

Information for Parents

Admissions into Primary Schools

for September 2027



Walsall Council

Director's Welcome

Admission to Primary School in September 2027

I am delighted to welcome you to Walsall's guide for parents regarding admission into primary school for September 2027. This booklet provides information, advice and guidance surrounding the application process for primary school places for September 2027.

If your child was born between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023, they are eligible for a primary school place for September 2027.

The start of a child's full-time school life can be an exciting time for both parents and children, but it can also be a time where parents and carers may have a lot of questions and concerns regarding choosing the right school for their child. I am pleased to say that last year 98% of children who reside in Walsall secured one of their three preferences, with 93% securing their first preference. To increase your chances of securing a place at one of your preferred schools it is advisable to express a preference for three schools, the maximum number that you can apply for. Failure to do this may result in disappointment with the school place that is allocated to your child.

Prior to starting an application online, I advise for parents/carers to complete the following:

- **Explore school websites** – read school admission policies and entry criteria to gain an understanding of how school places are allocated.
- **Attend opening evenings** – information regarding opening evenings can be found on the school's website.
- **Identify under what criteria the school filled places the previous year** – This information is available in this booklet or from the school direct. This will enable parents to identify which criterion their application will fall within and therefore the likelihood of being offered a place.
- **Consider how your child will travel to and from school.**
- **Remember to submit by the National Closing Date of 15 January 2027** – submitting a late application will impact the chances of being offered a place at a preferred school.
- **We strongly advise you to list three preferred schools for your child's application** – this increases the chances of securing a place at a preferred school.
- **National Offer Day** – all on-time applications will be made an offer on **16 April 2027**.

All our Walsall schools are committed to giving each child the best possible start at a primary school, helping them to enjoy their experience, learning and achieve their full potential.

The Admissions & Education Sufficiency Team are available to support parents through the application process and are available at schooladmissionsadvice@walsall.gov.uk

If you require any advice or further guidance with submitting an online application, please contact the team who will be happy to assist you.

Every best wish to your child for a successful transition to primary school.



Yours sincerely,

Sharon Kelly

Director – Lifelong Learning

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Submitting an application

If you live in Walsall and your child is due to start primary or infant school, or move from infant to junior school, in September 2027, you must apply online through the Walsall Council website.

You must submit your application online by the closing date: 15 January 2027.

We strongly recommend submitting your application as early as possible. This gives you time to ask for help or advice before the closing date, if you need it.

Apply online at – [Walsall Council school admissions](#)

Benefits of applying online include:

- You will receive an email confirming that we have received your child's application.
- You can make changes in the online portal up to the closing date, helping you make sure the application is right for your child.
- The online system is secure, so your family's personal information is protected.
- If you apply on time, you will receive an email on National Offer Day, Thursday 16 April 2027, confirming the school place offered for your child.

Primary application checklist

Before you apply, we recommend that you complete the following steps:

- ☒ Read this booklet so you understand how school places are offered and what you need to do to help your child's application.
- ☒ Look at school websites, admissions policies and Ofsted information to help you choose schools that may be a good fit for your child.
- ☒ Read school prospectuses or contact schools directly to find out more about what they can offer your child.
- ☒ Attend open evenings where possible, so you and your child can get a feel for the school. Details are usually available on the school's website.
- ☒ Check how your preferred schools allocated places last year. This can help you understand how likely your child may be to receive a place, although it cannot guarantee the outcome this year.
- ☒ If you would like your child to attend a school outside Walsall, check the other local authority's admissions information carefully. This will help you understand the school's criteria and whether you need to send any extra forms or evidence.
- ☒ Check school performance information if this would help you choose the right school for your child. You can contact 0370 000 2288 or visit the school performance tables online.
- ☒ Check whether any of your preferred schools need a supplementary information form, so your child can be considered under the correct admissions criteria.
- ☒ Come to a drop-in session if you need help completing your child's application. The Admissions and Education Sufficiency Team can support you with the process. Dates and locations are listed on page 7.

Submit your application online:

- ✓ Submit your child's application by the national closing date of 15 January 2027. Late applications are less likely to receive an offer from one of the preferred schools.
- ✓ You can list up to three preferred schools. We strongly encourage parents and carers to use all three preferences and include at least one local school where their child would have been likely to meet the admissions criteria in previous years.
- ✓ School places are offered by looking at how well each child meets the admissions criteria for each preferred school. A place at a particular school cannot be guaranteed, so using all three preferences gives your child the best chance of being offered a preferred school.
- ✓ If you are applying for a place at a Walsall Catholic school or a voluntary aided Church of England school, you may need to complete a supplementary information form and send it directly to the school with any required documents before the deadline.
- ✓ Please remember: the supplementary information form is not the application for a school place. You must still submit an online application to Walsall Council.
- ✓ **Schools outside Walsall** may also ask for extra information or registration forms. Please check the school's website and admissions policy before you apply.
- ✓ Check your application details:
 - Check parent/carer contact details are correct – phone number and email address
 - Check child's details are correct – including name, DOB and gender and home address
- ✓ Before you submit the application, check whether any of the following apply to your child and make sure you have provided the right evidence:
 - Children of multiple births
 - Child in care/previously a child in care
 - EHCP
 - Medical/social requests
 - Sibling connections

Following submission of your primary application

- ✓ You can update your child's application through the online portal until the closing date, 15 January 2027.
- ✓ If you change your preferences after 15 January 2027, the application will usually be treated as late unless there are exceptional circumstances. This may affect your child's chance of receiving a preferred school.
- ✓ National Offer Day is 16 April 2027. If you applied on time, you will receive one email confirming the school place offered for your child.
- ✓ If you want to appeal for a place at a community or voluntary controlled school, you must complete and submit the online appeal form by 17 May 2027.
- ✓ Waiting list positions will be available from 26 April 2027. You can contact the Admissions & Education Sufficiency Team from this date if you would like to know your child's position.
Email schooladmissionsadvice@walsall.gov.uk
- ✓ Change of address – if you move after the closing date, please tell the Admissions & Education Sufficiency Team as soon as possible and provide proof of your new address. This helps us make sure your child's application is considered using the correct information.
- ✓ If your child no longer needs the school place offered, for example because you have moved out of Walsall or made other education arrangements, please tell the Admissions & Education Sufficiency Team in writing and provide any evidence requested.

If you need help completing your child's application, please contact the Admissions & Education Sufficiency Team at schooladmissionsadvice@walsall.gov.uk

Key dates

Closing Date:

The closing date for all primary 2027 applications is 15 January 2027. Your application, and any extra forms or supporting evidence, must be submitted by this date.

April 2027:

National Offer Day is 16 April 2027, or the next working day if this falls on a non-working day. If you applied on time, you will receive an email on Thursday 16 April 2027 telling you which school place has been offered.

If your application is late, offers will be made after on-time applications. The dates below explain when late offers are expected to be made.

- **10 May 2027: Offer Day - Phase 1**
for late applications received between 16 January 2027 and 30 April 2027.

May 2027:

Appeals – if you want to appeal for a place at a community or voluntary controlled school, you must complete and submit the online appeal form by 17 May 2027. More information about appeals is included later in this booklet.

June/July 2027:

School admission appeal panels will meet during June and July 2027. If you submit an appeal, you will be told the date and details for your child's appeal hearing.

Date	Primary 2027 Admissions - Key Dates
01 September 2026	Information for Parents booklet available online - Primary 2027.
01 September 2026	Portal for Reception 2027 & Junior 2027 applications open.
1 December 2026	Lichfield Street Hub 9am - 5pm. Drop-in session, with the admissions team, to support families in the community to submit their reception and infant - junior 2027 applications.
3 December 2026	Willenhall Library 1pm - 5pm. Drop-in session, with the admissions team, to support families in the community to submit their reception and infant - junior 2027 applications.
8 December 2026	Blakenall Village Centre 1pm - 5pm. Drop-in session, with the admissions team, to support families in the community to submit their reception and infant - junior 2027 applications.
10 December 2026	Brownhills Library 1pm - 5pm. Drop-in session, with the admissions team, to support families in the community to submit their reception and infant - junior 2027 application.
7 January 2027	Darlaston Library 1pm - 5pm. Drop-in session, with the admissions team, to support families in the community to submit their reception and infant - junior 2027 applications.
12 January 2027	Lichfield Street Hub 9am - 5pm. Drop-in session, with the admissions team, to support families in the community to submit their reception and infant - junior 2027 applications.
15 January 2027 (10pm)	NATIONAL CLOSING DATE FOR ON-TIME RECEPTION 2027 & JUNIOR 2027 APPLICATIONS
16 January 2027 - 13 February 2027	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)
14 February 2027	All applications received from this date forward will be considered late regardless of the circumstances
16 April 2027	PRIMARY NATIONAL OFFER DAY - all on-time applicants of Reception 2027 & Junior 2027 applications will receive an email confirming the school to be offered for September 2027
26 April 2027	Waiting list positions available for Reception 2027 & Junior 2027 applications.
10 May 2027	Late Offers - Phase 1 - Offers made for late applications received between 16 January 2027 & 30 April 2027.
17 May 2027	Appeals Deadline - see Information for Parents booklet for more information.
As Required	Further offers for late applications will be made as required.
June/July 2027	Appeal Hearings - dates to be confirmed to applicants as appropriate.
June/July 2027	Inset dates - to be confirmed by the school of offer.

