

Date: November 2024
Ask for: School Admissions

ALL NURSERY, INFANT AND PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Dear Colleagues,

Admission to Reception and Transfer to Junior School Arrangements 2025

The reception and junior admissions round for September 2025 will open for applications from 04 November 2024. Please see attached a letter for distribution to the parents and carers of all Walsall resident children who are on roll in nursery or year 2 (infant schools only). I would be grateful if this letter could be circulated to parents, via your parent mail and uploaded to your website.

This letter provides a brief overview of the process. More detailed information and contact details for all Walsall primary schools are provided in the on-line Information for Parents booklet which is available on the Walsall Council website along with a Supplementary Information Form to download and print from the primary admissions pages.

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In line with the published admission arrangements, parents are required to submit their applications online.

Caseworkers from the Admissions and Education Sufficiency team will be in regular contact throughout the application period providing schools with lists of those children for whom the Local Authority has yet to receive an application. This will enable schools and the team to work together to identify those families that may require support with the application process and ensure that appropriate support is provided.

A timetable showing the key dates for the 2025 reception/junior process is included overleaf.

The closing date for applications to be submitted is 15 January 2025 (10pm).

Thank you for your ongoing co-operation and support.

If you require any further advice or support please contact the Admissions and Education Sufficiency team at schooladmissionsadvice@walsall.gov.uk and a member of the team will be pleased to assist.

Yours faithfully,

Alex Groom

Admissions and Education Sufficiency Manager

Date	Primary 2025 Admissions - Key Dates
02 September 2024	Information for Parents booklet available online - Primary 2025.
01 October 2024	Consultation period begins for revised Admission Arrangements for September 2026.
04 November 2024	Portal for Reception 2025 & Junior 2025 applications open.
W/C 18 November 2024	1st list of nursery age and Y2 children without a current PRI25 application in place will be sent to nurseries, primary schools and infant schools requesting reminders to be given to parents.
06 December 2024	Final week to submit consultation for Admission Arrangements for September 2026.
W/C 02 December 2024	2nd list of nursery age and Y2 children without a current PRI25 application in place will be sent to nurseries, primary schools and infant schools requesting reminders to be given to parents.
W/C 16 December 2024	3rd list to nurseries, primary schools and infant schools requesting contact details for parents of children who have not yet submitted a PRI25 application. We request that this is returned to us by Friday 20 December.
W/C 06 January 2025	Final list of children without a PRI25 application in place will be sent to nurseries, primary schools and infant schools requesting that reminders are sent to parents. Admission Caseworkers will begin to contact parents who have not yet submitted, this will continue until the 15 January 2025.
15 January 2025 (10pm)	NATIONAL CLOSING DATE FOR ON-TIME RECEPTION 2025 & JUNIOR 2025 APPLICATIONS
16 January 2025 - 13 February 2025	Late applications received within this period may be considered as on time but only in exceptional circumstances (see Information for Parents booklet for more information)
W/C 3 Feb 2025	First lists for ranking to be sent to all Voluntary Aided schools.
31 January 2025	Deadline for consultation closure for Admissions Arrangements for September 2026.
14 February 2025	First ranking lists should be submitted by all voluntary aided schools by the end of this week.
14 February 2025	All applications received from this date forward will be considered late regardless of the circumstances
16 April 2025	PRIMARY NATIONAL OFFER DAY - all on-time applicants will receive an email confirming the school to be offered for September 2025
16 April 2025	Offer lists will be available to schools following National Offer Day.
02 May 2025	Waiting list positions available for Reception 2025 & Junior 2025 applications.
06 May 2025	Late Offers - Phase 1 - Offers made for late applications received between 16/01/2025 & 20/04/2025
02 June 2025	Appeals Deadline - see Information for Parents booklet for more information.
09 June 2025	Late Offers - Phase 2 - Offers made for late applications received between 21/04/2025 & 20/05/2025
As Required	Further offers for late applications will be made as required.
June/July 2025	Appeal Hearings - dates to be confirmed to applicants as appropriate.
June/July 2025	Inset Dates - to be confirmed by the school of offer.