Secondary School Open Days (for entrance September 2025)

Here is a list of our local secondary school open mornings/evenings for entry in September 2025. Local secondary schools arrange plenty of opportunities for parents and Y5/6 children to visit before you have to make your choice. PAN is the planned admissions number for the Y7 intake in 2025.

Applications normally open in early September 2024 and closes at the end of October, you will then be told which school your child has been allocated to on the National Offer Day (normally 1st March).

We would encourage you to take the opportunity to visit in person to see if the school is suitable for your child and their needs.

Local State Schools

Maiden Erlegh Chiltern Edge (Sonning Common) PAN:120, part of Maiden Erlegh Trust

https://www.maidenerleghchilternedge.co.uk/

Open Evening: Thursday 3rd October 17:30-19:30, no booking needed.

Open Mornings: Wed 25th September and 9th, 10th and 18th October 09:15-10:30.

Gillotts (Henley) PAN:180 (took 200)

https://gillotts.org.uk/admissions/open-days/

Open Evening Thursday 26th September 18:00-20:15, no booking needed Open Day Tuesday 1st October 2024 09:15-12:00

Highdown (Caversham) PAN:250

https://www.highdown.reading.sch.uk/open-evening

Open Evening: Thursday 26th September, 18:00-20:00, booking required

Open Mornings: 30th September and 1st, 2nd, 3rd 4th and 5th October 09:00-10:00, booking required

River Academy (Reading) PAN: 180 + 7 SEN, part of Maiden Erlegh Trust

https://www.river-academy.co.uk/

Newly opening in September 2024, it will only have Y7 and Y8 children in September 2025

Opening Evening: Wednesday 2nd October 17:30-19:30, no booking needed Open Mornings: 24th and 26th September and 9th October 09:30-10:00

Langtree (Woodcote) PAN:120 (took 144)

http://www.langtreeschool.com/

Open Evening: Thursday 19th September, timing 17:15 – 20:00, booking required

Open Mornings: 25th and 26th September, 09:15 and another session at 10:30, booking required

Check their website where there are videos from last year.

The Piggott Scholl (Wargrave) PAN:206

https://www.piggottschool.org/admissions

Open Evening: Thursday 26th September, 17:00-20:00, no booking needed

Open Days: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th October 09:15, booking required

Grammar - Reading Boys (Reading) 138 day places

http://www.reading-school.co.uk/

Selective grammar school – boys only (138 day places and 12 boarding by examination)

Open Day was 25th/26th March, presentation is available to view on line.

Admissions already closed

Sporting Aptitude Assessment Day: was Saturday 31st August 2024 Admissions testing date: was **Wednesday 4th September 2024**

Grammar – Kendrick Girls (Reading) 128 places

http://www.kendrick.reading.sch.uk/

Selective grammar school – girls only (128 day places by examination Open Days were Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th April, booking essential Admissions already closed

Admissions testing date: Friday 20th September 2024

<u>Local Independent Schools (in alphabetical order)</u>

Abbey Senior School – girls (Reading) £21 750 per year

https://theabbey.co.uk/the-abbey-all-girls/visit-us/

Open Evening: Thursday 12th September 17:00-20:00, booking required Open Morning: Friday 20th September 09:00-15:00, booking slot required

Applications close 15th October, entrance exam Tuesday 5th November 2024 Also virtual tour on website.

Bluecoat - was boys now co-ed from Sep 2023 (Sonning) £21 285 per year

https://rbcs.org.uk/admissions/visiting-and-taster-days/

Open Morning: Saturday 5th October 10:30-12:30 (register on website, bookings open now) Also mini tours for parents: November dates, booking required Applications close 1st December, assessment days November and December 2024

Cranford House – was girls now co-ed from Sep 2020 (Wallingford) £21 375 per year

http://www.cranfordhouse.net/

Whole School Open Week: 22-26th April 2024, booking essential Open Morning: Saturday 5th October 10:30-12:30 (register on website, bookings open now)

Y6 Experience Days Thursday 19th September, Thursday 10th October, booking required

Y5 Experience Day in Summer Term 2024 (if you register)

Applications close 1st November, assessment 12th / 13th November 2024

Crosfields School – co-ed, extended to Y11 from Sept 2020 (Reading) £19 140 per year

www.crosfields.com

Open Mornings: Saturday 5th October 2024 9am start and Thursday 14th November

Open Evening: Thursday 10th October 09:30, booking essential

Y6 Taster Days Thursday 17th October and personal tours available on request

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Leighton Park School - co-ed (Reading) £24 540 - £29 910 per year

https://www.leightonpark.com/

Open Day: Saturday 21st September 2024 -9-11am, booking required Open Morning: Friday 11th October and Friday 8th November 2024 9am Taster Day for Y6 Tuesday 1st October and Tuesday 15th October, booking required. Applications close 15th November, assessment Sat 11th January 2025

The Oratory – co-ed from 2020 (Woodcote) £21 465 – £29 760 per year

https://www.oratory.co.uk/

Open Day: Saturday 28th September 2024 09:30-12:30 Taster Day for Y6 Thursday 17th October, Booking essential Taster Day for Y5 Tuesday 10th and 24th June 2025 Assessment Saturday 18th January 2025

Queen Anne's - girls (Caversham) £26 886 per year

http://gas.org.uk

Open mornings Saturday 21st September 2024 09:30-11:30 Y6 Taster Day Tuesday 24th September 09:00 Y5 Taster Day Tuesday 20th May 2025 Small tour, Friday 6th October (booking essential) Virtual tours on the website, personal tours by booking. Applications close 2nd October, assessment Saturday 12th October

St Joseph's College Reading - co-ed (Reading) £15 117 per year

http://www.sjcr.org.uk/

Open Evening: Thursday 10th October, 18:00-21:00 Open Morning: Wednesday 18th September, 09:30-11:15 Y5 Taster Days Monday 29th April, Tuesday 7th May Booking essential Applications close 31st October, assessment 3rd January 2025 Virtual tours on the website, personal tours by booking.

Shiplake College – was boys, co-ed from September 2023 (Shiplake, Henley) £22 980 – 29 220

https://www.shiplake.org.uk/

Open Day Saturday 21st September 2024 09:00 - 12:00, Saturday 22nd March 2025 Experience Shiplake taster afternoon for Y6, early October, exact date tbc Virtual tours on the website, personal tours by booking.

Applications close December, assessment January 2025