listed the school on their home LA's Common Application Form, in accordance with paragraph 15(d) of the School Admissions Code 2012.
7. Applicants will be able to express a preference for six maintained secondary schools or Academies within and/or outside the borough (and any City Technology College that has agreed to participate in their LA's Qualifying Scheme).
8. The order of preference given on the Common Application Form will not be revealed to a school within Lewisham LA. However, where a parent resident in Lewisham LA expresses a preference for schools in the area of another LA, the order of preference for that LA's schools will be revealed to that LA

in order that it can determine the highest ranked preference in cases where an applicant is eligible for a place at more than one school in that LA's area.

9. Lewisham LA undertakes to carry out the address verification process as set out in the admissions arrangements and its entry in the Business User Guide. This will in all cases include validation of resident applicants against Lewisham LA's primary school data and the further investigation of any discrepancy. Where Lewisham LA is not satisfied as to the validity of an address of an applicant whose preference has been sent to a maintaining LA, it will advise the maintaining LA no later than 14 December 2012.
10. Lewisham LA will confirm the status of any resident child for whom it receives a Common Application Form stating s/he is a 'Child Looked After' and will provide evidence to the maintaining LA in respect of a preference for a school in its area by 14 November 2012.
11. Lewisham LA will advise a maintaining LA of the reason for any preference expressed for a school in its area, in respect of a resident child born outside of the correct age cohort, and will forward any supporting documentation to the maintaining LA by 14 November 2012.

Processing

12. Applicants resident within Lewisham LA must return the Common Application Form, which will be available and able to be submitted on-line, to this LA by 31 October 2012. However, this LA will publish information which encourages applicants to submit their application by 26 October 2012 (i.e. the Friday before half term), to allow it sufficient time to process and check all applications before the mandatory date when data must be sent to the PLR.
13. Application data relating to preferences for schools in other participating LAs will be up-loaded to the PLR by 14 November 2012. Supplementary information provided with the Common Application Form will be sent to maintaining LAs by the same date.
14. Lewisham LA shall, in consultation with the admission authorities within this LA's area and within the framework of the Pan-London timetable in Schedule 3A, determine and state its own timetable for the processing of preference data and the application of published oversubscription criteria.
15. Lewisham LA will accept late applications only if they are late for a good reason, deciding each case on its own merits up until 13 December 2012.
16. Where such applications contain preferences for schools in other LAs, Lewisham LA will forward the details to maintaining LAs via the PLR as they are received.
17. The latest date for the upload to the PLR of late applications which are considered to be on-time within the terms of Lewisham LA's scheme is 14 December 2012.
18. Where an applicant moves from one participating home LA to another after submitting an on-time application under the terms of the former home LA's scheme, Lewisham LA will accept the application as on-time up to 14

December 2012, on the basis that an on-time application already exists within the Pan-London system.

