

# RICHMOND & KINGSTON SENDIASS

Identifying School Options.





- Use the local offer:
  - Start with Kingston schools  
<https://kr.afcinfo.org.uk/pages/local-offer/information-and-advice/education/information-on-kingston-schools/special-schools-in-kingston>
  - Then look at out of Borough Institutions Kingston based families  
<https://kr.afcinfo.org.uk/pages/local-offer/information-and-advice/education/out-of-borough-education-institutions/out-of-borough-education-institutions-kingston-children-and-young-people>



- Use other local offers:
- Then look at out of Borough Institutions Richmond families  
<https://kr.afcinfo.org.uk/pages/local-offer/information-and-advice/education/out-of-borough-education-institutions/out-of-borough-education-institutions-richmond-children-and-young-people>
- Then look other local offer for their schools (Eg Wandsworth)  
<https://fis.wandsworth.gov.uk/kb5/wandsworth/fsd/results.action?familychannel=2-2-9>



- Section 41 Schools:
  - List of Government schools approved under section 41  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/independent-special-schools-and-colleges>
- Google Search:
  - There are websites with free search tools E.G.  
<https://educationadvocacy.co.uk/sen-schools-map/>



- **Key Issues:**

- There seems to be a significant shortage of specialist placements this year. (Locally and Nationally). This is a very significant issue especially where the EHCP is not yet in place.
- Parents will find it difficult to get professionals to identify options because
  - Many professionals are not supposed (to or legally allowed to).
  - There is an element of needing to fully understand the situation and
  - personal/ family preference will make a huge difference to options.
- While the LA can't make suggestions they will have to consider other options so there maybe times when you have looked and identified options and then the LA suggest other places. It's because they are checking for reasonable use of public resources.



### SENDIASS Support:

- We do have lists but we don't publish them currently, in part because the decision is such a complex one and personal.
- But also because speaking to people about the options so that we can help produce but also refine a list.
- We can help if an expressed "preference" isn't offered by AfC.