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Letter from the Director for Education, Early Years, Inclusion and Place Planning

Dear Parent/Carer

Information for Parents and Carers

Worcestershire County Council's Children's Services have "good education for all" as one of its priority values and the information in this booklet is intended to help you to access the full range of educational provision available for your child.

Deciding which school you would like to name as your preferred school for your son or daughter is an exciting opportunity, but it can also be somewhat daunting. There is a great range and diversity of schools often within the same immediate locality.

The simplest and most direct way to form a view on what best suits your child is usually to contact the Headteacher of your local school. Your local Headteacher will be delighted to provide you with details about the school to help you make an informed choice. Many schools also have open days to showcase the school's facilities, so I encourage you to attend these or to arrange a visit.

We support and encourage all schools to have good safeguarding arrangements, to have an Early Help Offer to support their students and families and to be inclusive of children with additional needs, so look out for these in schools that you are considering, they may well be of help to you now or in the future.

Many thousands of pupils and students each year enjoy and achieve in their education in Worcestershire and have successfully moved on to further education and or to have employment and fulfilling careers. We hope you and your child will be equally delighted with the educational opportunities available to your child.



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schooladmissions@worcestershire.gov.uk

Telephone:

01905 822700

Contact details for Neighbouring Authorities

Parents who wish to consider schools maintained by other authorities are strongly advised to contact the local authority concerned to obtain information about those schools. Please note there may be different admission policies in operation.

Under the national, Co-ordinated Admission Arrangements, parents have to apply for School places to their home LA. If you have any queries with regards to your home LA, details can be found at

[Find Your Local Council.](#)

Birmingham LA (DfE No. 330)

Schools Admissions and Fair Access Service
Children and Families Directorate
Birmingham City Council
PO Box 16513
Birmingham B2 2FF

Tel: 0121 303 1888

Email: admissions@birmingham.gov.uk

Dudley LA (DfE No. 332)

School Admissions Service
Children's Services
Cable Plaza, Waterfront West
Brierley Hill DY5 1LW

Tel: 0300 555 2345

Email: admissions.cs@dudley.gov.uk

Gloucestershire LA (DfE No. 916)

Co-ordinated Admissions
Education Planning & Infrastructure
Gloucestershire County Council
Shire Hall, Westgate Street
Gloucester GL1 2TP

Tel: 01452 425407

Email: school.admissions@gloucestershire.gov.uk

Herefordshire LA (DfE No. 884)

School Admissions
Plough Lane Offices, Plough Lane
Hereford HR4 0LE

Reception admissions: 01432 260926 / 261574

Phase Transfer: 01432 260925

In Year Transfer: 01432 260927

Email: schooladmissions@herefordshire.gov.uk

Web: www.herefordshire.gov.uk

Shropshire LA (DfE No. 893)

Shropshire Admissions
Guildhall
Frankwell Quay
Shrewsbury SY3 8HQ

Tel: 03456 789008

Email: school-admissions@shropshire.gov.uk

Solihull LA (DfE No. 334)

School Admissions
Solihull Council
Manor Square
Solihull B91 3QB

Tel: 0121 704 6693

Email: admissions@solihull.gov.uk

Staffordshire LA (DfE No. 860)

School Admissions and Transport Service 2
Staffordshire Place
Stafford ST16 2DH

Tel: 0300 111 8007

Email: admissions@staffordshire.gov.uk

Warwickshire LA (DfE No. 937)

School Admissions Service,
Children, Young People and Families Directorate
Shire Hall
Warwick CV34 4RL

Tel: 01926 414143

Email: admissions@warwickshire.gov.uk

SENDIASS - Supporting Worcestershire Families



Information, Advice
and Support Service
**Herefordshire &
Worcestershire**

**Do you have a child/young person
with a Special Educational
Need or Disability (SEND)?**

**Do you think your child might have
Special Educational Needs (SEN)?**



**SENDIASS provides FREE, impartial & confidential information,
advice and support on all matters relating to children and
young people (0-25) who have or may have SEND**

We can help you if...

- You have concerns about your child's progress at their education setting
- You would like to know more about the support available for children with SEND and their families
- You would like to know more about Herefordshire's and Worcestershire's SEND policies and procedures
- You need information and guidance on the Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) process

Call:

01905 768153

(24hr answerphone service available)

Contact us:

**Monday - Friday
8.30am - 4pm**

Email:

SENDIASS@worcestershire.gov.uk



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Worcestershire



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 **worcestershire
county council**

Worcestershire Libraries

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Find out what your local library can do for you!



Libraries support the education and aspirations of young people: diverse reading material, online reference sources, study tools, e-books, e-audio and e-magazines and reading challenges.

Libraries enrich lives and promote creativity: Bounce and Rhyme sessions, craft groups, author talks, live-streamed cultural events and an opportunity to become Worcestershire's next Young Poet Laureate.



Libraries improve health and wellbeing through opportunities to engage and connect: social connecting groups, self-help 'Reading Well' book collections, and Study Happy sessions.

Libraries improve skill levels and help people into work: volunteering and work experience opportunities, online study assistance for sixth formers, adult learning courses, employability webinars and job clubs.



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Special Educational Needs

School Preference Guidelines for Children with an Education Health Care Plan

Most children and young people with Special Educational Needs or Disabilities (SEND) attend a mainstream school or college. You should apply through the local authority's admission process unless your child has an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP).

If your child has an EHCP you do not need to apply through the admissions process, although you may if you wish to. If you do apply through School Admissions please tick the box that indicates your child has an EHCP.

If your child or young person is currently going through the assessment process to get an EHCP you will need to apply via the School Admissions route.

Children and young people with Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCPs) attend mainstream schools and colleges, resourced provision (specialist units in mainstream schools), or special schools. You can apply for a special school or resourced provision place if your child has an EHCP. Your child's school place will be arranged by the Worcestershire SEND Services, not through the general admission process.

You have a legal right to request that a particular school or college (mainstream, special or resourced provision) is named in your child's EHCP. When the local authority first issue an EHCP, and also when your child is due to move to a new setting (e.g. from primary to secondary school), the local authority will ask which school you would prefer your child to attend. You can give more than one preference.

Once you have expressed a preference, the local authority must consult with the school or college and must name it in the EHCP, unless:

- it is unsuitable for the age, ability, aptitude or SEN of the child or young person, or
- the attendance of the child or young person would be incompatible with the efficient education of others, or the efficient use of resources. (The "efficient education of others" exception cannot be used in relation to mainstream schools or colleges if there are reasonable steps they could take to ensure inclusion).

Once a school or college is named in the child or young person's EHCP, that school or college must admit them. Exceptions apply for independent schools.

If your child is due to start school or move schools, the local authority will ask you to complete a preference form well before the general admissions deadline, as the local authority needs time to consult with schools. They must then issue a final EHCP naming the school or college that your child will transfer to by the following national deadlines:

- 15th February for children transitioning from nursery to Year 7.
- 31 March for young people transitioning from secondary school to post-16 education (Y11 to Y12 or college) and for Y14 placements.

Special School Reception Places

Children identified as possibly requiring a special school placement will need to have an Education, Health and Care Needs Assessment. Dependant on when the request is made, the Assessment may not be completed by the admissions cut-off date for Reception places which is 15th January 2026. It is therefore advisable that you also apply for a mainstream place and be aware you may be offered a mainstream place before a decision has been made whether a special school place is required.

If at any time you have any queries about this please contact the SEN Helpline on **01905 845579**.

Factors you should take account of when you tell us your preferred school

- Most children/young people with special needs go to their local mainstream setting, school or college.
- Special schools are for the children/young people with the most severe and complex special educational needs. There are very few unoccupied places in special schools, and it is important that these are available for the children/young people with the greatest needs.
- Our home to school transport policy recognises that not all children/young people are able to walk to their educational establishment. Children under 8 are expected to walk up to 2 miles, and children 8 and over are expected to walk up to 3 miles. These are called the “statutory walking distances”. Parents are expected to accompany their children within the statutory walking distance.
- If you select a school/setting for your child/young person that is not the nearest school/setting of its kind to where you live, then your child/young person would not receive home to school transport, even if they qualify on the basis of their special needs. This is because there is a closer school/setting to where you live. It will be a parental responsibility to provide appropriate transport to convey their child/young person to and from this setting. The Local Authority will not, at any time, be financially or otherwise responsible for providing transport provision.
- Some children/young people are eligible for free home to school transport if they are unable to walk for reasons of severe mobility difficulties or other severe needs that mean a child/young person could not walk the distance, even with parental supervision.

Factors the Local Authority takes account of when considering your preference

The law gives high priority to the school/institution preferred by a parent. If you would like your child/young person, however severe his or her special educational needs, to go to a mainstream setting, school or college we will almost always comply with the EHCP.

The main factors we consider in making the decision, about which setting your child/young person can attend, are:

- Whether the school/institution you have named is able to make the provision.
- Whether the needs of your child/young person are compatible with the provision of efficient education for other children/young people.
- Whether there is an available place – in specialist provision, we plan ahead by funding places for the year in advance. Special school places and specialist bases in mainstream schools are funded for the pupils with higher level needs who need focused and specialist provision.
- Costs – if you have asked us to name a school or institution where the costs of that place are greater than another provision that is also suitable, then we may not be able to comply with your preference.

The Law says if you suggest the name of a maintained school or other institution, we must name that school or institution in part I of the EHCP unless:

- a. the school is unsuitable for a child's/young person's age, ability or aptitude or for his/her special educational needs; or
- b. the attendance of a child/young person at the school would be incompatible with the provision of efficient education for the children/young people with whom he/she would be educated, or the efficient use of resources.

If we do not name your preferred school in the EHCP, we will explain why.

If we name an Educational Establishment and you decide to make your own arrangements to place your child/young person in an independent school, or to home educate him/her, we will need to be sure that the arrangements you have made are suitable. If you do this, we will write to you to explain what this means in more detail.

If you choose an Educational Establishment that is not the nearest suitable Educational Establishment your child/ young person will probably not be entitled to free home to school transport, so we will want to be sure that you can arrange for your child/young person to attend your preferred Educational Establishment. It will be a parental responsibility to provide appropriate transport to convey their child/young person to and from school. The Local Authority will not, at any time, be financially or otherwise responsible for providing transport provision.

Specialist Placements

Most children/young people with special needs go to their local mainstream setting, school or college. Special schools are for the children/young people with the most severe and complex special educational needs. There are very few unoccupied places in special schools, and it is important that these are available for the children/young people with the greatest needs.

List of Special Schools

Chadsgrove School

Ages: 2 to 19 years old

Address: Meadow Road, Bromsgrove, B61 0JL

Fort Royal School

Ages: 3 to 11 years.

Address: Wylds Lane, Worcester, WR5 1DR

Pitcheroak School

Ages: 4 to 19 years.

Address: Willow Way, Redditch, B97 6PQ

Regency High School

Ages: 11 to 19 years

Address: Windermere Road, Worcester, WR4 9JL

Rigby Hall School

Ages: 3 to 18 years

Address: Rigby Lane, Bromsgrove, B60 2EP

Riversides School

Ages: 7 to 16 years (with Social, Emotional and Mental Health Difficulties)

Address: Thorneloe Road, Barbourne, Worcester, WR1 3HZ

The Kingfisher School

Ages: 7 to 16 years (with Social, Emotional and Mental Health Difficulties)

Address: Clifton Close, Matchborough, Redditch, B98 0HF

The Vale of Evesham School

Ages: 2 to 19 years

Address: Four Pools Lane, Evesham, WR11 1BN

Wyre Forest School

Ages: 3 to 19 years

Address: Habberley Road, Kidderminster, DY11 6FA

SEN Unit

Honeywell Primary School

Ages: 4 to 11 years

Address: Honeywell Primary School Tudor Way, Worcester, WR2 5QH

List of Schools with a Mainstream Autism Base

Abbey Park Primary School

Pershore

Beaconside Primary School

Rubery

Chaddesley Corbett Primary School

Kidderminster

Christopher Whitehead Language College

Worcester

Dyson Perrins High School

Malvern

King Charles 1 High School

Kidderminster

Meadows First School

Bromsgrove

Parkside Middle School

Bromsgrove

North Bromsgrove High School

Bromsgrove

Oldbury Park Primary School

Worcester

Pershore High School

Pershore

Tudor Grange Academy

Redditch

Walkwood Middle School

Redditch

Waseley Hills High School

Rubery

Nursery Provision

Local Authority Maintained Nursery Places

PLEASE BE AWARE that attendance at a particular nursery/nursery class or foundation class gives no guarantee that your child will gain a place at the school where the nursery/nursery class/foundation class is located.

Parents/carers must apply separately for their child to go to any first/primary school. Attendance at an LA maintained nursery does not give entitlement or greater priority for a reception place in the school providing the nursery provision, for the period of statutory education. Places in reception classes are allocated as per the admissions policy for the school. It is a parent's responsibility to ensure they apply for a school place at the relevant time.

The area served by any nursery is wider than the catchment area of the providing school and may vary according to local circumstances.

Even if your child is successful in obtaining a place in a nursery you will still need to apply separately for a place in Reception.

Funded Childcare Entitlement

9 Month - Two Year Old Children

Children of working families may be entitled to 1140 hours per year of funded, childcare, based on 30 hours per week over 38 weeks of the year, from the term after a child turns 9 months.

Two Year Old Children

Two year old children from families in receipt of additional support are entitled to 570 hours per year of funded childcare, based on a maximum of 15 hours per week over 38 weeks of the year. Two year old children of working families may be entitled to 1140 hours per year of funded childcare, based on 30 hours per week over 38 weeks of the year.

Further information about funded childcare for two year olds from families in receipt of additional support, please visit: www.worcestershire.gov.uk/fundedtwoyears

Three and Four Year Old Children

All 3 & 4 year old children are entitled to 570 hours per year of early education, based on a maximum of 15 hours per week over 38 weeks of the year. Some 3 & 4 year old children from working families will be entitled to up to 1140 hours per year, based on a maximum of 30 hours per week over 38 weeks of the year.

Further information about funded childcare, and to apply for the Working Family entitlement please visit www.ChildcareChoices.gov.uk.

LA Maintained Nursery over subscription criteria

If the demand for places exceeds those available, the following criteria will be used to allocate places:

- Children Looked After and Children Previously Looked After including those who appear to have been in state care outside of England and have ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted;
- Children with additional needs¹, with priority given to those who meet the County Council's criteria for statutory assessment;
- Siblings if the older sibling will still be on the roll of the nursery class when the younger sibling starts in the nursery class;
- Children living nearest to the nursery measured by the shortest straight-line distance.

Priority will be given to those wishing to access their full 15 or 30 hour entitlement, over those wishing to access less than 15 or 30 hours per week.

The sibling connection, as well as brother and sister will include half-siblings, adopted children, step-siblings or a child of the parent/carer's partner. They must also be living at the same home address. Children who are brought together as a family by a civil partnership and who are living at the same address, are also considered to be siblings.

To find out about the range of funded childcare options available for early years children, please visit: www.worcestershire.gov.uk/childcarefunded.

¹ Additional needs includes those children whose needs are monitored by LA or external support agencies. Needs may be physical/emotional/social or intellectual. The decision will be taken by the LA in consultation with the Headteacher, SENCo and early years teacher / co-ordinator.

Charges and allowances

Sections 449-462 of the Education Act 1996 sets out the law on charging for school activities in schools maintained by local authorities in England. Academies (including free schools, studio schools and university technical colleges) are required through their funding agreements to comply with the law on charging for school activities. The Board of Governors/Academy Trust of each school are required to publish their determined Charging and Remissions policy within the school prospectus. Parents and carers are advised to contact the preferred school for a copy.

Guidance on charging for school activities from the Department for Education is as below:

Education

School governing bodies and local authorities, cannot charge for:

- an admission application to any state funded school - paragraph 1.9 (n) of the 'School Admissions Code 2021' rules out requests for financial contributions as any part of the admissions process;
- education provided during school hours (including the supply of any materials, books, instruments or other equipment);
- education provided outside school hours if it is part of the national curriculum, or part of a syllabus for a prescribed public examination that the pupil is being prepared for at the school, or part of religious education;
- instrumental or vocal tuition, for pupils learning individually or in groups, unless the tuition is provided at the request of the pupil's parent;
- entry for a prescribed public examination, if the pupil has been prepared for it at the school; and
- examination re-sit(s) if the pupil is being prepared for the re-sit(s) at the school.

In general, no charge can be made for admitting pupils to maintained schools. Where education is provided wholly or mainly during school hours, it should be free. It is therefore not possible to levy a compulsory charge for transport, admission costs for swimming lessons or visits to museums, etc. during school hours.

The Local Authority or Board of Governors/Academy Trust may not charge for anything unless they have drawn up a statement of general policy on charging. The Board of Governors/Academy Trust policy may be more or less generous than the LA's, as long as it meets the requirements of the law.

Voluntary Contributions

Headteachers or Board of Governors/Academy Trust may ask parents for a voluntary contribution towards the cost of:

- any activity that takes place during school hours
- school equipment
- school funds generally

The contribution must be genuinely voluntary, though, and the pupils of parents who are unable or unwilling to contribute may not be discriminated against. Where there are not enough voluntary contributions to make the activity possible, and there is no way to make up the shortfall, then it must be cancelled.

Music Tuition

Although the law states that, in general, all education provided during school hours must be free, instrumental and vocal music tuition is an exception to that rule.

The Charges for Music Tuition (England) Regulations 2007 set out the circumstances in which charges can be made for tuition in playing a musical instrument, including vocal tuition. They allow charging for tuition in larger groups than was previously the case.

Charges may now be made for vocal or instrumental tuition provided either individually, or to groups of any size, provided that the tuition is provided at the request of the pupil's parent. Charges may not exceed the cost of the provision, including the cost of the staff who provide the tuition.

Optional extras

Charges may be made for some activities that are known as 'optional extras'. Where an optional extra is being provided, a charge can be made for providing materials, books, instruments, or equipment. For a full copy of the DfE guidance visit www.gov.uk/government/publications/charging-for-school-activities.

Residential Trips

Schools are permitted to charge for the cost of board and lodging during residential school trips. This cost must not exceed the actual cost of the provision. Parents must be informed about a forthcoming visit, it must be made clear that parents who can prove they are in receipt of any of the following benefits will be exempt from paying the cost of board and lodging:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - your household income must be less than £7,400 per year (after tax and not including any benefits you receive)

(The criteria that entitle families to an exemption from paying for the cost of board & lodging has been aligned with free school meals criteria.)

Where the trip takes place wholly or mainly during school hours, children whose parents are in receipt of a free school meal entitlement will also be entitled to the remission of these charges.

A similar entitlement applies where the trip takes place outside school hours but is necessary as part of the National Curriculum, or forms part of the syllabus for a prescribed examination that the school is preparing the pupil to sit, or the syllabus for religious education.

For a full copy of the DfE guidance visit: www.gov.uk/government/publications/charging-for-school-activities.

(Information above correct at time of going to print but eligibility thresholds are reviewed regularly by central government).

Free School Meals

Please visit www.worcestershire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals for charges and allowances information.

Worcestershire schools

How does the school system vary within the county?

All schools in the County are co-educational, and all high/secondary schools are comprehensive. However, there are different types of school and there are also differences across the County in the age groups that the schools provide for, as explained below.

Types of School

Academies (A)

Academies are publicly funded independent schools. The governing body/academy trust have responsibility for managing the academy and have responsibility for deciding the arrangements for admitting pupils including their own admissions criteria. Academies don't have to follow the national curriculum and can set their own term times. They still have to follow the same rules on admissions, special educational needs and exclusions as other state schools. Academies get money direct from the government, not the local council. They're run by an academy trust which employs the staff. Some academies have sponsors such as businesses, universities, other schools, faith groups or voluntary groups. Sponsors are responsible for improving the performance of their schools.

Free Schools (FR)

Free schools are funded by the government but aren't run by the local council. Free Schools are non-profit making, independent, state-funded schools. They're 'all-ability' schools, so can't use academic selection processes like a grammar school. Free schools can set their own pay and conditions for staff, change the length of school terms and the school day and don't have to follow the national curriculum. Free schools can be set up by charities, universities, independent schools, community and faith groups, teachers, parents and businesses. The governing body have responsibility for managing the Free School and have responsibility for deciding the arrangements for admitting pupils including their own admissions criteria.

Community (C) and Voluntary Controlled (VC) Schools

Worcestershire Local Authority (LA) is the admission authority i.e. it has responsibility for deciding the arrangements for admitting pupils to Community (C) and Voluntary Controlled (VC) schools including the admissions criteria.

Community schools are controlled by the local council and not influenced by business or religious groups.

Foundation (FD) and Voluntary Aided (VA) Schools

The governing body is the admissions authority i.e. it has responsibility for deciding the arrangements for admitting pupils including their own admissions criteria. Voluntary Aided schools have to follow the national curriculum, but they can choose what they teach in religious studies. Foundation schools and Voluntary Aided schools may have different admissions criteria and staffing policies, although anyone can apply for a place.

The individual school governing body is responsible for determining admission and appeal arrangements for Academies (A), Foundation (FD), Free (FR) and Voluntary Aided (VA) Schools. You will find details of the various admissions policies at www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissionpolicies and www.worcestershire.gov.uk/admissionappeals. For more detailed information on types of school visit: www.gov.uk/types-of-school.

Elective Home Education (EHE)

Under Section 7 of the Education Act 1996 parents have a legal responsibility to provide their child with an education either by regular school attendance or otherwise. Under this duty parents can decide to take personal, including financial, responsibility for their child's education and this is known as Elective Home Education (EHE). Information on Elective Home Education is available by telephoning: 01905 846060 or at: www.worcestershire.gov.uk/homeeducation.

Worcestershire School Organisation

In the County there are two systems: **Please refer to area information for details.**

Three-Tier System

The three-tier system consists of first schools for pupils from 4 to 8, 9 or 10 years, middle schools for pupils from 8, 9 or 10 years to 12 or 13 years, and high schools which provide for pupils of 12 or 13 years to 18 years.

Two-Tier System

In some other areas of Worcestershire, there is a two-tier system of primary schools for pupils up to the age of 11, with high schools for pupils over the age of 11.

There are also some differences in the way high schools are organised. Some schools have Sixth Forms and some do not.

How to find out about schools?

We have included key information about all Worcestershire schools (except independent schools) in this book.

If you have access to the internet you can find further information about schools, including each schools latest OFSTED report, at: [Get Information about Schools - GOV.UK](http://www.gov.uk/get-information-about-schools).

Each school publishes its own prospectus and will have a website you can visit to find out more information.

Parental Responsibility

The law allows any parent/carer that has parental responsibility for a child, (which in most cases will mean more than one parent/carer), to express preferences on an application, for the school/s they would like their child to attend. To avoid multiple applications, and delays in processing, parents/carers should agree on the preferences expressed and submit only one application. If there are persons with parental responsibility not residing at your child's address, it is your responsibility to notify and/or consult them before expressing a preference for a school.

It can be distressing for a child/young person to not be secure in knowing which school they will attend, whilst others may already be attending induction events. Any delay in resolving multiple applications/preferences, creates uncertainty for all parties.

In line with GDPR legislation, we are only able to deal with the applicant. Any request for information about your child that is not linked to another applicant's application would need to be made using the Subject Access Request Form: www.worcestershire.gov.uk/makeadataprotectionrequest.

Home Local Authority

Local Authorities (LA's) are required to work with each other in relation to admissions for the normal intake points, whether the schools are in Worcestershire or anywhere else in England. This is to ensure that wherever possible, each child receives the offer of only one school place.

Your Home Local Authority is the LA that you pay council tax to. You should only apply for a school place to Worcestershire County Council if you pay council tax to Worcestershire County Council. If you pay your council tax to another local authority, you will need to apply directly to that authority.

If parents are separated, the application should be made by the parent the child normally lives with for the majority of the school week as set out in the Glossary of this book. Where a child spends equal time during the school week with each parent, the exact arrangements must be made clear by email with a copy of any child arrangements order/court order (where applicable), this must be submitted by email to schooladmissions@worcestershire.gov.uk.

If the evidence you provide does satisfy us that arrangements are 50/50 shared care, then we will determine which LA we consider to be your Home LA, using random allocation, Legal and Democratic Services who are independent of School Admissions will supervise this process. The final decision about which address is to be considered for the purpose of applying, rests with the local authority.

If there are persons with parental responsibility not residing at your child's address, it is your responsibility to notify and/or consult them before applying and expressing a preference for a school.

NB Home LA is not considered for in-year applications, if you wish to move schools in-year to a school in Worcestershire, then you can apply from wherever you are living. If you wish to apply in-year for a school in another LA, please find out the arrangements in place in that area for in-year applications.

What is considered to be the Home Address for your child?