19. Lewisham LA will participate in the application data checking exercise scheduled between 17 December 2012 and 2 January 2013 in the Pan-London timetable in Schedule 3A.
20. All preferences for schools within Lewisham LA will be considered by the relevant admission authorities without reference to rank order. When the admission authorities within Lewisham LA have provided a list of applicants in criteria order to Lewisham, this LA shall, for each applicant to its schools for whom more than one potential offer is available, use the highest ranked preference to decide which single potential offer to make. This is the 'Equal Preference System'.
21. Lewisham LA will carry out all reasonable checks to ensure that pupil rankings are correctly held in its LAS before uploading data to the PLR.
22. Lewisham LA will upload the highest potential offer available to an applicant for a maintained school or academy in this LA to the PLR by 4 February 2013. The PLR will transmit the highest potential offer specified by the Maintaining LA to the Home LA.
23. Lewisham's LAS will eliminate, as a Home LA, all but the highest ranked offer where an applicant has more than one potential offer across Maintaining LAs submitting information within deadline to the PLR. This will involve exchanges of preference outcomes between the LAS and the PLR (in accordance with the iterative timetable published in the Business User Guide) which will continue until notification that a steady state has been achieved, or until 15 February 2013 if this is sooner.
24. Lewisham LA will not make an additional offer between the end of the iterative process and 1 March 2013 which may impact on an offer being made by another participating LA.
25. Notwithstanding paragraph 24, if an error is identified within the allocation of places at a school in Lewisham, this LA will attempt to manually resolve the allocation to correct the error. Where this impacts on another LA (either as a home or maintaining LA) Lewisham LA will liaise with that LA to attempt to resolve the correct offer and any multiple offers which might occur. However, if another LA is unable to resolve a multiple offer, or if the impact is too far reaching, Lewisham LA will accept that the applicant(s) affected might receive a multiple offer.
26. Lewisham LA will participate in the offer data checking exercise scheduled between 18 and 22 February 2013 in the Pan-London timetable in Schedule 3A.
27. Lewisham LA will send a file to the E-Admissions portal with outcomes for all resident applicants who have applied online no later than 25 February 2013. (33 London LAs & Surrey only).

Offers

28. Lewisham LA will ensure, so far as is reasonably practical, that each resident applicant who cannot be offered a preference expressed on the Common Application Form, receives the offer of an alternative school place. Usually this will be the closest school to the applicants home address which has a vacancy after the allocation of school places.
29. Lewisham LA will inform all resident applicants of their highest offer of a school place and, where relevant, the reasons why higher preferences were not offered, whether they were for schools in Lewisham or in other participating LAs.
30. Lewisham LA's outcome letter will include the information set out in Schedule 2.
31. On 1 March 2013, Lewisham LA will send by first class post notification of the outcome to resident applicants.
32. Lewisham LA will provide its primary schools with destination data of its resident applicants via the School Admissions Module (SAM) which will be available from 2 March 2013.

Post Offer

33. Lewisham LA will request that resident applicants accept or decline the offer of a place by 15 March 2013, or within two weeks of the date of any subsequent offer.
34. Where an applicant resident in Lewisham LA accepts or declines a place in a school maintained by another LA by 15 March 2013, Lewisham LA will forward the information to the maintaining LA by 22 March 2013. Where such information is received from applicants after 15 March, Lewisham LA will pass it to the maintaining LA as it is received.
35. When acting as a maintaining LA, Lewisham LA will inform the home LA, where different, of an offer for a maintained school or Academy in this LA's area which can be made to an applicant resident in the home LA's area, in order that the home LA can offer the place.
36. When acting as a maintaining LA, Lewisham LA and the admission authorities within it, will not inform an applicant resident in another LA that a place can be offered.
37. When acting as a home LA, Lewisham LA will offer a place at a maintained school or Academy in the area of another LA to an applicant resident in its area, provided that the school is ranked higher on the Common Application Form than any school already offered.
38. When acting as a home LA, when Lewisham LA is informed by a maintaining LA of an offer which can be made to an applicant resident in this LA's area which is ranked lower on the Common Application Form than any school already offered, it will inform the maintaining LA that the offer will not be made.

39. When acting as a home LA, when Lewisham LA has agreed to a change of preference order for good reason, it will inform any maintaining LA affected by the change. In such cases, paragraphs 37 and 38 shall apply to the revised order of preferences.
40. When acting as a maintaining LA, Lewisham LA will inform the home LA, where different, of any change to an applicant's offer status as soon as it occurs.
41. When acting as a maintaining LA, Lewisham LA will accept new applications (including additional preferences) from home LAs for maintained schools and academies in its area.

