



NORTH AYRSHIRE
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Transfer Arrangements – Primary/Secondary Education

As the parent/carer of a P7 pupil you will be thinking about the transfer from primary to secondary education in August 2021.

Each primary school works closely with their catchment secondary school to develop transition schemes, keeping both you and your child informed about the stages of transition and the organisation of their S1 curriculum.

In keeping with these arrangements provision has been made for your child to transfer to the [catchment](#) secondary school for your address as from August 2021.

However, you have the choice to submit a placing request to a school outwith your catchment area or to the denominational secondary school for North Ayrshire Council, St Matthew's Academy.

The primary school now need you to consider these options and let them know your decision.

If you decide to make a placing request, then you should complete a [placing request form](#) before 15 March 2021. More information on placing requests and how we process these can be found on our [website](#).

It is important to note that if you do submit a placing request you will be responsible for any transport costs, other than exceptional circumstances. Additionally, at P7-S1 transfer only, those pupils transferring to St Matthew's Academy as the result of a successful placing request will be eligible for free school transport, should they live more than 3 miles from the school.

If you live more than 3 miles from your catchment secondary school you can apply for [free school transport](#).

Please contact your child's primary school with your decision on your choice of secondary education before Friday 5 February 2021.