

Primary, Infant and Junior Schools Admission Policies Directory 2026/2027

Mid Essex

Braintree, Chelmsford and Maldon Districts

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Essex County Council

Online admissions

Parents and carers who live in the Essex County Council area (excluding those living in the Borough of Southend-on-Sea or in Thurrock) can apply for their child's school place online using the Essex Online Admissions Service at:

Please ensure that you read the information in this directory alongside the 'Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027' admissions guide, which provides all the information you need to know on the admissions processes.

www.essex.gov.uk/admissions

The online application system has a number of benefits for parents and carers:

- you can access related information through links on the website to find out more about individual schools, such as home to school transport or inspection reports;
- when you have submitted your application you will receive an email confirming this;
- you will be told the outcome of your online application by email on offer day if you requested this when you applied.

You will be able to make your application online from **10 November 2025**.

The closing date for primary applications is **15 January 2026**. This is the statutory national closing date set by the Government.

Key Points to Remember

- **APPLY ON TIME - closing date 15 January 2026.**
- **Use all 4 preferences.**
- **Tell us immediately in writing (email or by letter) about any address change.**
- **If entitlement to school transport is important to you, please make sure you read and understand the 'Home to School Transport' section in the 'Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027' admissions guide and also the Education Transport policy at www.essex.gov.uk/schooltransport. School priority admission (catchment) areas are not relevant to transport eligibility. Transport is generally only provided to the nearest available school where the distance criteria is met. It is vital you carefully consider the transport implications before you make your application for a school place. If you need any further advice please contact us at educationawards@essex.gov.uk.**

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Introduction to the Schools' Admissions Policies Directory for Mid Essex

This Directory should be used with the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet which is available on our website at www.essex.gov.uk/admissions by parents and carers whose children will be starting primary education or transferring from infant to junior school in Mid Essex in the school year that begins in September 2026.

In this Directory you will find the School Admission policies of all the primary, infant and junior schools in the Mid Essex locality. This includes areas 3 (Braintree), 1 (Chelmsford) and 6 (Maldon) on the map below. On page 6 it explains what the different parts of these policies mean.

You can make your application via our website: www.essex.gov.uk/admissions

The deadline for receipt of applications is **15 January 2026.**



The information contained in this booklet is correct as at the time of printing. Policies may change in the light of decisions made by the Schools' Adjudicator, the Education Skills and Funding Agency or any change in the law. An addendum will be available on the website and on request.

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Co-ordinated admission arrangements and what they mean

The law requires a LA to co-ordinate admissions to all primary schools (except independent (fee-paying) or special schools) in their area. Primary schools includes infant schools.

Essex parents must apply for primary school places by completing the Common Application Form. This can either be completed online at **www.essex.gov.uk/admissions**, or you can use a paper application form. **Please do not do both.** Parents can express preferences for up to four schools, both in and out of Essex, in the order in which they would like them considered.

On 16 April 2026, parents will be sent one offer of a place at the highest preference school that can be met. If none of the preferences can be met a place will be offered at the nearest Essex school to the child's home address with a space available. Here are some examples of this process:

Example 1 – Parent has applied for four schools and the first preference can be met:

Preference 1 – Offered

Preference 2 – Not offered – right to appeal given*

Preference 3 – Not offered – right to appeal given*

Preference 4 – Not offered – right to appeal given*

Example 2 – Parent has applied for four schools and the second preference can be met:

Preference 1 – Not offered – on waiting list and right to appeal given

Preference 2 – Offered

Preference 3 – Not offered – right to appeal given*

Preference 4 – Not offered – right to appeal given*

Example 3 – Parent has applied for four schools and no preference can be met:

Preference 1 – Not offered – on waiting list and right to appeal given

Preference 2 – Not offered – on waiting list and right to appeal given

Preference 3 – Not offered – on waiting list and right to appeal given

Preference 4 – Not offered – on waiting list and right to appeal given

Your child will be offered a place at the nearest Essex school to their home address with a space available.

* You will note from examples 1 and 2 that children are only held on waiting lists for preferences higher than the one that can be met.

On 16 April 2026 (National offer day) Essex resident families will be sent a notification of the school offer being made. This will either be an email (for those that applied online) or a letter for all other applications.

School information explained

Any Primary School		
The normal age range of the school is shown here. (4-11 for primary, 4-7 for infant and 7-11 for junior. A # shows that the school has a nursery unit.	Acacia End, Chelmsford CM1 2AA	More information about the school will be available on its website. This indicates the type of school. See the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet for more information. Department for Education unique identification number for the school. No. of Reception places available in Sept 2026. See Note 1. Years R-6. Total No. of pupils at the school in January 2025 years R-6. The last admissions criterion under which pupils were admitted to the school last year. See Note 2
	Telephone 0345 603 2200	
	Email: anyprimary@essex.sch.uk	
	Website: www.AnyPS.essex.sch.uk	
	Headteacher: Mr A Smith	
Community (Co-educational)		
4-11		
School Number: 881-0123		
Published admission number 2026/2027: 30		
Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: 70		
Number on roll: 187		
In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion 4		
Timing of Admission		
Please see page 6 of this booklet.		

Note 1
The Published Admission Number (PAN) is the number of places that the school has available for the new Reception intake in 2026. In general this will be the same as the PAN for 2025. The total number of applications received was collated on 16 April 2025. The PAN and the number of applications received for 2025 should give you an idea of the demand for places at the school. Treat this information carefully and talk to the school about it. For instance, some applications may have been second, third or fourth preferences and these increase the overall number of applications. However you should be aware that if you only apply for schools that are oversubscribed you may not receive a place at any of them.

Note 2
Timing of Admission: As required by law with effect from September 2011, all infant and primary schools provide for the full time admission of all children offered a place in the reception year group from the September following their fourth birthday. This means that you have the right to a full time place at the school your child is offered from September 2026. Parents can request that the date their child is admitted to school is deferred until later in the school year or until the child reaches compulsory school age in the school year. Where entry is deferred, the school will hold the place for that child and not offer it to another child. The parent would not however be able to defer entry beyond the beginning of the term after the child's fifth birthday, nor beyond the academic year for which the original application was accepted. Parents can also request that their child attends part-time until the child reaches compulsory school age. You would need to check with the individual school(s) what the part-time provision would be. Where parents choose to defer entry, the school may reasonably expect that the child would start at the beginning of a new school term/half term.

BELCHAMP

Belchamp St Paul CE Primary

Vicarage Road, Belchamp St Paul, Sudbury,
Suffolk, CO10 7BP
Telephone (01787) 277222
Email: admin.belchampstpaul@dcvst.org
Website: www.belchampstpaulschool.co.uk
Headteacher: Mrs K Stuart
Academy (Co-educational)
4–11 Church of England
School Number: 881-3304

Published admission number 2026/2027: **15**

Number on roll: **33**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **18**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: **7**

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

Where applications for admission exceed the number of places available, the following criteria will be applied, in the order set out below, to decide which children to admit:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with exceptional medical or social needs;
3. children living in the priority admissions area with a sibling* at the School;
4. other children living in the priority admissions area without a sibling* at the School;
5. children living outside the priority admissions area with a sibling* at the School;
6. children living outside the priority admissions area who meet the faith# criterion;
7. all other children.

