

Admission to

Primary school in Kent 2027

KCC residents apply online at
kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

Opens Friday 6 November 2026 and closes at
midnight on Friday 15 January 2027

For children born between
1 September 2022
and **31 August 2023**,
Transferring to Primary school
in **September 2027**

What to do

Choose a school

It's important to find out more about the schools you are interested in before you decide to name them on the application form.

Read the guide to Primary admissions at www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions.

You can name up to three Primary schools, inside or outside of Kent, but you must name them all on the same application.

Apply for a school place

A simple, fast, convenient process which opens **Friday 6 November 2026 and closes at midnight on Friday 15 January 2027**. Other LA deadlines may differ.

You will first need to set up an online account. The applicant is you, the parent/carer; you will then need to add your child's details before starting an application. You will receive a confirmation email that your application has been correctly submitted.

You can log back in at any time to view the information submitted.

Receiving your offer

On offer day (**Friday 16 April 2027**) an email will be sent to you informing you of your offer.

You must accept or decline the school place you have been offered by **Friday 30 April 2027**. A link to a guide with information you will need to provide the school with will be in your offer email.

If it has not been possible to offer your child a place in your preferred school, you have the right to appeal. You can also add their name to the school's waiting list.

Moving house during the application window will likely complicate your application and we therefore advise you to pay special attention to key dates in the admissions process. KCC has no discretionary authority to vary the process for parents who cannot complete address moves in time to make use of them for admissions purposes. If you are moving, please email the team on one of the email addresses below for advice.

Key dates

Friday 6 November 2026	Online application process opens. Go to <u>www.kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions</u> to register and apply.
Friday 15 January 2027	Online application process closes for the main round. Any amendments after this date must be emailed to <u>kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk</u>
Friday 16 April 2027	Offers of school places sent to parents via email after 4pm .
Friday 30 April 2027	Parents should contact the school to accept/refuse the place that has been offered and can use the link in the offer email to ask for their child to be added to the waiting list of schools named on the original application.
Monday 17 May 2027	Appeals need to be lodged by this date to be heard before September – appeals information can be found at <u>www.kent.gov.uk/schoolappeals</u> . You can only appeal for schools that were named on the application form.

Needhelp?

Email primaryadmissions@kent.gov.uk

Full information booklet can also be viewed online at kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

Only one application per pupil will be accepted. If you apply online, do not complete any other form of application. Keep your login details safe and use your registered email address for all communication with the team.

The confirmation email may go to your junk/spam folder of your email – please check here before contacting our team for confirmation.

Please note applications can only be made via Kent County Council (KCC) if the child resides at a KCC address. If your child does **not** reside at a KCC address, you must make an application via your Local Authority.



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Common misconceptions

MYTH #1

Attending a nursery or pre-school will automatically guarantee your child a space at the associated school.

MYTH #2

A sibling attending the school will automatically guarantee your child a space at the same school.

MYTH #3

Attending an infant school will automatically guarantee a space for your child at the linked junior school.

TRUTH

You **must still apply** using the online application portal at:

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★ Nurseries and primary schools are not linked for admissions purposes.

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★ If eligible, your application may be considered under a school's 'sibling' oversubscription criteria.

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★ Children do not automatically transfer to a junior school. Admissions are ranked according to the school's admission criteria, including any linked school arrangements.

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