

A NEW HIGH SCHOOL FOR GREENFORD

Did you know that there are plans for a new high school to open in September 2013 to serve the families in the Greenford area?

Because there are few schools in the area, we know that there is a real problem for some parents when children get to Year 6 and apply for a high school.

Who is involved?

Twyford CE High School is a very popular Church of England School in Ealing Common. The London Diocese has opened 5 successful new academies in the last 10 years.

Working together we want to open a new high school on a site in Oldfield Lane North. If we are successful, the new school will be built by 2013.

We are working with Ealing Council and local Ward Councillors, keeping them informed at each stage as our planning progresses.



“This is a great opportunity to replicate the success of Twyford in another part of the Borough. By working with the LDBS we will benefit from their experience in successfully opening three new secondary schools in the last few years. We will be listening carefully to what local people want through our Reference Group which meets monthly.”

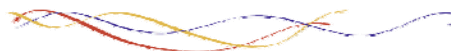
Alice Hudson, headteacher of Twyford CE High School

Who will the school be for?

The new high school will have an open admissions policy, which means any child from any religion or even with no religious background will be able to get into the new school. The school will be founded on Christian values and will welcome all faiths within the school.



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What support is there for the school?

Over 2000 signatures have been collected in support of the Twyford/LDBS proposal and forwarded to the Department for Education.

A Reference Group has been formed to plan the school and to represent local people. Currently the Group contains representatives of the local primary schools' teachers and governors, Ealing Council, local Ward Councillors and local churches.

"We have been impressed by the Twyford/LDBS proposal for the new school, which will provide an excellent, all-round education for our children locally. We desperately need new high school places in this area, especially the Horsenden Primary School parents who have less chance of getting a school of their choice for their child."

Polly Buhariwala-Collins, Horsenden Parents' Steering Group

What will the school be like?

The proposal is for an 11-18 high school taking 240 pupils per year. The school is likely to be an academy and will be set up as one of the government's new Free Schools.

Like Twyford, the school will set the highest standards and aspirations for its students. This will apply to academic achievement; sport and the arts; discipline; and community involvement.

What is the next step?

We now have to get the support of the government for our proposal. We have been encouraged by the Secretary of State, Michael Gove, to submit a formal proposal to the Department of Education with detailed plans. The likely timescale is:

- Submission of Free School bid – Summer 2011
 - Formal consultation with the community – Summer 2011
 - Signing of formal contract, Funding Agreement – Autumn 2011
- Opening of new school by September 2013

Other proposals

There is also a proposal being put forward by an organization called E-ACT. This is not to be confused with our proposal.

How to find out more

Visit <http://schools.london.anglican.org/> and follow the Free Schools links.

If you have questions or comments on this, or want to know more about the Reference Group, please contact rob.hannan@london.anglican.org



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