(i) Medical need means where written evidence has been provided from a senior clinical medical officer or the child's general practitioner / specialist showing that the child's condition would make it detrimental to the child's health not to admit him/her to the School. This may include written evidence where the parent has a medical need and/or disability which would make it detrimental for the child to attend a different school; this may be supported by evidence of the child as a young carer.

(ii) Social Need means where the child is of confirmed refugee status. Written evidence of this must be submitted with the Supplementary

Information Form and sent to the School on or before 15th January 2026.

* Sibling means brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, foster brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom admission is sought is living in the same family unit as that sibling and at the same address.

Priority Admissions Area means the geographical area from which children will be afforded priority for admission to the School. A map showing the priority admissions area, is available to view on the School website. A hard copy is available at the School office.

A child living outside the priority admissions area is eligible for this category where the child or the parent or carers meets the following criteria, in order of priority.

- Regular attendance at public worship in any Church of England church, for not less than eight times in a twelve-month period prior to the date of submission of the application for admission to the school.
- Regular attendance at public worship in any other Christian church for not less than eight times in a twelve-month period prior to the date of submission to the school. For the purposes of these admission arrangements 'other Christian church' means a church which is Designated under the Ecumenical Relations Measure 2018, nationally by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, or locally by the diocesan bishop; or which is a member of Churches Together in England; or affiliated to the Evangelical Alliance; or a Partner Church of Affinity.
- Regular attendance at public worship in any faith group which is a member of the local Council of Faiths for not less than eight times in a twelve-month period prior to the date of submission of the application for admission to the school.

You must complete the relevant part of the SIF if you are applying under Category 6. The SIF must be verified and signed by the relevant Church or Faith Leader, or an authorised Church or Faith Officer.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed. The SIF must be returned to the School office on or before 15th January 2026.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

BICKNACRE

Priory Primary, Bicknacre

Bicknacre Road, Bicknacre, Chelmsford CM3 4ES
 Telephone (01245) 225450
 Email: admin@priory.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.priory.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Ms C Laver
 Community (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2799

Published admission number 2026/2027: **20**
 Number on roll: **142**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **33**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

BOCKING

Bocking Primary

Church Street, Bocking, Braintree CM7 5LA
 Telephone (01376) 322650
 Email: admin@bockingstreet.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.bockingstreet.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs H Cagney
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2250

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **196**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **46**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the academy;
3. children of staff directly employed by the academy in either or both of the following circumstances:
 - a. where the member of staff has been employed at the academy for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the academy is made; and/or
 - b. the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post at the academy for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

For the avoidance of doubt, “a” and “b” above do not denote an order of priority – all children falling within this category will be treated equally. Children of staff are those where the staff member is the child’s parent by blood or adoption, or the member of staff has legal parental responsibility for the child;
4. children living in the priority admission area;
5. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

‡ LA sibling definition applies.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

BOREHAM

Boreham Primary

Juniper Road, Boreham, Chelmsford CM3 3DB

Telephone (01245) 467625

Email: admin@boreham.essex.sch.uk

Website: www.boreham.essex.sch.uk

Headteacher: Mr I Bowyer

Community (Co-educational)

4–11

School Number: 881-2659

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**

Number on roll: **213**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **74**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 3

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined on in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

BRADWELL

St Cedd's CE Primary, Bradwell

Bradwell-on-Sea, Southminster CM0 7PY
 Telephone (01621) 776219
 Email: admin.stcedds@dcvst.org
 Website: www.st-ceddsprimary.co.uk
 Head of school: Mrs R Wright
 Executive Headteacher: Miss B Fairhead
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-2106

Published admission number 2026/2027: **25**

Number on roll: **118**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **28**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: **8**

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet).
2. Children living in the area of Bradwell and St Lawrence whose parents/carers worship regularly at any of the following: St. Thomas's Church, Bradwell on Sea; St. Lawrence Centre; St. Lawrence Church; St. Peter's Chapel.
3. Children living in the area of Bradwell and St Lawrence who have siblings at the school.
4. Children living in the area of Bradwell and St Lawrence.
5. Children living out of the area of Bradwell and St Lawrence whose siblings attend the school.
6. Children whose parents/carers worship regularly at other Christian Churches.
7. Children whose parents/carers worship regularly in another faith and wish their child to attend a church school because of its specifically religious ethos.
8. Remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Worshipping regularly is taken to be attendance once a month or more often. A signature confirming this attendance must be sought from the Priest or minister of the Church or place of worship concerned.

A sibling is defined to be a child living in the same family unit, in the same family household and address as a child who attends St. Cedd's School at the time of application and with a reasonable expectation that the older child will still be attending at the time of admission. This includes brothers and sisters and step brothers and sisters. In addition, biological siblings will be treated as siblings irrespective of place of residence.

Submissions may be made by parents who feel that their child's medical needs necessitate attendance at St. Cedd's. These would need to be supported by written evidence from an appropriate professional. Such a submission might be felt by the Governing Body to override all of the above.

You must complete the relevant part of the SIF if you are applying under Category 2 or 7. The SIF must be verified and signed by the relevant Church or Faith Leader, or an authorised Church or Faith Officer.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

BRAINTREE

Beckers Green Primary

Beckers Green Road, Braintree CM7 3PR
 Telephone (01376) 322687
 Email: admin@beckersgreen.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.beckersgreen.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs C Smyth
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4-11
 School Number: 881-2134

Published admission number 2026/2027: **45**
 Number on roll: **317**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **113**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling* attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

*Siblings are defined as children with a brother or sister (or stepbrother/sister) living at the same address who attends the preferred school at the time of application and with a reasonable expectation that the brother or sister will still be attending at the time of admission. If the last child to be offered a place is a twin and their sibling cannot be offered initially, the school will ensure both twins are offered a place. In the case of triplets or multiple births, if the majority of children can be offered a place, then a place will be made available for all.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

Great Bradfords Infant and Nursery

Marlborough Road, Braintree CM7 9LW
 Telephone (01376) 326891
 Email: admin@gbins.co.uk
 Website: www.gbins.co.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs A Easton
 Community (Co-educational)
 4-7 #
 School Number: 881-2769

Published admission number 2026/2027: **90**
 Number on roll: **245**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **128**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school or Great Bradfords Junior school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

This school has a nursery unit. Please see the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

BRAINTREE

Great Bradfords Junior

Marlborough Road, Braintree CM7 9LW
 Telephone (01376) 326739
 Email: admin@gbjs.co.uk
 Website: www.gtbradfordsjuniorschool.org.uk
 Headteacher: Mr J Wrench
 Community (Co-educational)
 7–11
 School Number: 881-2759

Published admission number 2026/2027: **90**
 Number on roll: **342**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **87**

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school or Great Bradfords Infant and Nursery school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

John Bunyan Primary and Nursery

Lancaster Way, Braintree CM7 5UL
 Telephone (01376) 321814
 Email: admin@johnbunyan.co.uk
 Website: www.johnbunyan.co.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs L Waters
 Community (Co-educational)
 4–11 #
 School Number: 881-2300

Published admission number 2026/2027: **90**
 Number on roll: **510**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **85**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

This school has a nursery unit. Please see the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

BRAINTREE

John Ray Infant

Notley Road, Braintree CM7 1HL
 Telephone (01376) 323071
 Email: johnrayinfantcontact@compassps.uk
 Website: johnrayinfant.compassps.uk
 Headteacher: Lisa Christian
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–7
 School Number: 881-2669

Published admission number 2026/2027: **90**
 Number on roll: **302**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **153**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school or John Ray Junior school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

John Ray Junior

Notley Road, Braintree CM7 1HL
 Telephone (01376) 324107
 Email: johnrayjunior@compassps.uk
 Website: www.johnray.compassps.uk
 Headteacher: Miss K Harrison
 Academy (Co-educational)
 7–11
 School Number: 881-2150

Published admission number 2026/2027: **120**
 Number on roll: **436**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025 : **96**

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription any remaining places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given*:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children in year 2 at John Ray Infant school;
3. children with a sibling attending the school or John Ray Infant school;
4. children living in the priority admission area;
5. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

* For applications received after the start of Year 3 Looked After Children and previously looked after children will be given priority ahead of all other applicants.