PAN- LONDON CO-ORDINATED ADMISSIONS SYSTEM

Template LA Scheme for Co-ordination of Admissions to Reception in 2013/14

Applications

1. Applications from residents of Lewisham LA will be made on Lewisham LA's Common Application Form, which will be available and able to be submitted on-line. This will include all the fields and information specified in Schedule 1 to this Template LA Scheme. These will be supplemented by any additional fields and information which are deemed necessary by Lewisham LA to enable the admission authorities in Lewisham to apply their published oversubscription criteria.
2. Lewisham LA will take all reasonable steps to ensure that every parent/carer who is resident in Lewisham and has a child in a nursery class within a maintained school, either in this LA or any other maintaining LA, receives a copy of Lewisham's starting school booklet and Common Application Form, including details of how to apply online. The starting school booklet will also be available to parents/carers who do not live in Lewisham, and will include information on how they can access their home LA's Common Application Form.
3. The admission authorities within Lewisham will not use supplementary information forms except where the information available through the Common Application Form is insufficient for consideration of the application against the published oversubscription criteria. Where supplementary information forms are used by the admissions authorities within Lewisham, the LA will seek to ensure that these only collect information which is required by the published oversubscription criteria, in accordance with paragraph 15(d) of the School Admissions Code 2012.
4. Where supplementary information forms are used by admission authorities in Lewisham, they will be available on its website. Such forms will advise parents that they must also complete their home LA's Common Application Form. Lewisham's starting school booklet and website will indicate which schools in Lewisham require supplementary forms to be completed and where they can be obtained.
5. Where a school in Lewisham LA receives a supplementary information form, Lewisham will not consider it to be a valid application unless the parent/carer has also listed the school on their home LA's Common Application Form.
6. Applicants will be able to express a preference for up to six maintained primary schools or academies within and/or outside the Home LA .
7. The order of preference given on the Common Application Form will not be revealed to a school within Lewisham. However, where a parent resident in Lewisham LA expresses a preference for schools in the area of another LA, the order of preference for that LA's schools will be revealed to that LA in order that it can determine the highest ranked preference in cases where an applicant is eligible for a place at more than one school in that LA's area.
8. Lewisham LA undertakes to carry out the address verification process set out in the admissions arrangements and its entry in the Business User Guide. This will include validation of resident applicants against Lewisham LA's maintained nursery and primary school data and the further investigation of any

discrepancy. Where Lewisham LA is not satisfied as to the validity of an address of an applicant whose preference has been sent to a maintaining LA, it will advise the maintaining LA no later than 15 February 2013.

9. Lewisham LA will confirm the status of any resident child for whom it receives a Common Application Form stating s/he is a 'Child Looked After' and will provide evidence to the maintaining LA in respect of a preference for a school in its area by 1 February 2013.
10. Lewisham LA will advise a maintaining LA of the reason for any preference expressed for a school in its area, in respect of a resident child born outside of the correct age cohort, and will forward any supporting documentation to the maintaining LA by 1 February 2013.

Processing

11. Applicants resident within Lewisham LA must return the Common Application Form, which will be available and able to be submitted on-line, to Lewisham LA by 15 January 2013.
12. Application data relating to preferences for schools in other participating LAs will be up-loaded to the PLR by 1 February 2013. Supplementary information provided with the Common Application Form will be sent to maintaining LAs by the same date.
13. Lewisham LA shall, in consultation with the admission authorities within this LA's area and within the framework of the Pan-London timetable in Schedule 3B, determine its own timetable for the processing of preference data and the application of published oversubscription criteria.
14. Lewisham LA will accept late applications only if they are late for a good reason, up until 14 February 2013 deciding each case on its own merits.
15. Where such applications contain preferences for schools in other LAs, Lewisham LA will forward the details to maintaining LAs via the PLR as they are received. Lewisham LA will accept late applications which are considered to be on time within the terms of the home LA's scheme.
16. The latest date for the upload to the PLR of late applications which are considered to be on-time within the terms of the home LA's scheme is 15 February 2013.
17. Where an applicant moves from one participating home LA to Lewisham LA after submitting an on-time application under the terms of the former home LA's scheme, Lewisham LA will accept the application as on-time up to 15 February 2013, on the basis that an on-time application already exists within the Pan-London system.
18. Lewisham LA will participate in the application data checking exercise scheduled between 18 February and 1 March 2013 in the Pan-London timetable in Schedule 3B.
19. All preferences for schools within Lewisham LA will be considered by the relevant admission authorities without reference to rank order. When the admission authorities within Lewisham LA have provided a list of applicants in criteria order to Lewisham LA, this LA shall, for each applicant to its schools for

whom more than one potential offer is available, use the highest ranked preference to decide which single potential offer to make. This is the 'Equal Preference System'.

