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Dear Year 6 Parents,

As many of you will be aware, Secondary School applications opened on Monday 8th September. The deadline for applications is the **31st October 2025**. In previous years, there have been some families who have missed this deadline and have struggled to get a place for their child. I have put together some information below with the aim of supporting you in your application.

Children from Botley move on to attend various schools. Below is a list of the most common schools our children apply to:

- Deer Park (Botley is one of the named feeder schools for Deer Park. Last year, the majority of our students moved on to this school. However, it can be difficult to get into this school if you do not live within the catchment area, even if your child attends Botley)
- Wildern
- Wyvern
- Swanmore

Each school will run their own school preview events. Please see individual websites for information.

The link for further information about the application process can be found below:
<https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/admissions/applicationprocess/year7>

A tool to catch your catchment area can be found using the link below:
<https://maps.hants.gov.uk/SchoolCatchmentAreaFinder/>

On your application form, you will be asked to make multiple choices. We recommend you select your top three choices and not just put the single school you would like – that approach does not guarantee your child a place and if for some reason you do not get the chosen school, your child could end up at a school far from where you live if other spaces have been taken in more local schools. I appreciate that filling in and making these choices can be daunting. If you would like support filling out the form then please email me at r.shuttle@botley.hants.sch.uk and we can arrange a time for you to come and complete this at school.

It is essential you complete your application before the deadline.

I hope this information is helpful, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Kindest regards,

Mrs R. Shuttle
Deputy Headteacher