Waiting list held until: end of academic year.

BRAINTREE

Lyons Hall Primary

Deerleap Way, Braintree CM7 9FH
 Telephone (01376) 552393
 Email: admin@lyonshall.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.lyonshall.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs R Pritchard
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2080

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **558**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **159**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school living in the priority admission area;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. children with a sibling attending the school living outside the priority admission area;
5. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

Notley Green Primary

Blickling Road, Great Notley, Braintree CM77 7ZJ
 Telephone (01376) 343485
 Email: notleygreen@compassps.uk
 Website: www.notleygreen.compassps.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs E Seward
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2000

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **410**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **156**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

BRAINTREE

St Francis Catholic Primary

Gilchrist Way, Braintree CM7 2SY
 Telephone (01376) 320440
 Email: admin@st-francis.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.stfrancisbraintree.org.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs V Jackson
 Voluntary Aided (Co-educational)
 4–11 Roman Catholic
 School Number: 881-3790

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **210**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **47**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 7

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

Where applications for admission exceed the number of places available, the Governing Body will allocate places in the following categories in the order set out below:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet) who are baptised Catholics or from a catholic family;
2. baptised Catholic# children resident in the Parishes of Our Lady Queen of Peace, Braintree, Our Lady and St Anne Line, Dunmow and St Francis of Assisi, Halstead, where one or both parents are known to be regularly attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation, as evidenced by the 'Certificate of Practice' which can be provided by the Priest;
3. baptised Catholic# children of non-practising parents resident in the Parishes of Our Lady Queen of Peace, Braintree, St Anne Line, Dunmow and St Francis of Assisi, Halstead;
4. baptised Catholic# children of teaching staff who do not fall under the above criteria but have;
 - a) been employed at the school for two years or more at the time of application for the school place or
 - b) the member of staff has been recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage;
5. other Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);

6. other Christian denominations desirous of obtaining a Christian education for their child provided that such application is supported, in writing, by the appropriate Minister of Religion;
7. any other applications.

In the event of oversubscription in any of the above categories, the following criteria will be applied:

- a. applicants with a sibling already in the school at the time of admission shall have priority within the category in which they fall;
- b. applicants who live nearer to the school as measured by straight line distance shall have priority within the category in which they fall.

Straight line distances are calculated by the LA as described in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

A Catholic refers to those in communion with the See of Rome and includes families of the Eastern and Latin Rite.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form and a Priest's Reference Form to be completed.

Waiting list held until: end of academic year.

BRAINTREE

St Michael's CE (VA) Primary

Maple Avenue, Braintree CM7 2NS
 Telephone (01376) 344866
 Email: admin@st-michaelscofe.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.stmichaelscofe.co.uk
 Interim Executive Headteacher: Mr C Speller
 Voluntary Aided (Co-educational)
 4-11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3440

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **405**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **79**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 3

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children from families where parent/s or guardian/s worship regularly at the Sunday services at St Michael's Church, Braintree, or any other local Christian church (defined as any church within 5 miles of the school's front entrance) - attending on average at least twice each month for the past 9 months.

In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church or alternative premises have been available for public worship.

Up to 20 places will be allocated to children within this category. A signature will be required from the responsible minister or leader of the relevant church. Where there are more than 20 applications from the above, then places will be allocated in the following order:

- a. children with a sibling‡ attending the school at the time of admission;
- b. children from homes within the priority

admission area, where residing at date of application;

- c. children from homes outside the priority admissions area, where residing at date of application and who have worshipped regularly at St Michael's Church, Braintree for at least two years;
- d. children from homes outside the priority admission area, where residing at date of application;

3. children from all other families, including any surplus from category 2 above:
 - a. children with a sibling‡ attending the school at the time of admission;
 - b. children of teachers* employed within the school at the time of application;
 - c. children from homes within the priority admission area, where residing at date of application;
 - d. children from homes outside the priority admission area, where residing at date of application.

*Employed in a teaching role and holds Qualified Teacher Status (QTS).

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority. Straight line distances are calculated by the LA as described in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Exceptional medical circumstances of the child for whom the place is being applied for (supported by appropriate evidence) may override the above within each category.

‡ LA sibling definition applies.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

BRAINTREE

White Court School

Ennerdale Avenue, Great Notley, Braintree CM77 7UE
 Telephone (01376) 331801
 Email: admin@whitecourt.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.whitecourtschool.co.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs C Burrell
 Community (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2767

Published admission number 2026/2027: **90**
 Number on roll: **567**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **150**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

BROOMFIELD

Broomfield Primary

School Lane, Broomfield, Chelmsford CM1 7DN
 Telephone (01245) 440251
 Email: admin@broomfield.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.broomfield.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs H Shelley
 Foundation (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-5252

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **419**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **149**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

Where applications for admission exceed the number of places available, the following criteria will be applied in the order set out below, to decide which children to admit:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school in any year group excluding the final year at the closing date of application. Sibling is a brother, sister, stepbrother or stepsister living in the same family unit in the same family household and address, who attends Broomfield Primary School in any year group excluding the final year. Biological and adopted siblings who attend Broomfield Primary School in any year group excluding the final year will also be treated as siblings irrespective of place of residence. Children residing in the same household as part of an extended family, such as cousins, will not be treated as siblings;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. proximity of the child's home to the school, as measured by a straight line distance from the home address point, to the address point for the school (on school lane), with those living nearer being accorded the higher priority. Straight line distances are calculated by the LA as described in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet. This will also serve as a tie-breaker in the event of over-subscription in any of the criteria.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

BULMER

St Andrew's CE (VC) Primary

Church Road, Bulmer, Sudbury, Suffolk CO10 7EH
 Telephone (01787) 372383
 Email: office@sab.sgasa.uk
 Website: standrews.chorusschools.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs J Nichols
 Voluntary Controlled (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3008

Published admission number 2026/2027: **15**
 Number on roll: **61**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **23**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

BURNHAM-ON-CROUCH

Burnham-on-Crouch Primary

Dunkirk Road, Burnham-on-Crouch CM0 8LG
 Telephone (01621) 782070
 Email: admin@burnham-on-crouch.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.burnhamprimary.co.uk
 Headteacher: Miss K Stock
 Community (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2310

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **420**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **140**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

BURNHAM-ON-CROUCH

St Mary's CE (VA) Primary

Marsh Road, Burnham-on-Crouch CM0 8LZ
 Telephone (01621) 782626
 Email: admin@st-marys-burnham.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.stmarysschoolburnham.org.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs G Denham-Hale
 Voluntary Aided (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3450

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **240**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **112**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 6

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

The priority order for admissions is:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children whose parents/carers worship regularly* at St Mary's Church, Burnham-on-Crouch;
3. children whose siblings† attend the school;
4. children whose parents/carers worship regularly* at other Christian churches;
5. children whose parents/carers worship regularly* in another faith and wish their child to attend a church school because of its specifically religious ethos;
6. remaining applications.