20. Lewisham LA will carry out all reasonable checks to ensure that pupil rankings are correctly held in its LAS before uploading data to the PLR.
21. Lewisham LA will upload the highest potential offer available to an applicant for a maintained school or academy in this LA to the PLR by 18 March 2013. The PLR will transmit the highest potential offer specified by the Maintaining LA to the Home LA.
22. Lewisham's LAS will eliminate, as a Home LA, all but the highest ranked offer where an applicant has more than one potential offer across Maintaining LAs submitting information within deadline to the PLR. This will involve exchanges of preference outcomes between the LAS and the PLR (in accordance with the iterative timetable published in the Business User Guide) which will continue until notification that a steady state has been achieved, or until 22 March 2013 if this is sooner.
23. Lewisham LA will not make an additional offer between the end of the iterative process and the 17 April 2013 which may impact on an offer being made by another participating LA.
24. Notwithstanding paragraph 24, if an error is identified within the allocation of places at a school in Lewisham, this LA will attempt to manually resolve the allocation to correct the error. Where this impacts on another LA (either as a home or maintaining LA) Lewisham LA will liaise with that LA to attempt to resolve the correct offer and any multiple offers which might occur. However, if another LA is unable to resolve a multiple offer, or if the impact is too far reaching, this LA will accept that the applicant(s) affected might receive a multiple offer.
25. Lewisham LA will participate in the offer data checking exercise scheduled between 25 March and 11 April 2013 in the Pan-London timetable in Schedule 3B.
26. Lewisham LA will send a file to the E-Admissions portal with outcomes for all resident applicants who have applied online no later than 12 April 2013.

Offers

27. Lewisham LA will ensure, so far as is reasonably practical, that each resident applicant who cannot be offered a preference expressed on the Common Application Form, receives the offer of an alternative school place. Usually this will be the closest school to the home address where there is still a vacancy after the allocation of places.
28. Lewisham LA will inform all resident applicants of their highest offer of a school place and, where relevant, the reasons why higher preferences were not offered, whether they were for schools in Lewisham LA or in other participating LAs.
29. Lewisham LA's outcome letter will include the information set out in Schedule 2.

30. Lewisham LA will, on 17 April 2013, send by first class post notification of the outcome to resident applicants. (In subsequent years, this date will be substituted for the date prescribed by the Board, which will be set taking into account the statutory requirement for data to be exchanged between LAs by 31 March and the dates set for public holidays and the school holiday period).
31. Lewisham LA will provide its nursery and primary schools with destination data of its resident applicants by the School Admissions Module (SAM) which will be available after 18 April 2013.