Every admission authority must set out what they mean by Home Address. It is vital that you therefore read the Admission Policies of any schools you intend to apply for at the following link:

www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissionpolicies.

In the case of Community and Voluntary Controlled schools, the home address is defined as the only or main permanent residential address, at the closing date for applications, where the child usually resides, and which is the usual address of the parent/carer with main responsibility for the child.

If parents are separated, the home address will be the address where the child normally lives for the majority of the school week as set out in the Glossary of this book. Where a child spends equal time during the school week with each parent, the exact arrangements must be made clear by email with a copy of any child arrangements order/court order (where applicable), this must be submitted by email to schooladmissions@worcestershire.gov.uk.

If the evidence you provide does satisfy us that arrangements are 50/50 shared care, then we will determine the home address using random allocation, Legal and Democratic Services who are independent of School Admissions will supervise this process. The final decision about which address is to be considered for the purpose of home address, rests with the admission authority.

If there are persons with parental responsibility not residing at your child's address, it is your responsibility to notify and/or consult them before applying and expressing a preference for a school.

Where more than one parent applies for a child, or where there is a parent not in agreement with the preferences, the Local Authority and any admission authority applied for, legally has to comply with the preferences expressed. If this is not the same, then parents will have to seek resolution and if necessary legal resolution. It may be necessary for the courts to determine which parent can make the final decision on schooling. **The Council is not in a position to intervene in disputes between parents over school applications and will request that these are resolved privately.**

Waiting Lists

If you have applied for the normal point of entry for a school and if your application for your preferred school is unsuccessful, you will be automatically added to a waiting list. Please note you will only be placed on the waiting list for a school that is a higher preference to the one that has been offered.

If you wish to be placed on the waiting list for any school that is a lower preference to the one that has been offered, then please contact School Admissions at schooladmissions@worcestershire.gov.uk

If you wish to be considered for the waiting list for any school you had not applied for originally, you will need to make a new application for that school.

Please see Page 115 for details of in year waiting lists.

You should be aware that a school waiting list is an active document. As new applicants are added to the list the position of an individual child already on the list can change. A waiting list does not give priority based simply on the date an application was added to the list, priority is based on the oversubscription policy of the school.

Waiting lists for Academy, Foundation, Free and Voluntary Aided Schools, are maintained by the individual schools and parents will need to contact the school directly, to establish the waiting list procedure in place at those schools.

Waiting lists for Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools, are maintained by School Admissions, and parents will automatically be added to the waiting list if they are refused a place at a school that is a higher preference to the one that has been offered. These waiting lists will be maintained until the 31st December 2026. If parents have not been offered a place by that time they will need to request their child be added to any waiting list maintained from 1st January 2027 onwards.

Important Information:

- All parents will be given a date by which they must respond to their offer of a school place, this gives every parent the opportunity to request to go onto waiting lists. If you have not already applied for a particular school and wish to be considered for the waiting list, you **MUST** make an application, and if refused will be added to the waiting list. Once the response date has gone past, the waiting lists will be collated and prioritised in line with the published admission arrangements. This is likely to take a number of weeks, depending on the number of requests.
- Once the waiting lists are collated and prioritised, School Admissions will begin the process of reallocating any vacancies for Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools. School Admissions will also be notified by any Academy, Foundation, Free and Voluntary Aided Schools of any vacancies and new allocations from waiting lists, to be made on behalf of their Governors/Trusts.
- School Admissions will contact you directly if they are able to offer a place to your child from any waiting list.
- You will only be contacted with regards to an offer and would ask that you allow School Admissions sufficient time to deal with all requests and new offers. This is likely to be 4 weeks after the deadline date for responses.
- After that stage you will be able to find out your child's position on any waiting list, but not before.

Can I appeal against the refusal of a place at my preferred school?

Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools (including Sixth Forms)

If the parental preference cannot be met, you may, if you wish, appeal against the decision. Appeals by parents, setting out the grounds upon which the appeal is made, should be submitted in writing to School Admissions, by the deadline published on the Worcestershire County Council website at www.worcestershire.gov.uk/admissionappeals. Appeals are heard by an independent appeal panel and whether your appeal is successful is likely to depend on the merits of your case.

Second Appeal

The Code of Practice on School Admission Appeals covers the issue of second appeals for the same school in the same school year. "Appellants do not have the right to a second appeal for the same school for the same academic year unless, in exceptional circumstances, the admission authority accepts a second application because of a significant and material change in circumstances."

Academy, Foundation, Free and Voluntary Aided Schools

Separate appeals procedures and arrangements exist to consider decisions by Academy, Foundation, Free and Voluntary Aided Schools. The arrangements are published by the Governors/Trust of the schools and should be obtained from the school directly. All admission appeals must be heard by an independent panel, with no connection to the school.

What happens if you are moving into a new area?

Where families with children of school age are moving into a new area, parents should at the earliest opportunity either enquire at schools in the area or contact the Local Authority School Admissions Section in the area. You will be required to provide independent documentary evidence as proof of move to support any application you may make.

How many children may be admitted to each school?

The County Council has a duty to ensure the provision of efficient education and the efficient use of resources. Schools cannot be permitted to become over-crowded. The number of pupils that may be admitted to a school in the relevant year group (Reception intake in the case of First/Primary Schools) is known as the **Published Admission Number (PAN)**. **NB Please be aware that this number is not necessarily for other year groups in the school.**

Keeping Key Stage 1 Class Sizes to 30 or fewer

LA's must ensure that infant class sizes are limited to a maximum number of 30. The government has identified certain specific exceptions to that class size limit. These children will remain an 'excepted pupil' for the time they are in an infant class or until the class numbers fall back to the current infant class size limit. The excepted children are:

- a. children admitted outside the normal admissions round with an Education Health Care Plan, specifying a school;
- b. Children Looked After and Children Previously Looked After including those who appear to have been Looked After outside of England and cease to be Looked After following being adopted after admitted outside the normal admissions round;
- c. children admitted, after initial allocation of places, because of a procedural error made by the admission authority or local authority in the original application process;
- d. children admitted after an independent appeals panel upholds an appeal;
- e. children who move into the area outside the normal admissions round for whom there is no other available school within reasonable distance²;
- f. children of UK service personnel admitted outside the normal admissions round;
- g. children whose twin or sibling from a multiple birth is admitted otherwise than as an excepted pupil;
- h. children with special educational needs who are normally taught in a special educational needs unit attached to the school, or registered at a special school, who attend some infant classes within the mainstream school.

² The LA follows the DfE guidance on best practice which states "the maximum each way length of journey for a child of primary school age might be considered to be 45 minutes: whilst a child of secondary school age might be expected to travel up to 75 minutes each way. Similarly, a child's special educational needs and/or disability might be such that it implies a shorter maximum journey time.

Children of UK service personnel (UK Armed Forces)

The School Admissions Code specifies that, for families of service personnel with a confirmed posting to their area, or crown servants returning from overseas to live in that area, admission authorities must:

- a. allocate a place in advance of the family arriving in the area (as long as one is available), provided the application is accompanied by an official letter that declares a relocation date. Admission authorities **must not** refuse to process an application and **must not** refuse a place solely because the family do not yet have an intended address, or do not yet live in the area.
- b. use the address at which the child will live when applying their oversubscription criteria, as long as the parents provide some evidence of their intended address. Admission authorities **must** use a Unit or quartering address as the child's home address when considering the application against their oversubscription criteria, where a parent requests this.
- c. not reserve blocks of places for these children.
- d. ensure that arrangements in their area support the Government's commitment to removing disadvantage for service children. Arrangements **must** be appropriate for the area and be described in the local authority's composite prospectus.

In the case of Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools, the admission arrangements ensure that the application is accepted in advance and the address is accepted as if the child were resident at that address immediately. Should any vacancy exist then that place can be allocated in advance. This is in line with the mandatory requirements of the Code. **However, where no vacancy exists the approved admissions policy does not admit these children above the PAN.** The arrangements in place are considered appropriate for Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools in Worcestershire, where very few applications under these circumstances are received. In the case of an Academy, Foundation, Free and Voluntary Aided Schools you will need to contact the schools directly to find out how they deal with this type of application.

Admission of Children outside of their normal age group

Parents may seek a place for their child outside of their normal age group, for example, if the child is gifted and talented or has experienced problems such as ill health, effectively in the year group below or above their chronological age group. In addition, the parents of a summer born child may choose not to send that child to school until the September following their fifth birthday and may request that they are admitted out of their normal age group – to Reception rather than Year 1.

The Local Authority is the admission authority for all community and voluntary controlled schools, and must make the decision based on the circumstances of each case and in the best interests of the child concerned. The Local Authority will request the head teacher of the school for their views, take account of the parent's views; information about the child's academic, social and emotional development; where relevant, their medical history and the views of a medical professional; whether they have previously been educated out of their normal age group; and whether they may naturally have fallen into a lower age group if it were not for being born prematurely in order to reach a decision as to whether or not it is appropriate for the individual child to delay or accelerate their entry into school and be taught outside of their chronological age group.

You can find out further information on delayed and accelerated transfer at the following link on our website www.worcestershire.gov.uk/delayedtransfer.

For Community and Voluntary Controlled schools, the Local Authority is the Admission Authority and any decision made for this type of school will apply to all Community and Voluntary Controlled schools within the same educational setting.

Academy, Voluntary Aided, Foundation and Free schools are own Admission Authority schools and can, if required make their own decision. Please note, there is no guarantee that the decision will be honoured by all other admission authorities.

The process for delayed entry **must** be completed in advance of the closing date of 15th January 2026, and in the event that it is **not approved**, parents will need to make an application in time for the 2026 reception intake. If the delayed entry is approved, your application for 2026 will be withdrawn and you will receive details of how to proceed with an application for the following year.

It's important to remember that even if delayed entry is agreed, the normal admission arrangements apply and there is **no** guarantee of a place. You should therefore give careful consideration to requesting delayed entry.

If this is something you wish to discuss further then please contact **01905 822700**. Further information can be found at at www.worcestershire.gov.uk/delayedtransfer.

Applications on behalf of children arriving from overseas

In most cases, foreign national children in the UK have the right to attend schools in England. School admission authorities must not refuse to admit a child on the basis of their nationality or immigration status nor remove them from roll on this basis. It is the responsibility of parents to check that their children have a right, under their visa entry conditions, to study at a school.

Children aged under 18 can enter the UK, as a dependant of a foreign national who has settled status in the UK, as a dependant of their parent(s) who are in the UK on a work visa or Student visa, or who are part of a family entering or residing in the UK under the immigration route for British National (Overseas) citizens and their dependants.

These dependant children are entitled to enter the country and can study at a state-funded or independent school once in the UK. Dependant children of a person on the BN(O) route must make an application, under the BN(O) immigration route, at the same time as their parent(s). Dependant children who do not arrive in the UK at the same time as their parents, would need to apply for a visa separately as a dependant child.

Processing applications from parents moving to England

Parents who are not UK or Irish nationals should check they, and their children, have a right to reside in the UK before applying for a school place in England. It is not the responsibility of the admission authority or co-ordinated local authority to check.

A school admission authority cannot refuse to admit a child until the school to which the parents have applied is full (it has reached its published admission number). Parents who are moving or returning to the UK and who apply for a place in England must therefore have their applications for state-funded schools considered. Where a place is refused, admission authorities must offer an appeal to an independent appeals panel.

If an application is made from another country, local authorities should consider the application as adequate proof of an intention to move or return to the area and include it within the local authority co-ordinated process.

A local authority should not refuse an application made from overseas (or from Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands), on the grounds that the applicant does not currently live in its area.

Establishing 'home' address

Each admission authority will have a way of determining home address. You must check with the relevant school to find out how this is defined. In the case of Community and Voluntary Controlled schools, home is defined as the only or main residential address, at the closing date for applications, where the child usually resides and which is the usual address of the parent/carer with main responsibility for the child.

If you are in the process of moving to live in the relevant catchment area at the time of your application you need to provide School Admissions with some firm **independent evidence** of when you will actually begin to live there. This evidence must be provided before the relevant closing date for applications. This is also applicable if you are moving property and wish to have your application considered from your new property.

- If your move involves the **purchase of a property** you will need to provide appropriate written **independent evidence** (in the form of a letter from your solicitors) that contracts for the purchase have been exchanged and of the actual or expected completion date.
- If your move involves the **renting of a property** you will need to provide appropriate written **independent evidence** (eg from an estate agent or solicitor) of the tenancy agreement or lease including the start date.
- If your move into the catchment area or moving property involves your **returning to live in a property you already own**, you will need to provide appropriate written **independent evidence** by the closing date for applications, that you own the property. In addition, you will need to provide independent supporting evidence of the date that you will return to live at the property. You must have returned to live at the property by the late date for application changes, in order for the address to be considered. If you cannot prove you will be resident at the address by the late closing date, your current address will be considered the home address.
- If your move involves any **other circumstances** you will need to provide appropriate written **independent evidence** of the date when you begin to live there, the arrangements you will have for living there and the length of time for which you envisage staying there.

Admission authorities must consider all applications and should not refuse an application simply because a parent or child currently lives in another country.

Withdrawing offers of places

When an application is made from an address in another country, the local authority and/or school may ask for evidence before the school year to confirm that the child now lives in the area. If the child does not attend school on the first day of term, the admission authority could remove the offer and allocate the place to a child on the waiting list.

Before taking this action, the admission authority will contact the parent(s) to give them an opportunity to explain why there has been a delay in taking up the place and find out when the child might begin attending.

Paragraph 2.12 of the School Admissions Code states that: 'An admission authority must not withdraw an offer unless it has been offered in error, a parent has not responded within a reasonable period of time, or it is established that the offer was obtained through a fraudulent or intentionally misleading application. Where the parent has not responded to the offer, the admission authority must give the parent a further opportunity to respond and explain that the offer may be withdrawn if they do not.'

If the school does not receive a response even then, the Pupil Registration Regulations 2006 (as amended) allow it to remove the child from the roll after 20 school days. The local authority or admission authority can then allocate the vacant place to a child on the waiting list.

Children Looked After and Previously Looked After Children - Information for Parents/Carers and Social Workers

Definition

'Looked after' means all those currently in the care of a Local Authority or accommodated by a Local Authority under Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989 and children who were previously in the care of or accommodated by a Local Authority but immediately after being looked after, became subject to an adoption³, a child arrangements order⁴ or special guardianship order⁵ and includes those children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.

By children previously in state care outside of England, we mean children who have been looked after outside of England by a public authority, a religious organisation or another provider of care whose sole purpose is to benefit society. The care may have been provided in care homes or other settings.

Independent supporting evidence will be required to be provided with the application.

When choosing schools parents/carers/Social Workers should consider the following:

- Schools should have an overall 'Good' or 'Outstanding' Ofsted Report Card profile.
- Schools with an overall 'Requires Improvement' Report Card profile should only be applied for in exceptional circumstances - speak to the linked Virtual School Learning Advocate for advice.
- Schools with any 'Inadequate' ratings in their Ofsted Report Card should not be applied for.
- Ensure the travel time to the school is acceptable given the needs of the child.
- Standard practice should be to apply for the nearest school with an overall 'Good' or 'Outstanding' Report Card profile which can meet the needs of the child.

Social Workers should ensure the following:

- Read the current Personal Education Plan (PEP) to gather information about the specific needs of the child.
- Ensure the Care Order Status is up to date and ready for inclusion in the application.
- Know the educational needs of the child including SEN status (EHCP, SEN Support).
- Know details about child/young person's medical needs.
- Understand the ways in which each school can support the educational needs of the young person.

Prior to applying for a school place, Parents/Carers/Social Workers must have an Initial conversation to discuss the child/young person with the school's Designated Teacher.

Consideration must be given to what the school/s can offer and how they can meet the child's/young person's needs. The decision regarding the most appropriate school/s for the child/young person must be based on all gathered evidence and discussions with the Virtual School and WCF school admissions team, in conjunction with determining if this is the nearest Good or Outstanding School that can meet those needs.

Social Care MUST include the Virtual School case worker and then WCF Admissions Team (if in Worcestershire) at this stage of the admissions process in order to support the best outcome.

3 This includes children who were adopted under the Adoption Act 1976 (Sec 12 adoption orders) and children who were adopted under the Adoption and Children Act 2002 (Sec 46 adoption orders)

4 Child arrangements orders are defined in Sec 8 of the Children Act 1989, as amended by Sec 12 of the Children and Families Act 2014. Child arrangements orders replace residence orders and any residence order in force prior to 22 April 2014 is deemed to be a child arrangements order.

5 See Section 14A of the Children Act 1989 which defines a 'special guardianship order' as an order appointing one or more individuals to be a child's special guardian (or special guardians).

Living in a school catchment area or moving property

Home Address

Every admission authority must set out what they mean by Home Address. It is vital that you therefore read the admissions policies of any schools you intend to apply for at www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissionpolicies.

In the case of Community and Voluntary Controlled schools, the home address is defined as the only or main permanent residential address, at the closing date for applications, where the child usually resides, and which is the usual address of the parent/carer with main responsibility for the child.

If parents are separated, the home address will be the address where the child normally lives for the majority of the school week as set out in the Glossary of this book. Where a child spends equal time during the school week with each parent, the exact arrangements must be made clear by email with a copy of any child arrangements order/court order (where applicable), this must be submitted by email to schooladmissions@worcestershire.gov.uk.

If the evidence you provide does satisfy us that arrangements are 50/50 shared care, then we will determine the home address using random allocation, Legal and Democratic Services who are independent of School Admissions will supervise this process. The final decision about which address is to be considered for the purpose of home address, rests with the admission authority.

If there are persons with parental responsibility not residing at your child's address, it is your responsibility to notify and/or consult them before applying and expressing a preference for a school.

Where more than one parent applies for a child, or where there is a parent not in agreement with the preferences, the Local Authority and any admission authority applied for, legally has to comply with the preferences expressed. If this is not the same, then parents will have to seek resolution and if necessary legal resolution. It may be necessary for the courts to determine which parent can make the final decision on schooling. **The Council is not in a position to intervene in disputes between parents over school applications and will request that these are resolved privately.**

Documentary evidence of home address may be required, including evidence that the child and his or her main parent/carer will be resident at the address at the date of admission. An offer of a place may not be made, or may be withdrawn, if acceptable proof of residence is not provided when requested.

1. In order to qualify as living within the catchment area of a given school, School Admissions will need to be satisfied that you actually do live within that area or property **at the relevant closing date and at the time of admission.**
2. If you are in the process of moving to live in the relevant catchment area at the time of your application you need to provide School Admissions with some firm independent evidence, at the relevant closing date and at the time of admission, including when you will actually begin to live there.

This evidence must be provided before the relevant closing date for applications. This is also applicable if you are moving property and wish to have your application considered from your new property. See Page 42 (First/Primary), Page 70 (Middle) and Page 81 (High/Secondary) regarding late applications and late changes to on time applications.

- If your move into the catchment area or moving property involves the purchase of a property you will need to provide appropriate written independent evidence (in the form of a letter from your solicitors) that **contracts for the purchase have been exchanged and of the actual or expected completion date.**

- If your move into the catchment area or moving property involves the renting of a property you will need to provide appropriate written independent evidence (eg from an estate agent or solicitor) of the **tenancy agreement or lease including the start date**.
 - If your move into the catchment area or moving property involves your returning to live in a property you already own, you will need to provide appropriate written independent evidence by the closing date for applications, that you own the property. In addition, you will need to provide independent supporting evidence of the date that you will return to live at the property. You must have returned to live at the property by the late date for application changes, in order for the address to be considered. If you cannot prove you will be resident at the address by the late closing date, your current address will be considered the home address.
 - If your move into the catchment area or moving property involves any other circumstances you will need to provide appropriate written independent evidence of the date when you begin to live there, the arrangements you will have for living there and the length of time for which you envisage staying there.
3. Please note that unless the written evidence which you provide proves, to the satisfaction of School Admissions, that you will actually have commenced living in the catchment area or the new property by the relevant late closing date, your application cannot be considered as a catchment priority within the criteria of the admissions policy or considered based on the new property.
 4. Please also note confirmation of living within the catchment area or new property does not guarantee a place for your child at the relevant school.
 5. It is vital that you inform School Admissions of any change of your address throughout the admission process.

Independent evidence will always be required.

Where information provided by the parents in support of their preference is found to be fraudulent or intentionally misleading this could lead to the withdrawal of any place that has been allocated. If you knowingly give false information in order to obtain a particular school place you could be guilty of an offence under the Perjury Act 1911. **Due to problems in previous years it may be necessary for School Admissions to carry out checks to confirm that information given in relation to children's home addresses is genuine. Parents may be asked to produce documentary evidence of the address.**

Glossary

Academy (A)

Academies are publicly funded independent schools. The governing body/academy trust have responsibility for managing the academy and have responsibility for deciding the arrangements for admitting pupils including their own admissions criteria. Academies don't have to follow the national curriculum and can set their own term times. They still have to follow the same rules on admissions, special educational needs and exclusions as other state schools.

Academies get money direct from the government, not the local council. They're run by an academy trust which employs the staff. Some academies have sponsors such as businesses, universities, other schools, faith groups or voluntary groups. Sponsors are responsible for improving the performance of their schools.

Catchment Area School

It is the school allocated to take children for the geographical area within which your address falls. It is likely to be the school nearest to your home address but this will not always be the case.

Community School (C)

Schools which are wholly owned and maintained by the Local Authority. The Local Authority is the admission authority, it has responsibility for deciding arrangements for admitting pupils. Community schools are controlled by the local council and not influenced by business or religious groups.

Comprehensive School

A school catering for pupils of all aptitudes and abilities.

Compulsory School Age

A child reaches compulsory school age on the prescribed day following his/her fifth birthday (or on his/her fifth birthday if it falls on a prescribed day). The prescribed days are 31 December, 31 March and 31 August.

Curriculum

The curriculum consists of all of the learning opportunities provided by the school, many of which take place in the classroom under the direct control of the teacher, supplemented by a range of activities outside the classroom including educational visits and field studies.

Deferred Entry

There is flexibility for parents who do not feel their child is ready to start school before compulsory school age. They may defer the date their child is admitted to school until later in the school year following their fourth birthday, providing they do not defer beyond the point at which they reach compulsory school age, or beyond the start of the final term of that school year.

Delayed Entry

Children born in the summer term, are not required to start school until a full year after the point at which they could first have been admitted – the point at which other children in their age range are beginning year 1. Should the parent wish their child to be admitted to reception, rather than year one, they may request that they are admitted out of their normal age group. In any circumstance where a parent requests their child is admitted out of their normal age group, the admission authority must make a decision on the basis of the circumstances of the case and in the best interests of the child concerned.

Designated school

Every address in Worcestershire is within a school catchment area and that school is then normally the designated school for that area, for school transport purposes. Please note, that even though school catchment areas may change, the designated school is determined by the Local Authority for transport purposes and this remains unchanged. To find your designated school for transport purposes please visit www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schoolsearch.

Distance Measurement

Each admission authority will have their own way of determining distance to school. You must check with the relevant school to find out how this will be done. In the case of Community and Voluntary Controlled schools this is a straight line measurement using the GeoCode Points for each property and the GeoCode point for the School. The Local Authority use a software package called Arcview GIS to determine distance. Ordnance Survey supply the co-ordinates that are used to plot an address within this system.

Feeder Schools

Within each area a pyramid of schools exists. Feeder schools are schools which share the catchment area to the next phase of school within the same pyramid and may be named feeder schools in some admission arrangements. Details of each pyramid showing all the appropriate feeder schools are displayed in Section 5 of this book. Please note not all schools use the Feeder School connection in their admission arrangements. **Please ensure that you check the admission policy for any Academy, Foundation, Free or Voluntary Aided School to ensure you are aware of any feeder school links named in the policies.**

Foundation School (FD)

Schools which are maintained by the Local Authority. The Governing Body is the employer and the admissions authority. The schools land and buildings are either owned by the Governing Body or by a charitable foundation.

Free Schools (FR)

Free schools are funded by the government but aren't run by the local council. Free Schools are non-profit making, independent, state-funded schools. They're 'all-ability' schools, so can't use academic selection processes like a grammar school. Free schools can set their own pay and conditions for staff, change the length of school terms and the school day and don't have to follow the national curriculum. Free schools can be set up by charities, universities, independent schools, community and faith groups, teachers, parents and businesses. The governing body have responsibility for managing the Free School and have responsibility for deciding the arrangements for admitting pupils including their own admissions criteria.

Home Address

Each admission authority will have a way of determining home address. You must check with the relevant school to find out how this is defined. In the case of Community and Voluntary Controlled schools, home is defined as the only or main residential address, at the closing date for applications, where the child usually resides and which is the usual address of the parent/carer with main responsibility for the child. Where parents/carers have shared responsibility, the child's home address will usually be considered to be that of the parent/carer with whom the child lives for the majority of the school week (eg three or more days out of five Monday to Friday during term-time).