† LA sibling definition applies.

* 'Worshipping regularly' is taken to be attendance once a month or more often. For the full definition see the schools website.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

CASTLE HEDINGHAM

de Vere Primary

Kirby Hall Road, Castle Hedingham, Halstead CO9 3EA
 Telephone (01787) 460237
 Email: admin@devere.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.devere.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs C White
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2187

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **194**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **61**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the academy;
3. children of staff directly employed by the academy in either or both of the following circumstances:
 - a. where the member of staff has been employed at the academy for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the academy is made; and/or
 - b. the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post at the academy for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

For the avoidance of doubt, "a" and "b" above do not denote an order of priority – all children falling within this category will be treated equally. Children of staff are those where the staff member is the child's parent by blood or adoption, or the member of staff has legal parental responsibility for the child;
4. children living in the priority admission area;
5. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

CHELMSFORD

Barnes Farm Primary School

Henniker Gate, Chelmsford CM2 6QH
Telephone (01245) 467474
Email: admin@BF-Primary.com
Website: www.barnesfarminfants.co.uk
Headteacher: Mrs Z Farmer
Academy (Co-educational)
4–11
School Number: 881-2928

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**

Number on roll: **551**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **128**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 3

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling† attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. children living outside the priority admissions area, where the priority determined by straight line distance from the home or primary residence of the child to school.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

† LA sibling definition applies.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

CHELMSFORD

The Beaulieu Park School

Armistice Avenue, Chelmsford CM1 6DT
 Telephone (01245) 943400
 Email: primary@beaulieuparkschool.com
 Website: www.beaulieuparkschool.com
 Head of Primary School: Mrs L Instance
 Executive Headteacher: Mr J Donaldson
 Free School (Academy) (Co-educational)
 4-16
 School Number: 881- 4029

Published admission number 2026/2027: **120**
 Number on roll: **1399**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **329**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: **4**

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

When the school is oversubscribed, after the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care plan or a Statement of Special Educational Needs naming the school, priority for admission will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below, in priority order:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling* attending the school;
3. children of staff: **a)** Where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made, and/or;
b) The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage;
4. children living in the priority admission area;
5. remaining applications.

* A relevant sibling is a child who has a brother, sister, adopted brother or sister or stepbrother or stepsister living in the same family unit in the same family household and address who attends The Beaulieu Park School in any year group, irrespective of place of residence. Children residing in the same household as part of an extended family, such as cousins, will not be treated as siblings. In the case of twins or triplets etc., both or all will be offered places.

The Beaulieu Park School has a Priority Admissions Area. Within this criterion, children will be ranked in distance order for admission by straight line distance within the Priority Admissions Area. Those living nearer will have a higher priority, starting with the nearest first. Straight line distances are calculated by the LA as described in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

In the unlikely event of applicants with an identical distance competing for a single place at a school, the place will be offered to one applicant on the basis of lots drawn by a member of school staff not involved in admissions, with the exception of twins, triplets etc.

Waiting list held until: end of academic year.

CHELMSFORD

The Bishops' CofE and RC Primary School

Beardsley Drive, North Springfield,
Chelmsford CM1 6ZQ
Telephone (01245) 460107
Email: admin@bishops.essex.sch.uk
Website: www.bishops.essex.sch.uk
Headteacher: Mr G Waters
Voluntary Aided (Co-educational)
4–11 Roman Catholic and Church of England
School Number: 881-3823

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**

Number on roll: **439**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **152**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: **8**

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

As applications may exceed the number of places available, the Governors of the school will have regard to the following criteria in allocating places. Where there are more applications than places for any category, the places will be allocated to those children for whom this is the nearest school by straight line distance measured and reported to three decimal places.

1. A looked after child, previously looked after child or a previously looked after child from outside of England (defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.
2. The child who lives in the Springfield Parishes* and who attends worship with a family member at an Anglican or Catholic church in accordance with the expectations of their church as certified by the minister>.
3. The child who lives outside the Springfield Parishes* and who attends worship with a family member at an Anglican or Catholic church in accordance with the expectations of their church as certified by the minister>.
4. Siblings of children already attending The Bishops' School at the time of their admission.
5. The child who has at least one parent who lives in the Springfield Parishes* and who attends worship at a Christian congregation# with a family member in accordance with the expectations of their church as certified by the minister>.
6. The child for whom neither parent lives inside the Springfield Parishes* and who attends worship with a family member at a Christian congregation# in accordance with the

expectations of their church as certified by the minister>.

7. The child who has at least one parent who worships as a member of another recognised world faith community in accordance with the expectations of their faith community as certified by the faith leader >.
8. Any remaining places will be allocated to those children for whom this is the nearest school (based on straight line distance from home to school).

A definition of sibling includes (at the time of their admission to the Bishops', i.e. excluding siblings in their final year at the school):

- i) All natural brothers and sisters, half brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters, step brothers and sisters, foster brothers and sisters whether or not they live at the same address
- (ii) The child of a parent's partner where the child lives for at least part of the week at the same address as applicant.

When allocating places within each category the Governors will have regard to the existence of any special educational, social or medical reasons why the child should be admitted. Children with a Statement of Special Education Needs or an Education and Health Care Plan (EHCP) whose parents name the School are required to be admitted to the School.

> The commitment to worship should be over a period of at least two years prior to application.

The Christian congregation should be members of the Churches Together in Britain and Ireland or The Evangelical Alliance.

* The 'Springfield Parishes' are defined as the Church of England Parishes of St Augustine of Canterbury, North Springfield, All Saints Springfield, Church of Our Saviour, East Springfield (known as Chelmer Village) and the Roman Catholic parish of St Augustine of Canterbury, Springfield including Chelmer Village, Boreham, Little Waltham and Beaulieu.

For the purpose of this policy, 'family member' means: a parent, grandparent or other adult who takes responsibility for the spiritual welfare of the child with the parent's consent. 'Parent' means: all natural parents, any person who is not a parent but has parental responsibility for a child, and any person who has care of a child.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed for consideration under criteria 2, 3, 5, 6 and 7. The form will need to be completed and given to a minister/faith leader for endorsement.

Waiting list held until: end of academic year.

CHELMSFORD

The Cathedral CE (Aided) School

Victoria Road, Chelmsford CM1 1PA
 Telephone (01245) 354459
 Email: office@cathedralschool.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.cathedralschool.co.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs G Smith
 Voluntary Aided (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-5249

Published admission number 2026/2027: **45**
 Number on roll: **313**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **116**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 7

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

In the event of oversubscription within any criterion, the following categories are used, in the order set out below, to decide the ranking of applications:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. the child who has a brother or sister† at the School at the beginning of the school year during which they are to be admitted and whose parents continue to attend;
 - an Anglican Church
 - a member Church of Churches Together in Britain and Ireland or a member Church of The Evangelical Alliance
 - a place of worship of other faiths;
3. the child whose parents attend an Anglican Church;
4. children of parents of Christian denominations who attend regular worship at churches which are fully affiliated to Churches Together in Britain & Ireland or The Evangelical Alliance;
5. children of parents who are members of other faiths but who express a desire for a church school education;
6. the child who has a brother or sister† at the School at the beginning of the school year during which they are to be admitted and who has no reference from a member Church of Churches Together in Britain and Ireland, The Evangelical Alliance or their place of worship (other faiths), with those living nearer being accorded the higher priority as measured by straight line distance;

7. any other applicant, with those living nearer, measured by straight line distance, being accorded the higher priority.