Post Offer

32. Lewisham LA will request that resident applicants accept or decline the offer of a place by 2 May 2013, or within two weeks of the date of any subsequent offer.
33. Where an applicant resident in Lewisham LA accepts or declines a place in a school maintained by another LA by 2 May 2013, Lewisham LA will forward the information to the maintaining LA by 16 May 2013. Where such information is received from applicants after 2 May, Lewisham LA will pass it to the maintaining LA as it is received.
34. When acting as a maintaining LA, Lewisham LA will inform the home LA, where different, of an offer for a maintained school or Academy in Lewisham LA's area which can be made to an applicant resident in the home LA's area, in order that the home LA can offer the place.
35. When acting as a maintaining LA, Lewisham LA and the admission authorities within it, will not inform an applicant resident in another LA that a place can be offered.
36. When acting as a home LA, Lewisham LA will offer a place at a maintained school or Academy in the area of another LA to an applicant resident in its area, provided that the school is ranked higher on the Common Application Form than any school already offered.
37. When acting as a home LA, when Lewisham LA is informed by a maintaining LA of an offer which can be made to an applicant resident in this LA's area which is ranked lower on the Common Application Form than any school already offered, it will inform the maintaining LA that the offer will not be made.
38. When acting as a home LA, when Lewisham LA has agreed to a change of preference order for good reason, it will inform any maintaining LA affected by the change. In such cases, paragraphs 36 and 37 shall apply to the revised order of preferences.
39. When acting as a maintaining LA, Lewisham LA will inform the home LA, where different, of any change to an applicant's offer status as soon as it occurs.
40. When acting as a maintaining LA, Lewisham LA will accept new applications (including additional preferences) from home LAs for maintained schools and academies in its area.

PAN-LONDON CO-ORDINATED ADMISSIONS SCHEME
SCHEDULE 1

Minimum Content of Common Application Form for Admissions to Year 7 and
Reception in 2013/14

Child's details:

Surname
Forename(s)
Middle name(s)
Date of Birth
Gender
Home address
Name of current school
Address of current school (if outside home LA)

Parent's details:

Title
Surname
Forename
Address (if different to child's address)
Telephone Number (Home, Daytime, Mobile)
7 Email address
Relationship to child

Preference details (x 6):

Name of school
8 Address of school
Preference ranking
Local authority in which the school is based

Additional information:

Reasons for Preferences (including any medical or social reasons)
Is the child a 'Child Looked After'? Y/N
9 If yes, name of responsible local authority
10 Surname of sibling
Forename of sibling
DOB of sibling
Gender of sibling
Name of school sibling attends

Other:

Signature of parent or guardian
Date of signature

* Lewisham guarantees that no stated pupil details will be sent via the PLR.

PAN-LONDON CO-ORDINATED ADMISSIONS SCHEME

SCHEDULE 2

Template Outcome Letter for Admissions to Year 7 and Reception in 2013/14

From: Home LA

Date: 1 March 2013 (sec)
17 April 2013 (prim)

Dear Parent,

Application for a Secondary / Primary School

I am writing to let you know the outcome of your application for a secondary/primary school. Your child has been offered a place at X School. The school will write to you with further details.

I am sorry that it was not possible for your child to be offered a place at any of the schools which you listed as a higher preference on your application form. For each of these schools there were more applications than places, and other applicants has a higher priority than your child under the school's published admission criteria.

Offers which could have been made for any schools which you placed lower in your preference list, were automatically withdrawn under the co-ordinated admission arrangements, as a higher preference has been offered.

If you would like more information about the reason that your child was not offered a place at any higher preference school, you should contact the admission authority that is responsible for admissions to the school within the next few days. Details of the different admission authorities for schools in the borough of X are attached to this letter. If the school is outside the borough of X, the admission authority will either be the borough in which the school is situated, or the school itself.

You have the right of appeal under the School Standards & Framework Act 1998 as amended by the Education Act 2011 against the refusal of a place at any of the schools for which you have applied. If you wish to appeal, you must contact the admission authority for the school within the next few days to obtain the procedure and the date by which an appeal must be received by them.

Please would you confirm that you wish to accept the place at X School by completing the reply slip below. If you do not wish to accept the place, you will need to let me know what alternative arrangements you are making for your child's education.

You must contact this office if you wish to apply for any other school, either in this borough or elsewhere.

You can also request that your child's name is placed on the waiting list for a school which was a higher preference on your application form than the school you have been offered. Please use the enclosed reply slip and return it to this office.

Please return the reply slip to me by 15 March 2013 (sec) / 2 May 2013 (prim). If you have any questions about this letter, please contact me on _____.

