

## Secondary School Open Days (for entrance September 2026)

Here is a list of our local secondary school open mornings/evenings for entry in September 2026. 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 2026.

Applications normally open in early September 2025 and close on 31st October 2025, you will then be told which school your child has been allocated to on the National Offer Day (1<sup>st</sup> March 2026). 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**

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

Open Evening: Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September 17:30-19:30

Open Mornings: September and early October 09:15-10:45, exact dates still tba.

#### **Gillotts (Henley) PAN:180**

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

Open Evening Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September 18:00-20:15

Open Day Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September 09:15-12:00

No need to book, webinars from 2021 available on their website.

#### **Highdown (Caversham) PAN:250**

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

Open Evening: Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 18:00-20:00

Open Mornings: week commencing Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October 09:00-11:00 – these must be prebooked, booking opens in September.

#### **River Academy (Reading) PAN 180 +7SEN**

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

Newly opened in September 2024, so will only have Y7, Y8 and Y9 by September 2026. Has Y5 open mornings in June.

Dates not published yet but **probably** Opening Evening: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October.

#### **Langtree (Woodcote) PAN:120**

<http://www.langtreeschool.com/>

No dates available yet – will be published early September so please check their website where there are videos from last year <https://langtreeschool.com/year-6-transition-to-langtree-school/>

#### **The Piggott School (Wargrave) PAN:206**

<https://www.piggottschool.org/admissions>

Dates not published yet but **probably**

Open Evening: Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September, 17:00-20:00

Open Days usually first week in October 09:15-10:30.

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**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 Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025, next one will be similar time in 2026.

Admissions already closed, admissions testing date: **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2025**

**Grammar – Kendrick Girls (Reading) 128 places**

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

Selective grammar school – girls only (128 day places by examination)

Open Day was Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2025, next one will be similar time in 2026.

Admissions already closed, GL Assessment testing date: **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025**

Local Independent Schools (in alphabetical order)

**Abbey Senior School – girls (Reading) £27 519 per year**

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

Working Open Days : Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September, Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November, Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January  
9:30-11 and 2:30-4

Y5 taster day June

Applications close 15<sup>th</sup> October, entrance exam 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025

Also virtual tour on website and personal tours on request.

**Bluecoat – co-ed (Sonning) £24 837 per year**

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

Open Morning: Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October 10:30-12:30 (register on website, bookings open now)

Also mini tours for parents: September/October/November all 10:30-12:30 booking essential

Applications close 31<sup>st</sup> October, entrance exams November\December

**Cranford House – co-ed (Wallingford) £21 801 2024 prices**

<https://www.cranfordschool.co.uk/admissions/openevents>

Y5 experience days: Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October

Open Morning: Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October 9:30-12:30 (register on website, bookings open now)

Applications close 1<sup>st</sup> November, assessment 11<sup>th</sup> November

**Crosfields School – co-ed, (Reading) £24 585 Y7 to £26 085 Y11**

<https://www.crosfields.com/events/>

Open Day: Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October 09:30-12:00

Taster Days 9<sup>th</sup> October, 20<sup>th</sup> November and personal tours available on request

Applications close: 3<sup>rd</sup> November, assessments 27<sup>th</sup> November / 22<sup>nd</sup> January

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**Leighton Park School – co-ed (Reading) £28 275 Y7-8 to £34 470 Y9-11 (day pupils)**

<https://www.leightonpark.com/>

Open Morning Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September 09:00

Taster Day for Y6 Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October and Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November

Booking essential.

Applications close 14<sup>th</sup> November, assessment Sat 10<sup>th</sup> January 2026

**The Oratory – co-ed (Woodcote) £24 840 Y7-8 to £33 894 Y9-13 (day pupils)**

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

Open Day: Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September 09:30-12:30

Taster Days for Y6 16<sup>th</sup> October, 13<sup>th</sup> November Booking essential

Assessment Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2026

**Queen Anne's - girls (Caversham) £27 360 Y7-8 to £32 199 Y9-13 (day pupils)**

<http://qas.org.uk>

Open mornings Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September 9:30-11:30

Y5 Taster Day May

Virtual tours on the website, personal tours by booking.

Applications close 20<sup>th</sup> October, assessment 8<sup>th</sup> November

**St Joseph's College Reading - co-ed (Reading) £19 047**

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

Y5 Taster Days June

Open Evening: Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 18:00-21:00

Open Morning: Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November

Applications close 31<sup>st</sup> October, assessment January 2026

Virtual tours on the website, personal tours by booking.

**Shiplake College – co-ed (Shiplake, Henley) £26 625 Y7-8 to £33 750 Y9-13 (day pupils)**

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

“Experience Shiplake” taster afternoon for Y5s: June

Y6 Taster Days 25<sup>th</sup> September, 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 7<sup>th</sup> October, 21<sup>st</sup> November 10:30-3:15pm

Open Mornings Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September 09:00 - 12:00

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March

Virtual tours on the website, personal tours by booking.

Applications close December, assessment January 2026