Independent School

Independent schools charge fees to attend instead of being funded by the government. Pupils don't have to follow the national curriculum. All private schools must be registered with the government and are inspected regularly.

Local Authority (LA)

The local government body responsible for the organisation and maintenance of the education service in its area. In Worcestershire this responsibility is either undertaken by or commissioned by the County Council.

Maintained Special School

A school often referred to as a Special School. Special Schools are provided by the Local Authority for those pupils with Special Educational Needs (SEN), whose needs cannot be met by mainstream schools.

Majority of the School Week

For your address to be used for determining Home LA and also for admissions purposes for Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools only, we consider the school day to be during term time only. We consider a child to be resident overnight on the following days to constitute a school day: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday.

You will need to satisfy us that your child is resident with you overnight for the majority of these days during term time, in order to accept your address. If the evidence you provide does prove 50/50 shared care across the above days, over a period of a month, we will use random allocation to determine which address to use. Legal and Democratic Services, who are independent of School Admissions will supervise this process.

Oversubscribed

When parental requests for places in a year group in a school exceeds the number of places available.

Parental Responsibility

All mothers and most fathers have legal rights and responsibilities as a parent - known as 'parental responsibility'. A mother automatically has parental responsibility for her child from birth. A father usually has parental responsibility if he is married to the child's mother or listed on the birth certificate. There may be other parties that have parental responsibility conferred on them by a special guardianship order or a child arrangement order.

Published Admission Number (PAN)

The number of pupils to be admitted to the **first** year group of a school or the sixth form of a school.

Reasonable Distance

The LA follows the DfE guidance on best practice which states “the maximum each way length of journey for a child of primary school age **might** be considered to be 45 minutes: whilst a child of secondary school age might be expected to travel up to 75 minutes each way. Similarly, a child’s special educational needs and/or disability might be such that it implies a shorter maximum journey time.

Sibling

Each admission authority will have their own definition of sibling. You must check with the relevant school what this is. In the case of Community and Voluntary Controlled schools the definition of a sibling, as well as brother and sister will include half-siblings, adopted children, step-siblings or a child of the parent/carers partner. They must also be living at the same home address. Children who are brought together as a family by a civil partnership and who are living at the same address, are also considered to be siblings. In order to qualify for the sibling the older sibling must already be in attendance at the time of application and still on roll at the time of admission of the younger sibling.

Voluntary Aided School (VA)

Schools which are maintained by the Local Authority, with a foundation (generally religious) which appoints most of the Governing Body. The Governing body is the admissions authority. These schools have to follow the national curriculum, but they can choose what they teach in religious studies. They may have different admissions criteria and staffing policies, although anyone can apply for a place.

Voluntary Controlled School (VC)

Schools which are maintained by the Local Authority, with a foundation (generally religious) which appoints some – but not most – of the Governing Body. The Local Authority is the admissions authority.

Useful links

Early Help

www.worcestershire.gov.uk/earlyhelp

School Transport

www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooltransport

School Term and Holiday dates

www.worcestershire.gov.uk/termdates

Find a School

www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schoolsearch

Free School Meals

www.worcestershire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

Admission Policies 2026/2027

www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissionpolicies

First/Primary Schools

Important dates in the admissions process

If you live in Worcestershire and your child is due to start school in Reception 2026, then you must apply for his/her school place – the opening and closing dates for applications are as below.

Date	Description
1 September 2025	Applications Open
15 January 2026	Closing Date
Spring Term 2026	Applications processed and information shared between schools and neighbouring Local Authorities
16 April 2026	School Offer Notification Date
Summer Term 2026	Admission appeals held by independent appeal panel

If you live in Worcestershire and your child is due to start school in Reception 2026, then you must apply for his/her school place – the opening and closing dates for applications are as above.

How do I apply?

- Apply online at www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions
- If you do not have access to the internet, you can get online at any Worcestershire library. To find your nearest library, please visit www.worcestershire.gov.uk/libraries.
- Library staff can support Worcestershire Library members who need assistance using computers. For further information on becoming a member please visit www.worcestershire.gov.uk/libraries.
- Or telephone School Admissions on 01905 822700 if you need assistance.

After the closing date, you will need to complete a late application form using our online system. If you require any support you can contact School Admissions using email schooladmissions@worcestershire.gov.uk or phone 01905 822700

Parents of children resident outside of Worcestershire

If you wish to apply for a place at any Worcestershire school, you must complete an application provided by your “home” LA. (The “home LA” is defined as the Local Authority relevant to the child’s home address). The “home” LA will ensure that application details are passed to Worcestershire LA for consideration in the allocation of school places.

If you are not resident in Worcestershire, you should obtain admission details from your home LA, even if your preferences include schools within Worcestershire (the contact details for all the neighbouring LA’s can be found on the page 8).

Important things to remember

- You must apply **before 15 January 2026**
- You must make an application, even if you have an older child already attending your preferred school.
- You must make an application, even if your child is attending the nursery class attached to the school. Attendance in the nursery class does not give any priority for admission into reception class.
- You can name up to three schools on your application. You are strongly advised to use all three preferences to increase your chance of getting a preferred school.
- Understand the admission arrangements for each of your preferences. This will enable you to assess what order of priority will be given for each preference.
- Be realistic about the schools you apply for. It's recommended that you include your catchment school as one of your three preferences. **If you do not apply for your catchment school on time, you may not be eligible for school transport.** However please note that you are not guaranteed a place at your catchment school. Check out which is your catchment school using this link:
www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schoolsearch
- **Don't put schools as a preference if you would be unhappy with the offer of a place at that school.** It would be a waste of a preference if you were offered a place at a school that you would not be happy with your child attending.
- All on-time applications to a school are considered at the same time. Priority is not given to those who put the school first.
- The order in which you list the schools is only used if you could be offered a place at more than one school. In this case, you would be offered whichever of those schools was highest on your application form.
- Having gained admission for one child at a school does not guarantee a younger child will be admitted. Should the school be oversubscribed at the time of application of a younger sibling, catchment area may have a higher priority on the oversubscription criteria.
- Having gained admission to a school of your preference, does not mean your child will have highest priority for transfer to the related middle or high school. If the related middle or high school is oversubscribed at the time of transfer, your child might then have to move in a different direction from other children currently attending the same school.

Admissions to First/Primary Schools

Admission authorities can review their arrangements annually. The information given in this section of the book applies only to admissions into Reception in the school year 2026-2027 and may change in future years.

Please be aware:

- It is a parent/carers responsibility to ensure that their application is submitted on time.
- Living in catchment, having a sibling already at a school or attendance at a particular nursery/nursery class or foundation class gives no guarantee that your child will gain a place at the catchment school or school where the sibling or nursery/nursery class/foundation class is located. Parents/carers must apply separately for their child to go to any first/primary school even if they already attend the school nursery.
- If you are in the process of moving at the time of your application you **must** provide School Admissions with some firm **independent** evidence of when you will actually begin to live there. This evidence must be provided before the relevant closing date for applications. This is also applicable if you are moving property and wish to have your application considered from your new property, or wish to make changes to on time preferences after the closing date. See Page 42 regarding late applications and Page 29 for further details on moving property.

At what age can your child start school?

The law requires all children to start full-time education by the beginning of the term following their fifth birthday. Children who have reached their fourth birthday are entitled to attend full-time in a reception class from the September after their fourth birthday.

The Reception academic year group from **1st September 2026 - 31st August 2027** is for children who were born between **01/09/2021 - 31/08/2022**.

Parents must apply for a school place as explained below by the closing date **15th January 2026 for admissions in the school year 1st September 2026 - 31 August 2027**.

Parents are legally entitled to send their child to school part-time, if they wish, until the child reaches compulsory school age. You will need to check with the school you would like your child to attend, to see what their induction arrangements are and discuss this with the Headteacher.

Under Section 7 of the Education Act 1996 parents have a legal responsibility to provide their child with an education either by regular school attendance or otherwise. Under this duty parents can decide to take personal, including financial, responsibility for their child's education and this is known as Elective Home Education (EHE). Information on Elective Home Education is made available at www.hwsendiass.co.uk or by telephoning: **01905 768153**.

Can I keep my child out of school until s/he is 5?

At the point that a parent has been offered a school place, they may request that their child's entry to a reception class be deferred until later in the same reception academic year group, when they reach statutory school age.

Parents cannot defer entry until the following academic year. Parents wishing to consider a deferment should discuss the situation with the Headteacher at the school. Parents must apply for a school place in the normal way at the usual time. By law children must start school at the beginning of the term following their fifth birthday, statutory school age.

Summer Born Children

Children with a date of birth in the summer term (1 April to 31 August) wishing to start school in the September after their fifth birthday would start in Year 1 and consequently miss the entire reception year. To apply for a place in Year 1 and not Reception please refer to the **In-Year Admissions** section of this book. Please be aware that there may not be a vacancy in Year 1 at that time.

Parents can also request that their child enter the reception class in the September after their fifth birthday, effectively in the year group below their chronological age group, this is known as **delayed entry**. The admissions authority of the school must make the decision based on the circumstances of each case and in the best interests of the child concerned.

In the case of a Community or Voluntary Controlled School the Local Authority will request the head teacher of the school to reach a decision as to whether or not it is appropriate for the individual child to **delay their entry** into school and be taught permanently behind their chronological age group. In order to reach this decision, the following information is taken into account and the reasons for the decision clearly set out:

- Parent's views.
- Information about the child's academic, social and emotional development.
- The child's medical history and the views of a medical professional where relevant.
- Whether they have previously been educated out of their normal age group.
- Whether they may naturally have fallen into a lower age group if it were not for being born prematurely.

For Community and Voluntary Controlled schools, the Local Authority is the Admission Authority and any decision made for this type of school will apply to all Community and Voluntary Controlled schools within the same educational setting.

Academy, Voluntary Aided, Foundation and Free schools are own Admission Authority schools and can, if required make their own decision. Please note, there is no guarantee that the decision will be honoured by all other admission authorities.

The process for delayed entry **must** be completed in advance of the closing date of 15th January 2026, and in the event that it is not approved, parents will need to make an application in time for the 2026 reception intake. If the delayed entry is approved, your application for 2026 will be withdrawn and you will receive details of how to proceed with an application for the following year.

It's important to remember that even if it is agreed that your summer born child can start school in the reception class in the September following their fifth birthday, the normal admission arrangements apply and there is no guarantee of a place. You should therefore give careful consideration to requesting delayed entry.

If this is something you wish to discuss further, then please contact **01905 822700**. You can also find out more information at www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions.

Can my child start school earlier if they turn 5 between 1st September 2026 and 31st December 2026?

The Council is not legally responsible for providing a school place for a child until the September following their fourth birthday. If your child is 5 between 1st September 2026 and 31st December 2026 s/he cannot therefore start school until September 2026.

How do you apply for a place at a First/Primary School

For children with an Education, Health & Care Plan (EHCP), a school move can only take place following a review of the Plan at the current school and consultation(s) with the school(s) that are being considered. This will be led by the local authority SEND team where the child/young person resides, not School Admissions.

The parents of ALL pupils resident in Worcestershire, including parents whose preference is for the catchment area school for the child's home address, **seeking a place** at any first/primary School, **including any Academy, Foundation, Free or Voluntary Aided School**, and any School outside Worcestershire, **must complete a Worcestershire online application by the closing date – 15th January 2026. If you are unable to apply online contact School Admissions on 01905 822700 for assistance.**

Worcestershire parents are invited to state three preferences. **All preferences** are treated as equal initially, and the oversubscription criteria applied to each preference. If it is possible to make a potential offer at more than one school, then the final offer will be the school ranked highest on the application.

Please be aware that different LAs and Academies, Foundation, Free and Voluntary Aided Schools may have different admissions criteria, and therefore it is strongly advised that you ensure that you have understood the information that is available from each LA/School, before stating a preference on an application. The Admissions Criteria for Worcestershire Academy, Foundation, Free and Voluntary Aided Schools can be found at www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions.

Please make contact with the School Admissions Teams of any of the relevant LAs, if further information is required. (The contact details for all the neighbouring LAs can be found on page 8).

Parents seeking a place at an Academy, Foundation, Free or Voluntary Aided School or schools outside Worcestershire must:

- **obtain from the school a prospectus which will explain if you need to provide/complete supplementary information/forms;**
- **complete a Worcestershire online application naming your school preferences.**

The parents of pupils resident outside Worcestershire, but who wish to apply for a place at any Worcestershire school, must complete an application provided by the “home” LA. (The “home” LA is defined as the Local Authority relevant to the child's home address). The “home” LA will ensure that the application details are passed onto Worcestershire LA for consideration in the allocation of school places. If you are not resident in Worcestershire, then you should obtain admission details from your home LA, even if your preferences include schools within Worcestershire. You can find the contact details for other Local Authorities on page 8.

It is very important that applications are received no later than the closing date.

Late applications are always considered, though it may not be possible to allocate a place in the school you prefer, if it is oversubscribed, even if the school is the catchment area school for your child's home address – (See page 42 regarding late applications).

You should inform the Headteacher of the allocated school, and School Admissions if you are withdrawing your application for any reason. School Admissions and the Headteacher must be notified immediately of any change in the child's home address. Independent documentary evidence will be required. Please note the deadlines for receiving this information are in line with the policy on late applications, including late changes to on time applications –(see page 42).

When should you apply?

Places in reception classes are allocated on the basis of applications received on or before the closing date of: **15th January 2026 for admissions in the school year September 2026 to August 2027.**

Parents who do not wish their children to start until they have reached compulsory school age must discuss their intentions with the school, and must also apply for a school place by **15th January 2026**, so that their application can be considered.

From 1st September 2025 until the closing date 15th January 2026 applications can be made at www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions. If you do not have access to the internet please contact School Admissions on 01905 822700.

Details/preferences on an online application can be amended and re-submitted right up until the closing date, 15th January 2026. (Remember to resubmit any changes you make and keep a copy of the email you receive to confirm the submission).

Any requests to amend details/preferences after the closing date, must be made in writing or sent via email to School Admissions. **Any such requests will only be accepted where:**

- a. a family have just moved address;
- b. it is agreed by School Admissions, that individual circumstances apply and the delay was reasonable given the circumstances of the case;

In all circumstances, independent supporting documentary information will need to be provided.

For applications after the closing date, including late changes to on time preferences, please refer to page 42.

If you are not resident in Worcestershire, then you must apply through your 'home' Local Authority, even if your preferences include schools within Worcestershire.

PROOF OF APPLICATION – It is the parent/carer's responsibility to ensure a receipt is obtained when making an application.

PLEASE RETAIN ANY RECEIPT AS PROOF OF APPLICATION

Applications made online will receive a return receipt via email once the application has been submitted. **(PLEASE RETAIN AS PROOF OF SUBMISSION)**

Paper application forms have a detachable receipt – see form for details.
(PLEASE RETAIN AS PROOF OF SUBMISSION)

The Local Authority will not accept that an application form has been submitted unless you can provide either of the above as proof. This will mean that your application will be classed as late.

How are places allocated?

School Admissions will send details to its Academy, Foundation, Free and Voluntary Aided Schools, of all applications received for that school, irrespective of ranking, for initial consideration, **and also to neighbouring LAs**, who will then apply their own oversubscription criteria.

School Admissions will then receive the outcome of these initial considerations, and will compare against lists of potential offers at other schools nominated on the application, to identify any pupils, who may potentially be offered more than one place. If this is the case, then the single offer will be the higher ranked school on the application.

If no place is available at your other preference school either, or if you have not expressed a second/third preference, the Home Local Authority will name an alternative school with places available. This will normally be the nearest school to where you live that still has available places. It is therefore very important to use all of your preferences to try and ensure you do not receive an offer at a school you do not wish your child to attend.

What if you are applying or want to change your application after the closing date – Late Applications?

To make an application after the closing date of 15th January 2026, you will need to make a late application online or you can contact us via email at schooladmissions@worcestershire.gov.uk or by contacting 01905 822700 if you need assistance.

Between 16th January 2026 and 28th February 2026, it is likely that a number of late applications (this includes all requests to amend applications previously submitted) will be received. The Council has agreed in its co-ordinated scheme to accept late applications, or changes to on time applications, for Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools within Worcestershire, within this time-frame, and treat them as being on time, only in the following circumstances;

- a. where a family have just moved address;
- b. where it is agreed by School Admissions, that individual circumstances apply and the delay was reasonable given the circumstances of the case;

In each case independent supporting documentary evidence will need to be submitted with the application. In all other circumstances, or if the application is not **received until after 28th February 2026, late applications (including late changes to on time applications), will receive a lower priority, and will only be considered after the applications received (or deemed to be) on time.**

NB. If the late application is for an Academy, Foundation, Free or Voluntary Aided School, or a school outside Worcestershire, it will be necessary to refer to the late application policy of the school or the LA, in whose area the school is located.

All applications received after 28th February 2026 for the intake year, must be submitted to School Admissions, and will be processed as soon as possible. An offer, or refusal of a school place, will be given by School Admissions, on behalf of the relevant admission authority.

If making an application after the start of the Autumn Term (1st September 2026) please refer to the In Year Transfer section of this book on page 112.

When are decisions made?

Offers will be issued on **16th April 2026**. They will be issued direct to parents, by School Admissions, even if it is on behalf of the governing body of an Academy, Foundation, Free or Voluntary Aided School, or a school in a neighbouring LA.

In the few cases, where it may not be possible to offer a place at any of the preferences nominated on the application, a place will normally be offered at the nearest school with places still available.

The acceptance or decline of the offer must be made by the date specified.

For pupils not resident in Worcestershire, the offer or refusal will be sent direct to parents by the home LA, even if it is for a school in Worcestershire.

Key Stage One Appeals

Department for Education (DfE) has suggested that admission authorities should make sure parents understand the nature and severity of the restrictions placed on Appeal Panels, when considering appeals for Key Stage One class size prejudice i.e. would mean the school would have to take qualifying measures (additional accommodation, reorganisation or staffing) to comply with the legal duty to limit infant classes to 30 pupils for children in **Reception, Year 1 and Year 2**.

An appeal **WILL BE TURNED DOWN** unless 1 of the 3 clearly defined grounds set out below can be proven:

- a. the child would have been offered a place if the admission arrangements (which are published in the "Information for Parents" book) had been properly implemented; or
- b. The child would have been offered a place if the arrangements had not been contrary to mandatory provisions in the School Admissions Code and the SSFA 1998; and/or
- c. The decision to refuse admission was not one which a *reasonable admission authority would have made in the circumstances of the case. *i.e. it was 'beyond the range of responses open to a reasonable decision maker' or 'a decision which is so outrageous in its defiance of logic or of accepted moral standards that no sensible person who had applied his mind to the question could have arrived at it'

To reiterate the Appeal Panel can only consider these three aspects of any Appeal relating to Key Stage One class size prejudice admission. This advice has been given by the DfE to provide you with a more realistic view of the limits imposed on the Appeal Panel, and to avoid any misconceptions you may have concerning the appeal process. In other words your appeal will be lost unless you can prove one of the VERY limited grounds above.

Keeping Key Stage 1 Class Sizes to 30 or fewer

LAs must ensure that infant class sizes are limited to a maximum number of 30. The government has identified certain specific exceptions to that class size limit. These children will remain an 'excepted pupil' for the time they are in an infant class or until the class numbers fall back to the current infant class size limit. The excepted children are:

- a. children admitted outside the normal admissions round with an Education Health Care Plan, specifying a school;
- b. Children Looked After and Children Previously Looked After including those who appear to have been Looked After outside of England and cease to be Looked After following being adopted after admitted outside the normal admissions round;
- c. children admitted, after initial allocation of places, because of a procedural error made by the admission authority or local authority in the original application process;
- d. children admitted after an independent appeals panel upholds an appeal;
- e. children who move into the area outside the normal admissions round for whom there is no other available school within reasonable distance (The LA follows the DfE guidance on best practice which states "the maximum each way length of journey for a child of primary school age might be considered to be 45 minutes: whilst a child of secondary school age might be expected to travel up to 75 minutes each way. Similarly, a child's special educational needs and/or disability might be such that it implies a shorter maximum journey time.);
- f. children of UK service personnel admitted outside the normal admissions round;
- g. children whose twin or sibling from a multiple birth is admitted otherwise than as an excepted pupil;
- h. children with special educational needs who are normally taught in a special educational needs unit attached to the school, or registered at a special school, who attend some infant classes within the mainstream school.

Information about Worcestershire First / Primary Schools

Key to Columns

Type: Categorisation of school - see page 19 for further description.

A	=	Academy
C	=	Community
FR	=	Free
FD	=	Foundation
VA	=	Voluntary Aided
VC	=	Voluntary Controlled

N.B. *At time of publication a number of schools are applying to become Academies and the school status maybe subject to change.

DfE No: Department for Education (DfE) school number. All school numbers in Worcestershire have the prefix of 885, which is the Authority number allocated by the DfE.

PAN: Published Admission Number

The number of children which can be admitted to a school in each year group. The PAN is agreed by the governing body of the school. The figures set for the admissions year 2026/2027 are shown.

NOR: Total number of pupils on roll at the school in January 2025.