When considering the church categories 2, 3, 4 and 5 above, the following will be taken into consideration:

- a) The parent's/parents' length of attendance at their church/place of worship,
- b) Whether the parent's/parents' commitment could be described as:
 - i) at the heart of the worshipping community (communicant members regularly worshipping at services at least weekly).
 - ii) at the heart of the worshipping community (communicant members regularly worshipping at services at least twice a month).
 - iii) committed to the worshipping community (regularly worshipping at services at least monthly)
 - iv) known to the worshipping community (less frequent attendance).
 - v) not known to the worshipping community.

The Minister will be asked to confirm how long the parent/parents have been worshipping at the church/place of worship and also their commitment.

- c) A distance factor is used in a tie-breaker situation where two families have equal commitments and length of time worshipping at their church/place of worship. In this case those living nearer to the school by straight line distance will be accorded the higher priority.

† LA sibling definition applies.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

Waiting list held until: end of academic year.

CHELMSFORD

Chancellor Park Primary

Brook End Road South, Chelmsford CM2 6PT
 Telephone (01245) 465250
 Email: admin@chancellorpark.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.chancellorpark.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs C Mills
 Community (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-3826

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **210**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **149**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 3

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined on in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

Kings Road Primary

Kings Road, Chelmsford CM1 2BB
 Telephone (01245) 256074
 Email: admin@kingsroad-pri.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.kingsroad-pri.essex.sch.uk
 Trust CEO: Mrs H O'Dea
 Head of School: Mrs K Riches
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2018

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **391**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **125**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 5

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children living in the priority admission area with a sibling attending the school;
3. other children living in the priority admission area;
4. children living outside the priority admission area with a sibling attending the school;
5. other applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority. Straight line distances are calculated by the LA as described in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Exceptional medical circumstances (supported by medical evidence) may override the above (other than Looked After Children).

CHELMSFORD

Kings Road Primary (*Continued*)

‘Sibling’ - Children with a sibling attending the school at the time of application. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as children who live as brother or sister in the same house, including natural brothers or sisters, adopted siblings, stepbrothers or sisters and foster brothers and sisters.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

Lawford Mead Primary and Nursery

Trent Road, Chelmsford CM1 2JH
 Telephone (01245) 354134
 Email: admin@lawfordmead.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.lawfordmead.essex.sch.uk
 Trust CEO: Mrs H O’Dea
 Head of School: Mr M Poyton
 Academy (Co-educational)
 3–11#
 School Number: 881-2127

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**

Number on roll: **383**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **102**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 5

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children living in the priority admission area with a sibling attending the school;
3. other children living in the priority admission area;
4. children living outside the priority admission area with a sibling attending the school;
5. other applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority. Straight line distances are calculated by the LA as described in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

CHELMSFORD

Lawford Mead Primary and Nursery (Continued)

‘Sibling’ - Children with a sibling attending the school at the time of application. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as children who live as brother or sister in the same house, including natural brothers or sisters, adopted siblings, stepbrothers or sisters and foster brothers and sisters.

Exceptional medical circumstances (supported by medical evidence) may override the above (other than Looked After Children).

This school has a nursery unit. Please see the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

Maltese Road Primary

Maltese Road, Chelmsford, CM1 2PA
Telephone (01245) 357860
Email: admin@maltese.essex.sch.uk
Website: www.malteseroadprimary.com
Executive Headteacher: Mrs F White
Academy (Co-educational)
4-11
School Number: 881-2118

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**

Number on roll: **211**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **130**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 3

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

When the academy is oversubscribed, priority for admission will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below, in priority order:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling[‡] attending the school excluding the final year;
3. other Children by straight line distance.

If in category 3 above a tie-break is necessary to determine which child is admitted, the child living closest to the school will be given priority for admission. Straight line distances are calculated by the LA as described in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Exceptional medical reasons why a child should attend a particular school will override other admission criteria (other than Looked After Children) if supported by medical evidence at the time of application but will not override the published admission number (PAN). The relevant medical reasons may be in relation to either the child or one or both parents. Applicants must provide evidence from a doctor or other registered health professional setting out why the preferred school is the most suitable, and the difficulties that would be caused if the child attended and had to travel to another school

[‡] LA sibling definition applies.

This school operates a rolling waiting list.

CHELMSFORD

Mildmay Primary School

Robin Way, Chelmsford CM2 8AU
 Telephone (01245) 250021
 Email: admin@mildmayprimary.org
 Website: www.mildmayprimary.org
 Headteacher: Mr D Mulholland
 Academy (Co-educational)
 3 –11 #
 School Number: 881-2569

Published admission number 2026/2027: **90**
 Number on roll: **592**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **169**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 5

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet).
2. Children with a sibling attending the school.
3. Pupils who live with parents, guardians or carers, who are employees of Bridge Academy Trust, provided that the employee has been employed by the School for a minimum of two years at the date of application for admissions.
4. Children living in the priority admission area.
5. Remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Exceptional medical circumstances (supported by medical evidence) may override the above (other than Looked after Children).

This school has a nursery unit. Please see the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Waiting list held until: This school operates a rolling waiting list.

Moulsham Infant

Princes Road, Chelmsford CM2 9DG
 Telephone (01245) 352742
 Email: admin@moulsham-inf.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.moulsham-inf.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs J Landa-Arrese
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–7
 School Number: 881-2200

Published admission number 2026/2027: **90**
 Number on roll: **293**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **239**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 6

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children children living in the priority admission area with a sibling† attending the school or the partner junior school;
3. children of staff currently employed by the school:
 - a) where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made, and/or
 - b) the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage;
4. children living in the priority admission area;
5. children living outside the priority admission area with a sibling attending the school or partner junior school;
6. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

† LA sibling definition applies.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

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Moulsham Junior

Princes Road, Chelmsford CM2 9DG
 Telephone (01245) 352098
 Email: admin@moulsham-jun.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.moulsham-jun.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs M Staley
 Academy (co-educational)
 7-11
 School Number: 881-2180

Published admission number 2026/2027: **150**
 Number on roll: **685**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **197**

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

Where applications exceed the number of places available, the following criteria will be applied in the order given, to decide which children to admit*:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children attending the partner Infant Schools (Moulsham Infants & Oaklands Infants) - those who request a place at Moulsham Junior School will be allocated a place providing a formal application is completed and submitted to the Local Authority by the statutory national closing date and as long as the school is not over subscribed;
3. children living in the priority admission area with a sibling‡ attending the school or the partner infant** schools;
4. other children living in the priority admission area;
5. children living outside the priority admission area with a sibling‡ attending the school or the partner infant**schools;
6. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Exceptional medical circumstances (supported by medical evidence) may override the above (other than Looked After Children and previously looked after children).

** The partner Infant schools are Moulsham Infant and Oaklands Infant.

* For applications received after the start of Year 3 Looked After Children and previously looked after children will be given priority ahead of all other applicants.

‡ LA sibling definition applies.

Waiting list held until: end of the academic year.