Yours sincerely

PAN-LONDON CO-ORDINATED ADMISSIONS SCHEME
SCHEDULE 3A

Timetable for Admissions to Year 7 in 2013/14

Fri 26 Oct 2012	Published closing date (Friday before half-term)
Wed 31 Oct 2012	Statutory deadline for receipt of applications
Wed 14 Nov 2012	Deadline for the transfer of application information by the Home LA to the PLR (ADT file).
Fri 14 Dec 2012	Deadline for the upload of late applications to the PLR.
Mon 17 Dec 2012 – Wed 2 Jan 2013	Checking of application data
Mon 4 Feb 2013	Deadline for the transfer of potential offer information from Maintaining LAs to the PLR (ALT file)
Fri 15 Feb 2013	Final ALT file to PLR
Mon 18-Fri 22 Feb 2013	Checking of offer data
Mon 25 Feb 2013	Deadline for on-line ALT file to portal
Fri 1 Mar 2013	Offer letters posted.
Fri 15 Mar 2013	Deadline for return of acceptances
Fri 22 Mar 2013	Deadline for transfer of acceptances to maintaining LAs

PAN-LONDON CO-ORDINATED ADMISSIONS SCHEME
SCHEDULE 3B

Timetable for Admissions to Reception in 2013/14

Tue 15 Jan 2013	Statutory deadline for receipt of applications
Fri 1 Feb 2013	Deadline for the transfer of application information by the Home LA to the PLR (ADT file)
Fri 15 Feb 2013	Deadline for the upload of late applications to the PLR.
Mon 18 - Fri 22 Feb 2013	Checking of application data
Mon 18 Mar 2013	Deadline for the transfer of potential offer information from the Maintaining LAs to the PLR (ALT file).
Fri 22 Mar 2013	Final ALT file to PLR
Mon 25 Mar-Thur 11 Apr 2013	Checking of offer data
Fri 12 Apr 2013	Deadline for on-line ALT file to portal
Wed 17 April 2013	Offer letters posted.
Thurs 2 May 2013	Deadline for receipt of acceptances
Thurs 16 May 2013	Deadline for transfer of acceptances to maintaining LAs

LEWISHAM'S SCHEME FOR THE CO-ORDINATION OF IN-YEAR
ADMISSIONS FOR MAINTAINED SCHOOLS AND ACADEMIES IN
LEWISHAM 2013/14

Section 1: Applications

1. Applications from Lewisham and non-Lewisham residents for schools in Lewisham will be made directly to Lewisham's admission team. The in-year application forms will be available from Lewisham's admission team. The primary in year application form will be available from primary schools in the borough and the secondary in year application form will be available from secondary schools in the borough. Both forms can be downloaded from our website at www.lewisham.gov.uk
2. Lewisham residents applying for places at maintained schools and academies outside Lewisham will need to apply directly to the LA in whose area the school is situated.
3. The admission authorities in Lewisham will not use supplementary forms except where the information available through the Common Application Form is insufficient for consideration of the application against the published oversubscription criteria. Where supplementary forms are used by the admissions authorities within Lewisham, Lewisham's admission 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.
4. Where supplementary forms are used, they will be available from the school concerned and available on Lewisham's website. Any supplementary forms must advise parents that they must also complete Lewisham's in-year application form. Lewisham's admission booklet and website will indicate which schools in Lewisham require supplementary forms to be completed and where they can be obtained. Parents will be advised that they should complete the supplementary form so that the Governing Body can fully consider their application.
5. Where an admission authority school in Lewisham receives a supplementary form, it will not consider it to be a valid application until the parent has also listed the school on Lewisham's In-Year Application Form.
6. Applicants will be able to express a preference for up to three maintained primary/secondary schools or Academies in Lewisham.
7. The order of preference given on the In-Year Application Form will not be revealed to the schools listed on the In-Year application form.
8. Lewisham undertakes to carry out address verification for each application made to a maintained school or academy in Lewisham. Where Lewisham is not satisfied as to the validity of an address of an applicant it will advise the admission authority schools.

