Admission to Infant / First / Primary School 2026

A Guide for Parents and Carers

Introduction

Welcome to our guide for parents and carers which has been designed to help you find the right school for your child. It outlines what information we need from you, and what you can expect in return from us.

Starting school for the first time is an important milestone and an exciting experience for both children and parents.

Across Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole we have 96 schools and the Council works in close partnership with them. The aspirations for our area are ambitious and include investing in our children and young people and enabling access to high quality education.

It is important that you do express your preferences for schools you wish your child to attend. Our schools are popular; there is no guarantee that a place will be offered at your preferred school(s), so expressing **four** school preferences will maximise our ability to offer you one of them. Please list your choice of schools in your order of preference. Our online application system provides a simple and secure way for you to send us your application. It also means you can log in again in April 2026 to view your child's allocated school.

It is important to make a well-informed decision about which school you wish your child to attend. We strongly recommend that parents take the opportunity to visit schools to see what they can offer before making an application. It is also important to read the schools' admission policies to understand how your application will be considered. You can also view information about how places were offered last year.

The information in this guide is designed to help you to understand the admissions process. If, at any time, you are unsure or feel that the information available is unclear, please contact our school admissions team who are here to help you.

We wish your child every success in this important stage in their learning.

Information in other languages

If you require information on school admission arrangements in another language, please contact the school admissions team.

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Names, addresses and telephone numbers contained in this booklet are correct at the time of publication. The information only relates to admissions for and during the 2026/27 school year. There may be changes to the details shown due to developments in central or local government policies and determinations by the Office of the Schools Adjudicator.

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Explanation of terms used in this guide

Acceptance Date	The date by which you must tell us whether you will accept the school place offered.
Admission Arrangements	The policies, procedures, practices, and oversubscription criteria used in deciding the allocation of school places.
Admission Authority	Every school has a body responsible for setting and applying its admission arrangements. For community and voluntary controlled (VC) schools this is their local authority. For academies, studio, foundation and voluntary aided (VA) schools it is the governing body or academy trust.
BCP Council	Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council.
Catchment Area	This is a geographical area from which children are given a level of priority for admission to a school. You can find out whether a school has a catchment area by looking at their policy.
Closing Date	The date by which you must apply for a school place. All applications received by the published closing date will be processed together as on time applications.
Information Service	A free, friendly, confidential and impartial service offering information to all members of the family on local childcare, activities for 0-19-year-olds and other family services.
Home Local Authority	A child's home local authority is the local authority which the child lives in (and who you pay your Council Tax to).
Mainstream schools	All publicly funded schools that are not special schools or alternative providers are mainstream schools.
Notification Date	The date you will find out the result of your application.
Oversubscription Criteria	The criteria applied when a school has more applications than places available. It is used to decide which children will be allocated places up to the published admission number.
Published Admission Number (PAN)	The published admission number is the maximum number of children that can be admitted to the year group.
Schools Adjudicator	A statutory officer who is appointed by the Secretary of State for Education but is independent. The Adjudicator considers and decides upon objections and variations to published admission arrangements.
Special schools	Special schools are for children who have complex special educational needs. Children attending these schools must have an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP).

Supplementary Information Form (SIF)	This is a form that you will need to provide evidence to the school. SIFs are used for faith, pupil premium, free school meals and service family evidence. For faith schools, you will need your form to be signed by your priest or minister to confirm that you and your child attend church regularly. Supplementary information forms (SIFs) can be found here or obtained from the school. You must complete a school application too. The SIF must also be returned by the closing date.

Categories of schools

Community (C)	A school maintained by a local authority. The local authority is responsible for the admission policy.
Voluntary Aided (VA)	A school jointly supported by church diocesan boards and a local authority. The school is responsible for its own admission policy.
Foundation (F)	A school maintained by a local authority but responsible for its own admission policy.
Academy (A)	A school funded directly by central government. The school is responsible for its own admissions.
Voluntary Controlled (VC)	A school jointly supported by church diocesan boards and a local authority. The local authority is responsible for the admission policy.
Studio School (S)	Studio schools provide education for 13-19-year-olds. They normally have a similar curriculum to a secondary school but may also have employer involvement in the curriculum and a focus on developing employability skills and qualifications needed in work, or to take up further education.
University Technical College	University technical colleges (UTCs) are technical schools for 14-19-year-olds, working alongside employers and universities. They operate as a type of academy.
Independent	These operate on a fee-paying basis and cover a variety of age ranges. Any application for a place should be made direct to the school as local authorities are not involved in the admission arrangements for these schools.

Key dates

Starting primary school in September 2026

1 September 2025
Information on the application process made available

1 November 2025 – 15 January 2026
Parents to submit applications

15 January 2026
National closing date for applications

16 April 2026
Offers made to on time applicants

1 May 2026
Deadline for parents to respond to offer of places made on 16 April 2026

14 May 2026
Offers made to late applicants (for applications received between 16 January 2026 and 6 February 2026)

28 May 2026
Closing date for parents to accept offer of places made on 14 May 2026

Summer term 2026
Appeal hearings

September 2026
Start at primary, infant or first school

When should my child start school?

Date of birth	Starting school	When to Apply
01 Sept 2021 – 31 Aug 2022	Sept 2026	From 01 Nov 2025 – 15 Jan 2026
01 Sept 2022 – 31 Aug 2023	Sept 2027	From 01 Nov 2026 – 15 Jan 2027
01 Sept 2023 – 31 Aug 2024	Sept 2028	From 01 Nov 2027 – 15 Jan 2028
01 Sept 2024 – 31 Aug 2025	Sept 2029	From 01 Nov 2028 – 15 Jan 2029

How will I know which schools to apply for?

One of the best ways to see if a school would suit your child is to visit it. This way you will see how the school works on a day-to-day basis and get a feel for the atmosphere of the school. You may also find Ofsted reports useful.

We strongly recommend that you name four preferences on your application.

It is very important that you read the school admission policies to work out whether it is likely that you will be offered a place. These can be found at Admission arrangements for BCP schools 2026-27 | BCP and on each individual school's website.

You can look at how each school allocated its places in previous years. If you do, make sure you look at the admission policies for the correct year as categories can change from one year to the next.

You need to consider how you will get your child to school each day, the time it will take, how this will fit into your routine and how much it will cost to take your child to school.