CHELMSFORD

Newlands Spring Primary and Nursery

Dickens Place, Newlands Spring, Chelmsford CM1 4UU
 Telephone (01245) 442031
 Email: admin@newlandsspring.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.newlandsspring.essex.sch.uk
 CEO: Mrs S Edom-Baker
 Head of School: Mrs J Lindop
 Academy (co-educational)
 4–11#
 School Number: 881-5201

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**

Number on roll: **450**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **152**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

Where applications for admission exceed the number of places available, the following criteria will be applied in the order set out below, to determine which children to admit:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with sibling[‡] attending the academy;
3. children of staff directly employed by the academy in either or both of the following circumstances:
 - a. where the member of staff has been employed at the academy for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the academy is made; and/or
 - b. the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post at the academy for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

For the avoidance of doubt, “a” and “b” above do not denote an order of priority – all children falling within this category will be treated equally. Children of staff are those where the staff member is the child’s parent by blood or adoption, or the member of staff has legal parental responsibility for the child;
4. children living in the priority admission area (a list of roads within the priority admission area is available from the academy);
5. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance, with those living closest being given the highest priority.

[‡] LA sibling definition applies.

This school has a nursery unit. Please see the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Waiting list held until: end of the academic year.

CHELMSFORD

Oaklands Infant

Vicarage Road, Chelmsford CM2 9PH
Telephone (01245) 352166
Email: admin@oaklands-inf.essex.sch.uk
Website: www.oaklands-inf.essex.sch.uk
Headteacher: Mrs C Williams
Academy (Co-educational)
4-7
School Number: 881-2529

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
Number on roll: **173**
Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **171**
In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school or Moulsham Junior school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

‡ LA sibling definition applies.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

CHELMSFORD

Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Primary

New London Road, Chelmsford CM2 0RG
 Telephone (01245) 353755
 Email: admin@ourladyimmaculate.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.ourladyimmaculateprimary.org
 Headteacher: Mrs S Gibbs
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11 Roman Catholic
 School Number: 881-5250

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **217**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **92**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 6

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

Priority will be given to children in accordance with the categories as stated below:

1. Catholic Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. Catholic Children with a Certificate of Catholic Practice who are resident in the linked parishes of Our Lady Immaculate and Holy Name or Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Stock;
3. Catholic Children with a Certificate of Catholic Practice who are resident in a parish other than Our Lady Immaculate and Holy Name or Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Stock for whom Our Lady Immaculate School is the nearest Catholic school;
4. other Catholic children;
5. other Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
6. Catechumens and members of an Eastern Christian Church;
7. children of other Christian denominations whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion;
8. children of other faiths whose membership is evidenced by a religious leader;
9. any other children.

Within each of the categories listed above, the following provisions will be applied in the following order.

(i) Where evidence is provided at the time of application of an exceptional social, medical or pastoral need of the child which can most

appropriately be met at this school, the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made.

(ii) The attendance of a brother or sister at the school at the time of enrolment will increase the priority of an application within each category so that the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made after children in (i) above.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

‘Catholic’ means a member of a Church in full communion with the See of Rome. This includes the Eastern Catholic Churches. This will normally be evidenced by a certificate of baptism in a Catholic Church or a certificate of reception into the full communion of the Catholic Church.

‘catechumen’ means a member of the catechumenate of a Catholic Church. This will normally be evidenced by a certificate of reception into the order of catechumens.

‘Eastern Christian Church’ includes Orthodox Churches, and is normally evidenced by a certificate of baptism or reception from the authorities of that Church.

‘brother or sister’ includes:

- (i) all natural brothers or sisters, half brothers or sisters, adopted brothers or sisters, stepbrothers or sisters, foster brothers or sisters, whether or not they are living at the same address; and
- (ii) the child of a parent’s partner where that child lives for at least part of the week in the same family unit at the same home address as the child who is the subject of the application.

To demonstrate an exceptional social, medical or pastoral need of the child which can be most appropriately met at this school, the governing body will require compelling written evidence from an appropriate professional, such as a social worker, doctor or priest.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form and a Priest’s Reference Form (Certificate of Catholic Practice) to be completed.

For the full Admission Policy and notes please refer to the schools website.

Waiting list held until: end of academic year.

CHELMSFORD

Parkwood Academy

Melbourne Avenue, Chelmsford CM1 2DX
 Telephone (01245) 354605
 Email: office@parkwood-academy.org
 Website: www.parkwood-academy.org
 Headteacher: Mrs L Cracknell
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11 #
 School Number: 881-2114

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **191**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **41**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 5

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children living in the priority admissions area with a sibling‡ attending the school;
3. children living outside the priority admission area with a sibling‡ attending the school;
4. children living in the priority admission area;
5. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

‡ LA sibling definition applies.

This school has a nursery unit. Please see the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

Perryfields Infant

Lawn Lane, Chelmsford CM1 7PP
 Telephone (01245) 268714
 Email: admin@perryfields-inf.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.perryfieldsinfantschool.org.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs A Reid
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–7
 School Number: 881-2629

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **180**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **312**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 5

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling* attending the school or Perryfields Junior school;
3. children of staff;
 - a) Where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made, and/or
 - b) The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage;
4. children living in the priority admission area;
5. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

*Siblings are defined as children with a brother or sister, step brother/sister, adopted brother/sister in the same family unit living at the same address.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

CHELMSFORD

Perryfields Junior

Lawn Lane, Chelmsford CM1 7PP
 Telephone (01245) 250781
 Email: admin@perryfields-jun.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.perryfields-jun.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs S Edwards
 Academy (Co-educational)
 7–11
 School Number: 881-2589

Published admission number 2026/2027: **68**
 Number on roll: **301**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **89**

Admissions Policy

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given*:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children applying for a Year 3 place and currently on roll in Year 2 at Perryfields Infant School;
3. children with a sibling† attending the school or the partner infant school;
4. children of staff:
 - a. Where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made, and/or
 - b. The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage;
5. children living in the priority admission area;
6. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

† LA sibling definition applies.

* For applications received after the start of Year 3 Looked After Children and previously looked after children will be given priority ahead of all other applicants.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

Springfield Primary

Forsythia Close, Chelmsford CM1 6XW
 Telephone (01245) 461077
 Email: admin@springfield-pri.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.springfield-pri.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs J Pick
 Community (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2020

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **406**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **121**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

CHELMSFORD

St Pius X Catholic Primary

Tennyson Road, Chelmsford CM1 4HY
 Telephone (01245) 354875
 Email: admin@st-piusx.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.stpiusxchelmsford.co.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs S Derbyshire
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11 Roman Catholic
 School Number: 881-3770

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**

Number on roll: **214**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **64**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 7

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

In the case of oversubscription, the following order of criteria will be followed in determining places:

1. Catholic Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet).
2. Other Catholic Children, as evidenced by a certificate of baptism.
3. Other looked after and previously looked after children.(as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet).
4. Catechumens or members of an Eastern Christian Church.
5. Children of other Christian denominations, whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion.
6. Children of other faiths, whose membership is evidenced by a religious leader.
7. Remaining applications.

Within each of the categories listed above, the following provision will be applied:

(i) The attendance of a brother or sister at the school at the time of enrolment will increase the priority of an application within each category so that the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made.

(ii) Those living closest to the school, distances are calculated as stated in the Primary Education in Essex.