Frequently asked questions

How do I apply for a place at a primary, infant or junior school?

You must apply online through [Walsall Council school admissions](#) and follow the instructions provided. You can name up to three schools where you would like your child to be considered for a place. Please list these schools in your order of preference.

What primary schools are in Walsall?

There are 40 maintained primary schools plus 46 academies in Walsall.

- 24 non-denominational schools (23 community and 1 foundation school)
- 9 Catholic schools (8 voluntary aided and 1 academy)
- 13 Church of England schools (5 voluntary controlled and 3 voluntary aided, 5 academy)
- 42 academies

There are 9 Infant schools (2 community schools, 1 voluntary controlled, 1 voluntary aided and 5 academy) for children aged between 3 and 7 years old.

There are 9 Junior schools (4 community schools, 1 voluntary aided and 4 academy) for children aged between 7 and 11 years old.

Information regarding nursery education is provided within this booklet. There are:

- 8 nursery schools
- 7 infant and 62 primary schools with nursery classes
- 51 private, voluntary, and independent nursery providers

How do I apply for a school outside of Walsall?

If you live in Walsall and want to apply for a school outside Walsall, you must still include that school on your Walsall application. You should also check the other local authority's information booklet or website so you understand the school's admissions criteria and whether any extra forms or evidence are needed.

Birmingham LA - Tel: 0121 303 1888

Birmingham City Council, School Admissions, PO Box 16068, Birmingham, B2 2ZL

<https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions>

Email: admissions@birmingham.gov.uk

Dudley LA - Tel: 0300 555 2345 (choose Option 5 then Option 6)

People Services Directorate, School Admissions Service, The Council House, Priory Road, Dudley, DY1 1HF

<https://www.dudley.gov.uk/residents/learning-and-school/school-information/school-admissions/>

Email: admissions.cs@dudley.gov.uk

Sandwell LA - Tel: 0121 569 6765

School Admissions Service, Sandwell Council House, PO BOX 16230, Freeth Street, Oldbury, B69 3EX

<https://www.sandwell.gov.uk/school-admissions>

Email: annual_schooladmissions@sandwell.gov.uk

Staffordshire LA - Tel: 0300 111 8007 (Select option for School Admissions & Transport)

School Admissions and Transport Service, Staffordshire County Council, 2 Staffordshire Place, Tipping Street, Stafford, ST16 2DH <https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Education/Education.aspx>

Email: admissions@staffordshire.gov.uk

Wolverhampton LA - Tel: 01902 551122

City of Wolverhampton Council Education, Directorate Admissions and Appeals, Civic Centre, St Peter's Square, Wolverhampton, WV1 1SH

<https://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/education-and-schools/school-admissions>

E Mail: school.admissions@wolverhampton.gov.uk

Will I need to provide any additional information?

Walsall Catholic Primary Schools

If you would like your child to be considered for a place at a Walsall Catholic primary school, you may need to send supporting information, such as a baptismal certificate, directly to the school with a supplementary information form. You can download the form from the Walsall Council admissions page. **Please remember that this form is not the application for a school place; you must also submit your child's application to Walsall Council.**

Walsall Voluntary Aided Church of England Primary Schools

If you would like your child to be considered for a place at a Walsall voluntary aided Church of England primary school, you may need to send supporting evidence, such as a baptismal certificate, directly to the school with a supplementary information form. You can download the form from the Walsall Council admissions page. **Please remember that this form is not the application for a school place; you must also submit your child's application to Walsall Council.**

When should I apply?

The closing date is 15 January 2027. Applications received after this date will be processed after on-time applications, unless there are exceptional circumstances. **If your application is late, your child is less likely to be offered one of your preferred schools.**

What happens if I do not submit my application before the closing date?

You must submit your application online through Walsall Council's portal by 15 January 2027. Late applications submitted within four weeks of the deadline may only be treated as on time if there are exceptional circumstances and you provide supporting evidence.

Applications received between 15 February 2027 and 15 April 2027 will be treated as late, and applicants will receive their offer after National Offer Day. Any exceptional circumstances must be explained in writing and supported by evidence. The Admissions & Education Sufficiency Team will check the information provided.

Applications received after 14 February 2027 will be treated as late. If your application is late, your child is less likely to be offered one of your preferred schools. Late applicants will not receive their offer until after National Offer Day.

Am I able to change my preferences?

You can change your application up to 15 January 2027. After the closing date, any change to your preferences will usually be treated as a late application, unless there are exceptional circumstances. More information about exceptional circumstances is included in the late application policy on page 18.

Can I delay my child's entry into reception?

Children reach compulsory school age on the first day of the term after their fifth birthday. Walsall primary schools offer full-time reception places from September in the school year that children turn five. If you feel your child may benefit from starting school later than 1 September 2027, you may be able to request delayed entry. More information is available on page 32.

Will my child automatically transfer from infant to junior school?

Children do not automatically move from infant to junior school. You must submit an online application so your child can be considered for a place at your preferred junior school. You should include the paired junior school as one of your preferences. If you do not apply, your child may not have a school place when the new school year starts.

What can I do if I am unhappy with the school offer made?

If you are unhappy with the school place offered, your offer letter will explain how to appeal. If we cannot offer a place at one of your preferred schools, you have the right to appeal to an independent appeal panel. **Appeal forms must be submitted by 17 May 2027. Forms received after this date may not be heard until the summer term.**

What is the infant class size limit?

By law, infant classes must not normally have more than 30 children with one teacher. This means that appeals for reception, year 1 or year 2 places can be more limited. If admitting another child would take the class over this limit, the school or local authority may explain to the appeal panel that this would cause infant class size prejudice.

Where infant class size prejudice applies, an appeal panel can only uphold an appeal in very limited circumstances, such as where:

- a) the decision was unreasonable in the circumstances; or
- b) your child would have been offered a place if the admissions arrangements had been applied correctly. Most appeals involving infant class size limits are unsuccessful.

What if my appeal is unsuccessful?

The decision reached by the Independent Appeal Panel is final and binding on all partners. Repeat appeals will not be considered in the same academic year unless there has been a significant change in circumstances.

Do I need to accept my school offer?

Acceptance of School Place Offered

You do not need to contact Walsall Council or the school to accept the place offered. The school named in the offer is the school your child should attend from September 2027, unless a higher preference becomes available later or an appeal is successful.

If your child has been offered a school outside Walsall, that local authority may ask you to accept the offer directly. Contact details for neighbouring local authorities are on page 8.

Can I decline my school offer?

Walsall Council must make sure every child has access to a school place.

We will only remove your child's offered place if suitable alternative education arrangements have been confirmed. This may include:

- Securing a place at another school
- Enrolling in an independent school
- Registering for elective home education

Until those arrangements are confirmed, your child's current school offer will remain in place. We expect your child to attend the offered school in September 2027 unless another suitable education arrangement has been agreed.

If your child has been offered or has secured a place at another school, please tell the Admissions and Education Sufficiency Team at schooladmissionsadvice@walsall.gov.uk. Any refusal of a school place must be made in writing.

How do I add my child to a waiting list?

Your child will automatically be added to the waiting list for any school listed as a higher preference than the school they have been offered. From 26 April 2027, you can contact the Admissions & Education Sufficiency Team to ask about your child's waiting list position for Walsall schools. Waiting list positions can move up or down because they are based on each school's admissions criteria and can change when other children are added or removed. For schools outside Walsall, please contact the relevant local authority.

Please note: children who must be admitted to a school because of a local authority direction, or through the Fair Access Protocol, will take priority over children on the waiting list.

How do I submit an application for children of multiple births?

If you have children from a multiple birth, such as twins or triplets, you need to complete a separate application for each child. Please tick the relevant box on each application so we know your children are part of a multiple birth.

Who will be able to access information or make changes to my application?

After an application has been submitted, only the applicant can ask for changes or updates. We cannot share information about your child's application with anyone else unless we have the applicant's written consent.

Do I still need to apply for a mainstream school if my child is currently undergoing an education health and care plan assessment?

Yes. Unless your child has a finalised Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP), you must still submit a mainstream school application for your child. This helps make sure your child can be considered for a school place while the assessment is ongoing.

Transport to primary schools

Please note:

This section applies to children of compulsory school age who attend primary school. Children under the age of 5 can travel free on public transport.

To qualify for free travel assistance, your child must usually live further than the statutory walking distance from their nearest appropriate school. The distance is measured using the shortest walking route that a child, accompanied where needed, could use safely.

The statutory walking distance is 2 miles for children under 8 and 3 miles for children aged 8 and above.

Primary age

Children of compulsory school age who are under 8 may be entitled to free travel assistance to their nearest qualifying school if it is more than 2 miles from home. Children aged 8 to 11 from low-income families may also qualify if they live more than 2 miles from their nearest qualifying school. The walking distance is used for assessment purposes; your child is not expected to walk this distance alone.

Suitability of a 'qualifying school'

References to 'the nearest qualifying school' means the nearest qualifying school with places available in the required year group, appropriate to the age, ability and aptitude of the child and any Special Educational Needs that the child may have.