If you apply for and are offered a place at a school which is not your nearest school and it would have been possible for your child to attend a school nearer to your home had it been named on an on-time application, you will not normally be eligible for transport assistance and will have to take on the costs yourself. When assessing home to school transport applications, BCP Council will check whether a space at a closer school could have been offered to your child had it been named on an on-time application.

You may not want to name your nearest or catchment school on your application. If you decide not to do so, you should not assume that there will be a place available for your child if you cannot be offered one of your preferred schools as it may already be full. If you do not include your nearest or catchment school as a preference on your application form and the school fills, you are unlikely to qualify for transport assistance to the school you are offered.

Admission Policies

Oversubscription criteria in school admission policies

The admission authority for each school is required to set out in its admissions policy how it will prioritise applicants if the school receives more applications than it has places available. This is known as the oversubscription criteria. It is also used for in-year applications during the school year.

Before naming a school as a preference you should look at the oversubscription criteria to see how the school offers places.

Information on the number of applications the school received and how many places were allocated in each category in the previous year can be found at Places offered in previous years | BCP.

A copy of the full admission policy for each school is available on both the BCP Council website and each school's website. It is recommended that you read the full policy as it contains more information on the admission arrangements for each school. Please read the policies at Admission arrangements for BCP schools 2026-27 | BCP.

Admission policies for schools in Dorset and Hampshire

You can apply for schools that are not in the BCP Council area. If you wish to do so you need to add them as a preference on your application form. Further information can be found about the schools and their admission policies:

Starting school for the first time - Dorset Council

School admissions | Hampshire County Council

How do I apply for a school place?

You only need to complete one application form. The application form will be available from the local authority where you pay your council tax. If you live in the BCP Council area, your application must be submitted to BCP Council.

If you live in a different local authority (for example Dorset Council or Hampshire County Council) you must contact them or visit their website to find out more.

Where can I find the application form?

You can apply online at:
bcp.cloud.servelec-synergy.com/Synergy/ApplyforaSchoolPlace.aspx

The Parent Portal will be able to accept applications from 1 November 2025. Once an application has been submitted, an email acknowledgement is sent to the applicant. This email is proof that you have applied on time and should be kept. If you do not have access to the internet at home, you may use the free computers available at all BCP Council libraries.

All online applicants will be able to log back into their accounts on the morning of 16 April 2026 from 10:00am. You will also be emailed a link to a PDF version of your offer letter to download.

Applications must be received by the national closing date of 15 January 2026.

Can I apply for schools outside BCP Council?

If you live in BCP Council and want to apply for a school outside the area, you should include it on your application. The details of your application will be sent to the local authority for your preferred school(s). BCP Council will advise you of the outcome of your application. Please check the point of entry for the schools you name on your form.

How many schools can I name?

You can name **four** preferences on your BCP Council application form.

You should be aware that some schools are heavily oversubscribed. We recommend that you seriously consider including your catchment or nearest school as one of your preferences, even if it is not your first preference, because there is no guarantee that a place will be available there if you do not name it and none of your named schools can offer you a place.

Think carefully about how your child will travel to school each day. Consider the time it will take, how it fits into your daily routine, and the cost. Your child may attend this school for up to seven years, so it's important to be confident that the journey is manageable long-term.

If you are offered a place at a school that is not your nearest and your child could have been offered a place at a closer school (had it been listed on your application), you will usually not be eligible for free school transport. In these cases, you would be responsible for arranging and paying for transport. BCP Council will check whether a place could have been offered at a nearer school when assessing transport applications.

The difference between choice and preference

You should be aware that preference is not the same as choice. The law says that parents are entitled to express a preference for a school, but it does not give parents the right to choose a school for their child and to have their choice met.

Does it matter in which order I name my preferences?

Yes. It is important that you name the school you would most like your child to attend as your first preference. Your second, third and fourth preferences need to be named in order as well. If more than one of your preferences can offer your child a place, we will always offer the school listed highest on your application.

Closing and notification dates for September 2026 admissions

The table below shows the national closing and notification dates for applications that have been received on time. You can still apply after the closing date, but different timescales will apply. Please speak to the admissions team for more information.

	Closing date	Notification date	Response date
Reception	**15 January 2026**	**16 April 2026**	**1 May 2026**
Junior and Middle	15 January 2026	16 April 2026	1 May 2026
Secondary	31 October 2024	2 March 2026	16 March 2026

Will nursery attendance count towards my application?

It is very important that you check the school's admission policy to see if priority is given to children who attend any related child-care setting. Some schools give priority to children who qualify for pupil premium and attend a named nursery.

Normally, attending a particular nursery does not give your child priority over other applicants.

Feeder schools

Some schools operate feeder school links. Children attending a linked school may have higher priority in the oversubscription criteria than children who do not attend the linked school. Please click here to read the admission policies for the schools you are interested in and talk to the schools to find out more.

Catchment areas

Some schools in the area continue to have catchment areas. **However**, there are some addresses in BCP Council that will have two or more catchment schools and some addresses that will have no catchment school at all.

Living in a school's catchment area does not mean your child will automatically be offered a place at the school even if you name it as a preference.

To find out if your preferred school has previously offered to children outside of their catchment area or the distance of the last offer made, you can look at Places offered in previous years | BCP.

Sometimes the school closest to your home is not your catchment school. You can find out more information by reading the admissions policies or by contacting the school admissions team or the relevant school(s).

Please be aware that schools are not permitted to keep places in reserve or open for children who might move into their area during the school year.

Information provided by estate agents, third-party websites, including Artificial Intelligence software such as ChatGPT is not always correct. Only BCP Council or the school you are interested in can give you accurate information. You should check the availability of school places within an area before renting or purchasing a property. The school admissions team can help you with this.

Address of the child

Only one address can be used on the application form. You will need to check the policies of the schools you are interested in to find out more.

You cannot use the address of someone who provides a temporary care arrangement for your child, a business address, childminder's address, a relative's address, or any other address other than the child's permanent home address.

Informal residence arrangements with family and friends will not normally be accepted unless there are exceptional circumstances.

You may be asked for evidence of your address.

Applications from separated parents

Only one application and one address can be considered for each child. Where parents are separated it is essential that agreement is reached by both parents about which schools are named on the form by the closing date.