BEWDLEY AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5 - 11)			
Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
VC 3001	Bayton C.E. Primary School Bayton, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY14 9LG Tel: 01299 832393 office@baytonpri.worcs.sch.uk	15	95
C 3397	Bewdley Primary School Stourport Rd, Bewdley, Worcs. DY12 1BL Tel: 01299 403796 office@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk	60	380
A 3010	Far Forest Lea Memorial C.E. Primary School New Road, Far Forest, Rock, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY14 9TQ Tel: 01299 266316 office@farforestlea.worcs.sch.uk	20	83
VC 3011	St. Anne's C.E. Primary School Wyre Hill, Bewdley, Worcs. DY12 2UQ Tel: 01299 402013 office@stannesprimary.worcs.sch.uk	30	201

BEWDLEY AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5 - 11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
A 2037	Upper Arley C.E. Primary School Arley, Bewdley, Worcs. DY12 1XA Tel: 01299 861260 office@upperarleycofeschool.org	15	63

BROMSGROVE AREA - FIRST SCHOOLS Years Reception to Year 4 (Ages 5 - 9)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
A 2008	Beoley First School Beoley Lane, Beoley, Redditch, Worcs. B98 9AN Tel: 01527 62295 office@beoley.worcs.sch.uk	20	93
A 2022	Blackwell First School St. Catherine's Road, Blackwell, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B60 1BN Tel: 0121 445 1622 office@blackwell.worcs.sch.uk	30	148
A 2015	Catshill First School and Nursery Gibb Lane, Catshill, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B61 OJP Tel: 01527 872913 office@catshillfirst.worcs.sch.uk	60	289
A 2016	Charford First School Charford Road, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B60 3NH Tel: 01527 873778 office@charford.worcs.sch.uk	90	413
C 2002	Crown Meadow First School and Nursery Birmingham Road, Alvechurch, Birmingham, B48 7TA Tel: 0121 4454540 office@crowmeadow.worcs.sch.uk	60	293
C 2034	Dodford First School Fockbury Road, Dodford, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B61 9AW Tel: 01527 831569 office@dodford.worcs.sch.uk	15	63
A 2047	Fairfield First School Stourbridge Road, Fairfield, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B61 9LZ Tel: 01527 873081 office@fairfield.worcs.sch.uk	30	143
C 2017	Finstall First School Carnforth Road, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B60 2HS Tel: 01527 872938 office@finstallfirst.co.uk	60	296

BROMSGROVE AREA - FIRST SCHOOLS Years Reception to Year 4 (Ages 5 - 9)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
VC 3049	Hanbury C.E. First School School Road, Hanbury, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B60 4BS Tel: 01527 821298 office@hanbury.worcs.sch.uk	30	139
C 2018	Lickey End First School School Lane, Lickey End, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B60 1JG Tel: 01527 872360 office@lickeyendfirstschool.co.uk	30	151
A 2019	Meadows First School Stourbridge Road, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B61 OAH Tel: 01527 872508 office@meadows.worcs.sch.uk	60	304
C 2020	Millfields First School Swift Close, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B61 7BS Tel: 01527 831885 office@millfields.worcs.sch.uk	60	274
VA 3302	St. Andrew's C.E First School Hewell Road, Barnt Green, Birmingham, B45 8NG Tel: 0121 445 1410 office@st-andrewscofe.worcs.sch.uk	45	216
A 3310	St. Peter's Catholic First School Rock Hill, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B61 7LH Tel: 01527 831872 office@STP.magnificat.org.uk	60	235
A 2147	Stoke Prior First School Ryefields Road, Stoke Prior, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B60 4ND Tel: 01527 832520 office@stokeprior.worcs.sch.uk	30	148
A 2043	The Orchards School Perryfields Road, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B61 8QN Tel: 01527 872271 office@theorchardsschool.org	60	209

DROITWICH AREA - FIRST SCHOOLS Years Reception to Year 4 (Ages 5 - 9) PRIMARY SCHOOLS - Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5-11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
C 2036	Chawson Community First School Wyche Road, Droitwich, Worcs. WR9 8BW Tel: 01905 773264 office@chawson.worcs.sch.uk	60	316

**DROITWICH AREA - FIRST SCHOOLS Years Reception to Year 4 (Ages 5 - 9)
PRIMARY SCHOOLS - Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5-11)**

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
A 3316	Cutnall Green CofE Primary School School Road, Cutnall Green, Droitwich, Worcs. WR9 OPH Tel: 01299 851256 office-cgr@riverscofe.co.uk	30	136
VC 3057	Hindlip C.E. First School Droitwich Road, Fernhill Heath, Worcester, WR3 8RJ Tel: 01905 453455 office@hindlipfirst.worcs.sch.uk	20	91
VA 3365	Ombersley Endowed First School Droitwich Road, Ombersley, Worcs. WR9 0DR Tel: 01905 620384 office@ombersley.worcs.sch.uk	30	137
A 3317	St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School St Joseph's Close, Droitwich, Worcs. WR9 ORY Tel: 01905 773572 jod-office@emmausmac.com	30	184
A 3318	St Peter's Droitwich CofE Academy Church Lane, Droitwich, Worcs. WR9 7AN Tel: 01905 772138 spoffice@riverscofe.co.uk	90	441
VA 3381	Sytchampton Endowed Primary School Sytchampton, Stourport-on-Severn, Worcs. DY13 9SX Tel: 01905 620418 office@sytchampton.worcs.sch.uk	15	83
VC 3105	Tibberton C.E. First School Plough Road, Tibberton, Droitwich, Worcs. WR9 7NL Tel: 01905 345284 office@tibberton.worcs.sch.uk	15	67
C 2035	Westlands First School Farmers Way, Droitwich, Worcs. WR9 9EQ Tel: 01905 772740 office@westlands.worcs.sch.uk	60	208
A 2187	Wychbold First and Nursery School School Road, Wychbold, Droitwich, Worcs. WR9 7PU Tel: 01527 861421 office-wy@riverscofe.co.uk	30	128

EVESHAM AREA - FIRST SCHOOLS - Years Reception to Year 5 (Ages 5 - 10)
PRIMARY SCHOOLS - Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5-11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
C 2006	Ashton under Hill First School Elmley Road, Ashton under Hill, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 7SW Tel: 01386 881333 office@ashton.worcs.sch.uk	18	99
A 2025	Badsey First School School Lane, Badsey, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 7ES Tel: 01386 830325 admin.bfs@glatrust.org.uk	30	142
A 3041	Bengeworth C.E. Academy Burford Road, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 3HB Tel: 01386 442047 office@bengeworth.worcs.sch.uk	90	524
VA 3306	Bredon Hancock's Endowed C.E. First School Church Street, Bredon, Tewkesbury, Glos. GL20 7LA Tel: 01684 772254 office@bredonhancocks.worcs.sch.uk	30	138
A 2026	Bretforton Village School New Street, Bretforton, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 7JS Tel: 01386 830418 office@bretforton.worcs.sch.uk	15	71
C 2013	Broadway First School Lime Tree Avenue, Broadway, Worcs. WR12 7BD Tel: 01386 852485 office@broadway.worcs.sch.uk	20	71
A 3018	Church Lench C.E. First School Main Street, Church Lench, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 4UE Tel: 01386 870297 office@churchlench.worcs.sch.uk	15	71
VC 3020	Cleeve Prior C.E. Primary School Main Street, Cleeve Prior, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 8LG Tel: 01789 772276 office@cleeveprior.worcs.sch.uk	15	14
VC 3027	Cropthorne-with-Charlton C.E. First School Main Street, Cropthorne, Pershore, Worcs. WR10 3NB Tel: 01386 860246 office@cropthorne.worcs.sch.uk	15	86
VC 3038	Eckington C.E. First School School Lane, Eckington, Worcs. WR10 3AU Tel: 01386 750666 office@eckingtonfirst.worcs.sch.uk	20	77
VC 3040	Elmley Castle C.E. First School Main Street, Elmley Castle, Pershore, Worcs. WR10 3HS Tel: 01386 710279 office@elmleycastle.worcs.sch.uk	15	84

EVESHAM AREA - FIRST SCHOOLS - Years Reception to Year 5 (Ages 5 - 10)
PRIMARY SCHOOLS - Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5-11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
VC 3053	Harvington C.E. First and Nursery School Village Street, Harvington, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 8NQ Tel: 01386 870412 office@harvington.worcs.sch.uk	30	175
A 2078	Honeybourne Primary School School Street, Honeybourne, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 7PJ Tel: 01386 830462 office@honeybourneprimary.org	30	182
A 3082	Offenham C.E. First School Myatt Road, Offenham, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 8SD Tel: 01386 442038 office@offenham.dowmat.education	18	107
VC 3084	Overbury C.E. First School Overbury, Tewkesbury, Glos. GL20 7NT Tel: 01386 725235 office@overbury.worcs.sch.uk	15	81
C 2118	Pebworth First School Back Lane, Pebworth, Worcs. CV37 8XA Tel: 01789 720726 office@pebworthfirst.worcs.sch.uk	12	18
VC 3099	Sedgeberrow C.E. First School Main Street, Sedgeberrow, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 7UF Tel: 01386 881391 office@sedgeberrow.worcs.sch.uk	30	174
VC 3043	St. Andrew's C.E. First School Maryman's Road, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 2QN Tel: 01386 41351 office@st-andrews.worcs.sch.uk	60	288
A 3309	St. Mary's Catholic Primary School, (Broadway) Leamington Road, Broadway, Worcs. WR12 7DZ Tel: 01386 853337 smb-office@smb.magnificat.org.uk	15	84
A 3322	St. Mary's Catholic Primary School, (Evesham) High Street, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 4EJ Tel: 01386 446748 sme-office@sme.magnificat.org.uk	30	145
VC 3042	St. Richard's C.E. First School Four Pools Lane, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 1DU Tel: 01386 446416 office@st-richards.worcs.sch.uk	45	309
C 2041	Swan Lane First School Rynal Street, Swan Lane, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 4QA Tel: 01386 446540 office@swanlanefirstschool.worcs.sch.uk	60	292

EVESHAM AREA - FIRST SCHOOLS - Years Reception to Year 5 (Ages 5 - 10)
PRIMARY SCHOOLS - Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5-11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
A 3072	The Littletons CE First School Academy Farm Lane, South Littleton, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 8TL Tel: 01386 830695 office@thelittletons.dowmat.education	30	129

HAGLEY AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS
Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5 - 11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
VC 3002	Belbroughton C.E. Primary & Nursery School Bradford Lane, Belbroughton, Stourbridge, West Midlands, DY9 9TF Tel: 01562 730208 office@belbroughton.worcs.sch.uk	25	167
VC 3005	Blakedown C.E Primary School Birmingham Road, Blakedown, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY10 3JN Tel: 01562 700243 office@blakedownprimary.worcs.sch.uk	30	186
VC 3022	Clent Parochial Primary School Bromsgrove Road, Clent, Worcs, DY9 9QP Tel: 01562 730668 office@clent.worcs.sch.uk	15	109
C 2055	Hagley Primary School Park Road, Hagley, Worcs, DY9 ONS Tel: 01562 883280 office@hagleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk	90	627
VC 3097	St. Kenelm's C.E. Primary School Romsley, Bromsgrove Road, Romsley, Nr. Halesowen, West Midlands, B62 0LF Tel: 01562 710214 office@stkenelms.worcs.sch.uk	30	191

KIDDERMINSTER AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5 - 11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
A 2014	Birchen Coppice Academy Woodbury Road, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY11 7JJ Tel: 01562 823582 office@birchencoppiceacademy.org.uk	30	161
VA 3330	Chaddesley Corbett Endowed Primary School Nethercroft Meadow, Lower Chaddesley, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY10 4QN Tel: 01562 777312 office@chaddesleycorbett.worcs.sch.uk	30	197
C 2907	Comberton Primary School Borrington Road, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY10 3ED Tel: 01562 754704 office@comberton.worcs.sch.uk	60	360
VC 3016	Cookley Sebright Primary School Lea Lane, Cookley, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY10 3TA Tel: 01562 850397 office@cookleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk	30	202
A 2908	Foley Park Primary School Academy & Nursery Northumberland Avenue, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY11 7AW Tel: 01562 823857 office@foleyparkacademy.org.uk	30	190
C 2910	Franche Community Primary School Chestnut Grove, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY11 5QB Tel: 01562 751788 office@francheprimary.worcs.sch.uk	120	692
A 2010	Heronswood Primary School Heronswood Road, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY10 4EX Tel: 01562 69750 hwoffice@riverscofe.co.uk	60	404
FR 6009	*Holy Trinity School Birmingham Road, Kidderminster, Worcs, DY10 2BY Tel: 01562 822929 contact@holytrinity.co.uk	50	739
C 2911	Offmore Primary School Wordsworth Crescent, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY10 3HA Tel: 01562 753934 office@offmore.worcs.sch.uk	45	298
A 3393	St. Ambrose Catholic Primary School Leswell Street, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY10 1RP Tel: 01562 823568 enquiry_amb@emmausmac.com	30	197

KIDDERMINSTER AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5 - 11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
VC 3021	St. Catherine's C.E. Primary School Marlpool Lane, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY11 5HP Tel: 01562 823614 office@stcatherines.worcs.sch.uk	60	414
A 2023	St. George's C.E. Primary School Birmingham Road, Kidderminster, Worcs, DY10 2BX Tel: 01562 824206 office@stgprimary.org	30	190
A 2024	St. John's C.E. Primary School Blakebrook, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY11 6AP Tel: 01562 745558 office@stjohns.worcs.sch.uk	30	255
VA 3331	St. Mary's C.E. Primary School Stoney Lane, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY10 2LX Tel: 01562 824327 office@stmarys.worcs.sch.uk	30	179
A 3026	St. Oswald's C.E. Primary School Sion Avenue, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY10 2YL Tel: 01562 751056 office@stoswalds.worcs.sch.uk	30	154
A 3369	Sutton Park Primary School Greatfield Road, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY11 6PH Tel: 01562 67742 office@suttonpark.crst.org.uk	30	212
A 3332	Wolverley Sebright Primary Academy & Nursery Franche Road, Wolverley, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY11 5TP Tel: 01562 850268 office@wolverleysebright.worcs.sch.uk	30	203

Notes on Admissions

* Holy Trinity School is an all-through school with children from Reception to Year 13 (Ages 5 – 18)

MALVERN AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5 - 11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
A 3014	Callow End C.E. Primary School Upton Road, Callow End, Worcester, WR2 4TE Tel: 01905 830337 office@callowend.worcs.sch.uk	15	86
A 2105	Great Malvern Primary School Lydes Road, Malvern, Worcs. WR14 2BY Tel: 01684 574219 GMPSoffice@metacademies.org.uk	48	321
A 2408	Grove Primary School Pickersleigh Grove, Malvern, Worcs. WR14 2LU Tel: 01684 572516 office@groveprimary.worcs.sch.uk	15	108
A 2914	Leigh and Bransford Primary School Hoopers Close, Leigh Sinton, Malvern, Worcs. WR13 5DX Tel: 01886 832342 lbpsoffice@metacademies.org.uk	30	181
A 3353	Madresfield C.E. Primary School 40 Madresfield Village, Madresfield, Malvern, Worcs. WR13 5AA Tel: 01684 573620 office@madresfield.dowmat.education	15	94
A 3357	Malvern Parish C.E. Primary School Manby Road, Malvern, Worcs. WR14 3BB Tel: 01684 574084 office@malvernparish.dowmat.education	30	210
VA 3359	Malvern Wells C.E. Primary School 263 Wells Road, Malvern, Worcs. WR14 4HF Tel: 01684 561179 office@mwprimary.co.uk	15	92
A 2033	Northleigh C.E. Primary School St. Peter's Road, Malvern, Worcs. WR14 1QS Tel: 01684 574889 npsoffice@metacademies.org.uk	30	167
A 3089	Powick C.E. Primary School 42 Malvern Road, Powick, Worcs. WR2 4RT Tel: 01905 830336 office@powick.dowmat.education	30	177
A 2044	Rushwick C.E. Primary School Upper Wick Lane, Rushwick, Worcs. WR2 5SU Tel: 01905 422502 office@rushwick.dowmat.education	30	156
A 2204	Somers Park Primary School - Main School Site Somers Park Avenue, Malvern, Worcs. WR14 1SE Tel: 01684 572949 sppsadmin@metacademies.org.uk	58	551

MALVERN AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5 - 11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
A 9909	Somers Park Primary School – Malvern Vale Site 112 Swinyard Road, Malvern, Worcs, WR14 1GU Tel: 01684 572949 sppsadmin@metacademies.org.uk	30	NA
VA 3360	St. James' C.E. Primary School West Malvern Road, Malvern, Worcs. WR14 4BB Tel: 01684 561207 office@stjames.worcs.sch.uk	10	41
VA 3358	St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School Newtown Road, Malvern, Worcs. WR14 1PF Tel: 01684 573016 office@stjoesmalvern.worcs.sch.uk	30	106
A 2038	St. Matthias C.E. Primary School Cromwell Road, Malvern Link, Worcs. WR14 1NA Tel: 01684 574984 admin@stmatthias.worcs.sch.uk	30	161
A 2153	Suckley Primary School Church Lane, Suckley, Worcs. WR6 5DE Tel: 01886 884283 office@suckley.worcs.sch.uk	12	87
VC 3074	Wyche C.E. Primary School Lower Wyche Road, Malvern, Worcs. WR14 4ET Tel: 01684 573205 office@wyche.worcs.sch.uk	20	131

MARTLEY AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5 - 11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
VC 3000	Abberley Parochial Primary School Apostles Oak, Abberley, Worcs. WR6 6AA Tel: 01299 896332 office@abberley.worcs.sch.uk	15	101
VA 3300	Astley C.E. Primary School School Lane, Astley, Stourport on Severn, Worcs, DY13 ORH Tel: 01299 822002 office@astley.worcs.sch.uk	15	91
A 3008	Broadheath C.E. Primary School Sailor's Bank, Lower Broadheath, Worcs. WR2 6QT Tel: 01905 640285 office@broadheath.worcs.sch.uk	20	148

MARTLEY AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5 - 11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
VA 3308	Broadwas C.E. Primary School Broadwas-on-Teme, Worcester, WR6 5NE Tel: 01886 821347 office@broadwas.worcs.sch.uk	15	68
C 2032	Clifton-upon-Teme Primary School Pound Lane, Clifton-upon-Teme, Worcester, WR6 6DE Tel: 01886 812258 office@clifton-upon-teme.worcs.sch.uk	15	78
A 3328	Great Witley C.E. Primary School Worcester Road, Great Witley, Worcs. WR6 6HR Tel: 01299 896246 gwoffice@riverscofe.co.uk	30	187
VC 3048	Grimley and Holt C.E. Primary School Grimley, Worcester, WR2 6LU Tel: 01905 640325 office@grimleyholt.worcs.sch.uk	12	92
VA 3329	Hallow C.E. Primary School Main Road, Hallow, Worcester, WR2 6LD Tel: 01905 640354 office@hallow.worcs.sch.uk	30	160
A 3077	Martley C.E. Primary School Martley, Worcester, WR6 6QA Tel: 01886 888201 office@martley-pri.worcs.sch.uk	20	127

PERSHORE AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5-11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
C 2119	Abbey Park Primary School Abbey Road, Pershore, Worcs. WR10 1DF Tel: 01386 552722 office@abbeypark.worcs.sch.uk	30	134
A 3028	Crowle C.E. Primary School School Lane, Crowle, Worcs. WR7 4AT Tel: 01905 381206 office@crowle.dowmat.education	15	59
VC 3029	Defford-cum-Besford C.E. Primary School Hill View, Defford, Worcs. WR8 9BH Tel: 01386 750321 office@defford-cum-besford.worcs.sch.uk	12	43

PERSHORE AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS
Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5-11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
VA 3324	Fladbury C.E. Primary School and Pre School* Church Street, Fladbury, Pershore, Worcs. WR10 2QB Tel: 01386 860301 office@fladbury.worcs.sch.uk	15	55
C 5201	Flyford Flavell Primary School Radford Road, Flyford Flavell, Worcs. WR7 4BS Tel: 01386 462228 office@flyfordflavell.worcs.sch.uk	15	110
VC 3056	Himbleton C.E. Primary School Neight Hill, Himbleton, Droitwich, Worcs. WR9 7LE Tel: 01905 391231 office@himbleton.worcs.sch.uk	14	96
VA 3368	Holy Redeemer Catholic Primary School Priest Lane, Pershore, Worcs. WR10 1EB Tel: 01386 552518 office@holyredeemer.worcs.sch.uk	30	178
A 2079	Inkberrow Primary School Main Road, Inkberrow, Worcs. WR7 4HH Tel: 01386 792284 office@inkberrowprimary.worcs.sch.uk	30	197
A 3081	Norton Juxta Kempsey C.E. Primary School Wadborough Road, Littleworth, Worcester, WR5 2QJ Tel: 01905 820420 office@nortonprimary.worcs.sch.uk	30	193
A 2121	Orchard Primary School Cherry Orchard, Pershore, Worcs. WR10 1ET Tel: 01386 552515 office@orchardprimary.org.uk	30	194
A 3088	Pinvin C.E. Academy Main Street, Pinvin, Pershore, Worcs. WR10 2ER Tel: 01386 554196 office@pinvinfed.co.uk	25	268
A 3208	St. Barnabas C.E. Primary School Stonebow Road, Drakes Broughton, Pershore, Worcs. WR10 2AW Tel: 01905 840366 office@st-barnabasfirstmiddle.worcs.sch.uk	30	196
VC 3108	Upton Snodsbury C.E. Primary School Upton Snodsbury, Worcs. WR7 4NH Tel: 01905 381288 office@upsnodsfirst.worcs.sch.uk	14	47

*Please note subject to approval by the Office of the School Adjudicator

**REDDITCH AREA - FIRST SCHOOLS - Years Reception to Year 4
(Ages 5 - 9) PRIMARY SCHOOLS - Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5-11)**

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
A 3398	Abbeywood First School Wood Piece Lane, Church Hill, Redditch, Worcs. B98 9LR Tel: 01527 962794 office@abbeywood.crst.org.uk	60	256
A 2039	Arrow Valley First School Colts Lane, Winyates West, Redditch, Worcs. B98 0LH Tel: 01527 528111 office@arrowvalleyfirstschool.crst.org.uk	45	140
A 2127	Astwood Bank Primary School Church Road, Astwood Bank, Redditch, Worcs. B96 6EH Tel: 01527 959084 abps-office@shiresmat.org.uk	60	402
C 2128	Batchley First School Cherry Tree Walk, Redditch, Worcs. B97 6PD Tel: 01527 62926 office@batchley.worcs.sch.uk	60	239
A 2001	Crabbs Cross Academy Evesham Road, Crabbs Cross, Redditch, Worcs. B97 5JH Tel: 01527 543624 office@cca.endeavourschools.org	30	200
A 3091	Feckenham C.E. Primary School School Lane, Feckenham, Redditch, Worcs. B96 6QD Tel: 01527 892756 office@fps.shiresmat.org.uk	15	100
A 2131	Holyoakes Field First School Cookridge Close, Redditch, B97 6HF Tel: 01527 62928 office@holyoakes.bmat.co.uk	60	291
A 2919	Matchborough First School Academy Matchborough Way, Matchborough, Redditch, Worcs. B98 OGD Tel: 01527 883880 office@matchborough.worcs.sch.uk	60	329
C 2192	Moon's Moat First School Cleeve Close, Church Hill South, Redditch, Worcs. B98 9HR Tel: 01527 61498 office@moonsmoat.worcs.sch.uk	45	173
A 2920	Oak Hill First School Wirehill Drive, Lodge Park, Redditch, Worcs. B98 7JU Tel: 01527 528523 office@oakhill.crst.org.uk	90	399
A 5200	Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic First School Downsell Road, Webheath, Redditch, Worcs. B97 5RR Tel: 01527 546398 olmc-office@olmc.magnificat.org.uk	60	297

**REDDITCH AREA - FIRST SCHOOLS - Years Reception to Year 4
(Ages 5 - 9) PRIMARY SCHOOLS - Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5-11)**

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
A 2029	St. George's C.E. First School Stevenson Avenue, Redditch, Worcs. B98 8LU Tel: 01527 62263 office@sgf.endeavourschools.org	30	142
A 2046	St. Luke's C.E. First School Plymouth Road, Southcrest, Redditch, Worcs. B97 4NU Tel: 01527 541219 admin@stlukesfirst.worcs.sch.uk	30	144
A 2030	St. Stephen's CE First School Mabey Avenue, Redditch, Worcs. B98 8HW Tel: 01527 63911 office@ststephens.crst.org.uk	30	149
A 5202	St. Thomas More Catholic First School Woodrow Centre, Studley Road, Redditch, Worcs. B98 7RY Tel: 01527 525821 office@stm.magnificat.org.uk	45	154
VA 3382	Tardebigge C.E. First School Church Lane, Tardebigge, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B60 3AH Tel: 01527 872886 office@tardebigge.worcs.sch.uk	30	144
C 2136	Tenacres First School Quibury Close, Winyates East, Redditch, Worcs. B98 0PB Tel: 01527 528872 office@tenacres.worcs.sch.uk	60	279
A 2134	The Vaynor First School Tennyson Road, Redditch, Worcs. B97 5BL Tel: 01527 543187 office@vfs.endeavourschools.org	90	437
A 2135	Webheath Academy Primary School Downsell Road, Webheath, Redditch, Worcs. B97 5RJ Tel: 01527 544820 office@waps.shiresmat.org.uk	60	403
C 2137	Woodrow First School Longdon Close, Redditch, Worcs. B98 7UZ Tel: 01527 527619 office@woodrow.worcs.sch.uk	60	226

RUBERY AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5 - 11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
C 2197	Beaconside Primary and Nursery School Hazel Road, Rubery, Birmingham, B45 9DX Tel: 0121 453 3801 office@beaconside.worcs.sch.uk	30	210
A 2045	Holywell Primary and Nursery School School Road, Rubery, Birmingham, B45 9EY Tel: 0121 453 7829 secretary@holywell.worcs.sch.uk	60	373
C 2901	Lickey Hills Primary School Old Birmingham Road, Rednal, Birmingham, B45 8EU Tel: 0121 445 1992 office@lickeyhills.worcs.sch.uk	60	362

STOURPORT AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5 - 11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
A 2027	Burlish Park Primary School Windermere Way, Stourport on Severn, Worcs. DY13 8LA Tel: 01299 823771 office-bp@riverscofe.co.uk	60	388
A 3013	Hartlebury C.E. Primary School Rectory Lane, Hartlebury, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY11 7TD Tel: 01299 250312 office@har.saet.co.uk	30	164
A 2904	Lickhill Primary School Almond Way, Stourport on Severn, Worcs. DY13 8UA Tel: 01299 871803 office@lps.crst.org.uk	30	177
A 3012	St. Bartholomew's C.E. Primary School Princess Way, Stourport on Severn, Worcs. DY13 0EL Tel: 01299 823454 office@sbp.saet.co.uk	30	182
A 3380	St. Wulstan's Catholic Primary School Elmfield Walk, Stourport-on-Severn, Worcs. DY13 8UB Tel: 01299 877808 enquiry_wul@emmausmac.com	30	132
A 2902	Stourport Primary School Park Avenue, Stourport on Severn, Worcs, DY13 8SH Tel: 01299 822120 office@stourportprimary.worcs.sch.uk	30	265

STOURPORT AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5 - 11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
VA 3381	Sytchampton Endowed Primary School Sytchampton, Stourport-on-Severn, Worcs. DY13 9SX Tel: 01905 620418 office@syтчampton.worcs.sch.uk	15	83
A 3015	Wilden All Saints C.E. Primary School Wilden Lane, Stourport on Severn, Worcs. DY13 9LP Tel: 01299 822638 office@wilden.worcs.sch.uk	30	183

TENBURY AREA – PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5 - 11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
VA 3350	Lindridge St. Lawrence’s C.E. Primary School Lindridge, Tenbury Wells, Worcs. WR15 8JQ Tel: 01584 881466 office@lindridge.worcs.sch.uk	15	62
A 3104	Tenbury C.E. Primary Academy Bromyard Road, Tenbury Wells, Worcs. WR15 8BS Tel: 01584 810234 office@tenbury-pri.worcs.sch.uk	30	203