‘brother or sister’ includes:

(i) All natural brothers and sisters, half brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters, stepbrothers or sisters, foster brothers or sisters, whether or not they are living at the same address.

(ii) The child of a parent’s partner where that child lives for at least part of the week in the same family unit at the same address as the applicant

‘Other Catholic Children’ must be evidenced by a certificate of baptism in a Catholic Church or a certificate of reception into the full communion of the Catholic Church.

‘catechumen’ means a member of the catechumenate of a Catholic Church. This will normally be evidenced by a certificate of reception into the order of catechumens.

‘Eastern Christian Church’ includes Orthodox Churches, and is normally evidenced by a certificate of baptism or reception from the authorities of that Church.

‘children of other Christian denominations’ means children who belong to other churches and ecclesial communities which, acknowledge God’s revelation in Christ, confess the Lord Jesus Christ as God and Saviour according to the Scriptures, and, in obedience to God’s will and in the power of the Holy Spirit commit themselves: to seek a deepening of their communion with Christ and with one another in the Church, which is his body; and to fulfil their mission to proclaim the Gospel by common witness and service in the world to the glory of one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. An ecclesial community and on principle has no credal statements in its tradition, is included if it manifests faith in Christ as witnessed to in the Scriptures and is committed to working in the spirit of the above.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

For the full Admission Policy and notes please refer to the schools website.

Waiting list held until: end of academic year.

CHELMSFORD

Trinity Road Primary

Trinity Road, Chelmsford CM2 6HS
 Telephone (01245) 354517
 Email: admin@trinityroad.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.trinityroad.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs E Blake
 Community (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2210

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **402**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **80**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

Tyrrells Primary

Tavistock Road, Chelmsford CM1 6JN
 Telephone (01245) 355226
 Email: admin@tyrrells.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.tyrrellsprimary.com
 Headteacher: Mrs A Daines
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2850

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **421**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **189**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. children living outside the priority admission area, with priority determined by straight line distance from the home or primary residence of the child to school, using Ordnance Survey Maps as held by Essex County Council, those living closest to school being given the highest priority.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority. Straight line distances are calculated by the LA as described in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

‡ LA sibling definition applies.

Waiting list held until: end of academic year.

CHELMSFORD

Westlands Community Primary

Beeches Close, Chelmsford CM1 2SB
 Telephone (01245) 251700
 Email: admin@westlands.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.westlands.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs M Gaskin
 Community (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2879

Published admission number 2026/2027: **90**
 Number on roll: **580**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **131**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

COGGESHALL

St Peter's CE (VC) Primary

Myneer Park, Coggeshall, Colchester CO6 1YU
 Telephone (01376) 561328
 Email: admin@st-peterscofe.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.stpeterscofeprimaryschoolcoggeshall.org.uk
 Headteacher: Miss S Wilding
 Voluntary Controlled (Co-educational)
 2–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3209

Published admission number 2026/2027: **45**
 Number on roll: **298**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **53**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

COLD NORTON

Cold Norton Primary

St Stephen's Road, Cold Norton, Chelmsford CM3 6JE

Telephone (01621) 827086

Email: admin@coldnorton.essex.sch.uk

Website: www.coldnorton.essex.sch.uk

Headteacher: Miss E Penkett

Community (Co-educational)

4–11

School Number: 881-2590

Published admission number 2026/2027: **23**

Number on roll: **157**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **67**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

COLNE ENGAINE

Colne Engaine CE Primary

Green Farm Road, Colne Engaine, Colchester CO6 2HA
 Telephone (01787) 222717
 Email: office.colneengaine@dcvst.org
 Website: www.colneengaine.essex.sch.uk
 Executive Headteacher: Mrs R More
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3305

Published admission number 2026/2027: **16**

Number on roll: **105**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **54**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: **6**

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

The Governors will rank applications using the following criteria, in the order they are listed, number 1 being the highest priority. Supporting Information for criteria 5 and 6 will be required.

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet) will be given first priority over all other applicants;
2. children living in the priority admissions area with a sibling* at the School;
3. other children living in the priority admissions area without a sibling* at the school;
4. children living outside the priority admissions area with a sibling at the School;
5. children living outside the priority admissions area who meet the faith# criterion;
6. all other children;

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

* Sibling means brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, foster brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom admission is sought is living in the same family unit as that sibling and at the same address.

Priority Admissions Area means the geographical area from which children will be afforded priority for admission to the School. A map showing the priority admissions area, is available to view on the School website. A hard copy is available at the School office.

A child living outside the priority admissions area is eligible for this category where the child or the parent or carers meets the following criteria, in order of priority.

- Regular attendance at public worship in any Church of England church, for not less than eight times in a twelve-month period prior to the date of submission of the application for admission to the school.
- Regular attendance at public worship in any other Christian church for not less than eight times in a twelve-month period prior to the date of submission to the school. For the purposes of these admission arrangements 'other Christian church' means a church which is Designated under the Ecumenical Relations Measure 2018, nationally by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, or locally by the diocesan bishop; or which is a member of Churches Together in England; or affiliated to the Evangelical Alliance; or a Partner Church of Affinity.
- Regular attendance at public worship in any faith group which is a member of the local Council of Faiths for not less than eight times in a twelve-month period prior to the date of submission of the application for admission to the school.

You must complete the relevant part of the SIF if you are applying under Category 5. The SIF must be verified and signed by the relevant Church or Faith Leader, or an authorised Church or Faith Officer.

♦ For applications under criteria 5 this school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

Waiting list held until: end of spring term.

CRESSING

Cressing Primary

Tye Green, Cressing, Braintree CM77 8JE
 Telephone (01376) 583397
 Email: admin@creasing.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.cressingprimaryschool.co.uk
 Headteacher: Mr S Caplen
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2370

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **196**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **58**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children of staff directly employed by the academy in either or both of the following circumstances:
 - a. where the member of staff has been employed at the academy for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the academy is made; and/or
 - b. the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post at the academy for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

For the avoidance of doubt, “a” and “b” above do not denote an order of priority – all children falling within this category will be treated equally. Children of staff are those where the staff member is the child’s parent by blood or adoption, or the member of staff has legal parental responsibility for the child;
4. children living in the priority admission area;
5. remaining application.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

DANBURY

Danbury Park Community Primary

Well Lane, Danbury, Chelmsford CM3 4AB
 Telephone (01245) 224994
 Email: admin@danburypark.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.danburypark.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs S Jones
 Community (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2779

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **247**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **103**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

DANBURY

St John's CE (VC) Primary, Danbury

Little Baddow Road, Danbury, Chelmsford CM3 4NS
 Telephone (01245) 222173
 Email: admin@st-johns-danbury.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.st-johns-danbury.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mr J Davies
 Voluntary Controlled (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3214

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **219**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **92**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

DOWNHAM

Downham CE (VC) Primary

Church Road, Ramsden Heath, Billericay CM11 1NU
 Telephone (01268) 710387
 Email: admin@downham-ceap.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.downhamschool.org
 Headteachers: Mrs L Gray and Mrs S Crace
 Voluntary Controlled (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3224

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **191**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **40**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

EARLS COLNE

Earls Colne Primary and Nursery

Park Lane, Earls Colne, Colchester CO6 2RH
 Telephone (01787) 222205
 Email: ecps@earlscolne.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.earlscolneprimaryschoolandnursery.co.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs J Sibley
 Foundation (Co-educational)
 4–11 #
 School Number: 881-5272

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **407**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **93**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 6

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

Where applications for admission exceed the number of places available admission is determined according to the following criteria:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. the child lives within catchment and has a sibling* still attending at the time of admissions;
3. the child resides within the boundaries of the existing catchment area as indicated on the map available on request from the school;
4. children of teaching and non-teaching staff who have been employed at the school for two or more years at the time of application for the school place;
5. the child lives out of catchment but has a sibling* still attending the school at the time of admission;
6. the straight line distance from home to school with those children residing nearer being given higher priority. All straight line distances are calculated electronically by the LA as described in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

In the event of oversubscription in any of the criteria, the distance tie-breaker in criterion 6 will be applied.