The local authority is unable to mediate in any dispute between parents. If parents are unable to agree lines of communication between themselves on issues involving their child, they may wish to seek independent legal advice and explore other options. These might include referring the matter to non-court dispute resolution, such as mediation.

If parents cannot agree, they should resolve the issue through the court system, for example to obtain a 'Specific Issues Order' which specifies which parent has responsibility to make decisions on school preferences. Any Court applications would need to be made on an urgent basis, because you will need a decision from the Court that fits in with the timeline for applying for a school place.

If more than one application is submitted for the same child, or if the admissions team becomes aware that the application was made without the agreement of all parties with parental responsibility, the application will not be processed. A new

application will be required, and confirmation of agreement must be provided by all parties involved. **If this single application is submitted after the closing date, it will be treated as a late application.**

If a child lives at more than one address during the school week, you will need to check each school's admission policy to see how dual addresses are considered.

If a child is moving from one parent or carer to live with another on a long-term basis you will need to provide written confirmation from both parents. Confirmation will need to explain the new arrangements and the date they start. You may also need to provide proof to support the change. This could be a change in Child Benefit recipient or a change in the address registered with the GP and/or other services the child is registered for.

What happens if I move address during the application process?

If you are buying a property, you will need to provide the school admissions team with a solicitor's letter confirming exchange of contracts has taken place and giving a specified completion date.

If you are renting a property, you will need to provide the tenancy agreement which should be signed and dated by all parties and the tenancy start date must be given. You may also be asked to provide proof of your notice to cease your current tenancy or your move from your currently owned property and any other appropriate additional evidence.

If you are moving to live with a friend or relative you will need to provide a letter confirming the arrangements and the move-in date. You can only use the address for the purpose of applying for school once you are living at the address.

The majority of schools in BCP Council will use the address provided at the closing date. You will need to check the policies for the schools you are interested in to find out if they will accept any changes to your application after the closing date.

The school admissions team will not be aware of any changes you make to your online application or contact details once your application has been downloaded. If you need to advise us about changes to your application please complete the Change Request Form.

Fraudulent or intentionally misleading applications

Applying for a school place must be a fair and transparent process for everyone. Schools and local authorities must be clear on how school places are allocated so it is important that parents provide the correct information on their form.

By submitting an application for a school place, you are declaring that the information on the form is correct and that your child's family is only submitting one application for them.

If you think a family is making a fraudulent or misleading application, please contact the school admissions team. You do not have to provide your personal details (you can remain anonymous). The school admissions team will follow up all allegations of potentially fraudulent applications to make sure offers are made to the correct children.

Admission authorities can withdraw an offer of a place should an application be found to be fraudulent or misleading, even if a child has started in the school.

BCP Council and schools carry out spot checks on applications and addresses. We can ask applicants to provide additional evidence to verify addresses and/or other details provided. Checks are made with other council departments and with other local authorities for the purposes of verifying details including residence. Applications can also be referred to the council's audit team for further investigation. For the purposes of verifying an address, this may include arranging for credit reference checks to be undertaken.

These processes are in place to ensure fairness and transparency for all families living within the BCP Council area.

Supplementary information form (SIF) – religious grounds

Some of the schools in BCP Council include religious faith and practice within their admission policies. It is important to check the policies for each school as they may differ from one another. Any family can apply for a place at a faith school, but some of these schools give priority to children on faith grounds. For example, some faith schools will require evidence of attendance at a place of worship.

To be considered under religious oversubscription criteria by a school, some schools require that you complete a supplementary information form (SIF). Where necessary, these can be found on the school's website. Some schools will require sight of your child's baptism certificate. You should contact any school for which you are applying for priority under faith grounds to discuss the evidence required and ensure you submit this along with your application form before 15 January 2026.

Make sure you leave yourself enough time to get a SIF completed, signed, and submitted before the closing date of 15 January 2026.

Supplementary information form (SIF) – UK service personnel

Some schools give priority to children who qualify for service pupil premium in the oversubscription criteria of their admission policy available at Admission arrangements for BCP schools 2026-27 | BCP. If you wish to apply on service pupil premium grounds, you must complete a supplementary information form (SIF). Schools that give this priority will have a copy of the SIF on their website that you can download. You must submit the completed SIF before 15 January 2026.

UK service personnel and the Armed Forces Covenant

The Armed Forces Covenant is an agreement between the armed forces community, the nation, and the government. The covenant's twin underlying principles are that members of the armed forces community should face no disadvantage compared to other citizens in the provision of public and commercial services; and that special consideration is appropriate in some cases, especially for those who have given the most such as the injured or the bereaved.

Schools cannot reserve blocks of places for families who move into the area. However, admission authorities must allocate a school place in advance of a UK service family arriving in the area provided the application is accompanied by an official letter that declares a relocation date and a unit postal address or quartering area address when considering the application against oversubscription criteria. Families wanting an address other than a unit postal address to be considered should contact the school admissions team to discuss this. Normally families are asked for proof of residence or intention to reside (e.g., evidence of exchange of contracts to purchase or a signed tenancy agreement to rent).

A UK service family may be disadvantaged when applying for a school place (either during service or upon leaving service). When an application is made by a UK service family and a place cannot ordinarily be offered, the admission authority will assess the circumstances, considering the underlying principles of the Armed Forces Covenant. BCP Council will specifically look at whether the school to be offered is reasonable considering the following:

- Whether serving in the armed forces prevented an application being made on time during the normal admissions round
- Whether it would have been reasonable to expect a place at the requested school had the application been made on time during the normal admissions round
- Whether the alternative offer is one that other families in the area would be offered
- Whether the alternative offer is within a reasonable distance. For further information, please find out more at School transport | BCP

The school admissions team can provide advice to schools which are their own admission authority about whether to offer a place based on the advice above. Ultimately, the relevant admission authority will make the decision.

The decision will be based on all the circumstances including those relevant to the family and child and the impact on the school, including the provision of efficient education and efficient use of resources. Please be aware that there may be some circumstances, e.g., where a family may move to a new house for non-work-related reasons, which may not be considered to cause the family disadvantage due to their UK service family status. Every decision made will be unique to the family being considered and it is important to ensure that the school admissions team have full information to help the decision-making process.

UK service families can contact the school admissions team to discuss how the Armed Forces Covenant may or may not impact on their school applications.