UPTON UPON SEVERN AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5 - 11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
A 3017	Castlemorton C.E. Primary School Church Road, Castlemorton, Malvern, Worcs. WR13 6BG Tel: 01684 833282 office@castlemorton.dowmat.education	15	80
VC 3039	Eldersfield Lawn C.E. Primary School Corse Lawn, Gloucester, GL19 4LZ Tel: 01452 780309 admin@eldersfieldlawn.worcs.sch.uk	15	101
A 3051	Hanley Swan, St. Gabriel’s with St. Mary’s C.E. Primary School Hanley Swan, Worcs. WR8 0EQ Tel: 01684 310364 office@hanleyswanps.org.uk	15	115

UPTON UPON SEVERN AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5 - 11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
A 2080	Kempsey Primary School Ellsdon, Kempsey, Worcester, WR5 3NT Tel: 01905 820262 office@kempseyyps.org.uk	60	359
VC 3085	Pendock C.E. Primary School School Lane, Pendock, Nr. Staunton, Glos. GL19 3PW Tel: 01531 650298 office@pendockpri.worcs.sch.uk	8	44
VC 3107	Upton-upon-Severn C.E. Primary School School Lane, Upton-upon-Severn, Worcs. WR8 0LD Tel: 01684 592259 office@uptonuponsevern.worcs.sch.uk	30	173
A 2156	Welland Primary School Marlbank Road, Welland, Malvern, Worcs. WR13 6NE Tel: 01684 310246 office@wellandps.org.uk	20	131

WORCESTER CITY AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5 - 11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
A 2011	Carnforth School Carnforth Drive, Worcester, WR4 9HG Tel: 01905 701099 office@carnforth.org	30	164
A 2040	Cherry Orchard Primary School Timberdine Close, Worcester, WR5 2DD Tel: 01905 352787 office-co@riverscofe.co.uk	90	528
VC 3019	Claines C.E. Primary School School Bank, Claines, Worcester, WR3 7RW Tel: 01905 451235 office@claines.worcs.sch.uk	30	207
A 2162	Cranham Primary School Tetbury Drive, Warndon, Worcester, WR4 9LS Tel: 01905 452437 cranhamoffice@riverscofe.co.uk	60	372
A 2167	Hollymount School Hollymount Road, Tolladine, Worcester, WR4 9SG Tel: 01905 23159 office@hollymountschool.org	50	338

WORCESTER CITY AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS
Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5 - 11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
A 2028	Honeywell Primary School Tudor Way, Worcester, WR2 5QH Tel: 01905 423228 hpsoffice@metacademies.org.uk	30	169
A 2918	Lyppard Grange Primary School Ankerage Green, Worcester, WR4 0DZ Tel: 01905 729383 office@lyppardgrange.worcs.sch.uk	60	414
A 3401	Northwick Manor Primary School Northwick Road, Worcester, WR3 7EA Tel: 01905 454430 nwoffice@riverscofe.co.uk	90	578
FR 2031	North Worcester Primary Academy John Comyn Drive, Worcester, WR3 7NS Tel: 01905 953850 northworcesterprimary@riverscofe.co.uk	60	303
A 2172	Nunnery Wood Primary School Prestwich Avenue, Worcester, WR5 1QE Tel: 01905 354154 office@nunnerywoodprimary.worcs.sch.uk	60	394
A 2005	Oasis Academy Warndon Edgeworth Close, Worcester, WR4 9PE Tel: 01905 453530 admin@oasiswarndon.org	60	450
A 2202	Oldbury Park Primary School Oldbury Road, Worcester, WR2 6AA Tel: 01905 424878 office@oldburypark.worcs.sch.uk	60	370
A 3387	Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Primary School Bransford Road, Worcester, WR2 4EN Tel: 01905 421409 schooladmin@ourlady.worcs.sch.uk	30	168
A 2000	Perry Wood Primary & Nursery School St. Alban's Close, Worcester, WR5 1PP Tel: 01905 354800 office@perrywood.worcs.sch.uk	60	362
C 2200	Pitmaston Primary School Malvern Road, Worcester, WR2 4ZF Tel: 01905 423710 office@pitmaston.worcs.sch.uk	90	628
VC 3116	Red Hill C.E. Primary School Midhurst Close, Worcester, WR5 2HX Tel: 01905 352524 office@redhill.worcs.sch.uk	60	405

WORCESTER CITY AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5 - 11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
VC 3114	St. Barnabas C.E. Primary School Green Lane, Worcester, WR3 8NZ Tel: 01905 22766 office@st-barnabas-primary.worcs.sch.uk	60	398
A 3388	St. Clement's C.E. Primary School Henwick Road, Worcester, WR2 5NS Tel: 01905 423861 office-stc@riverscofe.co.uk	30	203
VA 3390	St. George's Catholic Primary School Thorneloe Walk, Worcester, WR1 3JY Tel: 01905 25841 admin@st-georgescatholic.worcs.sch.uk	30	202
VA 3389	St. George's CE Primary School St George's Lane North, Worcester, WR1 1RD Tel: 01905 619454 admin@stgeorgesce.worcs.sch.uk	30	170
VA 3391	St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School Chedworth Drive, Worcester, WR4 9PG Tel: 01905 452772 office@st-josephs-pri.worcs.sch.uk	60	335
A 2179	Stanley Road Primary School Stanley Road, Worcester, WR5 1BD Tel: 01905 355043 stanleyroad.office@perryhallmat.co.uk	45	275
A 2173	Tudor Grange Academy Primary Perdiswell Bilford Road, Worcester, WR3 8QA Tel: 01905 453348 office@perdiswell.tgacademy.org.uk	60	351
VC 3110	Whittington C.E. Primary School Whittington, Worcester, WR5 2QZ Tel: 01905 354844 office@whittington.worcs.sch.uk	30	208

WYTHALL AREA - PRIMARY SCHOOLS
Years Reception to Year 6 (Ages 5 - 11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
C 2188	Meadow Green Primary School Meadow Road, Wythall, Birmingham, B47 6EQ Tel: 01564 823495 enquiries@meadowgreen.worcs.sch.uk	30	240
A 2915	The Coppice Primary School Shawhurst Lane, Hollywood, Birmingham, B47 5JN Tel: 01564 826709 office@coppice.worcs.sch.uk	90	629

Middle Schools

Important dates in the admissions process

If you live in Worcestershire and your child is due to start middle school in September 2026, you must apply for his/her school place – the opening and closing dates for applications are as below.

Date	Description
1 September 2025	Applications Open
15 January 2026	Closing Date
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16 April 2026	School Offer Notification Date
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How do I apply?

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- Or telephone School Admissions on 01905 822700 if you need assistance.

After the closing date, you will need to complete a late application form using our online system. If you require any support you can contact School Admissions by emailing schooladmissions@worcestershire.gov.uk or calling 01905 822700.

Parents of children resident outside of Worcestershire

If you wish to apply for a place at any Worcestershire school, you must complete an application provided by your “home” LA. (The “home LA” is defined as the Local Authority relevant to the child’s home address). The “home” LA will ensure that application details are passed to Worcestershire LA for consideration in the allocation of school places.

If you are not resident in Worcestershire, you should obtain admission details from your home LA, even if your preferences include schools within Worcestershire (the contact details for all the neighbouring LA’s can be found on the following page).

Important things to remember

- You must apply **before 15 January 2026**
- You must make an application, even if you have an older child already attending your preferred school.
- You can name up to three schools on your application. You are strongly advised to use all three preferences to increase your chance of getting a preferred school.
- Understand the admission arrangements for each of your preferences. This will enable you to assess what order of priority will be given for each preference.
- Be realistic about the schools you apply for. It's recommended that you include your catchment school as one of your three preferences. **If you do not apply for your catchment school on time, you may not be eligible for school transport.** However please note that you are not guaranteed a place at your catchment school. Check out which is your catchment school using this link www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schoolsearch
- Don't put schools as a preference if you would be unhappy with the offer of a place at that school. It would be a waste of a preference if you were offered a place at a school that you would not be happy with your child attending.
- All on-time applications to a school are considered at the same time. Priority is not given to those who put the school first.
- The order in which you list the schools is only used if you could be offered a place at more than one school. In this case, you would be offered whichever of those schools was highest on your application form.
- Having gained admission for one child at a school does not guarantee a younger child will be admitted. Should the school be oversubscribed at the time of application of a younger sibling, catchment area may have a higher priority on the oversubscription criteria.
- Having gained admission to a school of your preference, does not mean your child will have highest priority for transfer to the high school. If the related high school is oversubscribed at the time of transfer, your child might then have to move in a different direction from other children currently attending the same school.

Admissions to Middle Schools

Admission authorities can review their arrangements annually. The information given in this section of the book applies only to admissions into Year 4, Year 5 or Year 6 in the school year 2026 - 2027 and may change in future years.

Please be aware:

- It is a parent/carers responsibility to ensure that their application is submitted on time.
- Living in catchment, or having a sibling already at the school gives no guarantee that your child will gain a place at the catchment school or school where the sibling is attending.
- If you are in the process of moving at the time of your application you **MUST** provide School Admissions with some firm **independent** evidence of when you will actually begin to live there. This evidence must be provided before the relevant closing date for applications. This is also applicable if you are moving property and wish to have your application considered from your new property, or wish to make changes to on time preferences after the closing date. See Page 70 regarding late applications and Page 29 for further details on moving property.

How do you apply for a place at a Middle School

For children with an Education, Health & Care Plan (EHCP), a school move can only take place following a review of the Plan at the current school and consultation(s) with the school(s) that are being considered. This will be led by the local authority SEND team where the child/young person resides, not School Admissions.

The parents of ALL pupils resident in Worcestershire, including parents whose preference is for the catchment area school for the child's home address, seeking a place at any middle School, including any Academy, Foundation, Free or Voluntary Aided School, and any School outside Worcestershire, must complete a Worcestershire online application by the closing date – 15th January 2026. If you are unable to apply online contact School Admissions on 01905 822700 for assistance.

Worcestershire parents are invited to state three preferences. **All preferences** are treated as equal initially, and the oversubscription criteria applied to each preference. If it is possible to make a potential offer at more than one school, then the final offer will be the school ranked highest on the application.

Please be aware that different LAs and Academies, Foundation, Free and Voluntary Aided Schools may have different admissions criteria, and therefore it is strongly advised that you ensure that you have understood the information that is available from each LA/School, before stating a preference on an application. The Admissions Criteria for Worcestershire Academy, Foundation, Free and Voluntary Aided Schools can be found at www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissionpolicies.

Please make contact with the School Admissions Teams of any of the relevant LAs, if further information is required. (The contact details for all the neighbouring LAs can be found in Part A)

Parents seeking a place at an Academy, Foundation, Free or Voluntary Aided School or schools outside Worcestershire must:

- **obtain from the school a prospectus which will explain if you need to provide/complete supplementary information/forms.**
- **complete a Worcestershire online application naming your school preferences.**

The parents of pupils resident outside Worcestershire, but who wish to apply for a place at any Worcestershire school, must complete an application provided by the “home” LA. (The “home” LA is defined as the Local Authority relevant to the child’s home address). The “home” LA will ensure that the application details are passed onto Worcestershire LA for consideration in the allocation of school places. If you are not resident in Worcestershire, then you should obtain admission details from your home LA, even if your preferences include schools within Worcestershire. You can find the contact details for other Local Authorities on page 8.

It is very important that applications are received no later than 16th April 2026.

Late applications are always considered, though it may not be possible to allocate a place in the school you prefer, if it is oversubscribed, even if the school is the catchment area school for your child’s home address.

You should inform the Headteacher of the allocated school, and School Admissions if you are withdrawing your application for any reason. School Admissions and the Headteacher must be notified immediately of any change in the child’s home address. Independent documentary evidence will be required. Please note the deadlines for receiving this information are in line with the policy on late applications, including late changes to on time applications.

When should you apply?

Places in middle school intake are allocated on the basis of applications received on or before the closing date of:

15th January 2026 for admissions in the school year September 2026 to August 2027.

From 1st September 2025 until the closing date 15th January 2026 applications can be made by at the following link www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions. If you do not have access to the internet please contact School Admissions on 01905 822700.

Details/preferences on an online application can be amended and re-submitted right up until the closing date, 15th January 2026. (Remember to resubmit any changes you make and keep a copy of the email you receive to confirm the submission)

Any requests to amend details/preferences after the closing date, must be made in writing or sent via email to School Admissions. **Any such requests will only be accepted where:**

- a. where a family have just moved address;
- b. where it is agreed by School Admissions, that individual circumstances apply and the delay was reasonable given the circumstances of the case;

In all circumstances, independent supporting documentary information will need to be provided.

For applications after the closing date, including late changes to on time preferences, please refer to the next page.

If you are not resident in Worcestershire, then you must apply through your 'home' Local Authority, even if your preferences include schools within Worcestershire.

PROOF OF APPLICATION – It is the parent/carers responsibility to ensure a receipt is obtained when making an application.

PLEASE RETAIN ANY RECEIPT AS PROOF OF APPLICATION

Applications made online will receive a return receipt via email once the application has been submitted. **(PLEASE RETAIN AS PROOF OF SUBMISSION)**

Paper application forms have a detachable receipt – see form for details.

(PLEASE RETAIN AS PROOF OF SUBMISSION)

The Local Authority will not accept that an application form has been submitted unless you can provide either of the above as proof. This will mean that your application will be classed as Late.

How are places allocated?

School Admissions will send details to its Academy, Foundation, Free and Voluntary Aided Schools, of all applications received for that school, irrespective of ranking, for initial consideration, **and also to neighbouring LAs**, who will then apply their own oversubscription criteria.

School Admissions will then receive the outcome of these initial considerations, and will compare against lists of potential offers at other schools nominated on the application, to identify any pupils, who may potentially be offered more than one place. If this is the case, then the single offer will be the higher ranked school on the application.

If no place is available at your other preference schools either, or if you have not expressed another preference, the Home Local Authority will name an alternative school with places available. This will normally be the nearest school to where you live that still has available places. It is therefore very important to use all of your preferences to try and ensure you do not receive an offer at a school you do not wish your child to attend.

What if you are applying or want to change your application after the closing date – Late Applications?

To make an application after the closing date of 15th January 2026, you will need to make a late application online or you can contact us via email at schooladmissions@worcestershire.gov.uk or by contacting **01905 822700 if you need assistance.**

Between 16th January 2026 and 28th February 2026, it is likely that a number of late applications (this includes all requests to amend applications previously submitted) will be received. The Council has agreed in its' co-ordinated scheme to accept late applications, or changes to on time applications, for Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools within Worcestershire, within this time-frame, and treat them as being on time, only in the following circumstances;

- a. where a family have just moved address;
- b. where it is agreed by School Admissions, that individual circumstances apply and the delay was reasonable given the circumstances of the case;

In each case independent supporting documentary evidence will need to be submitted with the application. In all other circumstances, or if the application is not **received until after 28th February 2026, late applications (including late changes to on time applications), will receive a lower priority, and will only be considered after the applications received (or deemed to be) on time.**

NB. If the late application is for an Academy, Foundation, Free or Voluntary Aided School, or a school outside Worcestershire, it will be necessary to refer to the late application policy of the school or the LA, in whose area the school is located.

All applications received after 28th February 2026 for the intake year, must be submitted to School Admissions, and will be processed as soon as possible. An offer, or refusal of a school place, will be given by School Admissions, on behalf of the relevant admission authority.

If making an application after the start of the Autumn Term (1st September 2026) please refer to the In Year Section of this book on Page 112.

When are decisions made?

Offers will be issued on **16th April 2026**. They will be issued direct to parents, by School Admissions, even if it is on behalf of the governing body of an Academy, Foundation, Free or Voluntary Aided School, or a school in a neighbouring LA.

In the few cases, where it may not be possible to offer a place at any of the preferences nominated on the application, a place will normally be offered at the nearest school with places still available.

The acceptance or decline of the offer must be made by the date specified.

For pupils not resident in Worcestershire, the offer or refusal will be sent direct to parents by the home LA, even if it is for a school in Worcestershire.

Information about Worcestershire Middle Schools

Key to Columns

Type: Categorisation of school - page 19 for further description.

A	=	Academy
C	=	Community
FR	=	Free
FD	=	Foundation
VA	=	Voluntary Aided
VC	=	Voluntary Controlled

N.B. *At time of publication a number of schools are applying to become Academies and the school status maybe subject to change.

DfE No: Department for Education (DfE) school number. All school numbers in Worcestershire have the prefix of 885, which is the Authority number allocated by the DfE.

PAN: Published Admission Number
The number of children which can be admitted to a school in the relevant year group (Year 5 intake or Year 6 intake in the case of Middle Schools). The PAN is agreed by the governing body of the school. The figures set for the admissions year 2026/2027 are shown.

NOR: Total number of pupils on roll at the school in January 2025.

BROMSGROVE AREA - SECONDARY MIDDLE SCHOOLS Age Range 9-13 (Years 5-8)			
Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
A 4575	Alvechurch C.E. Middle School Birmingham Road, Alvechurch, Birmingham, B48 7TA Tel: 0121 445 1033 office@alvechurch.worcs.sch.uk	120	438
C 4401	Aston Fields Middle School Drummond Road, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B60 2ET Tel: 01527 876026 office@astonfields.worcs.sch.uk	150	595
A 4402	Catshill Middle School Meadow Road, Catshill, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B61 OJW Tel: 01527 872431 office@catshill-middle.worcs.sch.uk	120	424
C 4403	Parkside Middle School Stourbridge Road, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B61 OAH Tel: 01527 873660 office@parkside.worcs.sch.uk	150	603

BROMSGROVE AREA - SECONDARY MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Age Range 9-13 (Years 5-8)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
A 5404	St John's C.E. Middle School Academy Watt Close, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B61 7DH Tel: 01527 832376 school@st-johns-bromsgrove.worcs.sch.uk	150	677

DROITWICH AREA - MIDDLE DEEMED PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Age Range 9-12 (Years 5-7)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
C 2916	Westacre Middle School Ombersley Way, Droitwich, Worcs. WR9 0AA Tel; 01905 772795 office@westacre.worcs.sch.uk	150	446
A 2042	Witton Middle School 29-31 Old Coach Road, Droitwich, Worcs. WR9 8BD Tel: 01905 773362 office@witton.worcs.sch.uk	150	373

EVESHAM AREA - SECONDARY MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Age Range 10-13 (Years 6-8)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
C 4408	Blackminster Middle School Station Road, South Littleton, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 8TG Tel: 01386 830311 office@blackminster.worcs.sch.uk	130	253
A 4400	Bredon Hill Academy Elmley Road, Ashton under Hill, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 7SW Tel: 01386 881426 enquiries@bredon.worcs.sch.uk	162	478
VC 4576	St. Egwin's C.E. Middle School Worcester Road, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 4JU Tel: 01386 446924 admin@st-egwins.worcs.sch.uk	150	449
A 4018	The De Monfort School Four Pools Road, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 1DQ Tel: 01386 442060 office@tdms.worcs.sch.uk	120	902

REDDITCH AREA - SECONDARY MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Age Range 9-13 (Years 5-8)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
A 4418	Birchensale Middle School Bridley Moor Road, Batchley, Redditch, Worcs. B97 6HT Tel: 01527 68430 enquiries@birchensale.worcs.sch.uk	180	535
A 4427	Church Hill Middle School Wood Piece Lane, Church Hill, Redditch, Worcs. B98 9LR Tel: 01527 585580 office@churchill.worcs.sch.uk	120	450
A 4009	Ipsley CE Middle Winyates Way, Winyates, Redditch, Worcs. B98 0UB Tel: 01527 525725 office@ipsleyacademy.co.uk	150	638
A 5401	St. Bede's Catholic Middle School (Academy) Holloway Lane, Redditch, Worcs. B98 7HA Tel: 01527 525916 stb-reception@stb.magnificat.org.uk	160	647
A 4579	Walkwood Church of England Middle School Feckenham Road, Headless Cross, Redditch, Worcs. B97 5AQ Tel: 01527 543361 office@walkwoodms.worcs.sch.uk	168	662
A 4436	Woodfield Academy Studley Road, Redditch, Worcs. B98 7HH Tel: 01527 527081 office@woodfield.bmat.co.uk	150	570

Dates of Open Events at Worcestershire Middle Schools

The table below tells you what date each school will hold its open event. It is in alphabetical order within district. Full details of each open event including dates of any visits during the day can be found on the individual schools website.

Town	School Name and Website Address	Date and Time of Open Event
Bromsgrove	Alvechurch CE Middle School www.alvechurchmiddle.co.uk	Please refer to school website for details
	Aston Fields Middle School www.astonfields.worcs.sch.uk	Please refer to school website for details
	Catshill Middle School www.catshill-middle.worcs.sch.uk	Open morning Tuesday 11 November 2025 Open morning Tuesday 18 November 2025
	Parkside Middle School www.parkside.worcs.sch.uk	Opening Mornings Tuesday 11 November 2025 Tuesday 18th November 2025
	St John's CE Academy Middle School www.st-johns-bromsgrove.worcs.sch.uk	Please refer to school website for details
Droitwich	Westacre Middle School www.westacre-middle-school.co.uk	Thursday 2 October 2025
	Witton Middle School www.witton.worcs.sch.uk	Thursday 25 September 2025
Evesham	Blackminster Middle School www.blackminster.worcs.sch.uk	Please refer to school website for details
	Bredon Hill Academy www.bredon.worcs.sch.uk	Please refer to school website for details
	The De Montfort School www.tdms.worcs.sch.uk	Open evening Thursday 25 September 2025, 5-8pm
	St Egwin's CE Middle School www.st-egwins.worcs.sch.uk	Wednesday 22 October 2025 6-8pm

Town	School Name and Website Address	Date and Time of Open Event
Redditch	Birchensale Middle School www.birchensale.worcs.sch.uk	Thursday 2 October 2025 5-7pm
	Church Hill Middle School www.churchill.worcs.sch.uk	Thursday 16 October 2025 5-7pm
	Ipsley CE Middle School www.ipsleyacademy.co.uk	Thursday 23 October 2025 5-7.30pm
	St. Bede's Catholic Middle School (Academy) www.st-bedes.worcs.sch.uk	Tuesday 21 October 2025
	Walkwood Church of England Middle School www.walkwoodms.worcs.sch.uk	Opening evening Wednesday 15 October 2025
	Woodfield Academy www.woodfield.worcs.sch.uk	Monday 6 October 2025 6-8pm

These dates are correct at the time of completion (July 2025).

High/Secondary Schools

Important dates in the admissions process

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Spring Term 2026	Applications processed and information shared between schools and neighbouring Local Authorities
2 March 2026	School Offer Notification Date
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- Or telephone School Admissions on 01905 822700 if you need assistance.

After the closing date, you will need to complete a late application form using our online system. If you require any support you can contact School Admissions using email schooladmissions@worcestershire.gov.uk or phone [01905 822700](tel:01905822700)

Parents of children resident outside of Worcestershire

If you wish to apply for a place at any Worcestershire school, you must complete an application provided by your “home” LA. (The “home LA” is defined as the Local Authority relevant to the child’s home address). The “home” LA will ensure that application details are passed to Worcestershire LA for consideration in the allocation of school places.

If you are not resident in Worcestershire, you should obtain admission details from your home LA, even if your preferences include schools within Worcestershire (the contact details for all the neighbouring LA’s can be found on page 8).

Important things to remember

- You must apply before 31 October 2025
- You must make an application, even if you have an older child already attending your preferred school.
- You can name up to three schools on your application. You are strongly advised to use all three preferences to increase your chance of getting a preferred school.
- Understand the admission arrangements for each of your preferences. This will enable you to assess what order of priority will be given for each preference.
- Be realistic about the schools you apply for. It's recommended that you include your catchment school as one of your three preferences. **If you do not apply for your catchment school on time, you may not be eligible for school transport.** However please note that you are not guaranteed a place at your catchment school. Check out which is your catchment school using this link www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schoolsearch
- Don't put schools as a preference if you would be unhappy with the offer of a place at that school. It would be a waste of a preference if you were offered a place at a school that you would not be happy with your child attending.
- All on-time applications to a school are considered at the same time. Priority is not given to those who put the school first.
- The order in which you list the schools is only used if you could be offered a place at more than one school. In this case, you would be offered whichever of those schools was highest on your application form.
- Having gained admission for one child at a school does not guarantee a younger child will be admitted. Should the school be oversubscribed at the time of application of a younger sibling, catchment area may have a higher priority on the oversubscription criteria.

Admissions to High/Secondary Schools

Admission authorities can review their arrangements annually. The information given in this section of the book applies only to admissions into Year 7 intake, Year 8 intake or Year 9 intake in the school year 2026-2027 and may change in future years.