9. Lewisham will satisfy itself that each applicant's date of birth is correct.
10. Lewisham will check the status of any applicant who is a 'Looked After or was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, residence, or special guardianship order.'

Section 2: Processing

11. Lewisham will enter each pupil's preferences onto the admissions data base. This information will be available to admission authority schools via the School Admissions Module (SAM) to enable them to consider the application in accordance with their published oversubscription criteria. Admissions authority schools should respond to an application within 10 school days.
12. For all applicants, Lewisham will provide schools with the information contained in the In-Year Application Form (see Schedule 1 below).
13. Where an application is not fully completed, Lewisham will not treat the application as valid until all information is received.
14. If a pupil is currently on roll at a school in Lewisham or a school in a neighbouring borough, the parent will be advised to discuss the transfer with the Headteacher or senior Teacher at the school.
15. In other cases, Lewisham, if appropriate, will request background information from the current/previous school to support the enrolment meeting.

Section 3: Offers

16. If a school has a vacancy/vacancies, Lewisham will be expected to offer the place(s) within 10 school days of the vacancy arising to the next child entitled to a place in accordance with the published oversubscription criteria. The school must make reasonable attempts to contact the parent. If a school receives fewer applications than places available, places must be offered to all of the children unless the pupil has had a permanent exclusion from the last school.
17. Lewisham's admission team will write to parents who have not been offered places at their preferences schools giving reasons and informing them of their right of appeal to an independent appeal in accordance with the School Standards and Framework Act 1988.
18. Lewisham will notify the Home LA of the outcome of applications for their residents

18. When Lewisham is notified that a pupil has been offered a place at a higher preference school, the lower ranking preferences will be withdrawn and the schools concerned notified.
19. Schools must place the child on roll by the date agreed with the School Admissions and Appeals Team.
20. Children transferring from one local school to another may not transfer to the new school until the start of the following half term unless both the home school and receiving school agrees.
21. Federations will have an important role in apportioning admissions among the schools in the federation.
22. If an admission is disputed by a school, the case must be referred to the Admissions Team giving detailed reasons within 5 school days. The child's placement will be discussed at the next Fair Access Panel. Lewisham reserves the right to direct admission if necessary.
23. When Lewisham is notified that a pupil has been offered a place at a lower preference school, the higher preferences will also be withdrawn unless the parent indicates otherwise.
24. Acting as Home LA, where an applicant who is out of school cannot be offered a place at one of their named preferences, Lewisham will offer an alternative school place.
25. Parents will be expected to accept or decline the offer of a place from a school as soon as the offer has been made.
26. Where Lewisham is informed that another LA is able to offer a place from the waiting list to one of its residents, Lewisham's database will be updated accordingly.
27. Parents will be asked to confirm at the end of each school year whether they wish their child to remain on any waiting lists for the next school year.

SCHEDULE 1

This LA's In-Year Application Form will contain the following fields.

Child's details:

- Surname
- Forename(s)
- Middle Name(s)
- Home Address
- Date of Birth
- Gender
- Name, address and dates of attendance of current/previous school(s)
- If currently in school, reason for transfer
- Date place is required
- Permanent exclusions
- Does the applicant have a statement of SEN?
- Is the child Looked After?

Parent's/Carer's details:

- Title
- Initials
- Forename
- Surname
- Address (if different to child's address)
- Telephone Number(s)
- Relationship to Child
- Parental Responsibility?

Preference details (minimum of 3):

- Name and DCSF number of school
- Preference ranking
- Local Authority in which the school is based
- Sibling Details
- Reasons for Preference (including any medical or social needs)

Other:

- Declaration including consequences of providing false information
- Signature of parent or carer
- Date of signature
- Data Protection notice
- Checklist including advice about completing supplementary forms