Looked after or previously looked after children (children in care and children previously in care)

Special arrangements apply if your child is looked after by a local authority, or was previously looked after but immediately following this, was subject to an adoption, residence, or special guardianship order. This includes those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.

It is important that you indicate in the box provided on the online application form if your child is a Looked After or a Previously Looked After Child as the schools need to be aware of this information to take it into account when they allocate places. You may be asked to provide evidence of this.

Looked After and Previously Looked After Children are given high priority in admission policies. Please read the admission policies for the school(s) you are interested in for your child to ascertain how high a priority they may give to a Looked After Child.

Special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) and education, health and care plans (EHCPs)

Special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) are legally protected characteristics. Children with SEND have learning difficulties or disabilities that may make it harder for them to learn than most children of the same age. They may need extra or different help from that given to other children of the same age.

There are stages of support to try and help children with special educational needs and disabilities.

If your child is getting the help they need and they are learning well, there is no need for them to go on to the next stage. The stages are:

1. SEND support
2. Assessment for education, health and care plan
3. Education, health and care plan (EHCP)

All mainstream schools in BCP Council can provide appropriate extra help to meet a child's needs except where a child's EHCP identifies that a special school is an appropriate provision. This means that your child's SEND will not be considered as a reason for them to be allocated a place at a specific school.

Further information about BCP's Local Offer for children and young people 0-25 years-old with SEND is available at The Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole SEND Local Offer - BCP Council.

Children with an EHCP will normally have their places at mainstream schools allocated before all other applications are considered during the normal admissions round. If your child has an EHCP, you will need to discuss with your local authority's SEND team which school you would prefer. Once the school is named on your child's EHCP, then a place will be allocated there.

If you complete the school admissions application form for a place and your child has an EHCP, the application will be referred to the SEND team. The team will follow the process outlined in the SEND Code of Practice in order to identify a school to name on your child's plan.

Refugee and asylum-seeking families

Foreign national children resident in the UK normally have the right to attend state funded and independent schools in England.

To lawfully enter the country to access a school, foreign national children resident outside the UK will normally need either:

- a right of abode
- an immigration status which otherwise permits them to enter the UK to study at a school

It is the responsibility of the parents/carers of foreign national children to check that their children have a right under their UK entry conditions to study at a school before applying for a place.

You can apply for a school place using the online application form.

If we are unable to offer you a place at your preferred school(s), we will advise you about schools with vacancies and your rights of appeal.

Where necessary, we will allocate your child a school place. We may use the Fair Access Protocols to do this. Find out further information about fair access protocols.

When does my child have to start school?

Most parents are happy for their child to start school in the September following their fourth birthday. Please look at School year group table | BCP for information on which year group your child would normally be expected to be part of.

Starting school later in the school year

By law, children must be in full time education by the start of the term following their fifth birthday. If you wish to defer your child's start date until later in the academic year, you will need to discuss this with the school you have been offered. The latest you can defer a start date is the beginning of the summer term.

If you do not take up the offer of a school place during your child's reception year, you would normally be expected to reapply for a place in Year One. You need to be aware that Year One in the school you were originally offered may be full at this stage.

Summer born babies

For children born between 1 April and 31 August, parents can ask schools to consider a request for their child to start Reception in the September following their fifth birthday, rather than moving directly into Year One. This is known as delayed entry and is not automatically granted because each school you are interested in must agree to the request individually.

We recommend speaking with Headteachers of any schools you are considering as early as possible – ideally before **31 October 2025**. Most schools will ask you to complete a form and may request supporting evidence (e.g. prematurity or developmental delay). Each school has its own policy, so please check how to apply and where to send your request. The Government have also published advice Summer born children starting school: advice for parents - GOV.UK to support your decision making.

It is important that parents know all the options available to them and the possible consequences, so they can make an informed decision. It is important to be aware that some schools may agree to your request, whilst others may choose not to do so. It is also possible that a school which agreed to delay entry to reception year may not be able to offer your child a place if they are oversubscribed when you apply in the following year.

If your request for delayed entry is agreed, you will then apply in twelve months' time for admission in September 2027. It is not possible to hold two school places for two different academic years.

Parents should seek agreement from all the schools that they wish to include on their child's school application. If you have not obtained agreement and include the school on your application when you apply for September 2027, it will not be considered.

If your request for delayed entry is approved, please be aware that when your child later moves to a Junior, Middle, or Secondary school, it will be up to the admission authority of that school to decide whether to continue educating your child outside their normal year group. While it is hoped that they will take into account the year group your child has been taught in, this cannot be guaranteed.

You will need to approach any Junior, Middle or Secondary schools before the normal admission round closes for your child's chronological year group, i.e. when thinking about which secondary school to apply for, you will need to contact secondary schools during the summer term your child is in year four. You will then know the outcome of their decision in time to submit an application for your child's chronological year group should your request be turned down.

The school offered

Decision makers

The school admissions team will work with the different admission authorities to make sure your application is considered in line with the relevant admission policies. To find out who the admission authority for the school you are applying for is, you can find the school's policy at Admission arrangements for BCP schools 2026-27 | BCP

How BCP Council liaises with schools and other local authorities about your school application

By law, local authorities must coordinate applications to all schools within their area for the point of entry in September. This means that all applications are sent to BCP Council and all decision letters come from it. If you would like to see a copy of the coordinated admission scheme please contact the school admissions team or you can view it at Admission arrangements for BCP schools 2026-27 | BCP.

Decision making

After the closing date, your preferences are sent to each admission authority. If you have applied for a place at a school outside of BCP Council, your request will be sent to the local authority where the school is located.

Admission authorities will use their admission policy's oversubscription criteria to rank the applications in priority order. They will then give BCP Council an offer list containing the names of all the children in order of priority.

The school admissions team will check the offer lists against your application. If your child's name appears on more than one offer list, we look at your application form using the order of your preferences to decide the school you will be offered:

1. If we can offer a place at your first preference, we will do so.
2. If we are unable to offer a place at your first preference but can offer a place at your second preference we will offer a place at your second preference school.
3. If we cannot offer a place at your first or second preference school but can offer a place at your third preference, we will offer a place at your third preference school.

4. If we cannot offer a place at your first, second or third preference school but can offer a place at your fourth preference, we will offer a place at your fourth preference school.
5. If we cannot offer a place at any of your preferred schools, we will allocate you a place at a different school.