Please be aware:

- It is a parent/carers responsibility to ensure that their application is submitted on time.
- Living in catchment, having a sibling already at a school or attendance at a feeder school gives **no guarantee** that your child will gain a place. **Parents/carers must apply separately for their child to go to any high school.**
- If you are in the process of moving at the time of your application you **MUST** provide School Admissions with some firm **independent** evidence of when you will actually begin to live there. This evidence must be provided before the relevant closing date for applications. This is also applicable if you are moving property and wish to have your application considered from your new property, or wish to make changes to on time preferences after the closing date.

How do you apply for a place at a High/Secondary School

For children with an Education, Health & Care Plan (EHCP), a school move can only take place following a review of the Plan at the current school and consultation(s) with the school(s) that are being considered. This will be led by the local authority SEND team where the child/young person resides, not School Admissions.

The parents of **ALL** pupils resident in **Worcestershire**, including parents whose preference is for the catchment area school for the child's home address, **seeking a place** at any secondary School, **including any Academy, Foundation, Free or Voluntary Aided School**, and any School outside Worcestershire, **must complete a Worcestershire online application by the closing date – 31 October 2025. If you are unable to apply online contact School Admissions on 01905 822700 for assistance.**

Worcestershire parents are invited to state three preferences. **All preferences** are treated as equal initially, and the oversubscription criteria applied to each preference. If it is possible to make a potential offer at more than one school, then the final offer will be the school ranked highest on the application.

Please be aware that different LAs and Academies, Foundation, Free and Voluntary Aided Schools may have different admissions criteria, and therefore it is strongly advised that you ensure that you have understood the information that is available from each LA/School, before stating a preference on an application. The Admissions Criteria for Worcestershire Academy, Foundation, Free and Voluntary Aided Schools can be found at www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissionpolicies.

Please make contact with the School Admissions Teams of any of the relevant LAs, if further information is required. (The contact details for all the neighbouring LAs can be found on page 8)

Parents seeking a place at an Academy, Foundation, Free or Voluntary Aided School or schools outside Worcestershire must:

- **obtain from the school a prospectus which will explain if you need to provide/complete supplementary information/forms;**
- **complete a Worcestershire online application naming your school preferences.**

The parents of pupils resident outside Worcestershire, but who wish to apply for a place at any Worcestershire school, must complete an application provided by the “home” LA. (The “home” LA is defined as the Local Authority relevant to the child’s home address). The “home” LA will ensure that the application details are passed onto Worcestershire LA for consideration in the allocation of school places. If you are not resident in Worcestershire, then you should obtain admission details from your home LA, even if your preferences include schools within Worcestershire. You can find the contact details for other Local Authorities on page 8.

It is very important that applications are received no later than the closing date.

Late applications are always considered, though it may not be possible to allocate a place in the school you prefer, if it is oversubscribed, even if the school is the catchment area school for your child’s home address.

You should inform the Headteacher of the allocated school, and School Admissions if you are withdrawing your application for any reason. School Admissions and the Headteacher must be notified immediately of any change in the child’s home address. Independent documentary evidence will be required. Please note the deadlines for receiving this information are in line with the policy on late applications, including late changes to on time applications.

When should you apply?

Places in high/secondary school intake are allocated on the basis of applications received on or before the closing date of:

31 October 2025 for admissions in the school year September 2026 to August 2027.

From 1st September 2025 until the closing date 31 October 2025 applications can be made by at the following link www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions. If you do not have access to the internet please contact School Admissions on 01905 822700.

Details/preferences on an online application can be amended and re-submitted right up until the closing date, 31 October 2025. (Remember to resubmit any changes you make and keep a copy of the email you receive to confirm the submission)

Any requests to amend details/preferences after the closing date, must be made in writing or sent via email to School Admissions. **Any such requests will only be accepted where:**

- a. where a family have just moved address;
- b. where it is agreed by School Admissions, that individual circumstances apply and the delay was reasonable given the circumstances of the case;

In all circumstances, independent supporting documentary information will need to be provided.

For applications after the closing date, including late changes to on time preferences.

If you are not resident in Worcestershire, then you must apply through your ‘home’ Local Authority, even if your preferences include schools within Worcestershire.

PROOF OF APPLICATION – It is the parent/carers responsibility to ensure a receipt is obtained when making an application.

PLEASE RETAIN ANY RECEIPT AS PROOF OF APPLICATION

Applications made online will receive a return receipt via email once the application has been submitted.

(PLEASE RETAIN AS PROOF OF SUBMISSION)

Paper application forms have a detachable receipt – see form for details.

(PLEASE RETAIN AS PROOF OF SUBMISSION)

The Local Authority will not accept that an application form has been submitted unless you can provide either of the above as proof. This will mean that your application will be classed as Late.

How are places allocated?

School Admissions will send details to its Academy, Foundation, Free and Voluntary Aided Schools, of all applications received for that school, irrespective of ranking, for initial consideration, **and also to neighbouring LAs**, who will then apply their own oversubscription criteria .

School Admissions will then receive the outcome of these initial considerations, and will compare against lists of potential offers at other schools nominated on the application, to identify any pupils, who may potentially be offered more than one place . If this is the case, then the single offer will be the higher ranked school on the application .

If no place is available at your other preference schools either, or if you have not expressed another preference, the Home Local Authority will name an alternative school with places available. This will normally be the nearest school to where you live that still has available places. It is therefore very important to use all of your preferences to try and ensure you do not receive an offer at a school you do not wish your child to attend.

What if you are applying or want to change your application after the closing date – Late Applications?

To make an application after the closing date of 31st October 2025, you will need to make a late application online or you can contact us via email at schooladmissions@worcestershire.gov.uk or by contacting 01905 822700 if you need assistance.

Between 1st November 2025 and 31st January 2026 it is likely that a number of late applications (this includes all requests to amend applications previously submitted) will be received . The Council has agreed in its' co- ordinated scheme to accept late applications, or changes to on time applications, for Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools within Worcestershire, within this time-frame, and treat them as being on time, only in the following circumstances;

- a. where a family have just moved address;
- b. where it is agreed by School Admissions, that individual circumstances apply and the delay was reasonable given the circumstances of the case;

In each case independent supporting documentary evidence will need to be submitted with the application. In all other circumstances, or if the application is not received until after 31st January 2026, late applications (including late changes to on time applications), will receive a lower priority, and will only be considered after the applications received (or deemed to be) on time.

NB. If the late application is for an Academy, Foundation, Free or Voluntary Aided School, or a school outside Worcestershire, it will be necessary to refer to the late application policy of the school or the LA, in whose area the school is located.

All applications received after 31st January 2026 for the intake year, must be submitted to School Admissions, and will be processed as soon as possible. An offer, or refusal of a school place, will be given by School Admissions, on behalf of the relevant admission authority. If making an application after the start of the Autumn Term (1st September 2026) please refer to InYear Transfer section of this book.

When are decisions made?

Offers will be issued on **2 March 2026**. They will be issued direct to parents, by School Admissions, even if it is on behalf of the governing body of an Academy, Foundation, Free or Voluntary Aided School, or a school in a neighbouring LA.

In the few cases, where it may not be possible to offer a place at any of the preferences nominated on the application, a place will normally be offered at the nearest school with places still available.

The acceptance or decline of the offer must be made by the date specified.

For pupils not resident in Worcestershire, the offer or refusal will be sent direct to parents by the home LA, even if it is for a school in Worcestershire.

Information about Worcestershire High/Secondary Schools

Key to Columns

Type: Categorisation of school - see page 19 for further description.

A	=	Academy
C	=	Community
FR	=	Free
FD	=	Foundation
VA	=	Voluntary Aided
VC	=	Voluntary Controlled

N.B. *At time of publication a number of schools are applying to become Academies and the school status maybe subject to change.

DfE No: Department for Education (DfE) school number. All school numbers in Worcestershire have the prefix of 885, which is the Authority number allocated by the DfE.

PAN: Published Admission Number
The number of children which can be admitted to a school in the relevant year group (Year 7 intake, Year 8 intake or Year 9 intake in the case of High Schools). The PAN is agreed by the governing body of the school. The figures set for the admissions year 2026/2027 are shown.

PAN 6th: There are no admission limits for those pupils who are progressing from Year 11 to Year 12 at the same school. However, there are admission limits on external pupils entering the school for the first time as a sixth form pupil. In most cases applicants must have reached certain academic standards. Details of each school's requirements on academic attainment to gain entry can be found by contacting the school and/or in the school's 6th Form prospectus.

NOR: Total number of pupils on roll at the school in January 2025.

BEWDLEY AREA - HIGH SCHOOLS Age Range 11-18 (Years 7-13)				
Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025	PAN 6th Form
FD 4001	The Bewdley School Stourport Road, Bewdley, Worcs. DY12 1BL Email: office@bewdley.worcs.sch.uk Tel: 01299 403277 Web: www.bewdley.worcs.sch.uk	180	964	8

Notes on Admissions: The denominational high school for Catholic children that serves this area is:- Hagley Catholic High School – See Hagley Area within this section.

BROMSGROVE AREA - HIGH SCHOOLS

Age Range 13-18 (Years 9-13)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025	PAN 6th Form
A 4021	North Bromsgrove High School School Drive, Stratford Road, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B60 1BA Email: nbhs@northbromsgrove.worcs.sch.uk Tel: 01527 872375 Web: www.northbromsgrove.worcs.sch.uk	300	1080	10
A 4003	South Bromsgrove High School Charford Road, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B60 3NL Email: sbhs@southbromsgrove.worcs.sch.uk Tel: 01527 831783 Web: www.southbromsgrove.worcs.sch.uk	335	1355	20

Notes on Admissions: The denominational high school for Catholic children that serve this area is: St. Augustine's Catholic High School – See Redditch Area within this section.

DROITWICH AREA - HIGH SCHOOLS

Age Range 12-18 (Years 8-13)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025	PAN 6th Form
A 4005	Droitwich Spa High School Briar Mill, Droitwich, Worcs. WR9 0AA Email: office@droitwichspahigh.worcs.sch.uk Tel: 01905 774421 Web: www.droitwichspahigh.worcs.sch.uk	305	1300	15

Notes on Admission: The denominational high school for Catholic children that serves this area is: Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College – See Worcester Area within this section.

EVESHAM AREA - HIGH SCHOOLS Age Range 13-18 (Years 9-13)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025	PAN 6th Form
A 4018	The De Montfort School Four Pools Road, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 1DQ Email: office@tdms.worcs.sch.uk Tel: 01386 442060 Web: www.tdms.worcs.sch.uk	90	902	10
A 5403	Prince Henry's High School Victoria Avenue, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 4QH Email: enquiries@princehenrys.worcs.sch.uk Tel: 01386 765588 Web: www.princehenrys.worcs.sch.uk	315	1282	30

Notes on Admissions: The denominational high schools for Catholic children that serve this area are: Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College - See Worcester Area within this section and St. Benedict's Catholic High School, Alcester, Warwickshire Tel: 01789 762888.

HAGLEY AREA - HIGH SCHOOLS Age Range 11-18 (Years 7-13)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025	PAN 6th Form
A 4800	Hagley Catholic High School Brake Lane, Hagley, West Midlands. DY8 2XL Email: enquiry_hchs@emmausmac.com Tel: 01562 883193 Web: www.hagleyrc.worcs.sch.uk	190	1113	30
A 4010	Haybridge High School and Sixth Form Brake Lane, Hagley, West Midlands. DY8 2XS Email: office@haybridge.worcs.sch.uk Tel: 01562 886213 Web: www.haybridge.worcs.sch.uk	210	1217	52

KIDDERMINSTER AREA - HIGH SCHOOLS Age Range 11-18 (Years 7-13)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025	PAN 6th Form
A 4014	Baxter College Habberley Road, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY11 5PQ Email: info@bax.saet.co.uk Tel: 01562 741524 Web: www.baxtercollege.co.uk	180	779	10
FR 6009	*Holy Trinity School Birmingham Road, Kidderminster, Worcs, DY10 2BY Email: contact@holytrinity.co.uk Tel: 01562 822929	25	739	30
A 4501	King Charles 1 School Hill Grove House, Comberton Road, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY10 1XA Email: office@kingcharles1.worcs.sch.uk Tel: 01562 512880 Web: www.kingcharlesschool.co.uk	224	1128	10
VC 4503	Wolverley CE Secondary School Blakeshall Lane, Wolverley, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY11 5XQ Email: office@wolverley.worcs.sch.uk Tel: 01562 859800 Web: www.wolverley.worcs.sch.uk	180	960	8

Notes on Admissions: The denominational high school for Catholic children that serves this area is:- Hagley Catholic High School – See Hagley Area within this section.

* Holy Trinity School is an all-through school with children from Reception to Year 13 (Ages 5 – 18)

MALVERN AREA - HIGH SCHOOLS Age Range 11-18 (Years 7-13)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025	PAN 6th Form
A 4801	Dyson Perrins Church of England Academy Yates Hay Road, Malvern, Worcs. WR14 1WD Email: office@dysonperrins.co.uk Tel: 01684 564751 Web: www.dysonperrins.worcs.sch.uk	168	615	
A 4028	The Chase School Geraldine Road, Malvern, Worcs. WR14 3NZ Email: office@chase.worcs.sch.uk Tel: 01684 891961 Web: www.chase.worcs.sch.uk	240	1407	40

Notes on Admissions: The denominational high school for Catholic children that serves this area is:- Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College - See Worcester Area within this section.

MARTLEY AREA - HIGH SCHOOLS Age Range 11-16 (Years 7-11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
A 4435	The Chantry School Martley, Worcs. WR6 6QA Email: office@chantryschool.com Tel: 01886 887100 Web: www.chantryschool.com	175	886

Notes on Admissions: The denominational high schools that serve this area are:

Church of England Bishop Perowne Church of England College
Merriman's Hill Road,
Worcester WR3 8LF
(See Worcester Area within this section)

Catholic Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College
Timberdine Avenue,
Worcester WR5 2BE
(See Worcester Area within this section)

PERSHORE AREA - HIGH SCHOOLS

Age Range 11-18 (Years 7 -13)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025	PAN 6th Form
A 4030	Pershore High School Station Road, Pershore, Worcs. WR10 2BX Email: office@pershore.worcs.sch.uk Tel: 01386 552471 Web: www.pershore.worcs.sch.uk	Year 7: 90 Year 8: 192	1125	8

Notes on Admissions: The denominational high school for Catholic children that serves this area is: Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College – See Worcester Area within this section.

REDDITCH AREA - HIGH SCHOOLS

Age Range 13-18 & 11-18 (Years 9-13 & Years 7-13)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025	PAN 6th Form
A 4008	Arrow Vale School Matchborough Way, Redditch, B98 0GF Email: office@arrowvaleacademy.co.uk Tel: 01527 526800 Web: www.arrowvaleacademy.co.uk	224	856	15
A 4020	Ridgeway Secondary School Evesham Road, Astwood Bank, Redditch, Worcs. B96 6BD Email: office@rss.shiresmat.org.uk Tel: 01527 892867 Web: www.ridgewaysecondary.org.uk	108	338	NA
A 5400	St. Augustine's Catholic High School Stonepits Lane, Hunt End, Redditch, Worcs. B97 5LX Email: admissions@sta-magnificat.org.uk Tel: 01527 550400 Web: www.sta-magnificat.org.uk	235	966	50
A 4437	Trinity High and Sixth Form Centre Easemore Road, Redditch, Worcs. B98 8HB Email: office@trinityhigh.net Tel: 01527 585859 Web: www.trinityhigh.worcs.sch.uk	252	949	20
A 4438	Tudor Grange Academy Redditch Woodrow Drive, Redditch, Worcs. B98 7UH Email: mainoffice@redditch.tgacademy.org.uk Tel: 01527 523088 Web: www.redditch.tgacademy.org.uk	180	401	20

RUBERY AREA - HIGH SCHOOLS Age Range 11-18 (Years 7-13)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025	PAN 6th Form
A 4044	Waseley Hills High and Sixth Form Centre School Road, Rubery, Rednal, Birmingham B45 9EL Email: office@waseleyhills.worcs.sch.uk Tel: 0121 453 5211 Web: www.waseleyhills.worcs.sch.uk	178	741	50

STOURPORT ON SEVERN AREA - HIGH SCHOOLS Age Range 11-18 (Years 7-13)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025	PAN 6th Form
A 4004	The Stourport High School & Sixth Form Centre Minster Road, Stourport on Severn, Worcs. DY13 8AX Email: office@shs.saet.co.uk Tel: 01299 872950 Web: www.shs.worcs.sch.uk	180	1100	15

Notes on Admissions: The denominational high school for Catholic children that serves this area is:- Hagley Catholic High School – See Hagley Area within this section.

TENBURY - HIGH SCHOOLS Age Range 11-16 (Years 7-11)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025
A 4013	Tenbury High Ormiston Academy Oldwood Road, Tenbury Wells, Worcs. WR15 8XA Email: office@tenburyhigh.co.uk Tel: 01584 810304 Web: www.tenburyhighormistonacademy.co.uk	95	454

6th Form Education for Tenbury Pupils is provided in Ludlow, Shropshire.

UPTON UPON SEVERN AREA - HIGH SCHOOLS Age Range 11-18 (Years 7-13)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025	PAN 6th Form
A 4500	Hanley Castle High School Church End, Hanley Castle, Worcs. WR8 0BL Email: office@hanleycastlehs.org.uk Tel: 01684 593241 Web: www.hanleycastle.worcs.sch.uk	180	1100	20

WORCESTER CITY AREA - HIGH SCHOOLS - Years 7-11 (Ages 11-16) With the exception of Christopher Whitehead Language College and Tudor Grange Academy - Years 7-13 (Ages 11-18)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025	PAN 6th Form
A 4754	Bishop Perowne Church of England College Merriman's Hill Road, Worcester WR3 8LE Email: info@bishopperowne.co.uk Tel: 01905 746800 Web: www.bishopperowne.co.uk	240	1168	N/A
VA 5402	Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College Timberdine Avenue, Worcester WR5 2XD Email: office@blessededward.co.uk Tel: 01905 352615 Web: www.blessededward.co.uk	210	1050	N/A
A 4432	Christopher Whitehead Language College Bromwich Road, Worcester WR2 4AF Email: office@cwlc.email Tel: 01905 423906 Web: www.christopherwhitehead.worcs.sch.uk	284	1596	110
A 4434	Nunnery Wood High School Spetchley Road, Worcester WR5 2LT Email: reception@nunnerywood.worcs.sch.uk Tel: 01905 363636 Web: www.nunnerywood.worcs.sch.uk	300	1479	N/A
A 6905	Tudor Grange Academy Bilford Road, Worcester WR3 3HN Email: office@worcs.tgacademy.org.uk Tel: 01905 454627 Web: www.tgacademy.org.uk	210	1090	3

WYTHALL AREA - HIGH SCHOOLS
Age Range 11-18 (Years 7-13)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	NOR Jan 2025	PAN 6th Form
A 4017	Woodrush High School Shawhurst Lane, Hollywood, Birmingham B47 5JW Email: office@woodrush.org Tel: 01564 823777 Web: www.woodrushhigh.worcs.sch.uk	180	1019	10

Dates of Open Events at Worcestershire Schools

The table below tells you what date each school will hold its open event. It is in alphabetical order within district. Full details of each open event including dates of any visits during the day can be found on the individual schools website.

Town	School Name and Website Address	Date and Time of Open Event
Bewdley	The Bewdley School www.bewdley.worcs.sch.uk	Year 7 Open Evening Thursday 18 September 2025 Sixth form Wednesday 5 November 2025
	North Bromsgrove High School www.northbromsgrove.worcs.sch.uk	Thursday 25 September 2025 5.30-8.30pm Sixth form Thursday 23 October 2025, 5.30 - 8pm
Bromsgrove	South Bromsgrove High School www.southbromsgrove.org.uk	Thursday 2 October 2025 Sixth form Thursday 6 November 2025
	Droitwich Spa High School www.droitwichspahigh.worcs.sch.uk	Thursday 18 September 2025
Droitwich	The De Montfort School www.tdms.worcs.sch.uk	Thursday 25 September 2025 5-8pm Sixth form Thursday 13 November 2025, 6-8pm
	Prince Henry's High School www.princehenrys.worcs.sch.uk	Thursday 23 October 2025 Sixth form Thursday 6 November 2025
Evesham	Hagley Catholic High School www.hagleyrc.com	Saturday 4 October 2025 Open morning
	Haybridge High School www.haybridge.worcs.sch.uk	Thursday 18 September 2025 Sixth form Wednesday 15 October 2025
Hagley		

Town	School Name and Website Address	Date and Time of Open Event
Kidderminster	Baxter College www.baxtercollege.worcs.sch.uk	Thursday 2 October 2025 Sixth form Thursday 6 November 2025
	King Charles I Secondary www.kingcharlesschool.co.uk	Thursday 25 September 2025 Sixth form Thursday 13 November 2025
	Holy Trinity School www.htsfreeschool.co.uk	Reception and Year 7 Tuesday 7 October 2025 Sixth form Tuesday 14 October 2025
	Wolverley CE Secondary www.wolverley.worcs.sch.uk	Tuesday 23 September 2025 Sixth form Tuesday 21 October 2025
Malvern	The Chase School www.chase.worcs.sch.uk	Thursday 25 September 2025 09.30 - 11.30am, 6-8.30pm Sixth form Wednesday 12 November 2025, 6.30pm
	Dyson Perrins CE High School www.dysonperrins.worcs.sch.uk	Open Evening Thursday 2 October 2025 6-9pm Open mornings Monday 29 September 2025 Tuesday 30 September 2025 Wednesday 1 October 2025
Martley	The Chantry High School www.chantry.worcs.sch.uk	Wednesday 24 September 2025 5-8pm
Pershore	Pershore High School www.pershore.worcs.sch.uk	Thursday 25 September 2025
Redditch	Arrow Vale High School www.arrowvaleacademy.co.uk	Tuesday 23 September 2025 Sixth form 16 October 2025
	Ridgeway Secondary School www.ridgewaysecondary.org.uk	Thursday 2 October 2025 Open Evening
	Tudor Grange Academy Redditch www.redditch.tgacademy.org.uk	Thursday 25 September 2025 Sixth form Thursday 6 November 2025
	St Augustine's Catholic High School www.st-augustines.worcs.sch.uk	Thursday 2 October 2025 Sixth form Thursday 20 November 2025 Open Evening
	Trinity High & Sixth Form Centre www.trinityhigh.worcs.sch.uk	Thursday 9 October 2025 Sixth form Tuesday 4 November 2025 Open Evening

Town	School Name and Website Address	Date and Time of Open Event
Rubery	Waseley Hills High School & Sixth Form Centre: www.waseleyhills.worcs.sch.uk	Thursday 2 October 2025 Sixth form Thursday 20 November 2025 Open Evening
Stourport	The Stourport High School & Sixth Form Centre: www.shs.worcs.sch.uk	Thursday 9 October 2025 Open Evening Sixth form Thursday 20 November 2025 Open Evening
Tenbury	Tenbury High Ormiston Academy www.tenburyhighormistonacademy.co.uk	Thursday 25 September 2025
Upton upon Severn	Hanley Castle High School www.hanleycastle.worcs.sch.uk	Thursday 9 October 2025 Open Evening
Worcester	Bishop Perowne Church of England College www.bishopperowne.co.uk	Thursday 2 October 2025 9-10.30 and 6-8pm
	Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College www.blessededward.co.uk	Thursday 25 September 2025
	Christopher Whitehead Language College www.christopherwhitehead.worcs.sch.uk	Thursday 18 September 2025 Sixth form Thursday 16 October 2025
	Nunnery Wood High School www.nunnerywood.worcs.sch.uk	Wednesday 24 September 2025
	Tudor Grange Academy www.worcs.tgacademy.org.uk	Thursday 18 September 2025
Wythall	Woodrush High School – An Academy for Students Aged 11 – 18. www.woodrushhigh.worcs.sch.uk	Please refer to school website for details

These dates are correct at the time of completion (July 2025).

Worcestershire Mainstream School Area Pyramids including School Accessibility and Resourced SEN Provision

Feeder Schools

Within each area a pyramid of schools exists. Feeder schools are schools which are named in a schools' admission policy and form pyramid arrangements for the next phase of education. Please note not all schools use the Feeder School connection in their admission arrangements. Please ensure that you check the admission policy for any Academy, Foundation, Free or Voluntary Aided School to ensure you are aware of any feeder school links named in the policies.

Mainstream School Accessibility Information

The Worcestershire County Council Accessibility Strategy and school accessibility plans are a requirement of Schedule 10 of the Equality Act 2010 to increase access to the curriculum and the physical environment of schools. Each school in Worcestershire has varying degrees of accessibility and the following categorises each school.

Categories of Schools

Category A - These are schools that have reasonable access to the curriculum and supporting accommodation, as well as a fully functioning Bathroom Management Area (BMA).