Low income groups

Examples relating to eligibility based on income:

Child A is an 8-year-old child entitled to free school meals. Their nearest suitable school is 2.5 miles from their home. Child A would be entitled to free travel assistance in the form of a bus pass.

Child B is an 8-year-old child whose parents are in receipt of their maximum level of Working Tax Credit. Their nearest school – 'y' – is 2.2 miles from their home; and the second nearest – school 'z' – is 5.5 miles away. Child B would be entitled to travel assistance in the form of a free school bus pass to school 'y' but not to school 'z.'

Child C is an 8-year-old child whose parents are not in receipt of their maximum level of Working Tax Credit and who is not entitled to free school meals. Their nearest school is 2.5 miles from their home. Child C would not be entitled to free travel assistance.

Children from low-income groups are defined as those who are entitled to targeted free school meals, or families in receipt of their maximum level of Universal Credit (UC). Eligibility for travel assistance will be assessed annually.

Walsall primary schools

Follow the link below to find your nearest primary school. This link enables parents to locate all primary schools within the borough of Walsall and allows parents to search for the closest schools to their home address, using the 'find address' function.

<https://mymaps.walsall.gov.uk/mywalsall.aspx>

School name, type & address	Age range	Published admission number	Contact details
Abbey Primary (AC) Glastonbury Crescent, Bloxwich, Walsall, WS3 2RP	3-11	30	Telephone: 01922 710753 Email: postbox@abbey.walsall.sch.uk
All Saints National Academy (AC) High Street, Bloxwich, Walsall, WS3 3LP	4-11	30	Telephone: 01922 710210 Email: postbox@asna.walsall.sch.uk
Alumwell Infant (C) Primley Avenue, Walsall, WS2 9UP	4-7	90	Telephone: 01922 720866 Email: postbox@alumwell-i.walsall.sch.uk
Alumwell Junior (C) Primley Avenue, Walsall, WS2 9UP	7-11	90	Telephone: 01922 721391 Email: postbox@alumwelljunior.co.uk
Barcroft Academy (AC) Barcroft, Willenhall, WV13 1NA	3-11	60	Telephone: 01902 368132 Email: postbox@bar.lighthousefederation.com
Beacon Academy (AC) Davis Road, New Invention, Willenhall, WV12 5HA	2-11	60	Telephone: 01922 710874 Email: postbox@bea.lighthousefederation.com
Bentley West Primary (AC) Monmouth Road, Bentley, WS2 0EQ	3-11	60	Telephone: 01922 720792 Email: enquiry@bwp.leightrust.co.uk
Birchills CE Community Academy (AC) Farrington Street, Walsall, WS2 8NF	3-11	60	Telephone: 01922 721063 Email: postbox@birchills.walsall.sch.uk
Blackwood School (AC) Blackwood Road, Streetly, Sutton Coldfield, B74 3PH	3-11	90	Telephone: 0121 353 1876 Email: postbox@blackwoodprimary.com
Field Road Academy (AC) Field Road, Bloxwich, Walsall, WS3 3JF	7-11	60	Telephone: 01922 710145 Email: postbox@bla.lighthousefederation.com
Bloxwich Academy (AC) Bloxwich Lane, Walsall, WS2 7JT	3-11	60	Telephone: 01922 710 226 Email: primarypostbox@bloxwichacademy.co.uk
Blue Coat CE (A) Infant (VA) Hanch Place, Walsall, WS1 3AF	3-7	90	Telephone: 01922 720740 Email: postbox@bluecoatfederation.co.uk
Blue Coat CE (A) Junior (VA) Springhill Road, Walsall, WS1 2LP	7-11	90	Telephone: 01922 720921 Email: postbox@bluecoatfederation.co.uk
Brownhills West Primary (AC) Shannon Drive, Brownhills, Walsall, WS8 7LA	3-11	30	Telephone: 01543 452766 Email: postbox@brownhills-w.walsall.sch.uk
Busill Jones Primary Academy (AC) Ashley Road, Bloxwich, Walsall, WS3 2QF	2-11	30	Telephone: 01922 710700 Email: postbox@busilljonesprimary.co.uk
Butts Primary School (C) Butts Road, Walsall, WS4 2AH	3-11	30	Telephone: 01922 721073 Email: postbox@butts.walsall.sch.uk
Caldmore Primary Academy (AC) Carless Street, Walsall, WS1 3RH	3-11	30	Telephone: 01922 721359 Email: cpa-postbox@attrust.org.uk
Castlefort Academy (AC) Castlefort Road, Walsall Wood, Walsall, WS9 9JP	3-11	30	Telephone: 01543 452158 Email: postbox@cas.lighthousefederation.com
Christ Church CE (AC) Harden Road, Leamore, Walsall, WS3 1EN	3-11	60	Telephone: 01922 710080 Email: postbox@christchurch.walsall.sch.uk

School name, type & address	Age range	Published admission number	Contact details
Chuckery Primary (C) Lincoln Road, Walsall, WS1 2DZ	2-11	60	Telephone: 01922 449104 Email: postbox@chuckery.walsall.sch.uk
Cooper & Jordan CE VA Primary (VA) The Green, Aldridge, Walsall, WS8 8NH	2-11	60	Telephone: 01922 743765 Email: postbox@cooperjordan.walsall.sch.uk
County Bridge Primary (C) Anson Road, Bentley, WS2 0DH	2-11	30	Telephone: 01922 720718 Email: postbox@countybridge.walsall.sch.uk
Croft Academy (AC) Croft Street, Walsall, WS2 8JE	2-11	30	Telephone: 01922 720689 Email: admin.croft@croftacademy.org
Delves Infant & Nursery (AC) Botany Road, Walsall, WS5 4PU	2-7	90	Telephone: 01922 720754 Email: postbox@delvesinfantschool.co.uk
Delves Junior (AC) Bell Lane, Walsall, WS5 4PU	7-11	90	Telephone: 01922 721112 Email: postbox@delvesjuniorschool.co.uk
Edgar Stammers Primary Academy (AC) Harden Road, Coalpool, WS3 1RQ	3-11	45	Telephone: 01922 471390 Email: enquiries@esp.greenheartlearning.org
Elmore Green Primary (C) Elmore Green Road, Walsall, WS3 2HW	4-11	45	Telephone: 01922 710162 Email: postbox@elmore-green.walsall.sch.uk
Fibbersley Park Academy (AC) Noose Lane, Willenhall, WV13 3BB	3-11	90	Telephone: 01902 366220 Email: postbox@fibbersleyparkacademy.org.uk
Goldsmith Primary Academy (AC) Goldsmith Road, Walsall, WS3 1DL	2-11	60	Telephone: 01922 710182 Email: postbox@goldsmith.windsoracademytrust.org.uk
Greenfield Primary (AC) Coal Heath Lane, Sheffield, WS4 1PL	3-11	30	Telephone: 01922 682234 Email: postbox@greenfield.walsall.sch.uk
Hillary Primary School (AC) Hillary Street, Walsall, WS2 9BP	3-11	90	Telephone: 01922 720812 Email: enquiry@hillary.walsall.sch.uk
Holy Trinity CE Primary (VC) Church Street, Clayhanger, WS8 7EG	3-11	30	Telephone: 01543 452327 Email: postbox@holy-trinity.walsall.sch.uk
Jubilee Academy Mossley (AC) Tintern Crescent, Bloxwich, WS3 2SQ	4-11	15	Telephone: 01922 710357 Email: jub-postbox@attrust.org.uk
King Charles Primary (C) Wilkes Avenue, Bentley, WS2 0JN	3-11	60	Telephone: 01922 721368 Email: postbox@kingcharlesprimary.co.uk
Kings Hill Primary (C) Old Park Road, Wednesbury, WS10 9JG	2-11	60	Telephone: 0121 568 6301 Email: postbox@kings-hill.walsall.sch.uk
Leamore Primary School (C) Bloxwich Road, Leamore, WS3 2BB	2-11	30	Telephone: 01922 710514 Email: office@leamoreprimaryschool.com
Leighswood School (C) Broadmeadow, Aldridge, WS9 8HZ	3-11	60	Telephone: 01922 743621 Email: postbox@leighswood.walsall.sch.uk
Lindens Academy (AC) Hundred Acre Road, Streetly, B74 2BB	3-11	60	Telephone: 0121 353 9273 Email: postbox@lindens.lhmat.com
Little Bloxwich CE (VC) Primary Grenfell Road, Little Bloxwich, WS3 3DL	4-11	30	Telephone: 01922 684301 Email: postbox@lit-bloxwich.walsall.sch.uk
Lodge Farm Primary Academy (AC) Furzebank Way, Willenhall, WV12 4BU	2-11	60	Telephone: 01902 928900 Email: postbox@lodgefarmprimary.co.uk
Lower Farm Primary (C) Bakewell Close, Bloxwich, WS3 3QH	2-11	60	Telephone: 01922 710479 Email: postbox@lower-farm.walsall.sch.uk
Manor Primary (FD) Briar Avenue, Streetly, B74 3HX	3-11	60	Telephone: 0121 353 1738 Email: postbox@manor.walsall.sch.uk