Schools are not told whether they were your first, second, third or fourth preference. They are only sent the list of details about the applicant. This means that they cannot prioritise children who have named them as a first preference. Schools must only rank applications according to their published admission policy.

National Offer Day

You can find out the school you have been offered by logging back into the Parent Portal (where you applied for a school place) on National Offer Day – 16 April 2026.

If you have provided a valid email address, you will receive an email containing a link where you can read and download your offer letter. Otherwise, offer letters will be posted to on time BCP Council applicants who did not provide a valid email address.

If you live in another local authority, you will receive information about any application to a BCP Council school in the letter you receive from your home local authority.

Accepting the place offered

If you are happy with the school place you have been offered it is important that you accept the offer as soon as possible and at the latest, by 1 May 2026.

You can accept the place via the Parent Portal (where you applied).

If you are not offered a place at one of your preferred schools

If it has not been possible to offer you any of your preferred schools, BCP Council will allocate your child a place at a school. This will normally be the nearest school in the BCP Council area that has a place available after the on-time preferences have been allocated.

If you are refused a place at any of your preferred schools, you have a right to appeal to an independent appeal panel and further information will be provided with the notification letter.

Next steps if you are offered a place at a school you did not apply for

It is a good idea to visit the alternative school and find out more information about it. We strongly recommend that you do this.

It is also important to accept the place you have been offered. This will prevent your child being left without a school place. This does not stop you from looking at what to do next.

The options available to you are:

1. Submit a request for alternative schools with vacancies
2. Request to be placed on waiting lists for schools you did not apply for
3. Submit an admission appeal request – please read the restrictions on this carefully

Waiting lists

Your offer letter will provide more information about waiting lists and your next steps.

Schools are required to hold a waiting list until 31 December 2026 however some schools operate one beyond this date. Please check each school's policy to find out what you will need to do to remain on their waiting lists.

Appeals

If you are refused a place at a school which you have named on your application, you have the right of appeal against this decision.

Appeals are heard by a panel that are not connected to the school you are appealing for. It is an independent decision-making process.

If you are appealing for a place in Reception, Year One or Year Two, you need to be aware that appeals are subject to government legislation which places significant limits on the reasons you can appeal. This means that very few parents are successful.

Appeals are normally heard after the May half-term if you are appealing for a place for the following September. For infant class appeals, these are normally timetabled for June

With the exception of the Community and Voluntary Controlled schools, each school is responsible for administering its own appeals. If you wish to appeal, please visit the school's website for details on how to appeal.

For the following schools, you can find out more about appealing at School admission appeals | BCP:

Burton C of E Primary School
Mudeford Community Infant School
Mudeford Junior School
Somerford Primary Community School

Travel to school

Considering how your child travels to school is important. We encourage scooting, cycling, walking and wheeling as frequently as possible. The benefits of an active start to the day include enhanced learning in the classroom alongside improved wellbeing and mood.

The roads around schools can be extremely congested at drop off and pick up times, and car parking is often limited. We recommend that you factor this into your decision-making and avoid driving to school if you possibly can. Schools will be able to advise you of cycling, scooting and walking opportunities and where you can park and walk to school from. They will also be able to show you the cycle and scooter parking during open days.

School transport provision

For children in Reception to Year 3, free school transport assistance is normally only provided if the child is attending their nearest school and the school is over two miles walking distance from the family home.

This means that families **do not** normally receive free travel to school because there is often a school within two miles of their home address. Where families send their child to a school further away, free transport assistance will not be provided unless there are exceptional circumstances.

An example of an exceptional circumstance is where a child is required to attend a specific school due to their medical or special educational need and/or disability. As all schools within BCP Council can provide for a range of needs, for an exception to be agreed there will need to be substantial evidence provided.

For further information please visit School transport | BCP to read the Home to School Transport Policy.

Home to School Transport Assistance for Siblings

Applications for home to school transport assistance are considered based on the individual circumstances and needs of each child or young person. This means that if you have previously received transport assistance for a sibling of the child or

young person that you are applying for, they may not be eligible and/or not receive the same offer of transport.

It is therefore important to read the BCP Council Home to School Transport Policy that is valid at the time you wish to make an application for assistance.

Pupil premium

The pupil premium grant provides funding to schools and they can use it to provide targeted support for:

- Children who qualify for free school meals
- Looked After and Previously Looked After Children
- Children from UK service families

It is important to inform your child's school if you think they qualify so the school can claim the additional funding. Please talk to your child's school to find out what you need to do.

Free school meals

Your child will be able to get free school meals if they are in:

- Reception class
- Year 1
- Year 2

Tell us or your school if you also get any of the following qualifying benefits. Your child's school can get extra funding if you receive:

- Universal Credit - if your household income is less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

If you have no recourse to public funds or would like to find out more, contact the Children's Information Service.

School uniform

Most schools require children to wear a school uniform. Individual school websites set out their policy on school uniform. If you are experiencing financial hardship, you can contact the school who may be able to assist you with the cost of purchasing items of uniform.

In-year applications

Moving school during the school year

There are many reasons you might want to change your child's school. One of the main reasons is moving home. If you have not moved far and are still able to get your child to their current school, you can continue to send your child there. If this is not possible, you will need to apply for a new school place.

Applications can be made online. For more information, please visit Requesting a school place during the school year | BCP.

Fair access protocols

All local authorities must have a fair access protocol for in year admissions. Fair access protocols exist to ensure that appropriate education is secured quickly for children without a school place, particularly the most vulnerable or those with challenging behaviour. The protocol ensures that all schools in an area admit their fair share of children with challenging behaviour, including children excluded from other schools. If your application is to be considered by the in-year fair access panel you will be advised by the school admissions team.