Category B - These are schools where access to the curriculum and supporting accommodation is limited and additional work is needed to be able to better accommodate students with physical disability. These schools do not have a Bathroom Management Area.

Category C - These are schools at which building work is on site or planned to be carried out within the Local Authority's various building programmes and may include specific access works. Once these works are completed these schools will be given either a category A or category B rating.

Category D - These are schools which have challenging accessibility issues or are yet to be assessed for specific physical disability accessibility purposes. These are schools where, consequently, the Local Authority will need to consider providing greater resources to enable physically disabled pupils to be able to access the curriculum and supporting accommodation or schools that are not able to be fully adapted.

SEN Provision

Wherever possible, children and young people should be supported to have their needs met within their local mainstream provision. All educational settings are expected to have an inclusive approach and are required by law to make reasonable adaptations or adjustments to the premises and provision to ensure pupil's needs are met. Where a child or young person is identified as having Special Educational Needs or Disability (SEND), educational establishments should take action to remove barriers to learning and put effective special educational provision in place. This is called SEN Support. Worcestershire County Council has produced the SEND Graduated Response guidance, which is intended to be used as a tool for schools and settings, to help ensure children and young people across the County with SEND reach their full potential. A link to The Graduated Response Guidance is provided.

Resourced SEN Provision

Some schools offer resourced provision for pupils who have a specific SEND need.

Early Years Language Classes (EYLC) support pre-school age children (aged 3-5 years), who have speech, language and communication difficulties and disorders which require specialist input.

School Age Language Classes (SALC) support children in KS1, KS2 and KS3/4. Places in Language Classes are allocated by Speech and Language Therapists, not by direct application to a school.

Mainstream Autism Bases (MAB) and Enhanced Mainstream Autism Bases (EMAB) support pupils who have an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) and a primary need of Autism. Pupils in a MAB/EMAB will spend some of their time in mainstream classes but also receive specialised autism specific provision in the Base. Places are allocated by the SEND Services Team and pupils must have an EHCP in place.

Primary SEN Units support pupils with a specific need such as Speech, Language and Communication (SLCN) or Social, Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH). Pupils will spend at least half of their time in the Unit but will also access some mainstream classes. Places in a SEN Unit are allocated by SEND Services and pupils must have an EHCP in place.

Reviewing Education Provision

The Council constantly reviews all educational provision, its program of school building works, and other relevant funding sources. Therefore, the following tables are subject to frequent updates.

Bewdley Pyramid

The Bewdley Area comprises the Town of Bewdley together with the civil parishes of Bayton, Bewdley, Kidderminster Foreign, Mamble, Ribbesford, Rock, Upper Arley.

Phase	Bewdley Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
High School	The Bewdley School and Sixth Form Centre	Not applicable	A	No
Primary School	Bayton CE Primary	The Bewdley School	A	No
Primary School	Bewdley Primary	The Bewdley School	A	No
Primary School	Far Forest Lea Memorial CE Primary	The Bewdley School	A	No
Primary School	Primary St Anne's E Primary	The Bewdley School	A	No
Primary School	Upper Arley CE Primary	The Bewdley School	A	No

Bromsgrove Pyramid

The Bromsgrove Area comprises the Town of Bromsgrove together with the civil parishes of Alvechurch, Barnt Green, Belbroughton (Part) -Dordale and Fairfield, Beoley, Bourneheath, Catshill, Cofton Hackett (Part) - Kendall End Road to Cofton Church Lane, Dodderhill (Part), Dodford and Grafton, Finstall, Hanbury, Lickey (Part), Stoke Prior, Wythall (Part).

Phase	Bromsgrove Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
High School	North Bromsgrove High	Not applicable	A	MAB
High School	South Bromsgrove High	Not applicable	A	No
Middle School	Alvechurch CE Middle	North & South Bromsgrove High	A	No
Middle School	Aston Fields Middle	South Bromsgrove High	D	No
Middle School	Catshill Middle	North Bromsgrove High	D	No
Middle School	Parkside Middle	North Bromsgrove High	A	MAB
Middle School	St John's CE Middle	South Bromsgrove High	D	No
First School	Beoley First	Alvechurch CE Middle	B	No
First School	Blackwell First	Alvechurch CE Middle	A	No
First School	Catshill First & Nursery	Catshill Middle	A	No
First School	Charford First	Aston Fields Middle	A	EYLC
First School	Crown Meadow First	Alvechurch CE Middle	A	No
First School	Dodford First	Parkside Middle	B	No
First School	Fairfield First	Catshill Middle	B	No
First School	Finstall First	Aston Fields Middle	B	No
First School	Hanbury CE First	Aston Fields Middle	B	No
First School	Lickey End First	Catshill Middle	B	No
First School	Meadows First	Parkside Middle	A	MAB
First School	Millfields First	No feeder links	A	No
First School	St Andrew's CE First	Alvechurch CE Middle	D	No

Phase	Bromsgrove Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
First School	St Peter's Catholic First ⁶	St Bede's Catholic Middle	B	No
First School	Stoke Prior First	Aston Fields Middle	B	No
First School	The Orchards	Parkside Middle	A	No

Droitwich Pyramid

The Droitwich Area comprises Droitwich Spa together with the civil parishes of Dodderhill (Part), Doverdale, Elmbridge, Elmley Lovett, Hadzor (Part), Hampton Lovett, Hindlip Huddington (Part), Martin Hussingtree, North Claines (Part), Oddingley (Part), Ombersley, Rushock, Salwarpe, Tibberton, Upton Warren, Westwood.

Phase	Droitwich Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
High School	Droitwich Spa High	Not applicable	A	No
Middle School	Westacre Middle	Droitwich Spa High	A	No
Middle School	Witton Middle	Droitwich Spa High	A	No
First School	Chawson Community First	Westacre Middle & Witton Middle	A	No
Primary School	Cutnall Green CE Primary ⁷	Westacre Middle	A	No
First School	Hindlip CE First	Witton Middle	B	No
First School	Ombersley Endowed First	Westacre Middle & Witton Middle	B	No
Primary School	St Joseph's Catholic Primary	Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College	D	No
First School	St Peter's Droitwich CE Academy	Westacre Middle & Witton Middle	A	No
Primary School	Sytchampton Endowed Primary ⁸	Westacre Middle	B	No
First School	Tibberton CE First	Westacre Middle & Witton Middle	D	No
First School	Westlands First	Westacre Middle & Witton Middle	B	No
First School	Wychbold First & Nursery	Westacre Middle & Witton Middle	A	No

⁶ St. Peter's Catholic First School is situated in the South Bromsgrove area. The school is officially part of the Redditch Catholic pyramid but it does admit sizeable numbers of non-Catholic children who subsequently move on to the schools in the South Bromsgrove Pyramid.

⁷ Pupils at Cutnall Green Primary School can choose to transfer to a Middle school for year 5 in Droitwich or remain at the school, transferring to a High school for year 7 and are a named feeder school for King Charles I High School.

⁸ Pupils at Sytchampton Endowed Primary School can choose to transfer to a Middle school for year 5 in Droitwich or remain at the school, transferring to a High school for year 7 elsewhere.

Evesham Pyramid

The Evesham Area comprises the Town of Evesham together with the civil parishes of Abbots Morton, Aldington, Ashton under Hill, Aston Somerville, Badsey, Beckford, Bickmarsh, Birlingham (see note i below), Bredon, Bredon's Norton, Bretforton, Bricklehampton, Broadway, Charlton, Childswickham, Church Lench, Cleeve Prior, Conderton, Cropthorne, Eckington, Elmley Castle, Harvington, Hinton on the Green, Honeybourne, Kemerton, Netherton, Norton and Lenchwick, North and Middle Littleton, Offenham, Overbury, Pebworth, Rous Lench, Sedgeberrow, South Littleton, Wickhamford.

Phase	Evesham Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
High School	Prince Henry's High	Not applicable	A	No
Middle and High School	The De Montfort School	Not applicable	A	No
Middle School	Blackminster Middle	The De Montfort	A	No
Middle School	Bredon Hill Academy	Prince Henry's High	B	No
Middle School	St Egwin's CE Middle	Prince Henry's High	C	No
First School	Ashton under Hill First	Bredon Hill Academy	B	No
First School	Badsey First	Blackminster Middle	A	No
First School	Bengeworth CE Academy	The De Montfort	A	No
First School	Bredon Hancock's Endowed CE First	Bredon Hill Academy	A	No
First School	Bretforton Village	Blackminster Middle	A	No
First School	Broadway First	Bredon Hill Academy	B	No
First School	Church Lench CE First	St Egwin's CE Middle	A	No
First School	Cleeve Prior CE First	Blackminster Middle	B	No
First School	Cropthorne with Charlton CE First	Bredon Hill Academy	A	No

Phase	Evesham Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
First School	Eckington CE First ⁹	Bredon Hill Academy & St Barnabas CE First & Middle, Drakes Broughton	B	No
First School	Elmley Castle CE First	Bredon Hill Academy	B	No
First School	Harvington CE First	St Egwin's CE Middle	A	No
Primary School	Honeybourne Primary	No feeder links	B	No
First School	Offenham CE First	Blackminster Middle	B	No
First School	Overbury CE First	Bredon Hill Academy	B	No
First School	Pebworth First	Blackminster Middle	A	No
First School	Sedgeberrow CE First	Bredon Hill Academy	B	No
First School	St Andrew's CE First ¹⁰	The De Montfort & St Egwin's Middle	A	No
Primary School	St Mary's Catholic Primary, Broadway	Bredon Hill Academy & Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College	D	No
Primary School	St Mary's Catholic Primary, Evesham	Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College	B	No
First School	St Richard's CE First	The De Montfort	A	No
First School	Swan Lane First	St Egwin's CE Middle	A	No
First School	The Littletons CE First	Blackminster Middle	B	No

Note - children resident in Birlingham are part of a shared catchment area with Eckington C.E. First in the Evesham area and Defford-cum-Besford C.E. First in the Pershore area. This shared catchment area also applies to the Middle and High schools of Bredon Hill Academy and Prince Henry's High in the Evesham area and St Barnabas C.E. First and Middle, Drakes Broughton and Pershore High School.

⁹ Eckington CE First has part of its catchment area feeding into Drakes Broughton St. Barnabas in the Pershore pyramid

¹⁰ St. Andrew's CE First has part of its catchment area feeding into St Egwin's Middle and part feeding into The De Montfort School

Hagley Pyramid

The Hagley Area comprises the civil parishes of Belbroughton (Part) - (excluding Dordale and Fairfield), Broome, Churchill and Blakedown, Clent, Hagley, Romsley.

Phase	Hagley Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
High School	Hagley Catholic High ¹¹	Not applicable	A	No
High School	Haybridge High	Not applicable	A	No
Primary School	Belbroughton CE Primary & Nursery	Haybridge High	B	No
Primary School	Blakedown CE Primary	Haybridge High	B	No
Primary School	Clent Parochial Primary	Haybridge High	B	No
Primary School	Hagley Primary	Haybridge High	A	No
Primary School	St Kenelm's CE Primary	Haybridge High	C	No

Kidderminster Pyramid

The Kidderminster Area comprises the Town of Kidderminster together with the civil parishes of Chaddesley Corbett, Stone, Wolverley, Cookley.

Phase	Kidderminster Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
High School	Baxter Business and Enterprise College	Not applicable	D	No
All through School	Holy Trinity School	Not applicable	A	No
High School	King Charles I ¹²	Not applicable	D	MAB & SALC
High School	Wolverley CE Secondary	Not applicable	B	No
Primary School	Birchen Coppice Primary	No feeder links	A	No
Primary School	Chaddesley Corbett Endowed Primary	King Charles I	A	EMAB

¹¹ Hagley Catholic High names catholic feeder schools from Kidderminster, Stourport and outside of Worcestershire. Please read the schools admission policy for full details.

¹² Please note that Cutnall Green Primary School in the Droitwich area is also a named feeder school for King Charles I High School.

Phase	Kidderminster Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
Primary School	Comberton Primary	King Charles I	B	No
Primary School	Cookley Sebright Primary	Wolverley CE Secondary	A	No
Primary School	Foley Park Primary	No feeder links	A	No
Primary School	Franch Community Primary	No feeder links	A	No
Primary School	Heronswood Primary	King Charles I	A	No
Primary School	Offmore Primary	King Charles I	A	No
Primary School	St Ambrose Catholic Primary	Hagley Catholic High	A	No
Primary School	St Catherine's CE Primary	Wolverley CE Secondary	A	No
Primary School	St George's CE Primary	King Charles I	A	No
Primary School	St John's CE Primary	No feeder links	C	No
Primary School	St Mary's CE Primary	Wolverley CE Secondary	B	EYLC
Primary School	St Oswald's CE Primary	Wolverley CE Secondary	A	No
Primary School	Sutton Park Primary	No feeder links	A	SALC
Primary School	Wolverley Sebright Primary	Wolverley CE Secondary	A	No

Malvern Pyramid

The High Schools in Malvern do not have feeder school as part of their admission arrangements

Phase	Malvern Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
High School	Dyson Perrins	Not applicable	A	MAB
High School	The Chase	Not applicable	A	No
Primary School	Callow End CE Primary	No feeder links	B	No
Primary School	Great Malvern Primary	No feeder links	B	No
Primary School	Grove Primary	No feeder links	A	No
Primary School	Leigh & Bransford Primary	No feeder links	B	No
Primary School	Madresfield CE Primary	No feeder links	A	No
Primary School	Malvern Parish CE Primary	No feeder links	D	No
Primary School	Malvern Vale Primary	No feeder links	A	No
Primary School	Malvern Wells CE Primary	No feeder links	D	No
Primary School	Northleigh CE Primary	No feeder links	B	No
Primary School	Powick CE Primary	No feeder links	B	No
Primary School	Rushwick CE Primary	Christopher Whitehead College	A	No
Primary School	St James' CE Primary	No feeder links	B	No
Primary School	St Joseph's Catholic Primary	Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College	D	No
Primary School	St Matthias CE Primary	No feeder links	A	No
Primary School	Somers Park Primary	No feeder links	B	No
Primary School	Suckley Primary	No feeder links	C	No
Primary School	Wyche CE Primary	No feeder links	D	No

Martley Pyramid

The Martley area comprises of the following civil parishes of Abberley, Astley and Dunley, Broadheath, Broadwas, Clifton on Teme, Cotheridge, Doddenham, Great Witley, Grimley, Hallow, Hillhampton, Holt, Kenswick, Knightwick, Little Witley, Lower Sapey, Lulsley, Martley, Pensax, Shelsley Beauchamp, Shelsley Kings, Shelsley Walsh, Shrawley, Stanford with Orleton, Stockton on Teme, Wichenford, plus the Menith Wood locality in the civil parish of Lindridge, plus the Crown East locality in the civil parish of Rushwick.

Phase	Martley Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
High School	The Chantry School	Not applicable	A	No
Primary School	Abberley Parochial Primary	The Chantry	B	No
Primary School	Astley CE Primary	The Chantry	A	No
Primary School	Broadheath CE Primary	The Chantry & Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College	B	No
Primary School	Broadwas CE Primary	The Chantry	B	No
Primary School	Clifton upon Teme Primary	The Chantry	B	No
Primary School	Great Witley CE Primary	The Chantry	B	No
Primary School	Grimley & Holt CE Primary	The Chantry & Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College	A	No
Primary School	Hallow CE Primary	The Chantry & Christopher Whitehead College & Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College	B	No
Primary School	Martley CE Primary	The Chantry	A	No

Pershore Pyramid

The Pershore Area comprises the Town of Pershore together with the civil parishes of Abberton, Besford, Birlingham (see note 1 below), Bishampton, Bredicot, Broughton Hackett, Churchill, Cookhill (Part), Crowle, Defford, Dormston, Drakes Broughton and Wadborough, Fladbury, Flyford Flavell, Grafton Flyford, Great Comberton, Hadzor (Part), Hill and Moor, Himbleton, Huddington (Part), Inkberrow, Kington, Little Comberton, Naunton Beauchamp, North Piddle, Norton Juxta Kempsey, Oddington (Part), Peopleton, Pinvin, Pirton, Spetchley, Stock and Bradley (Part), Stoulton, Strensham, Throckmorton, Upton Snodsbury, White Ladies Aston, Wick, Wyre Piddle.

Phase	Pershore Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
High School	Pershore High	Not applicable	A	MAB
Primary School	Abbey Park Primary	Pershore High	A	MAB
Primary School	Crowle CE Primary	Pershore High	B	No
Primary School	Defford cum Besford CE Primary	Pershore High	B	No
Primary School	Fladbury CE Primary	Pershore High	D	No
Primary School	Flyford Flavell Primary	Pershore High	D	No
Primary School	Himbleton CE Primary	Pershore High	A	No
Primary School	Holy Redeemer Catholic Primary	Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College	B	No
Primary School	Inkberrow Primary	Pershore High	D	No
Primary School	Norton Juxta Kempsey Primary	Pershore High	B	No
Primary School	Orchard Primary	Pershore High	A	No
Primary School	Pinvin CE Academy	Pershore High	B	No
Primary School	St Barnabas CE Primary	Pershore High	A	No
Primary School	Upton Snodsbury Primary	Pershore High	B	No

Note - children resident in Birlingham are part of a shared catchment area with Eckington C.E.First in the Evesham area and Defford-cum-Besford C.E.Primary in the Pershore area. This shared catchment area also applies to the Middle and High schools of Bredon Hill Academy and Prince Henry's High in the Evesham area and Pershore High School.

Redditch Pyramid

The Redditch Area comprises the Town of Redditch together with the civil parishes of Bentley Pouncefoot, Cookhill (Part), Feckenham, Stock and Bradley, Tutnall and Cobley.

Phase	Redditch Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
High School	Arrow Vale High	Not applicable	A	No
High School	Ridgeway Secondary	Not applicable	A	No
High School	St Augustine's Catholic High	Not applicable	A	No
High School	Trinity High School & Sixth Form Centre	Not applicable	D	No
High School	Tudor Grange Academy Redditch	Not applicable	A	MAB/EMAB
Middle School	Birchensale Middle	Trinity High School	D	No
Middle School	Church Hill Middle	Arrow Vale High	B	No
Middle School	Ipsley CE Middle	Arrow Vale High	A	No
Middle School	St Bede's Catholic Middle	St Augustine's Catholic High	A	No
Middle School	Walkwood CE Middle ¹³	Trinity High School	A	MAB
Middle School	Woodfield Academy	Trinity High School	A	No
First School	Abbeywood First	Church Hill Middle	A	No
First School	Arrow Valley First	Ipsley CE Middle	B	No
Primary School	Astwood Bank Primary	Ridgeway Secondary	A	No
First School	Batchley First	Birchensale Middle	D	EYLC
First School	Crabbs Cross Academy	No feeder links	B	No
Primary School	Feckenham CE Primary	Ridgeway Secondary	B	No
First School	Holyoakes Field First	Birchensale Middle	A	No
First School	Matchborough First Academy	Ipsley CE Middle	A	SALC
First School	Moon's Moat First	Church Hill Middle	B	No

¹³ Walkwood Church of England Middle School does not have feeder school as part of its admission arrangements.

Phase	Redditch Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
First School	Oak Hill First	Woodfield Academy	A	No
First School	Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic First	St Bede's Catholic Middle	A	No
First School	St George's CE First	Woodfield Academy	B	No
First School	St Luke's CE First	Birchensale Middle	B	No
First School	St Stephen's CE First	Birchensale Middle	B	No
First School	St Thomas More Catholic First	St Bede's Catholic Middle	B	No
First School	Tardebigge CE First	Birchensale Middle	B	No
First School	Tenacres First	Ipsley CE Middle	B	No
First School	The Vaynor First	No feeder links	A	No
Primary School	Webheath Academy ¹⁴	Ridgeway Secondary	A	No
First School	Woodrow First ¹⁵	Woodfield Academy	A	No

Rubery Pyramid

The Rubery Area comprises Rubery (that part falling within the administrative county of Worcester) together with the civil parishes of Cofton Hackett (Part), Frankley (Part), Lickey (Part).

Phase	Rubery Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
High School	Waseley Hills High School & Sixth Form	Not applicable	A	MAB
Primary School	Beaconside Primary & Nursery	Waseley Hills High	D	MAB
Primary School	Holywell Primary	Waseley Hills High	A	No
Primary School	Lickey Hill Primary	Waseley Hills High	B	SALC

¹⁴ Webheath Academy Primary – the catchment area for Webheath Academy Primary School is within the designated shared catchment area for Trinity High and Tudor Grange Academy Redditch.

¹⁵ Woodrow First - the catchment area for Woodrow First school is within the designated catchment area for Tudor Grange Academy Redditch at high school age. Parents should be aware there is no catchment area priority to Trinity High School from within the Woodrow First catchment area.

Stourport Pyramid

The Stourport Area comprises the Town of Stourport together with the civil parish of Hartlebury.

Phase	Stourport Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
High School	The Stourport High School & Sixth Form	Not applicable	D	No
Primary School	Burlish Park Primary	No feeder links	A	No
Primary School	Hartlebury CE Primary	No feeder links	B	No
Primary School	Lickhill Primary	No feeder links	B	No
Primary School	St Bartholomew's CE Primary	No feeder links	A	No
Primary School	St Wulstan's Catholic Primary	Hagley Catholic High	B	No
Primary School	Stourport Primary	No feeder links	A	No
Primary School	Wilden All Saints CE Primary	No feeder links	A	No

Tenbury Pyramid

The Tenbury Area comprises of the Parish of Tenbury together with the civil parishes of Bockleton, Eastham, Hanley, Knighton on Teme, Kyre, Lindridge (see note below table) Rochford, Stoke Bliss.

Phase	Tenbury Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
High School	Tenbury High Ormiston Academy	Not applicable	A	No
Primary School	Lindridge, St Lawrence's CE Primary	Tenbury High	B	No
Primary School	Tenbury CE Primary	Tenbury High	A	No

Note - Pupils in the Menith Wood locality in the civil parish of Lindridge attend schools in the Martley area.

Upton Pyramid

The Upton upon Severn area comprises of the Town of Upton upon Severn together with the civil parishes of Berrow, Birtsmorton, Bushley, Castlemorton, Croome D'Abitot, Earl's Croome, Eldersfield, Hanley Castle, Hill Croome, Holdfast, Kempsey, Longdon, Pendock, Pendock (Det.), Queenhill, Ripple, Severn Stoke, Welland.

Phase	Upton Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
High School	Hanley Castle High	Not applicable	A	No
Primary School	Castlemorton CE Primary	Hanley Castle High	B	No
Primary School	Eldersfield Lawn CE Primary	Hanley Castle High	A	No
Primary School	Hanley Swan St Gabriel's with St Mary's CE Primary	Hanley Castle High	A	No
Primary School	Kempsey Primary	Hanley Castle High	A	No
Primary School	Pendock CE Primary	Hanley Castle High	B	No
Primary School	Upton upon Severn CE Primary	Hanley Castle High	A	EYLC
Primary School	Welland Primary	Hanley Castle High	B	No

Worcester Pyramid

The Worcester City Area comprises the City of Worcester together with the civil parishes of North Claines as it extends beyond the city boundary, except that in part of the parish to the east of the railway line and north of the A449 road; the excepted part is contributory to the Droitwich area. Whittington is also included within the Worcester City area.

Phase	Worcester Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
High School	Bishop Perowne CE College	Not applicable	A	No
High School	Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College	Not applicable	A	No
High School	Christopher Whitehead Language College	Not applicable	A	EMAB
High School	Nunnery Wood High	Not applicable	A	No

Phase	Worcester Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
High School	Tudor Grange Academy Worcester	Not applicable	A	No
Primary School	Carnforth Primary	No feeder links	A	No
Primary School	Cherry Orchard Primary	Nunnery Wood High	A	No
Primary School	Claines CE Primary	Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College	A	No
Primary School	Cranham Primary	No feeder links	A	EYLC
Primary School	Hollymount School	No feeder links	B	No
Primary School	Honeywell Primary	Christopher Whitehead College	A	SEN Unit
Primary School	Lyppard Grange Primary	Nunnery Wood High	A	No
Primary School	North Worcester Primary	No feeder links	A	No
Primary School	Northwick Manor Primary	No feeder links	A	No
Primary School	Nunnery Wood Primary	Nunnery Wood High	B	No
Primary School	Oasis Academy Warndon	No feeder links	A	No
Primary School	Oldbury Park Primary	Christopher Whitehead College	A	MAB
Primary School	Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Primary	Christopher Whitehead College & Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College	A	No
Primary School	Perry Wood Primary & Nursery	Nunnery Wood High	A	No
Primary School	Pitmaston Primary	Christopher Whitehead College	A	No
Primary School	Red Hill CE Primary	Nunnery Wood High & Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College	A	No

Phase	Worcester Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
Primary School	St Barnabas CE Primary	Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College	A	No
Primary School	St Clement's CE Primary	Christopher Whitehead College & Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College	A	No
Primary School	St George's Catholic Primary	Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College	C	No
Primary School	St George's CE Primary	Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College	B	No
Primary School	St Joseph's Catholic Primary	Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College	A	No
Primary School	Stanley Road Primary	Nunnery Wood High	A	No
Primary School	Tudor Grange Academy Perdiswell	Tudor Grange Academy Worcester	A	No
Primary School	Whittington CE Primary	Nunnery Wood High & Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College	A	No

Wythall Pyramid

The Wythall Area comprises the civil parish of Wythall.

