



Nursery, reception and junior admissions 2012

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Making your application

- Apply online at www.solihull.gov.uk/enrol
- You will need an email address
- You will need your Council Tax reference number
- We will send you an email to acknowledge receipt of your application
- Phone School Admissions on 0121 704 6693 if you need help

You can get online at any Solihull library.





Join the library and use your library card to get one hour internet access free each day.

Training on "How to get Online" is available free at all Solihull libraries. This will help you to set up and use an email account.

You can get online at a Children's Centre.

Call in to check availability.

What's in this booklet?

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-  Information about making an application for a reception place, full time school, in the yellow section. **Pages 5-6.**
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Applying for a nursery place in a Solihull school

If your child was born between 1 September 2008 and 31 August 2009 you can apply for 15 hours free nursery education in a Solihull school starting in September 2012.

You can apply online at www.solihull.gov.uk/enrol wherever you live.

You can apply for up to four Solihull schools including a faith school or academy. Do not include private nurseries.

You must rank the schools in order of preference. The school you name first should be the one you would most like your child to go to.

If a school receives more applications than places available we use the admission criteria to decide who is offered a place. You can find out the admission criteria for each school on our website.

We recommend that you include your catchment-area school among your preferences, even if it is your lowest preference. You can find out your catchment-area school online at www.solihull.gov.uk/onlinemaps

Living in the catchment area does not guarantee that you will be given a place, but you will have a high priority.

Find out if the school you are applying for needs any supplementary information and send it to the school.

For example, some faith schools need you to fill in an extra form, or provide a certificate of baptism or proof of attendance at church. You can find out this information from the school or online.

Priority is given, at some Solihull schools, for some exceptional social or medical reasons. If you think there may be exceptional circumstances you should look online for more information or phone School Admissions.

Getting a place in a nursery school does not mean your child will get a place in reception at the same school the following year. Most schools do not give priority to children who have been in the nursery. More children apply for reception which means it is harder to get a place. Every year lots of parents and children are disappointed.

Some schools offer a choice of sessions. After you have been offered a place school will ask you what sessions you prefer. Some schools have facilities on site called "wrap around". You can use this with a nursery place to make all day care.

You should apply by 2 December 2011.

Remember!

There is no guarantee of a nursery place

If you are offered a nursery place for your child there is no guarantee that your child will be offered a place in that school's reception class

Applying for a place in reception

If your child was born between 1 September 2007 and 31 August 2008 you must apply for a place in full-time school. This first year is called "reception".

If you live in Solihull you should apply online at www.solihull.gov.uk/enrol

If you live outside Solihull you should apply to your home council even if you want to apply for a place in a Solihull school.

You can apply for up to four schools including faith schools and academies. They can be in Solihull, or in another council area.

You must rank the schools in order of preference. The school you name first should be the one you would most like your child to go to.

If a school receives more applications than places available we use the admission criteria to decide who is offered a place. You can find out the admission criteria for each school on our website.

We strongly recommend that you include your catchment-area school among your preferences, even if it is your lowest preference. You can find out your catchment-area school online at www.solihull.gov.uk/onlinemaps

Living in the catchment area does not guarantee that you will be given a place, but you will have a high priority.

If you do not include your catchment-area school, and we cannot offer you a place at any of your other preferred schools you will be offered a place at the nearest school with a vacancy after all the other places have been offered.

Find out if the school you are applying for needs any supplementary information and send it to the school. For example, some faith schools need you to fill in an extra form, or provide a certificate of baptism or proof of your attendance at church. You can find out this information from the school or online.

Priority is given, at some Solihull schools, for some exceptional social or medical reasons. If you think there may be exceptional circumstances you should look online for more information or phone School Admissions.

Most schools do not give priority to children in their nursery. You must make a new application. Even if your child got a place in nursery, because more children apply for reception and they may have a higher priority than you, it means it is harder to get a place.

Getting a place in a Solihull primary school does not guarantee that you will get a place in a Solihull secondary school. We do not have a 'feeder school' system from primary to secondary school.

You can find more information about the process, the schools and their admission criteria, catchment areas and measure your distance from your home to a school online at www.solihull.gov.uk/admissions

You should apply by 3 January 2012.

Remember!