BCP Council school admissions team contact details

School Admissions and Transport Team
BCP Council Civic Centre
Bourne Avenue
Bournemouth
BH2 6DY

Tel: 01202 127963
Email: school.admissions@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

Children's Information Service
Tel: 01202 123222
Email: CIS@bcpcouncil.gov.uk

Bournemouth infant schools contact details

School name and address	Headteacher, telephone number, email and web address	School Category	Age Range & Year Groups	Admission Number
Queen's Park Infant Academy **East Way** **Bournemouth BH8 9PU**	Mrs Tracey Edwards Telephone 01202 528805 Email qpia.office@coastalpartnership.co.uk Web queensparkinfacademy.co.uk	Academy Coastal Learning Partnership	4-7 (R-2)	90
St Clement's & St John's CE Infant School **St Clement's Road** **Bournemouth BH1 4DZ**	Mr Lawrence Woodward Telephone 01202 393570 E-mail stclements@coastalpartnership.co.uk Web stclementsandstjohns.co.uk	Academy Coastal Learning Partnership	4-7 (R-2)	60
Stourfield Infant School **Cranleigh Road** **Bournemouth BH6 5JS**	Mrs Pauline Sweetman Telephone 01202 424585 Email office@stourfieldinfants.com Web stourfieldinfants.com	Academy Twynham Learning	4-7 (R-2)	90

Bournemouth primary schools contact details

School name and address	Headteacher, telephone number, email and web address	School Category	Age Range & Year Groups	Admission Number
Avonwood School **Harewood Avenue** **Bournemouth BH7 6NY**	Mr Chris Jackson Telephone 01202 727910 Email office@avonwoodprimaryschool.org.uk Web avonwoodprimaryschool.org.uk	Academy United Learning Trust	4-11 (R-6)	60
Christ the King Catholic Primary School **Durdells Avenue** **Bournemouth BH11 9EH**	Mr Brian Morton Telephone 01202 574277 Email christtheking@ctkcps.com Web ctkcps.com	Academy Plymouth CAST	3-11 (N-6)	45
Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School **St James's Square** **Bournemouth BH5 2BX**	Mr Simon Lennon Telephone 01202 427544 Email office@cccpschool.com Web cccpschool.co.uk	Voluntary Aided	4-11 (R-6)	60
Elm Academy **Holloway Avenue** **Bournemouth BH11 9JN**	Mrs Jo Wakeman Telephone 01202 574211 or 01202 574212 Email elm@ea.weareauthentic.education Web elm-academy.org.uk	Academy Authentic Education Trust	3-11 (N-6)	60

The Epiphany School **Shillingstone Drive** **Bournemouth BH9 3PE**	Miss Vanessa Webster Telephone 01202 530960 Email office@epiphany.bournemouth.sch.uk Web epiphany.bournemouth.sch.uk	Academy Coastal Learning Partnership	4-11 (R-6)	60
Heathlands Primary **Andrews Close** **Bournemouth BH11 8HB**	Miss Janine Harries Telephone 01202 574452 Email heathlands@coastalpartnership.co.uk Web heathlandsprimarybournemouth.co.uk	Academy Coastal Learning Partnership	3-11 (N-6)	30
Hill View Primary School **Hill View Road** **Bournemouth** **BH10 5BD**	Miss Victoria Buckland Telephone: 01202 514109 Email office@hillview.bournemouth.sch.uk Web hillview.bournemouth.sch.uk	Academy Reach South Academy Trust	4-11 (R-6)	90
Jewell Academy **Bournemouth Jewell Road** **Bournemouth BH8 0LT**	Mrs Alex Waddington Telephone 01202 774830 Email office@jewell-aspirations.org Web jewell-aspirations.org	Academy Aspirations Academies Trust	4-11 (R-6)	30
Kingsleigh Primary School **Hadow Road** **Bournemouth BH10 5HT**	Mrs Suzy Hayward Telephone 01202 528893 Email office@kingsleighprimary.co.uk Web kingsleighprimary.co.uk	Academy	3-11 (N-6)	120
King's Park Academy **Ashley Road** **Bournemouth BH1 4NB**	Mrs Lauren Dean Telephone 01202 395138 Email kingspark@kpa.weareauthentic.education Web kingspark-academy.co.uk	Academy Authentic Education Trust	4-11 (R-6)	90
Kinson Academy **School Lane** **Bournemouth BH11 9DG**	Mrs Michele Lawson Telephone 01202 572713 Email kinson@ka.weareauthentic.education Web kinson-academy.co.uk	Academy Authentic Education Trust	4-11 (R-6)	30
Malmesbury Park Primary School **Lowther Road** **Bournemouth** **BH8 8LU**	Mr Daniel Forward Telephone 01202 291227 Email office@malmesburypark.bournemouth.sch.uk Web malmesburyparkacademy.org	Academy Reach South Academy Trust	3-11 (N-6)	90
Moordown St John's CE Primary School **Vicarage Road** **Bournemouth BH9 2SA**	Mr Paul Ruffle Telephone 01202 527683 Email msjoffice@st-johns.bournemouth.sch.uk Web st-johns.bournemouth.sch.uk	Academy	4-11 (R-6)	60

Muscliff Primary School **Broadway Lane** **Bournemouth BH8 0AB**	Mrs Sarah Fenby Telephone: 01202 549654 Email muscliff@muscliffprimary.co.uk Web muscliffprimary.co.uk	Academy	4-11 (R-6)	60
Pokesdown Community Primary School **Livingstone Road** **Bournemouth BH5 2AS**	Mrs Alison Bayliss Telephone 01202 428982 Email office@pokesdowncommunity.co.uk Web pokesdowncommunity.co.uk	Academy	4-11 (R-6)	60
St James' CE Primary Academy **Christchurch Road** **Bournemouth BH7 6DW**	Mr Alastair Brown Telephone 01202 426696 Email office@stjamescebournemouth.com Web stjamescebournemouth.com	Academy	4-11 (R-6)	60
St Katharine's CE Primary School **Rolls Drive** **Bournemouth BH6 4NA**	Mrs Nicola St John Telephone 01202 426663 Email office@skps.email Web stkatharinesceprimary.co.uk	Voluntary Aided	4-11 (R-6)	60
St Luke's CE Primary School **Maxwell Road** **Bournemouth BH9 1DL**	Mr Martin Godfrey Telephone 01202 514396 Email stlukes@coastalpartnership.co.uk Web stlukesbournemouth.co.uk	Academy Coastal Learning Partnership	4-11 (R-6)	60
St Mark's CE Primary School **Talbot Village** **Bournemouth BH10 4JA**	Mr Andrew Bright Telephone 01202 512241 Email office@st-marks.bournemouth.sch.uk Web st-marks.bournemouth.sch.uk	Academy	4-11 (R-6)	60
St Michael's CE Primary School **Somerville Road** **Bournemouth BH2 5LH**	Mr Anthony Evans Telephone 01202 290497 Email office@stmichaelsprimary.org Web stmichaelsprimary.bournemouth.sch.uk	Academy	3-11 (N-6)	90
St Walburga's Catholic Primary School **Malvern Road** **Bournemouth BH9 3BY**	Mrs Veronica Woodward Telephone 01202 528811 Email office@stwalburgasprimary.co.uk Web stwalburgas.bournemouth.sch.uk	Voluntary Aided	4-11 (R-6)	60
Winton Primary School **Oswald Road** **Bournemouth BH9 2TG**	Mr Neil Tarchetti Telephone 01202 513988 Email office@wintonprimary.uk Web wintonprimary.uk	Academy Delta Education Trust	4-11 (R-6)	120