School name, type & address	Age range	Published admission number	Contact details
Meadow View Academy (AC) Frampton Way, Great Barr, B43 7UJ	3-11	60	Telephone: 0121 366 6182 Email: postbox@mv.lighthousefederation.com
Millfield Primary (C) Catshill Road, Brownhills, WS8 6BN	3-11	30	Telephone: 01543 452513 Email: postbox@millfield.walsall.sch.uk
Moorcroft Wood Academy (AC) Bull Lane, Bilston, WV14 8NE	2-11	30	Telephone: 01902 495943 Email: postbox@mcw.lighthousefederation.com
New Invention Infant (C) Cannock Road, New Invention, WV12 5SA	3-7	90	Telephone: 01922 710871 Email: postbox@invention-i.walsall.sch.uk
New Invention Learning Academy (AC) Cannock Road, New Invention, WV12 5SA	7-11	90	Telephone: 01922 710376 Email: epost@thenila.uk
North Walsall Primary Academy (AC) Derby Street, Walsall, WS2 7BH	3-11	30	Telephone: 01922 720822 Email: NWP-Postbox@attrust.org.uk
Old Church CE (C) Primary (VC) School Street, Darlaston, WS10 8DL	3-11	60	Telephone: 0121 568 6329 Email: postbox@old-church.walsall.sch.uk
Palfrey Infant (AC) Bescot Street, Walsall, WS1 4HY	3-7	90	Telephone: 01922 720713 Email: postbox@palfreyinfant.co.uk
Palfrey Junior (C) Dale Street, Walsall, WS1 4AH	7-11	90	Telephone: 01922 721092 Email: postbox@palfrey-j.walsall.sch.uk
Park Hall Infant Academy (AC) Park Hall Road, Walsall, WS5 3HF	3-7	90	Telephone: 01922 721443 Email: postbox@parkhall-inf.walsall.sch.uk
Park Hall Junior Academy (AC) Park Hall Road, Walsall, WS5 3HF	7-11	102	Telephone: 01922 720761 Email: postbox@parkhall-jun.walsall.sch.uk
Pelsall Village (C) Old Town Lane, Pelsall, WS3 4NJ	3-11	30	Telephone: 01922 682073 Email: postbox@pelsallvillage.co.uk
Pheasey Park Farm Primary Academy (AC) Wimperis Way, Great Barr, B43 7DH	3-11	90	Telephone: 0121 366 6183 Email: postbox@pheasey.org.uk
Pinfold Street Primary (C) Pinfold Street Extension, Darlaston, WS10 8PU	4-11	60	Telephone: 0121 568 6366 Email: info@pinfold-st.walsall.sch.uk
Pool Hayes Primary (C) Bridgnorth Grove, Willenhall, WV12 4RX	3-11	30	Telephone: 01902 368144 Email: postbox@pool-hayes-p.walsall.sch.uk
Radleys Primary (C) Kings Road, Rushall, WS4 1JJ	3-11	30	Telephone: 01922 721383 Email: postbox@radleysprimary.org
Reedswood E-ACT Academy (AC) Bentley Drive, Walsall, WS2 8RX	2-11	60	Telephone: 01922 721323 Email: postbox.reedswood@e-act.org.uk
Rivers Primary Academy (AC) Livingstone Road, Blakenall, Walsall, WS3 1LY	3-11	60	Telephone: 01922 710164 Email: postbox@rivers.windsoracademytrust.org.uk
Rosedale CE Infant (VC) Stroud Avenue, Willenhall, WV12 4EG	4-7	60	Telephone: 01902 368910 Email: rosedale@shortheathfederation.org.uk
Rushall Primary (AC) Pelsall Lane, Rushall, WS4 1NG	3-11	30	Telephone: 01922 682300 Email: postbox@rushall.walsall.sch.uk
Ryders Hayes School (AC) Gilpin Crescent, Pelsall, WS3 4HX	2-11	60	Telephone: 01922 683008 Email: postbox@ryders-hayes.co.uk
Salisbury Primary (C) Salisbury Street, Darlaston, WS10 8BQ	3-11	30	Telephone: 0121 667 4066 Email: postbox@salisbury.walsall.sch.uk
Short Heath Junior (C) Pennine Way, Willenhall, WV12 4DS	7-11	90	Telephone: 01902 368499 Email: shortheath@shortheathfederation.org.uk

School name, type & address	Age range	Published admission number	Contact details
St Anne's Catholic Primary (VA) Blackwood Road, Streetly, B74 3PL	3-11	30	Telephone: 0121 3535114 Email: postbox@st-annes.walsall.sch.uk
St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School (AC) Narrow Lane, Brownhills, WS8 6HX	4-11	15	Telephone: 01543 452921 Email: postbox@stbernadette.walsall.sch.uk
St Francis Catholic Primary (VA) Mill Road, Shelfield, WS4 1RH	3-11	30	Telephone: 01922 682583 Email: postbox@st-francis-p.walsall.sch.uk
St Giles CE Primary (VC) Walsall Street, Willenhall, WV13 2ER	3-11	60	Telephone: 01902 368308 Email: postbox@st-giles.walsall.sch.uk
St James Academy (AC) Great Charles Street, Brownhills, WS8 6AE	4-11	30	Telephone: 01543 452328 Email: postbox@sj.lighthousefederation.com
St John's CE Primary (VC) Brook Lane, Walsall Wood, WS9 9NA	3-11	45	Telephone: 01543 452197 Email: office@st-johns.walsall.sch.uk
St Joseph's Catholic Primary (VA) Rough Hay Road, Darlaston, WS10 8HN	3-11	30	Telephone: 0121 568 6496 Email: postbox@st-josephs.walsall.sch.uk
St Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary (VA) Weston Crescent, Aldridge, WS9 0HA	3-11	30	Telephone: 01922 743411 Email: postbox@st-maryangel.walsall.sch.uk
St Mary's The Mount Catholic Primary (VA) Jesson Road, Walsall, WS1 3AY	3-11	30	Telephone: 01922 720711 Email: postbox@st-marymount.walsall.sch.uk
St Michael's CE (C) Primary (VC) Maple Road, Pelsall, WS3 4JJ	3-11	60	Telephone: 01922 682309 Email: enquiries@stmichaels-pelsall.co.uk
St Patrick's Catholic Primary (VA) Blue Lane East, Walsall, WS2 8HN	3-11	30	Telephone: 01922 720063 Email: postbox@st-patricks.walsall.sch.uk
St Peter's Catholic Primary (VA) Lichfield Road, Bloxwich, WS3 3LY	3-11	30	Telephone: 01922 710872 Email: postbox@st-peters.walsall.sch.uk
St Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary (VA) Dartmouth Avenue, Walsall, WS3 1SP	3-11	30	Telephone: 01922 720712 Email: postbox@st-thomas.walsall.sch.uk
Sunshine Academy (AC) Blakenall Lane, Leamore Lane, Walsall, WS3 1HF	3-7	60	Telephone: 01922 710174 Email: postbox@sun.lighthousefederation.com
Walsall Wood (AC) Brownhills Road, Brownhills, WS8 7BP	3-11	30	Telephone: 01543 452664 Email: postbox@walsallwoodprimary.org.uk
Watling Street Primary (C) Watling Street, Brownhills, WS8 7LW	3-11	30	Telephone: 01543 452320 Email: postbox@watling-st.walsall.sch.uk
Whetstone Field (C) Beaufort Way, Aldridge, WS9 0HJ	3-11	30	Telephone: 01922 743498 Email: office@whetstonefield.co.uk
Whitehall Junior (C) Delves Road, Walsall, WS1 3JY	7-11	90	Telephone: 01922 720778 Email: postbox@whitehall-j.walsall.sch.uk
Whitehall Nursery and Infant School (AC) West Bromwich Road, Walsall, WS1 3HS	3-7	90	Telephone: 01922 721991 Email: postbox@whitehall.victrust.org
Woodlands Academy of Learning (AC) Bloxwich Road North, Willenhall, WV12 5PR	3-11	60	Telephone: 01922 710613 Email: postbox@woodlands.walsall.sch.uk
Woods Bank Academy (AC) Rough Hay Road Darlaston, WS10 8NQ	3-11	30	Telephone: 0121 568 6421 Email: postbox@woodsbank.org

How the Inter-LA coordinated admission scheme works

Allows parents/carers to express preferences for a maximum of 3 schools, listing in favourable order and provide reason of choice.

Each school named on the application is considered as a separate application.

Schools where the governing body is the admission authority will be informed of all application naming their school but not the rank given by you.

Parents are unable to hold places at more than one primary school.

After the closing date, the admission criteria for each school will be applied to determine whether your child meets the school's criteria.

If your child meets the admission criteria of only **ONE** of your named schools, you will be offered a place at that school.

If your child meets the admission criteria of **TWO** or more named schools, you will be offered a place at the highest ranked school.

If you are a Walsall resident and your child does not meet the admission criteria for any named schools, we will offer a place at an alternative school with places available.

If you live outside of Walsall and do not meet the admission criteria for your named school, your home authority is responsible for offering an alternative place in your home authority area.

On National Notification Date, 16 April 2027, all parents in Walsall, will be informed of the outcome of their applications.

Example of how the Inter-LA co-ordinated admission scheme works

The examples below do not use names of Walsall Primary Schools.