Phase	Wythall Schools	Feeder Link	Accessibility	Resourced SEN Provision
High School	Woodrush High	Not applicable	A	No
Primary School	Meadow Green Primary	Woodrush High	A	No
Primary School	The Coppice Primary	Woodrush High	A	No

In-Year Transfers

How do I apply?

- Apply online at www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions
- If you do not have access to the internet, you can get online at any Worcestershire library. To find your nearest library, visit www.worcestershire.gov.uk/libraries.
- Library staff can support Worcestershire Library members who need assistance using computers. For further information on becoming a member at www.worcestershire.gov.uk/libraries
- Or telephone School Admissions on 01905 822700 if you need assistance.

Important things to remember

- You must make an application, even if you have an older child already attending your preferred school.
- You can name up to six schools on your application. You are strongly advised to use all six preferences to increase your chance of getting a preferred school.
- Understand the admission arrangements for each of your preferences. This will enable you to assess what order of priority will be given for each preference.
- Be realistic about the schools you apply for. It's recommended that you include your catchment school as one of your three preferences. **If you do not apply for your catchment school on time, you may not be eligible for school transport.** However please note that you are not guaranteed a place at your catchment school. Check out which is your catchment school using this link www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schoolsearch
- Don't put schools as a preference if you would be unhappy with the offer of a place at that school. It would be a waste of a preference if you were offered a place at a school that you would not be happy with your child attending
- The order in which you list the schools is only used if you could be offered a place at more than one school. In this case, you would be offered whichever of those schools was highest on your application form.
- Having gained admission for one child at a school does not guarantee a younger child will be admitted. Should the school be oversubscribed at the time of application of a younger sibling, catchment area may have a higher priority on the oversubscription criteria.
- Having gained admission to a school of your preference, does not mean your child will have highest priority for transfer to the related middle or high school. If the related middle or high school is oversubscribed at the time of transfer, your child might then have to move in a different direction from other children currently attending the same school.

In-Year Transfers to all Schools

Admission authorities can review their arrangements annually. The information given in this book applies to In-Year admissions in the school year 2025-2026 and may change in future years. Please be aware that we are unable to reserve places in the event that further applications may be received, this means we will not be able to process your application more than 6 weeks in advance of the date you require the place.

What important things do I need to consider before moving my child In-Year?

Moving a child to another school is a very serious step to take. It can affect a child in many ways. It is important to consider whether a transfer is really the best option. If you are requesting a change of school that is not as a result of a house move, before making a definite decision to transfer to another school, you should think very carefully and talk through the issue with your child's present school. Before deciding to move a child to another school, please consider the following information carefully.

- Pastoral Care – the child will need to build new friendships and get used to a new teacher.
- Curriculum – although there is a National Curriculum, each school will deliver a part of this curriculum at different stages and times during the school year.
- Years 10 & 11 – you should be aware that moving a child in these particular year groups may not always be in the best interest of the child. Not all schools offer the same subjects at examination level and may use different exam boards and offer different syllabuses.
- Transport – How will your child get to the new school, you may not necessarily be entitled to transport assistance.
- Costs – All Worcestershire schools have a school uniform which all pupils will be expected to wear.

Many things that worry parents and pupils can be sorted out without the need to move schools. Talking to your child and staff at your child's present school should avoid a transfer between schools in almost all circumstances. If a child is unhappy at school, speak to their class teacher or make an appointment to see the Head Teacher. If you have a complaint about a school, the teachers or the work your child is doing, if it cannot be resolved by the teaching staff or Head Teacher, put your complaint in writing to the school's Governors/Academy Trust.

If a child is not attending school, talk to the child about why they do not want to attend and speak to their teachers. If a child has special educational needs, speak to the teacher in charge of special needs (SENCO). If a child is about to be excluded, speak to your child's class teacher or make an appointment to see the Head Teacher for advice. Every school is responsible for meeting the needs of pupils by demonstrating the Graduated Response and the maximum use of Ordinarily Available: The Local Offer which can be found at www.worcestershire.gov.uk/sendlocaloffer.

There are strict regulations about the transfer of children between schools and the circumstances under which they can be taken off the school's register. In the majority of cases children may not be taken off the schools register until they have been taken on to the roll of another school.

If you suspect that a child may be being bullied, talk to the child – ask them how they are – if there is anything worrying them. If they report an incident – write it down. Has this happened before? It is important that they know that it is not their fault. If it happened at school – tell the child's teacher. Keep a record. Encourage your child to tell someone straight away. If you believe a child is being bullied at school, it is very important to keep school informed of any incidents so that they can deal with the situation effectively.

If, after speaking to a child's teacher and allowing time for actions to be taken, you are not satisfied with the way the matter was dealt with, contact the Head Teacher and arrange a meeting. The Head Teacher should investigate the matter and action should be taken. However, if after speaking with the Head Teacher you are still not satisfied with the outcome and you still feel your child is being bullied; your next action should be to contact the Chair of Governors and ask them to investigate.

You are encouraged to consider all of the above points, decide whether a transfer is really the best option and discuss your concerns with staff at the child's current school. A change in school does not always lead to improvements in a pupil's behaviour. Moving your child to another school is a very serious step; it will not always solve the problem and can sometimes be more detrimental than helpful.

If you feel that a change of school is unavoidable you can make an application to transfer school.

How do I apply for an In-Year Transfer to schools?

For children with an Education, Health & Care Plan (EHCP), a school move can only take place following a review of the Plan at the current school and consultation(s) with the school(s) that are being considered. This will be led by the local authority SEND team where the child/young person resides, not School Admissions.

Generally, pupils only transfer from one school to another when there has been a change of home address. Parents/Carers with a first preference application for an 'In-Year' transfer to Worcestershire schools must complete a [Worcestershire online application](#). If you are unable to apply online contact School Admissions on 01905 822700 for assistance.

For children with an Education, Health & Care Plan (EHCP), a school move can only take place following a review of the Plan at the current school and consultation(s) with the school that are being considered. This will be led by the local authority SEND team where the child/young person resides, not School Admissions.

Parents/Carers with a first preference application for 'In Year' transfers into a school in another Local Authority must forward the application to the individual schools.

What is the procedure for in-year admissions for Worcestershire residents?

1. Parents must apply for a place at any mainstream school in Worcestershire by using the [Citizen Portal](#) which must be submitted to the School Admissions Team.
2. In addition to the online application, you must also ensure an Education History Form is completed by your child's current or most recent school. Once completed, the form can either be uploaded to your online application or sent to School Admissions at: schooladmissions@worcestershire.gov.uk.
3. Some Voluntary Aided, Academy, Foundation or Free schools may require parents to fill in a supplementary form which may request information that allows them to apply their oversubscription criteria. If schools use a supplementary form these must be consulted on and published and are also available from the Local Authority.
4. A supplementary form, where required, must be submitted with the application. It will not be regarded as a valid application unless the parent has also completed this form.
5. Applications from parents for schools outside Worcestershire should be made direct to the school or the local authority in whose area the school is located to find out how they process in-year applications.

6. Parents will be invited to state up to six preferences on the application in priority order and give reasons for those preferred schools. Preference order is not taken into account when applying the admission criteria as the law requires all preferences to be treated equally.
7. Where a parent approaches a school directly the parent should be advised to apply online using the [Citizen Portal](#).

Please be aware that in the case of In-Year Admissions, we are unable to reserve places in the event that further applications may be received, this means we will not be able to process your application more than 6 weeks in advance of the date you require the place.

Please be aware that some schools may well already be full at the time of your application.

Waiting Lists

Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools

Waiting lists are maintained by School Admissions, and parents need to apply in order to be included. These waiting lists will be maintained until the end of each academic year. Parents will need to submit a new application if they wish to be included on the list for the following academic year. Priority on the waiting list is determined according to the school's oversubscription criteria.

Voluntary Aided, Foundation, Academy and Free schools

These schools may choose to maintain waiting lists for in year admissions. Where Voluntary Aided, Foundation, Academy and Free schools do maintain a waiting list, it is the responsibility of the school to notify the School Admissions Team of any offer of a place from their waiting lists, so that the Local Authority is able to offer a place on their behalf and provide up to date figures on the availability of places in the area for parents, to DfE and to accurately report information to the Office of the School Adjudicator. Priority on the waiting list is determined according to the school's oversubscription criteria. Parents already on the waiting list and wishing to place their child's name on the list for the next academic year should contact the schools direct to find out the individual school procedures for doing so.

Children allocated to a school in accordance with the Fair Access Protocol must take precedence over other children on the waiting list.

Keeping Key Stage 1 Class Sizes to 30 or fewer

LA's must ensure that infant class sizes are limited to a maximum number of 30. The government has identified certain specific exceptions to that class size limit. These children will remain an 'excepted pupil' for the time they are in an infant class or until the class numbers fall back to the current infant class size limit. The excepted children are:

- a. children admitted outside the normal admissions round with an Education and Health Care Plan, specifying a school;
- b. children looked after and previously children looked after admitted outside the normal admissions round;
- c. children admitted, after initial allocation of places, because of a procedural error made by the admission authority or local authority in the original application process;
- d. children admitted after an independent appeals panel upholds an appeal;
- e. children who move into the area outside the normal admissions round for whom there is no other available school within reasonable distance;

- f. children of UK service personnel admitted outside the normal admissions round;
- g. children whose twin or sibling from a multiple birth is admitted otherwise than as an excepted pupil;
- h. children with special educational needs who are normally taught in a special educational needs unit attached to the school, or registered at a special school, who attend some infant classes within the mainstream school.

How will places be allocated?

Following completion of the application, School Admissions will make the full details of the application available to all schools listed on the application. All applications will be subject to scrutiny to determine whether or not they meet the criteria for consideration under the Fair Access Protocol.

Schools must consider requests with regard to their published admission number, the current number on roll, class and school organisation, teaching, curriculum and, in respect of infant and primary schools, key stage 1 class size limits. The school must inform the Authority of the availability of places and whether or not a place is available. This will normally be within 10 school days of the application being received. An admission authority must determine at what point prejudice to the provision of efficient education and the efficient use of resources occurs and admit children to that point, any admission beyond that point will then be refused.

The School Admissions Team will consult the preferred schools on receipt of the application and will let parents know if an offer can be made at any of the preferred schools, normally within ten school days of receiving the application. If it is not possible to offer a place at one of the preferred schools then an alternative will be offered at the nearest available school, following consultation with the school. The allocated school will then make arrangements for the child to start. This is to ensure that children are not out of school for unnecessarily long periods of time.

If a child can be offered a place at more than one school then a place will be offered at the highest ranked school possible. Where a school has advised that a place is available they will be informed if the place is then the one to be offered or not to the parent. Parents will receive a single offer of a school place.

School Admissions will communicate the decision to parents. If you are offered a place at a school the offer will instruct you to make direct contact with the school to arrange a mutually convenient start date. Please note, school places cannot be reserved and must be taken up within 6 school weeks of the offer notification. Failure to enrol your child within this timescale may result in the offer being withdrawn and a further application required. The name of a pupil must be included in the schools admission register from the beginning of the first day on which the school has agreed, or has been notified, that the pupil will attend the school (regulation 5(3)).

Where an admission authority is unable to meet a preference, the law requires the refusal to include the reasons why admission was refused; information about the right to appeal; any response date for lodging an appeal and the contact details for making an appeal as well as any waiting list procedures. The school will provide this information to School Admissions who will include the details in your letter. School Admissions will, where applicable and, if possible, provide details of schools with places available in the appropriate year group.

Where no place can be offered to a Worcestershire child and the child has no current school place, the School Admissions Team will look at the following alternatives, an alternative school place to offer, request further preferences from the parent and or referral through the Fair Access Protocol where appropriate.

What is the Fair Access Protocol?

Although we hope that all children can start at school and continue until they transfer the next phase of education, there are some circumstances when this progression through school is interrupted. This could be because of a change of address to another area, where children have especially challenging behaviour or who have been permanently excluded and cannot find another school place.

All LA's are required to have a "Fair Access" Protocol in place. This ensures that education placements can be made for vulnerable, excluded or "Hard to Place" pupils as quickly as possible. It also ensures that pupils are placed fairly and equitably across the education establishments in the LA.

In Worcestershire these arrangements are overseen through "Fair Access Panels" that have been set up especially for this purpose. These meet throughout the academic year. Children subject to the Fair Access Protocol take precedence over children who may already be included in the waiting list for a particular school.

All Schools in Worcestershire take part in Fair Access to ensure that – outside the normal admissions round - unplaced children, especially the most vulnerable, are offered a place at a suitable school as quickly as possible. In agreeing a protocol, the local authority must ensure that no school - including those with available places - is asked to take a disproportionate number of children who have been excluded from other schools, or who have challenging behaviour. The protocol must include how the local authority will use provision to ensure that the needs of pupils who are not ready for mainstream schooling are met.

The operation of Fair Access Protocols is outside the arrangements of co-ordination and is normally triggered when a parent of an eligible child has not secured a school place under in-year admission procedures.

All admission authorities must participate in the Fair Access Protocol in order to ensure that unplaced children are allocated a school place quickly. There is no duty for local authorities or admission authorities to comply with parental preference when allocating places through the Fair Access Protocol.

Where a governing body does not wish to admit a child with challenging behaviour outside the normal admissions round, even though places are available, it must refer the case to the local authority for action under the Fair Access Protocol. This will normally only be appropriate where a school has a particularly high proportion of children with challenging behaviour or previously excluded children. The use of this provision will depend on local circumstances and must be described in the Fair Access Protocol. This provision will not apply to a looked after child, a previously looked after child or a child with an Education, Health Care Plan naming the school in question, as these children must be admitted.

A copy of the Fair Access Protocol in place within Worcestershire can be found at the following link:
www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissionpolicies.

14-19 Schools outside of Worcestershire

Timetable for admissions and transfers

Timetable for Admissions and Transfers Intakes for September 2025	
Applications Open	1st September 2025
Closing Date	31st October 2025
School Offer Notification Date	2nd March 2026

How do I apply?

- **Apply online** at www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions.
- You will need an email address
- We will send you an email to acknowledge receipt of your application
- If you do not have access to the internet, you can get online at any Worcestershire library. To find your nearest library, visit www.worcestershire.gov.uk/libraries.
- Join the Library and use your Library card to get up to 2 hours internet access free each day.
- Library staff can support Worcestershire Library members who need assistance using computers. For further information on becoming a member at www.worcestershire.gov.uk/libraries.

Or telephone School Admissions on **01905 822700** if you need assistance.

After the closing date, you will need to complete a late application form using our online system. If you require any support you can contact School Admissions by email at schooladmissions@worcestershire.gov.uk or by calling 01905 822700..

Parents of children resident outside Worcestershire

If you wish to apply for a place at any Worcestershire school, you must complete an application provided by your “home” LA. (The “home” LA is defined as the Local Authority relevant to the child’s home address). The “home” LA will ensure that the application details are passed onto Worcestershire LA for consideration in the allocation of school places.

If you are not resident in Worcestershire, then you should obtain admission details from your home LA, even if your preferences include schools within Worcestershire (the contact details for all the neighbouring LAs can be found in on the next page).

For all enquiries relating to School Admissions please contact us:

By phone: 01905 822700

By post: School Admissions,
County Hall,
Spetchley Road,
Worcester, WR5 2NP

By email: schooladmissions@worcestershire.gov.uk

Online: www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Types of School

Academies (A)

Academies are publicly funded independent schools. The governing body/academy trust have responsibility for managing the academy and have responsibility for deciding the arrangements for admitting pupils including their own admissions criteria. Academies don't have to follow the national curriculum and can set their own term times. They still have to follow the same rules on admissions, special educational needs and exclusions as other state schools. Academies get money direct from the government, not the local council. They're run by an academy trust which employs the staff. Some academies have sponsors such as businesses, universities, other schools, faith groups or voluntary groups. Sponsors are responsible for improving the performance of their schools.

Free Schools (FR)

Free schools are funded by the government but aren't run by the local council. Free Schools are non-profit making, independent, state-funded schools. They're 'all-ability' schools, so can't use academic selection processes like a grammar school. Free schools can set their own pay and conditions for staff, change the length of school terms and the school day and don't have to follow the national curriculum. Free schools can be set up by charities, universities, independent schools, community and faith groups, teachers, parents and businesses. The governing body have responsibility for managing the Free School and have responsibility for deciding the arrangements for admitting pupils including their own admissions criteria.

Studio Schools (SS)

Studio schools are small schools (usually with around 300 pupils) teaching mainstream qualifications through project-based learning. This means working in realistic situations as well as learning academic subjects.

Students work with local employers and a personal coach, and follow a curriculum designed to give them the skills and qualifications they need in work, or to take up further education.

University Technical Colleges (UTC)

University technical colleges specialise in subjects like engineering and construction - and teach these subjects along with business skills and using IT.

Pupils study academic subjects as well as practical subjects leading to technical qualifications. The curriculum is designed by the university and employers, who also provide work experience for students.

University technical colleges are sponsored by:

- universities
- employers
- further education colleges

Admissions to Schools outside of Worcestershire that are 14 to 19 schools

Admission authorities can review their arrangements annually.

The information given in this book applies only to admissions in the school year 2026 - 2027 and may change in future years.

Please be aware:

- Before submitting your application it is very important that you contact the school directly and attend information events to understand the courses they offer and their admission criteria. You can also discuss the implications of a move for your child with the Headteacher and staff.
- It is a parent/carers responsibility to ensure that their application is submitted on time.
- Living in catchment, having a sibling already at a school or attendance at a feeder school gives **no guarantee** that your child will gain a place. **Parents/carers must apply separately for their child to go to any 14 to 19 school.**
- If your child leaves their current school that place may be offered to another child from the school's waiting list and they may not be able to return.

Which school can your child attend?

A number of other Local Authorities have Academies, Studio Schools or University Technical Colleges who admit pupils from 14 to 19 years.

All Studio Schools and Academies will recruit students at age 14 for admission into Year 10 and again at age 16 into Year 12. Admissions will be based on their interest and aptitude in specialist curriculum areas.

Important Considerations for you to note:

- **Having gained admission to a school of your preference does not mean that younger siblings will automatically gain admission to the same school.**
- **Applications where a preference is expressed on time will take precedence in relation to the school over where a preference is expressed after the closing date.**
- You should give careful consideration to the means by which your child will travel to school.

How do you apply for a place at a 14 to 19 School?

For children with an Education, Health & Care Plan (EHCP), a school move can only take place following a review of the Plan at the current school and consultation(s) with the school(s) that are being considered. This will be led by the local authority SEND team where the child/young person resides, not School Admissions.

The parents of ALL pupils resident in Worcestershire, seeking a place at any 14 to 19 School, including any Academy, Studio School or University Technical College outside Worcestershire, can complete a Local Authority Preference Form (14-19) by the closing date specified by the individual school or Local Authority in which it is located.

Please be aware that different LAs and Academies, Studio School and University Technical Colleges may have different admissions criteria, definitions and Supplementary Application Forms, therefore it is strongly advised that you ensure that you have understood the information that is available from each LA/School, before stating a preference on an application.

If the school requires you to complete an application via your own Local Authority you can complete a Worcestershire online application by the closing date. If you are unable to apply online, contact School Admissions on 01905 822700 for assistance.

Please make contact with the School Admissions Teams of any of the relevant LAs, if further information is required. (The contact details for all the neighbouring LAs can be found on page 8).

It is very important that applications are received no later than the date specified by the individual school or Local Authority in which it is located.

Late applications are always considered, though it may not be possible to allocate a place in the school you prefer, if it is oversubscribed, (See page 121 about late applications)

You should inform the Headteacher of the allocated school if you are withdrawing your application for any reason. School Admissions and the Headteacher must be notified immediately of any change in the child's home address.

When should you apply?

Places in 14 to 19 Schools are allocated on the basis of applications received on or before the closing date specified by the individual school or Local Authority in which it is located.

Please complete a [Worcestershire online application form](#). If you do not have access to the internet please contact School Admissions on 01905 822700.

For applications after the closing date please refer below.

Having read all the information available from the County Council and individual schools as well as attending any open events held at schools, you must then complete an application and any necessary supplementary forms required by the school.

What if you are applying after the closing date – Late Applications?

To make an application after the closing date, a [Worcestershire online application](#) can still be made. If you are unable to apply online please contact School Admissions on [01905 822700](#) for assistance.

When are decisions made?

Offers will be issued on the date specified by the School or Local Authority in which it is located. They will be issued direct to parents. You will need to contact the School to find out when this will be.

The acceptance or decline of the offer must be made by the date specified.

Waiting Lists

If your application for your preferred school is unsuccessful, you will have the opportunity to go onto a waiting list. You should be aware that a school waiting list is an active document. As parents request for their children to be included on the list the position of an individual child already on the list can change. A waiting list does not give priority based simply on the date an application was added to the list, priority is based on the oversubscription policy of the school.

Waiting lists for Academy, Studio School and University Technical Colleges, are maintained by the individual schools and parents will need to contact the school directly, to establish the waiting list procedure in place at those schools.

Can I appeal against the refusal of a place at my preferred school?

Separate appeals procedures and arrangements exist to consider decisions by Academy, Studio School, and University Technical Colleges. The arrangements are published by the Governors/Trust of the schools and should be obtained from the school directly.

Information about Schools outside of Worcestershire that are 14 to 19

Key to Columns

Type: Categorisation of school - see Page 19 for further description.

A = Academy

FR = Free

SS = Studio School

UTC = University Technical College

DfE No: Department for Education (DfE) school number.

PAN: Published Admission Number - The number of children which can be admitted to a school in each year group. The PAN is agreed by the governing body of the school. The figures set for the admissions year 2025/2026 are shown.

BIRMINGHAM LOCAL AUTHORITY AREA			
Age Range 14-19 (Years 10-13)			
Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	PAN 6th Form
UTC 330 4003	Aston University Engineering Academy - A University Technical College Specialising in Engineering and Science 1 Lister Street, Birmingham. B7 4AG Tel: 0121 380 0570 Web: www.auea.co.uk	156	60
A 330 4000	Birmingham Ormiston Academy 1 Grosvenor Street, Birmingham. B4 7QD Tel: 0121 359 9300 Web: www.boa-academy.co.uk	150	175
SS 330 4010	Waverley Studio College 470 Belchers Lane, Birmingham. B9 5QA Tel: 0121 566 6622 Web: www.waverleystudiocollege.co.uk	75	75

COVENTRY LOCAL AUTHORITY AREA Age Range 14-19 (Years 10-13)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	PAN 6th Form
UTC 331 4003	WMG Academy for Young Engineers Mitchell Avenue, Coventry, West Mids. CV4 8DY Tel: 02476 464661 Web: www.wmgacademy.org.uk	150	30

GLOUCESTERSHIRE LOCAL AUTHORITY AREA Age Range 14-19 (Years 10-13)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	PAN 6th Form
UTC 4010	SGS Berkeley Green UTC Gloucestershire Science and Technology Park, Berkeley, Glos, GL13 9FB Tel: 0800 4701 516 Web: www.berkeleygreenutc.org.uk	130	130

SOLIHULL LOCAL AUTHORITY AREA Age Range 14-19 (Years 10-13)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	PAN 6th Form
UTC 334 4001	WMG Academy for Young Engineers Chelmsley Road, Chelmsley Wood, Birmingham. B37 5FD Tel: 0121 289 3556 Web: www.wmgacademy.org.uk	150	30

STAFFORDSHIRE LOCAL AUTHORITY AREA Age Range 14-19 (Years 10-13)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	PAN 6th Form
UTC 860 6906	The JCB Academy Mill Street, Rocester, Staffs. ST14 5JX Tel: 01889 506100 Web: www.jcbacademy.com	184	50

WOLVERHAMPTON LOCAL AUTHORITY AREA Age Range 14-19 (Years 7-13)

Type & DfE No.	School Name & Address Telephone & Email Address	PAN	PAN 6th Form
UTC 336 4006	Thomas Telford UTC Springfield Campus, Cambridge Street, Wolverhampton. WV10 0JR Tel: 01902 872180 Web: www.thomastelfordutc.com	150	N/A

This booklet has been prepared by Worcestershire County Council to inform parents about school admissions and other arrangements, in good time for the school year 2026/2027.

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