

Applying for a place in a junior school to start in September 2026

For children attending an infant school and born
between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019



How to apply?

Apply online at www.solihull.gov.uk/admissions if you live in Solihull.

You will need an email address to create your account.

You will need to remember your login details on offer day. Make a careful note of exactly how you entered them, e.g. if you used capital or lower case letters.

Closing date: **15 January 2026**

Offer day: National offer day is 16 April each year. When this date falls on a weekend or bank holiday, offers are made on the next working day.

Applying for a junior place in school

If your child was born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019 and attends an infant school you must apply now for a place in a junior school.

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

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 five 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 the admission criteria for each school at 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.

Children attending a Solihull infant school on or before 15 January 2026 are guaranteed a place at the linked junior school. If you want to take up the guaranteed place at the linked junior school you must name the school as a preference and apply on time.

Applications received after the closing date are not guaranteed a place at the linked junior school. Find out if the school you are applying for needs any supplementary information, such as a baptismal certificate. Baptised Catholic children will have a high priority for Catholic schools. You must read the admissions arrangements for the school to find out what evidence of faith you need to provide. Your child will only be assigned a faith criteria if you provide the required evidence.

Infant schools linked to junior school

Blossomfield Infant School	Sharmans Cross Junior School Shirley Heath Junior School Applicants are guaranteed a place at one of these schools. You must include both schools on your application
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
Marston Green Infant Academy	Marston Green Junior School
St Alphege CE Infant School	St Alphege CE Junior School
Streetsbrook Infant Academy	Sharmans Cross Junior School
Woodlands Infant School	Shirley Heath Junior School

Check our website or the school's website for the up-to-date admission arrangements and oversubscription.

Exceptional social or medical reasons

Many, but not all admissions authorities give priority to applicants if there is a strong medical case or exceptional social need. This does not mean common childhood complaints or childcare and working arrangements. It also does not cover a child's academic ability or a school's Ofsted rating. It is more than a parental preference to attend a particular school.

If you think that your child has exceptional social or medical reasons that should give them priority at a particular school you must:

Read the admission arrangements to see if that particular school has exceptional social medical reasons within their criteria.

Tick the relevant box and add your reasons notes to your online application.

Provide independent evidence from a reliable source (e.g. a medical professional) which explains why only one school can meet your child's needs. It must be clear to explain what this school can offer that other schools cannot.

Check if the documents need to be sent to school or to the Admissions Team.

If you do not provide evidence your application will not be considered for exceptional social medical reasons but will still be processed under the remaining criteria. The request for exceptional social or medical reasons must be made at the point of application, late or repeat requests cannot be considered.

What if my application is late?

Applications received after the closing date are late and will not be processed until after offer day. Applying late will affect the offer you can expect to get. You are not guaranteed a place at your linked junior school if your application is late.

What happens if I move house?

If you are moving house you should apply on time to your home council.

Apply for school(s) in the area you are moving to as well as your local school.

When you have moved into your new home and sent us documents to prove your move we will update your application.

More information on moving house and providing proof of address can be found on our website at **www.solihull.gov.uk/admissions**.

If you move house after your child has been offered a place your application will be reassessed based on your new distance and criteria.

If the new distance and criteria mean that you would not have qualified for an offer on national offer day, the place may be withdrawn.

The offers we make are conditional on the information remaining the same as on national offer day.

For your new address to be considered in the allocation for an intake place, you must have moved and provided us with the documents required by 1 February for primary and infant to junior applications.

Informal living arrangements with friends or relatives will not be classed as the child's main residence and will not be used for admissions purposes. Temporary addresses used to improve your child's priority for a school place will also not be accepted.

Can I change my application?

If you want to change your application you can email us with the details. We will send you an email confirming your changes. You cannot make changes online after you have submitted your application. Any changes we make for you will not be seen online. Your online outcome, on offer day, will show your changes.

If you make changes to your application involving schools outside Solihull the details will be sent to the relevant council to be dealt with by their rules.

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 fraudulent or intentionally misleading information. 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.

A place can also be withdrawn after a child has started if they offer has been obtained by fraudulent or intentionally misleading information.

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

Your right of appeal

You can appeal if you are unhappy with your offer. You will receive more information with your outcome.

Contact details



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More information

www.solihull.gov.uk/admissions

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