Example 1:

Ranjit lives a long way from Fairview School and close to Sunnyville School and Hall View School. His parents are aware that Fairview School are usually oversubscribed, but they would like to see if Ranjit will be offered a school place.

Rank	School	Ranjit's Details	School's Admission Criteria Met?	Place Offered?
1	Fairview	Lives 5 miles away	No	No
2	Sunnyville	Lives ½ mile away	Yes	Yes
3	Hall View	Lives 1 mile away	Yes	No

Ranjit lives too far from Fairview to be offered a place. He qualifies for a place at Sunnyville and Hall View. **He is offered a place at Sunnyville, the higher ranked of the schools for which he qualified.**

Example 2:

Rank	School	Lucy's Details	School's Admission Criteria Met?	Place Offered?
1	Midhay	Lives ¼ mile away	Yes	Yes
2	Bishop Fields School	Is a baptised Catholic	Yes	No
3	Marsh Hill School	Lives ½ mile away	Yes	No

Lucy's nearest school is Midhay. Her parents would like her to go to Bishop Fields, slightly further away and is also a Catholic School.

Lucy met the Bishop Fields criteria because she is Catholic. She also met the admission criteria for Midhay and Marsh Hill because she lives near to both schools. **Lucy is offered a place at Midhay, the higher ranked school.**

Example 3:

James lives ½ a mile from Wishbone, but his parents don't want him to go there. The schools they have named are a long distance from their home.

Rank	School	James' Details	School's Admission Criteria Met?	Place Offered?
1	Trent School	Lives 6 miles away	No	No
2	Rainbow School	Lives 5 miles away	No	No
3	Avon School	Lives 4 miles away	No	No

James lives too far from his parents' preferences to qualify for places. His closest school, Wishbone, filled it's places with children whose parents had ranked it as one of their preferences. **James is therefore offered a place at Sally Hall School. This school is 2 miles from his home but is offered as it is the nearest school with places still available.**

Late application policy

Primary school applications can only be made online through the Walsall Council portal before 15 January 2027; applications submitted after this deadline will be considered as late.

Also considered as late applications:

- Requesting to add additional school preferences after the deadline.
- Requesting to change the preference order of schools after the deadline.

Each admission authority is required to publish their own Late Application Policy explaining how late applications are processed. Walsall Council's Late Application Policy is set out as below and is applicable to all Walsall Schools that do not publish their own Late Application Policy.

Late Applications received within 4 weeks after the closing date (16 January 2027 - 14 February 2027)

Applications submitted during this date will be considered as late and applicants will not receive their notification of offer until after National Offer Day unless there are exceptional circumstances, including:

- A family moving into Walsall after the deadline date.
- Exceptional circumstances which prevented submittal before the deadline date.
- A single parent has been ill for some time.

In these cases, the circumstances must be given in writing at the time of application. Supporting evidence is to be provided and will be subject to verification by Walsall Council.

Late Applications received more than 4 weeks after the closing date (15 February - 15 April 2027)

All applications submitted more than 4 weeks after the closing date, but before National Offer Day, will be considered as late applications and applicants will not receive their notification of offer until after National Offer Day. Please refer to key dates on pages 6 to determine when offers will be received for late applications.

Late Applications received after National Offer Day 16 April 2027 (once places have been offered)

Applications received after National Offer Day will be offered a place at the highest ranked school depending upon availability. For Walsall residents only, if no places are available at any preferred school, an alternative place will be offered to the nearest Walsall School with places available. The application will then be placed onto the waiting lists for schools listed as preferences in admission criteria order.

Late applications can be found on the School Admissions page on the Walsall Council website.

[Walsall Council primary admissions webpages](#)

During the admission process you must notify the Admissions & Education Sufficiency Team in writing of a change of home address and provide proof of address.

Failure to provide this information will affect the outcome of your preferences.

Waiting list policy

Waiting lists for all Walsall schools will be maintained by the Admissions & Education Sufficiency Team until the end of the Autumn term 2027. Parents can enquire about their child's waiting list position by contacting the Admissions & Education Sufficiency Team on schooladmissionsadvice@walsall.gov.uk from 26 April 2027. To enquire about your waiting list position for a school outside of Walsall please contact the relevant local authority.

Children who are the subject of directions by a local authority to be admitted to a school or who are allocated to a school in accordance with the Fair Access Protocol will take priority over children on the waiting lists.

Waiting lists include all children who have been refused a place at any school which has been ranked higher than the offered school place, for example:

- If your child is offered a place at the school that you ranked 2nd on your application, your child will automatically be added to waiting list for the Walsall School that you had ranked in 1st.
- If your child is offered a place at the school that you ranked 1st on your application, your child's name will not be added to any waiting list. A request can be submitted in writing by the parent or guardian if you wish you to be added to a waiting list.

We aim to offer parents a place at their highest ranked preferred school.

Please note that waiting lists are held in admission criteria order and pupils can move up or down on the waiting list throughout the admissions process.

Multiple offers

We will only make one offer of a school place for your child on National Offer Day.

If the local authority is in a position to offer a higher preference from the waiting list at a later date, we will make contact with you by email and telephone to advise of the available place. Written acceptance of this additional offer will be required within 5 working days whereby the lower preference offer will be removed. Please note that your child can only hold a place at one school at any time.

How to appeal if your application is unsuccessful?

Parents who do not obtain a place for their child at a preferred school are eligible to appeal against the decision made. An Independent Admission Appeal Panel will hear the appeal. The decision made by the Appeal Panel is binding on the school, the parents, and Walsall Council.

If you wish to make an appeal against a decision, the Appeals Information sheet accompanying your offer letter explains who you will need to contact for information surrounding appeals. If the school you wish to appeal to is situated outside of Walsall, you should contact the relevant local authority for information on their process.

The deadline for you to submit your appeal form for a community or voluntary controlled school within Walsall is 17 May 2027. For academies, foundation schools and voluntary aided schools, appeals are arranged by the governing bodies, you will need to contact the school direct for an appeal form and information about their appeals procedure and the deadline for submission.

If an appeal is unsuccessful, the policy for all Walsall Schools is not to hold another appeal in the same school year unless there are significant changes in circumstance for the child or the school.

Withdrawal of an offer at a Walsall school

Once a school place has been offered on 16 April 2027, we will assume that you have accepted the place offered.

The offer of a place at an oversubscribed school may be withdrawn if your application contains fraudulent or intentionally misleading information that would prevent a place being given to a child with a higher priority. This includes providing a false home address on the application.

Where a place is offered based on the address provided on the application, but the child's address is subsequently found to have changed, the offered place may be withdrawn.

Admission criteria for community & voluntary controlled schools

The Admission Authority for Walsall Community & Voluntary Controlled Schools is Walsall Council. Admissions are administered by the Admissions & Education Sufficiency Team.

If there are more applications than there are places available, places will be allocated using the Oversubscription Criteria in the following order of priority:

Criterion 1: Children in public care & previously looked after children

Children and young people in care are children who at the time of application are:

- In the care of the Local Authority
- Being provided with accommodation by a Local Authority in the exercise of the social services functions.

Previous Children and young people in Care are children who

- were looked after but ceased to be so due to adoption (or became subject to child arrangements order or special guardianship order) immediately following having been looked after.
- Children who appear to a Local Authority to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care because of being adopted.

Supporting Evidence: If the child for whom the application is being made is in the care of a local authority or previous children in care this must be indicated on the common application form, support of this must be added to the application by way of attachment.

Criterion 2: Children who have a sibling in attendance at the school or paired junior school when the application is submitted and who will still be attending the school at the proposed admission date.

A sibling is a child who resides at the same address as the child for whom a place is being requested and is one of the following:

- A brother or sister sharing the same parents;
- A half-brother or half-sister sharing one common parent.
- A stepbrother or sister (i.e. related by their parent's marriage);
- Any other child for whom it can be demonstrated that he or she is residing permanently at the same address (e.g. under the terms of a residence order).

Criterion 3: Pupils for whom a place at the school is essential on medical or social grounds as supported in writing by a medical practitioner or a social worker. (Applications will be subject to verification by the Admissions & Education Sufficiency Manager)

If parents believe there are specific medical or social reasons for claiming priority for a child to attend a particular school, the relevant part of the application must be completed and evidence to support the claim must be submitted to the Local Authority.

Requests for such consideration will be subject to verification by the Admissions & Education Sufficiency Manager. This is necessary because parents will be asking the Authority to assess the child as having a stronger case than many other children, some of whom may live closer to the school.

Medical Evidence

Medical evidence must be submitted in writing from a medical practitioner and should state why the preferred school is the only school that can meet the child's needs. This must relate to either the child or the parents, for example where the parent(s) or the child has a disability that may make travelling to a school further away more difficult. Medical evidence, which relates to parent, will be considered in the following circumstances:

- Where the child lives with a single parent who has a medical condition or disability that may make travel to a school further away more difficult.
- Where the child lives with both parents and both parents have a medical condition or disability that may make travel to a school further away more difficult.
- Where a child lives with both parents and one parent has a medical condition or disability that may make travel to a school further away more difficult medical evidence may be considered if the other parent is unable to accompany the child on the journey to and from school because they are the sole carer for the other parent.

Social Evidence

Social evidence must be submitted in writing from an appropriate professional and should state why the preferred school is the only school that can meet the child's needs.