Bournemouth all-through school contact details

School name and address	Headteacher, telephone number, email and web address	School Category	Age Range & Year Groups	Admission Number
Livingstone Academy Bournemouth **Madeira Road** **Bournemouth BH1 1PA**	Mrs Jennifer Warr Telephone 01202 124555 Email office@livingstone-aspirations.org Web livingstone-aspirations.org	Free School Aspirations Academies Trust	4-19 (R-13)	60
St Peter's School **Holdenhurst Avenue** **Bournemouth BH7 6RG**	Mr Ben Doyle Telephone: 01202 421141 Email primary@st-peters.bournemouth.sch.uk Web st-peters.bournemouth.sch.uk	Academy	4-11 (R-6)	60

Christchurch infant schools contact details

School name and address	Headteacher, telephone number, email and web address	School Category	Age Range & Year Groups	Admission Number
Christchurch Infant School **Addiscombe Road** **Christchurch BH23 2AE**	Miss Laura Tobin Telephone 01202 485851 Email office@cisdorset.org Web christchurchinf.dorset.sch.uk	Academy Twynham Learning	4-7 (R-2)	120
Mudeford Community Infants School **Queen's Road** **Christchurch BH23 3HH**	Mr Daniel Pope Telephone 01202 488142 E-mail office@mudefordinf.dorset.sch.uk Web mudefordinf.dorset.sch.uk	Community	4-7 (R-2)	60

Christchurch primary schools contact details

School name and address	Headteacher, telephone number, email and web address	School Category	Age Range & Year Groups	Admission Number
Burton CE Primary School **Campbell Road** **Burton** **Christchurch BH23 7JY**	Mrs Alison Timmings Telephone 01202 482588 Email office@burtonpri.dorset.sch.uk Web burtonschool.co.uk	Community	4-11 (R-6)	45
Highcliffe St Mark Primary School **Greenways** **Highcliffe** **Christchurch BH23 5AZ**	Mrs Claire Barker Telephone 01425 273029 Email office@highcliffeprimary.dorset.sch.uk Web highcliffeprimary.dorset.sch.uk	Foundation	3-11 (N-6)	60

The Priory CE Primary School **Wick Lane** **Christchurch BH23 1HX**	Mr Simon Croutear Telephone 01202 484105 Email office@prioryceprimary.co.uk Web prioryschool.dorset.sch.uk	Voluntary Aided	4-11 (R-6)	30
Somerford Primary School **Draper Road** **Christchurch BH23 3AS**	Mrs Helen Frampton Telephone 01202 485436 Email office@somerford.dorset.sch.uk Web somerford.dorset.sch.uk	Community	4-11 (R-6)	30
St Joseph's Catholic VA Primary School **Dorset Road** **Christchurch BH23 3DA**	Mr Gerry Curran Telephone 01202 485976 Email admin@stjosephs.dorset.sch.uk Web stjosephs.dorset.sch.uk	Voluntary Aided	4-11 (R6)	30
Twynham Primary School **Marsh Lane** **Christchurch BH23 2NH**	Ms Jennifer Hunter Telephone 01202 026065 Email office@twynhamprimary.com Web twynhamprimary.com	Free School	4-11 (R-6)	30

Poole first and infant schools contact details

School name and address	Headteacher, telephone number, email and web address	School Category	Age Range & Year Groups	Admission Number
Ad Astra Infant School **Sherborn Crescent** **Canford Heath** **Poole BH17 8AP**	Mrs Clare Tantrum Telephone 01202 602113 Email aaisoffice@teachpoole.com Web adastra.poole.sch.uk	Academy TEACH Trust	4-7 (R-2)	90
Broadstone First School **Tudor Road** **Broadstone BH18 8AA**	Ms Rebecca Wood Telephone 01202 694376 E-mail office@broadstonefirst.poole.sch.uk Web broadstonefirstschool.co.uk	Academy Castleman Academy Trust	4-9 (R-4)	60
Canford Heath Infant School **Learoyd Road** **Canford Heath** **Poole BH17 8PJ**	Mrs Laurin Palmer Telephone 01202 380015 Email chisoffice@teachpoole.com Web chis.poole.sch.uk	Academy TEACH Trust	4-7 (R-2)	120
Courthill Infant School **Courthill Road** **Parkstone** **Poole BH14 9HL**	Mrs Alison Carter Telephone 01202 747381 Email office@courthill.coastalpartnership.co.uk Web courthillinfants.co.uk	Academy Coastal Learning Partnership	4-7 (R-2)	120
Lilliput CE Infant School **Lilliput Road** **Parkstone** **Poole BH14 8JX**	Mrs Christine Chambers Telephone 01202 709013 Email lilliput.office@lilliput.coastalpartnership.co.uk Web lilliput.poole.sch.uk	Academy Coastal Learning Partnership	4-7 (R-2)	120