Going to a school's nursery does not usually give priority for a reception place

We recommend that you include your catchment-area school as one of your preferences

We do not have a 'feeder system' from primary to secondary school

Applying for a junior place

If your child was born between 1 September 2004 and 31 August 2005 and attends an infant school you must apply for a place in a junior school.

If you live in Solihull you should apply online at www.solihull.gov.uk/enrol.

If you live outside Solihull you should apply to your home council even if you want to apply for a place in a Solihull school.

You can apply for up to three junior schools, including faith schools and academies. They can be junior schools in Solihull or in another council area.

You must rank the schools in order of preference. The school you name first should be the one you would most like your child to go to.

If a school receives more applications than places available we use the admission criteria to decide who is offered a place. You can find out the admission criteria for each school on our website www.solihull.gov.uk/admissions

We strongly recommend that you include your linked junior school among your preferences, even if it is your lowest preference.

If you want to take up a place at the linked junior school you must still name the school as a preference and apply on time. If you do this your child is guaranteed a place at the linked junior school.

Children attending a Solihull infant school on or before 15 January 2012 are guaranteed a place at the linked junior school.

Infant schools linked to junior schools

Blossomfield Infant School *	Sharmans Cross Junior School Shirley Heath Junior School
Burman Infant School	Haslucks Green Junior School
Castle Bromwich Infant School	Castle Bromwich Junior School
Cranmore Infant School	Widney Junior School
Damson Wood Infant School	Coppice Junior School
Daylesford Infant School	Chapel Fields Junior School
Dorridge Infant School	Dorridge Junior School
Marston Green Infant School	Marston Green Junior School
Streetsbrook Infant School	Sharmans Cross Junior School
Valley Infant School	Hatchford Brook Junior and Infant School
Woodlands Infant School	Shirley Heath Junior School
No linked infant school	St James CE Junior School **

* Blossomfield Infant School has a link to both Sharmans Cross Junior School and Shirley Heath Junior School. Parents are guaranteed a place at one of the schools

** St James CE Junior School is not linked to a specific infant school, but welcomes applications from all children

Find out if the school you are applying for needs any supplementary information and send it to the school. For example, some faith schools need you to fill in an extra form, or provide a certificate of baptism or proof of attendance at church. You can find out this information from the school or online.

Priority is given, at some Solihull schools, for some exceptional social or medical reasons. If you think there may be exceptional circumstances you should look online for more information or phone School Admissions.

You should apply by 3 January 2012

Remember!

If you want a place in your linked junior school you must apply on time

We recommend that you include your linked junior school as a preference

What happens if I move house?

If you move house and we have received proof of your move by the date below we will use your new address when we allocate places. If you move house after this date we may not be able to use your new address until after the offer date. You can find more information on how to confirm your move online.

Deadline for proof of house move	
Nursery	2 April 2012
Reception	1 March 2012
Junior	1 March 2012

If you move house after your child has been offered a place and there are children on the waiting list with a higher priority, your child's offer of a place will be withdrawn.

If your child moves into the home of a friend or relative or you change address temporarily to improve your priority for a school place, we will not use that address.

Remember!

Moving house may lead to your child's offer of a place being withdrawn

What happens if my application is late?

Applications received after the closing date are late. They will be put on the waiting list behind on-time applications of the same priority.

	You should apply by:	Your application is late after:
Nursery	2 December 2011	2 December 2011
Reception	3 January 2012	15 January 2012
Junior	3 January 2012	15 January 2012

Can I change my application?

Yes, you can change your application up to the following dates and you should phone School Admissions for advice.

Deadline for changes:	
Nursery	2 April 2012
Reception	1 March 2012
Junior	1 March 2012

After this we cannot process changes until after the offer date.

Changes after the offer date will be put on the waiting list behind on-time applications of the same priority.

Remember!

Applying late will almost certainly affect the offer you can expect to get

What happens if the information I give is not correct?

The law says that a school place can be withdrawn after a child has started at the school if the place was gained by fraud.

It is important that the information you provide is accurate and honest. If we find that any information in your application is false and you are not entitled to the place you have been offered it will be withdrawn.

If you know anyone who is using an incorrect address you should phone us and we will investigate.

Remember!

You are responsible for proving the information you provide is correct

Providing false information may lead to your child's offer of a place being withdrawn