Please note that preferences are only given priority under the medical/social criterion in very exceptional cases where medical or social evidence clearly demonstrates that the preferred school is the only school which can meet the child's needs.

Criterion 4: For applications to junior schools only. Attendance by the child at the relevant paired infant school when the application is made.

The paired infant and junior schools are:

Infant School	Paired Junior School
Alumwell Infant	Alumwell Junior
Delves Infant	Delves Junior
New Invention Infant	New Invention Learning Academy*
Palfrey Infant	Palfrey Junior
Rosedale CE © Infant	Short Heath Junior
Sunshine Academy	Field Road Academy
Whitehall Nursery & Infant	Whitehall Junior Community

*Please see academy website for their over subscription criteria.

Criterion 5: For applications to voluntary controlled Church of England primary schools only. Up to 25% of places may be allocated as 'Church Places' to children, regardless of distance between home and school, whose parents are regular worshippers at a Christian church and whose application is supported in writing by the minister of the church where they worship.

The following voluntary controlled Church of England primary schools have 'Church Places':

- Christ Church CE (C) JMI
- Holy Trinity CE Primary
- Little Bloxwich CE (VC)Primary
- Old Church CE (C) Primary
- Rosedale CE (C) Infant
- St Giles CE Primary
- St John's CE Primary
- St Michael's CE (C) Primary

The number of Church places available is determined by the Admission Number of the school. Voluntary controlled Church of England primary schools:

Admission Number	Maximum Number of Church Places
30	7
45	11
60	15
90	22

If there is over-subscription for Church Places, priority will be given to those living closest to the school as measured in a straight line.

'Regular worshipper' is defined as attending a place of worship on at least one occasion per month over the past twelve months.

Supporting Evidence:

A supplementary information form (SIF) will need to be downloaded from the Walsall Council website [School admissions](#) for applicants to submit to the school.

Criterion 6: Distance between the home address and the school as measured in a straight line with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.

Distance will be measured in a straight line from the centre point of the home address to the centre point of the school address using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.

The home address of a child is the permanent residence of a child in a residential property when the place is offered. The address must be the child's only or main residence and is either:

- owned by the child's parent(s) or guardian; or
- leased to or rented by the child's parent(s), or guardian under lease or written rental agreement of not less than six months duration.

Documentary evidence of ownership or rental agreement may be required together with proof of actual permanent residence at the property concerned. In certain circumstances the child's current school will be asked to verify the address given.

Where parents have shared responsibility for a child and the child lives with both parents for part of the week, the main residence will be determined as the address where the child lives for most of the week. Parents may be requested to supply documentary evidence to support the address used for the application.

The offer of a place is based upon the address of the child when the offer is made. If a child is offered a place at an over-subscribed school the place may be withdrawn if it is found that the child moved (before the place was offered) to a new address, which was further away from the school, and the child would not have qualified for a place under the distance criterion.

If a family moves between the application and the date of offer, the Admissions & Education Sufficiency Team must be informed as soon as possible of these circumstances.

If the home address is a flat (or apartment) and there is more than one flat at the same address, priority will be given to applicants living in the lowest numbered flat on the lowest floor.

Admission criteria for academies

Where the number of applications is greater than the number of place available, each academy will apply its own admission criteria.

All schools must admit any child with an EHCP that names the school directly. In the event of over subscription, places will be offered using the academies individual criteria. Please visit the links provided below to view the academies admission criteria.

All Saints National Academy: [ASNA Admission Arrangements](#)

Bentley West Primary School: [Admissions](#)

Birchills Church of England Community Academy: [Birchills Church of England Community Academy - Policies](#)

Blackwood School: [Blackwood School - Class Admissions](#)

Bloxwich Academy: [Primary Admissions - Bloxwich Academy](#)

Brownhills West Primary School: [Admissions](#) | [Brownhills West Primary School](#)

Busill Jones Primary Academy: [Admissions](#)

Caldmore Academy: [Admissions](#)

Croft Academy: [Admissions](#)

Edgar Stammers Primary Academy: [Edgar Stammers](#)

Fibbersley Park Academy: [Admissions](#)

Goldsmith Primary Academy: [Admissions](#)

Greenfield Primary School: [Admissions](#)

Jubilee Academy Mossley: [Admissions](#)

Lodge Farm Primary Academy: [Admissions](#)

New Invention Learning Academy: [Admissions](#)

North Walsall Primary Academy: [Admissions](#)

Park Hall Infant Academy: [Admissions](#)

Park Hall Junior Academy: [Admissions](#)

Pheasey Park Farm Primary Academy: [Admissions](#)

Reedswood E-ACT Academy: [Admissions](#)

Ryders Hayes School: [Admissions](#)

Rivers Primary Academy: [How to Apply](#)

St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School: [Admissions](#)

Walsall Wood School: [Admissions](#)

Woodlands Academy of Learning: [Admissions](#)

Woods Bank Academy: [Admissions](#)

Admission criteria for foundation schools

Where the number of applications is greater than the number of place available, each academy will apply its own admission criteria.

Manor Primary School: [Admissions](#)

Admission criteria for voluntary aided Church of England schools

Blue Coat Infant: [Infant Admissions and Transitions](#)

Blue Coat Junior: [Admissions and Transitions](#)

Cooper & Jordan CE (VA) Primary School: [Admissions](#)

Admission criteria for voluntary aided Catholic schools

St Anne's Catholic Primary School: [Reception Class Admissions](#)

St Francis Catholic Primary School: [St. Francis Catholic Primary School, Mill Road, Shelfield, Walsall](#)

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School: [Admissions | St Joseph's Catholic Primary School \(st-josephs.walsall.sch.uk\)](#)

St Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School: [St Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School - Admissions](#)

St Mary's the Mount Catholic Primary School: [St Mary's the Mount Primary - Admissions](#)

St Patrick's Catholic Primary School: [St Patrick's Catholic Primary School - Admissions](#)

St Peter's Catholic Primary School: [Admission Procedures | St Peters \(st-peters.walsall.sch.uk\)](#)

St Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary School: [Reception Admissions \(st-thomas.walsall.sch.uk\)](#)

General information

School hours & term dates

Details of all school hours can be found in the school's prospectus and on the school's website. Furthermore, details of school term dates are available on the Walsall Council website. Please ensure to check with the school to ensure this information is correct.

Provision of free school meals

Under the Government Directive from September 2014, all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will receive a school meal free of charge. Registration for free school meals helps the school to obtain additional funding, more money for the school will further assist with helping your child achieve. To register for free school meals, please complete the application form online and submit it electronically from the Walsall Council website. For more information, please visit this link: [Apply for free school meals](#)

Nursery Education & Childcare Funding

Research consistently shows that high-quality early education has a positive impact on children's learning, social skills and emotional development. All childcare providers must follow the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) framework.

EYFS Update

A revised EYFS statutory framework will come into effect from 1 September 2026, introducing updates to safeguarding and welfare requirements for childminders, nursery settings and schools.

Funded Childcare for Eligible 2-Year-Olds

Some 2-year-olds may be entitled to 15 hours of funded childcare per week (up to 570 hours per year) from the term after their second birthday.

Key Facts

- 15 funded hours per week, available from the term after your child turns 2
- Eligibility criteria apply ([15 hours childcare funding for eligible 2-year-olds](#).)
- No need to reconfirm eligibility once approved. Funding continues until your child moves onto the universal 3 & 4-year-old entitlement

Did you know?

Some families qualify for both:

- the 2-year-old funded entitlement and
- the Working Parent Entitlement

This means children may be able to access up to 30 funded hours per week.

How to Apply

Applications must be made through the [Walsall Council website](#)

Universal Funding for 3 & 4-Year-Olds

All children in England are entitled to:

- 15 hours free childcare per week
- Up to 570 funded hours per year, available from the term after your child turns 3
- Available regardless of income or employment status

Working Parent Entitlement

Eligible working parents of children aged 9 months to school age can access:

- Up to 30 hours free childcare per week, up to 1,140 funded hours per year
- Available from the term after your child becomes eligible and you have applied

Example

1. Child turns 9 months old between 1 September and 31 December
2. Parent applies before 31 December
3. Funding starts in January

Important Information

- Apply through Best Start for Life - Childcare & Early Years Education - Best Start in Life
- Eligibility requirements apply - Get free childcare if you're working - GOV.UK. [gov.uk],
- Parents must reconfirm their eligibility approximately every 3 months
- Funding may stop if details are not reconfirmed

When do I need to apply?

If you want funding to start in	Apply by
September (Autumn Term)	31 August
January (Spring Term)	31 December
April (Summer Term)	31 March

Where can funded childcare be used?

Funded hours are usually taken over 38 weeks (term time), although some providers offer stretched funding across the year.

You can usually split your funded hours across up to two childcare providers, including:

- Nursery schools and nursery classes
- Primary schools
- Playgroups
- Day nurseries
- Independent schools
- Registered childminders

Nursery Places in Schools

Before starting Reception, all children are entitled to three terms of part-time nursery education at either:

- a Walsall nursery school, or
- a nursery class within a primary school.

Important

Attending a nursery class does not guarantee a place in that school's Reception class.

For information about local childcare and nursery providers visit the [Walsall Family Hubs website](#)

How do I apply for a nursery place?