Merley First School **Oakley Straight** **Merley** **Wimborne BH21 1SD**	Mrs Rebecca Baldwin Telephone 01202 888455 Email office@merleyfirstschool.org Web merleyfirstschool.com	Academy Wimborne Academy Trust	4-9 (R-4)	60
Old Town Infant School and Nursery **Green Road** **Poole BH15 1QB**	Mr Doug Gubbins Telephone 01202 673966 Email oldtown.office@coastalpartnership.co.uk Web oldtowninfantschool.co.uk	Academy Coastal Learning Partnership	3-7 (N-2)	60
Livingstone Road Infant School **Livingstone Road** **Parkstone** **Poole BH12 3DT**	Ms Claire Addis Telephone 01202 806806 Email office@livingstoneprimary.org Web livingstoneprimary.org	Academy Hamwic Trust	4-7 (R-2)	60
Springdale First School **Springdale Road** **Broadstone BH18 9BW**	Miss Debbie Budden Telephone 01202 692700 Email office@springdale.poole.sch.uk Web springdale.poole.sch.uk	Academy Hamwic Trust	4-9 (R-4)	60
Stanley Green Infant Academy **Stanley Green Road** **Poole BH15 3AA**	Mrs Francesca Perry Telephone 01202 778181 Email sgia@stanleygreen.co.uk Web stanleygreen.co.uk	Academy	4-7 (R-2)	90
Twin Sails Infant School & Nursery **Blandford Road** **Hamworthy** **Poole BH15 4AY**	Mrs Susannah Hill Telephone 01202 672377 Email office@hamworthyprimaryschools.co.uk Web hamworthyprimaryschools.co.uk	Academy Hamwic Trust	3-7 (N-2)	120

Poole primary schools contact details

School name and address	Headteacher, telephone number, fax number, email and web address	School Category	Age Range & Year Groups	Admission Number
Bayside Academy **Turlin Road** **Turlin Moor** **Poole BH16 5AH**	Mrs Leanne Tucker Telephone 01202 685459 Email bayside@ba.weareauthentic.education Web bayside-academy.co.uk	Academy Authentic Education Trust	4-11 (R-6)	30
Bearwood Primary & Nursery School **Baron's Road** **Bearwood BH11 9UN**	Mrs Cheryl Smith Telephone 01202 590703 Email school@bearwood.poole.sch.uk Web bearwood.poole.sch.uk	Academy Hamwic Trust	3-11 (N-6)	30
Bishop Aldhelm's CE Primary School **Winston Avenue** **Branksome** **Poole BH12 1PG**	Mr Scott Tait Telephone 01202 715100 Email office@bishopaldhelms.poole.sch.uk Web bishopaldhelms.poole.sch.uk	Academy Hamwic Trust	4-11 (R-6)	90

Heatherlands Primary School **Library Road, Parkstone** **Poole BH12 2BG**	Mr Julian Churchill Telephone 01202 743918 Email heatherlands.office@coastalpartnership.co.uk Web heatherlands.poole.sch.uk	Academy Coastal Learning Partnership	4-11 (R-6)	90
Hillbourne Primary School **Kitchener Crescent** **Poole BH17 7HX**	Mrs Laura Bennett Telephone 01202 692604 Email office@hillbourne.poole.sch.uk Web hillbourneschool.co.uk	Academy Hamwic Trust	4-11 (R-6)	30
Longfleet CE Primary School **Jolliffe Avenue** **Poole BH15 2HF**	Mr Nigel Helm Telephone 01202 673652 Email office@longfleet.coastalpartnership.co.uk Web longfleet.poole.sch.uk	Academy Coastal Learning Partnership	4-11 (R-6)	90
Manorside Academy **Evering Avenue** **Poole BH12 4JG**	Miss Gemma Sutter Telephone: 01202 380103 Email manorside@ma.weareauthentic.education Web manorside-academy.co.uk	Academy Authentic Education Trust	4-11 (R-6)	60
St Joseph's Catholic Primary School **Sancreed Road** **Poole BH12 4QZ**	Mr Neil McDermott Telephone 01202 741932 Email stjosephs@sjcpschool.co.uk Web sjcpschool.co.uk	Academy Plymouth CAST	4-11 (R-6)	60
St Mary's Catholic Primary School **Devon Road** **Poole BH15 3QQ**	Mrs Clare Tickel Telephone 01202 676207 Email office@st-marys.poole.sch.uk Web st-marys.poole.sch.uk	Academy Plymouth CAST	4-11 (R-6)	60
Talbot Primary School **Talbot Drive** **Poole BH12 5ED**	Mrs Kate Curtis Telephone 01202 513981 Email school@talbot.poole.sch.uk Web talbot.poole.sch.uk	Academy Hamwic Trust	4-11 (R-6)	90

BCP Council special schools and alternative provision

School name and address	Headteacher, telephone number, email and web address	School Category	Age Range & Year Groups
Christchurch Learning Centre **29 Stour Road** **Christchurch BH23 1PJ**	Mr Philip Gavin Telephone 01202 471410 Email office@clc.dorset.sch.uk Web clc.dorset.sch.uk/	Pupil Referral Unit	11-16 (7-11)
Linwood School **Alma Road** **Bournemouth BH9 1AJ**	Ms Gemma Talbot Telephone 01202 525107 Email linwoodcampus@linwood.bournemouth.sch.uk Web linwood.bournemouth.sch.uk	Community Special	3-19 (N-14)

Longspee Academy **Learoyd Road** **Canford Heath** **Poole BH17 8PJ**	Mr Gavin O'Connell Telephone 01202 380266 Email reception@longspeeschool.co.uk Web longspee-academy.co.uk	Academy Special Authentic Education Trust	4+ (R+)
Montacute School **3 Canford Heath Road** **Poole BH17 9NG**	Mrs Ginny Bellard Telephone 01202 693239 Email office@montacute.poole.sch.uk Web montacute.poole.sch.uk	Academy Special	3-19 (R-14)
The Quay School **160 Herbert Avenue** **Poole BH12 4HU**	Mr Russell Arnold Telephone 01202 716910 Email office@thequayschool.com Web thequayschool.com	Academy Alternative Provision Delta Education Trust	11-18 (7-13)
Tregonwell Academy (Iford Academy) **Petersfield Road** **Bournemouth BH7 6QP**	Mr Joe Phillips Telephone 01202 424361 Email reception@iford-academy.co.uk Web tregonwell-academy.co.uk	Academy Special Authentic Education Trust	12-16
Tregonwell Academy Nigel Bowes Campus **70 Ensbury Avenue** **Bournemouth BH10 4HG**	Mr Steve Jackson Telephone 01202 524041 Email nigelbowes@ta.weareauthentic.education Web tregonwell-academy.co.uk	Academy Special Ambitions Academies Trust	5-12
Winchelsea Special School **Guernsey Road** **Parkstone** **Poole BH12 4LL**	Mr Geoff Cherrill Telephone 01202 746240 Email enquiries@winchelsea.poole.sch.uk Web winchelseaschool.co.uk	Community Special	3-16 (R-11)