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Dear Y6 Parents,

It is now the time of year to apply for a Secondary School placement for your child. This is a real milestone in your child's education and I know you are all keen to make the right choices for the future.

We have put together some advice and information to help you with your application:

- Your child's chances of getting into a specific school are based mainly on **DISTANCE** from the school and whether your child has a **BROTHER** or **SISTER** at that school.
- **DO NOT** put down the same school for all five choices. This will not increase your chances of getting a place at your first choice school.
- Unfair as it may seem you **DO NOT** stand an equal chance of your child getting into every school.
- Both Dixon's and Bradford Girls Grammar Schools use **FAIR BANDING**. This means your child will have to take an exam to test their ability. The school will then choose a number of children from each ability level who live closest to the school
- Some schools have a **PRIORITY AREA** – meaning children who live in a certain area will have a better chance of getting in. Please consult the school's website to find this information.
- Looked After children and children with specific special educational needs will take higher priority
- The schools you stand best chance of getting into is usually the **NEAREST**
- In FAITH schools i.e. St.Joseph's, pupils of the Catholic Faith will take preference
- Applying early **MAKES NO DIFFERENCE** as long as you apply by the deadline. So take your time and do not rush.
- The closing date for applications is 31st October 2020 apply online at - www.bradford.gov.uk

If you require any assistance or want us to check your application or complete it with you **PLEASE CALL US**. We are more than happy to help. We want you to avoid disappointment and distress of your child not getting one of their choices.

Alex Summerscales
Head of School