School Nursery Places

Contact the school's Head Teacher directly for details of how to apply.

If there are more applications than places

Places at Community and Voluntary Controlled schools are offered in the following order:

1. Children in Care and previously Looked After Children
2. Children with an older sibling attending the school
3. Children with exceptional medical or social needs (Supported by professional evidence)
4. Distance from home to school (Children living closest receive priority)

There is no statutory right of appeal if a nursery place is refused

Private, Voluntary and Independent Providers

Contact the provider directly through their website or setting.

Charges & Additional Services

Funded childcare hours must be provided free of charge.

Providers may charge for certain optional extras, including:

- Meals and snacks
- Nappies
- Sun cream
- Additional childcare hours
- Optional activities, clubs or trips

Your Rights

- Charges must be optional
- Parents must be able to opt in or out
- Children must still be able to access their funded hours free of charge
- Providers cannot make these charges mandatory

From January 2026

Providers must:

- Clearly publish any optional charges
- Provide itemised invoices
- Show funded hours separately from any additional charges

Need More Information?

Visit [Walsall Family Hubs](#) for information about:

- Childcare providers
- Funded childcare
- Nursery education
- Family support services

How reception places were allocated for September 2026

Reception Offers 2026	DFE No	PAN	Total Offered	How places were offered										Number of preferences received (on-time)					Number of offers made (on-time)				
				SEN	C/C	Medical/Social	Sibling(s)	Staff Child	Feeder	Church Place	Pupil Premium	Distance	Furthest Distance	Total No. of Preferences	1st	2nd	3rd	Other	1st	2nd	3rd	Other	Made an alternative offer (not a preference)
Abbey Primary	2041	30	25	0	1	0	11	0	0	0	0	13	N/A	37	24	12	1	0	24	1	0	0	0
All Saints National Academy	2019	30	12	1	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	2	N/A	27	12	12	3	0	12	0	0	0	0
Alumwell Infant School	2001	90	83	1	0	0	32	0	0	0	0	50	N/A	120	81	26	12	1	81	1	1	0	0
Barcroft Academy	3329	60	60	1	0	0	27	0	0	0	0	32	0.837	89	60	18	11	0	59	1	0	0	0
Beacon Academy	2247	60	54	0	0	1	22	0	0	0	0	31	N/A	81	53	17	10	1	53	0	1	0	0
Bentley West Primary	2049	60	50	1	0	1	18	0	0	0	0	30	N/A	74	50	17	7	0	50	0	0	0	0
Birchills C of E Community Academy	2015	60	52	0	0	0	24	0	0	0	0	28	N/A	71	48	15	8	0	48	2	1	0	1
Blackwood School	2234	90	90	0	0	0	39	0	0	0	0	51	3.188	186	78	66	42	0	74	15	1	0	0
Bloxwich Academy	4001	60	44	0	1	0	21	0	0	0	0	22	N/A	55	43	5	7	0	43	0	0	0	1
Blue Coat CE (A) Infant*	3301	90	83										N/A	128	76	32	20	0	76	7	0	0	0
Brownhills West Primary School	2225	30	14	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	4	N/A	22	14	4	4	0	14	0	0	0	0
Busill Jones Primary	2036	45	21	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	11	N/A	26	21	1	4	0	21	0	0	0	0
Butts Primary School	2006	30	30	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	16	0.628	50	32	12	6	0	28	1	1	0	0
Caldmore Primary Academy	2123	60	46	1	1	0	21	0	0	0	0	23	N/A	88	45	18	25	0	45	1	0	0	0
Castlefort Academy	2222	30	30	2	1	0	12	0	0	0	0	15	2.429	60	29	25	6	0	28	2	0	0	0
Christ Church CE JMI	3000	60	54	0	0	0	22	0	0	1	0	31	N/A	84	46	24	14	0	46	5	0	0	3
Chuckery Primary School	2250	60	50	0	0	0	28	0	0	0	0	22	N/A	64	44	11	9	0	44	2	0	0	4
Cooper and Jordan CE VA Primary*	2249	60	60										N/A	112	55	32	25	0	55	5	0	0	0
County Bridge Primary	2117	30	26	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	17	N/A	34	23	7	4	0	23	0	0	0	3
Croft Academy	2005	30	30	0	0	0	22	0	0	0	0	8	0.92	53	31	6	16	0	30	0	0	0	0
Delves Infant School	2012	90	90	1	1	0	38	0	0	0	0	50	0.86	158	90	44	24	0	82	6	2	0	0
Edgar Stammers Primary Academy	3805	45	28	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	16	N/A	39	19	15	5	0	19	2	0	0	7
Elmore Green Primary	2016	45	45	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	30	1.095	68	45	14	9	0	42	3	0	0	0
Fibbersley Park Primary Academy	2029	90	72	0	0	0	32	0	18	0	0	22	N/A	100	64	22	13	1	64	5	0	0	3
Goldsmith Primary Academy	2007	60	60	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	0	30	0.601	89	61	20	8	0	54	5	1	0	0
Greenfield Primary School	2239	30	27	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	13	N/A	52	23	17	12	0	23	3	1	0	0
Hillary Primary School	2246	90	82	1	0	0	41	0	0	0	0	40	N/A	98	75	16	7	0	75	0	0	0	7
Holy Trinity CE Primary	3010	30	22	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	14	N/A	35	22	7	6	0	22	0	0	0	0
Jubilee Academy Mossley	2243	30	15	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	4	N/A	25	15	9	1	0	15	0	0	0	0
King Charles Primary	2102	60	51	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	0	26	N/A	69	47	15	7	0	47	3	0	0	1
Kings Hill Primary	2106	60	60	0	0	0	29	0	0	0	0	31	0.933	92	61	17	14	0	57	2	1	0	0
Leamore Primary	2024	30	30	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	0	12	0.396	75	35	23	17	0	29	1	0	0	0
Leighswood School	2245	60	47	0	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	28	N/A	71	40	15	16	0	40	4	0	0	3
Lindens Academy	2235	60	60	1	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	39	1.439	160	59	52	48	1	54	5	1	0	0
Little Bloxwich CE Primary	3003	30	22	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	14	N/A	48	20	18	10	0	20	2	0	0	0
Lodge Farm Academy	2025	60	32	0	1	0	11	2	0	0	0	18	N/A	45	32	7	6	0	32	0	0	0	0
Lower Farm Primary	2042	60	60	1	3	1	35	0	0	0	0	20	0.706	89	64	10	14	1	58	1	1	0	0
Manor Primary School	5202	60	49	0	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	30	N/A	130	40	54	36	0	40	8	0	0	1
Meadow View Academy	2240	60	60	1	0	2	22	0	0	0	0	35	0.701	132	69	45	16	2	59	1	0	0	0
Millfield Primary School	2220	30	22	3	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	14	N/A	40	22	9	9	0	22	0	0	0	0
Moorcroft Wood Academy	3327	30	30	0	0	2	10	0	0	0	0	18	0.246	46	35	8	2	1	29	1	0	0	0
New Invention Infant	2114	90	81	0	0	1	35	0	0	0	0	45	N/A	150	78	41	30	1	78	3	0	0	0

North Walsall Primary Academy	2034	30	30	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	0	12	0.225	56	36	13	7	0	30	0	0	0	0
Old Church CE Primary	3100	60	48	0	0	2	26	0	0	0	0	20	N/A	70	42	16	11	1	42	1	1	0	4
Palfrey Infant	2030	90	74	1	0	0	29	0	0	0	0	44	N/A	100	71	20	8	1	71	0	0	0	3
Park Hall Infant Academy	5200	90	90	0	1	0	54	0	0	0	0	35	0.497	170	106	45	18	1	90	0	0	0	0
Pelsall Village School	2237	30	18	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	11	N/A	48	17	19	12	0	17	0	0	0	1
Pheasey Park Farm Primary	5203	90	76	1	1	1	32	0	0	0	0	41	N/A	123	68	30	23	2	68	3	4	0	1
Pinfold Street Primary	2103	60	50	1	0	0	21	0	0	0	0	28	N/A	67	46	12	9	0	46	0	0	0	4
Pool Hayes Primary	2119	30	11	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	5	N/A	23	11	6	6	0	11	0	0	0	0
Radleys Primary School	2228	30	24	0	1	0	10	0	0	0	0	13	N/A	31	23	3	5	0	23	0	0	0	1
Reedwood E-ACT Academy	2010	60	60	1	0	0	30	1	0	0	0	28	1.036	93	62	20	11	0	58	1	1	0	0
Rivers Primary Academy	2017	60	60	1	0	0	36	0	0	0	0	23	0.608	93	68	18	7	0	57	3	0	0	0
Rosedale CE Infant	3101	60	51	0	1	0	19	0	0	0	0	31	N/A	61	49	9	3	0	49	1	0	0	1
Rushall Primary School	2205	30	30	1	1	5	8	0	0	0	0	15	0.598	88	43	20	25	0	29	1	0	0	0
Ryders Hayes School	2224	60	58	0	4	1	21	0	0	0	0	32	N/A	108	58	30	20	0	58	0	0	0	0
Salisbury Primary	2105	30	25	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	11	N/A	34	24	2	8	0	24	0	0	0	1
St Anne's Catholic Primary*	3324	30	30										N/A	100	51	30	19	0	30	0	0	0	0
St Bernadette's Catholic Primary*	2046	15	12										N/A	19	12	4	3	0	12	0	0	0	0
St Francis Catholic Primary*	3322	30	26										N/A	43	22	9	12	0	22	2	1	0	1
St Giles CE Primary	3102	60	60	0	0	0	26	0	0	1	0	33	0.52	107	75	21	10	1	60	0	0	0	0
St James Academy	2248	30	27	0	1	0	12	0	0	0	0	14	N/A	48	27	13	8	0	27	0	0	0	0
St John's C of E Primary School	3111	45	39	1	0	1	20	0	0	1	0	16	N/A	58	38	14	6	0	38	0	0	0	1
St Joseph's Catholic Primary*	3310	30	30										N/A	64	43	14	5	2	30	0	0	0	0
St Mary of The Angels*	3323	30	30										N/A	78	42	19	17	0	30	0	0	0	0
St Mary's The Mount*	3302	30	30										N/A	90	45	30	15	0	28	2	0	0	0
St Michael's C of E C Primary	3110	60	59	0	1	0	24	0	0	6	0	28	N/A	97	55	30	12	0	55	3	1	0	0
St Patrick's Catholic Primary*	3304	30	30										N/A	53	28	19	6	0	27	3	0	0	0
St Peter's Catholic Primary*	3306	30	25										N/A	45	23	13	9	0	23	2	0	0	0
St Thomas of Canterbury*	3312	30	30										N/A	51	39	8	4	0	30	0	0	0	0
Sunshine Academy	2003	60	40	0	1	0	10	0	0	0	0	29	N/A	51	36	11	4	0	36	1	0	0	3
Walsall Wood School	2218	30	30	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	13	1.096	64	30	22	12	0	28	2	0	0	0
Watling Street Primary School	2219	30	25	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	17	N/A	39	24	8	7	0	24	1	0	0	0
Whetstone Field Primary	2214	30	30	1	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	12	0.77	91	34	30	27	0	30	0	0	0	0
Whitehall Nursery and Infant	2032	90	89	2	1	0	38	0	0	0	0	48	N/A	131	82	25	24	0	82	3	2	0	2
Woodlands Academy of Learning	2118	60	49	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	29	N/A	93	48	27	16	2	48	1	0	0	0
Woods Bank Academy	2104	30	30	0	0	0	16	0	0	0	0	14	0.456	43	28	8	7	0	28	1	0	0	1

* Places offered in line with the schools faith based admission criteria

PAN = Published Admission Number

SEN = Child with Education Health and Care Plan

CiC = Child in Public Care

How junior places were allocated for September 2026

Year 3 Offers 2026	DFE No	PAN	Offered	How places were offered									Number of preferences received (on-time)					Number of offers made (on-time)				
				SEN	CiC	Medical/Social	Sibling(s)	Staff Child	Feeder	Church Place	Distance	Furthest Distance	Total No. of Preferences	1st	2nd	3rd	Other	1st	2nd	3rd	Other	Made an alternative offer (not a preference)
Alumwell Junior	2000	90	88	2	1	0	28	0	52	0	5	n/a	95	86	5	3	1	86	0	0	0	2
Blue Coat CE (A) Junior*	3300	90	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	104	94	4	6	0	90	0	0	0	0
Delves Junior	2043	90	90	3	0	0	28	0	55	0	4	0.803	131	93	32	6	0	90	0	0	0	0
Field Road Academy	2002	60	45	1	0	0	24	0	18	0	2	n/a	47	45	1	1	0	45	0	0	0	0
New Invention Learning Academy	2122	90	90	1	0	0	18	0	70	0	1	0.06	97	91	6	0	0	90	0	0	0	0
Palfrey Junior	2028	90	85	4	0	0	30	0	46	0	5	n/a	102	84	11	6	1	84	1	0	0	0
Park Hall Junior Academy	5201	102	95	1	2	0	38	0	48	0	6	n/a	122	95	19	8	0	95	0	0	0	0
Short Heath Junior	2116	90	62	3	0	0	25	0	34	0	0	n/a	64	61	3	0	0	61	1	0	0	0
Whitehall Junior	2031	90	75	2	1	0	21	0	47	0	4	n/a	107	69	29	9	0	69	5	0	0	1

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Special educational needs

All Walsall schools are required to follow the guidance set out in the Special Educational Needs and Disability Code of Practice to identify children considered to have Special Educational Needs.

All schools have a policy on Special Educational Needs and a designated Special Educational Needs Co-Ordinator, usually referred to as the SENCO. In addition, all schools have a designated governor who takes responsibility for ensuring provision to meet the Special Educational Needs of the young people in the school is made. All young people should be supported in their learning through a differentiated curriculum and personalised learning, but some young people will be given additional support if required through 'SEN Support' or an Education, Health and Care Plan. More details about the Primary school admissions process for children with an Education, Health and Care plan are set out below.

If you would like support with the EHCP process you can:

- Speak to your child's school SENCO
- View our [local offer pages for support](#)
- Contact us directly - email us: SEN@walsall.gov.uk
- Get independent support from [Walsall SENDIASS](#)

What happens if your child has an EHCP?

If your child or a young person has an EHC plan there is a separate process for applying for a school place. You do not need to apply through the normal admissions process for transfer to primary school. Your school's SENCO should call a phase transfer focused annual review and discuss suitable placements with you for your child. This will be communicated with your Case Officer after the review, and your preference should be clearly documented in the Annual Review. Your Case Officer and the EHC Team will be your key contacts and can support to you and your child with making the application.

Moving from one phase of education to the next is a significant change and it's important that parents, carers or young people think about what school should be named in their EHC plan. You may choose to attend open days and information sessions for a variety of schools/settings to establish whether the provision is appropriate for your child's needs. Please check the Walsall Council local offer for information about schools/settings that you may be considering.

For a move to primary school, SEN regulations require that the EHC plan must be reviewed and amended before 15 February 2027 if your child is due to start primary school in September 2027. This means there should always be an annual review of the EHC plan before a transfer to a new phase of education. The annual review process should be submitted to the Local Authority before October 30th

If you request that your child, be allocated a place in a special school the need for this provision must be evidenced in the EHCP or, the most recent annual review must include evidence that the needs of your child can't be met in a mainstream school environment. Please contact your Case Officer or the EHC team for more information.

Please note that it is not possible to list a preference for a Special School on the online application and parents who wish to apply for a Special School place will need to contact their EHCP family liaison officer to discuss the process of applying for a Special School.

Children undergoing an Education, Health and Care Plan Needs Assessment

Where a child is undergoing a needs assessment for an EHCP the date of issue will be dependent on the date that the application was submitted, and it may not be possible to issue the plan in accordance with the 15 February 2027 time scale. Where the decision to issue an EHCP is not made by the 15 February 2027, the EHCP assessment team will continue to consult with the existing school and the school identified by Primary Admissions, as well as any parental preferences for schooling made as part of the EHCP process, to identify the child's school placement as quickly as the process permits.

Under section 43 Children and Families Act 2014, the school named in an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) must admit the child.

School places will be allocated to children with an EHCP before places are allocated to other pupils.

The final decision of the allocated school place rests with the Local Authority where the child or young person lives.

Application for deferred admission to reception & applications for admission outside of a child's normal age group

Children reach compulsory school age on the first day of the term following their fifth birthday. However, all Walsall primary schools provide full-time places for pupils in reception classes from September in the school year in which children reach their fifth birthday.

If parents prefer for their child to start school later than 1 September 2027, they have the option to delay their child's entry until later in the 2027/28 school year when their child reaches compulsory school age. Parents who wish to delay their child's start must complete an application by 15 January 2027 and must write to Walsall Council to inform them on what date they wish their child to start in reception class. **Please note parents are unable to delay entry into reception class beyond the beginning of the term following their child's fifth birthday.** Furthermore, parents can request that their child attend part-time until the child reaches compulsory school age.

Summer born children, (born between 1 April and 31 August) reach compulsory school age in September following their fifth birthday. Parents of summer born children may submit a request for their child's entry to reception class to be deferred which means their child will be admitted to a reception class in the September following their fifth birthday, at the point in which other children in their chronological age group are moving from the reception class to year 1. **All requests for reception class deferral should be submitted in writing to the Admissions and Education Sufficiency Manager via primary.admissions@walsall.gov.uk by 15 January 2027 along with supporting evidence or medical evidence provided by a professional working directly with the child.**

Parents seeking a place for their child outside of their normal age group should make a request in writing to Walsall Council to primary.admissions@walsall.gov.uk providing details of the reason for the request and supporting medical or educational evidence. When a request for reception class deferral or admission outside of a child's normal age group relates to a community or voluntary school in Walsall, Walsall Council as the admission authority for the school, will make the decision as to whether to grant the request based on the individual circumstances of each case. If the application relates to a place at a school when Walsall Local Authority is not the admission authority, then the Admissions & Education Sufficiency Team will forward the request to the relevant admission authority for their consideration.

For further information please contact:

Admissions and Education Sufficiency Team

Email: schooladmissionsadvice@walsall.gov.uk

Apply on-line at

<https://go.walsall.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-admissions/apply-primary-school-place>