* Sibling refers to brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, stepbrother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling;

This school has a nursery unit. Please see the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

EAST HANNINGFIELD

East Hanningfield CE Primary Academy

The Tye, East Hanningfield, Chelmsford CM3 8AE
 Telephone (01245) 400772
 Email: admin@east-hanningfield.academy
 Website: www.easthanningfield.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs L Stainsbury
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-3215

Published admission number 2026/2027: 17
 Number on roll: **114**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **48**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children resident in the priority admissions area with a sibling attending the school;
3. children resident outside the priority admissions area with a sibling attending the school;
4. children living in the priority admission area;
5. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

FEERING

Feering CE Primary

Coggeshall Road, Feering, Colchester CO5 9QB
 Telephone (01376) 570296
 Email: admin@feering.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.feeringprimary.com
 Headteacher: Mrs B Gough
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-2174

Published admission number 2026/2027: **25**

Number on roll: **137**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **61**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: **6**

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet).
2. The child has siblings in the school at the time of admission excluding the final year. This includes brothers and sisters and stepbrothers and sisters irrespective of their place of residence.
3. Regular attendance of public worship (e.g. six times in a six month period, prior to the date of submission of an application for admission to the school), in any Church of England church, in any other Christian church, or in any faith group which is a member of the local Council of Faiths. "In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church (or, in relation to those of other faiths, relevant place of worship) has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirement of these (admissions) arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church (or in relation to those of other faiths, relevant place of worship) or alternative premises have been available for public worship".

4. Children of staff at the school – Where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time of application or the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
5. Children living in the priority admissions area.
6. Remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

♦ For applications under criteria 3, this school requires a Minister's/Faith Organisation Recommendation/Accreditation Form to be completed (these are held by the school for use by Ministers/Faith Organisations).

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

FINCHINGFIELD

Finchingfield St John the Baptist C of E Primary Academy

Vicarage Road, Finchingfield, Braintree CM7 4LD
Telephone (01371) 810423
Email: office@finchingfieldacademy.com
Website: www.finchingfieldacademy.com
Executive Headteacher: Mr M Hawrylak
Head of School: Mrs S Metson
Academy (Co-educational)
4–11# Church of England
School Number: 881-3208

Published admission number 2026/2027: **12**

Number on roll: **51**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **21**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 5

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling[‡] attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

[‡] LA sibling definition applies.

This school has a nursery unit. Please see the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

FORD END

Ford End CE Primary

Main Road, Ford End, Chelmsford CM3 1LQ
Telephone (01245) 237209
Email: admin@fordend.essex.sch.uk
Website: www.fordendschool.com
Executive Headteacher: Mrs M Taylor
Head of School: Miss J Bailey
Academy (Co-educational)
4–11 Church of England
School Number: 881-3218

Published admission number 2026/2027: **10**

Number on roll: **64**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **11**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling[‡] attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. children living nearest to the school as measured by the agreed local authority measuring system.

Straight line distances are calculated by the LA as described in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

[‡] LA sibling definition applies.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

GALLEYWOOD

Galleywood Infant

Barnard Road, Galleywood, Chelmsford CM2 8RR
 Telephone (01245) 472686
 Email: admin@galleywood.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.galleywood.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs S Manning
 Community (Co-educational)
 4–7
 School Number: 881-2549

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **167**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **112**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school or St Michael's CE (VA) Junior school (Galleywood);
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

St Michael's CE (VA) Junior

Barnard Road, Galleywood, Chelmsford CM2 8RR
 Telephone (01245) 472682
 Email: admin@st-michaels-jun.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.st-michaels-jun.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs R Prigg
 Voluntary Aided (Co-educational)
 7–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3810

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **231**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **76**

Admissions Policy♦

Where more applications are received than there are places available, the Governors will use the following criteria in descending order (a to h):

- a. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
- b. children attending Galleywood Infant school, who request a place;
- c. whether the child has any brothers or sisters† at the school at the time of admission or at Galleywood Infant school;
- d. where parent(s) are resident in Galleywood or Great Baddow ecclesiastical parishes and are regularly* involved in Galleywood or Great Baddow Church of England churches;
- e. where parent(s) are resident in Galleywood or Great Baddow ecclesiastical parishes and are regularly* involved in the worship of other Trinitarian Christian churches;
- f. where parent(s) are regularly* involved in the worship of Trinitarian Christian churches;
- g. any other child living in the geographical locality 3 mile radius to the school;
- h. any other application.

The proximity of the child's home to the school will be taken as a tie-breaker if necessary, in any category. Straight line distances are calculated by the LA as described in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

† LA sibling definition applies.

* 'Regularly involved' means attendance at least monthly.

♦ For applications under criteria d, e or f, this school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

GOSFIELD

Gosfield Community Primary

The Street, Gosfield, Halstead CO9 1ST
 Telephone (01787) 472266
 Email: admin@gosfield-pri.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.gosfield-pri.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs C Bower
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2036

Published admission number 2026/2027: **20**
 Number on roll: **142**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **69**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription, places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling[‡] attending the academy;
3. children of staff directly employed by the academy in either or both of the following circumstances:
 - a. where the member of staff has been employed at the academy for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the academy is made; and/or
 - b. the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post at the academy for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

For the avoidance of doubt, “a” and “b” above do not denote an order of priority – all children falling within this category will be treated equally. Children of staff are those where the staff member is the child’s parent by blood or adoption, or the member of staff has legal parental responsibility for the child;
4. children living in the priority admission area (a list of roads within the priority admissions area is available from the school);
5. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given highest priority.

[‡] LA sibling definition applies

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

GREAT BADDOW

Baddow Hall Infant

New Road, Great Baddow, Chelmsford CM2 7QZ
 Telephone (01245) 471338
 Email: admin@baddowhall-inf.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.baddowhallinfant.co.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs L Schlanker
 Community (Co-educational)
 4–7
 School Number: 881-2579

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **164**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **111**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school or Baddow Hall Junior school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

Baddow Hall Junior

New Road, Great Baddow, Chelmsford CM2 7QZ
 Telephone (01245) 472391
 Email: admin@baddowhall-jun.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.baddowhall-jun.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mr R McIntosh
 Community (Co-educational)
 7–11
 School Number: 881-2609

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **236**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **76**

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school or Baddow Hall Infant school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

GREAT BADDOW

Beehive Lane Community Primary

Beehive Lane, Great Baddow, Chelmsford CM2 9SR
 Telephone (01245) 269464
 Email: admin@beehivelane.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.beehivelane.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mr P Sully
 Community (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2789

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **211**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **211**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 3

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

Larkrise Primary

Dorset Avenue, Great Baddow, Chelmsford CM2 9UB
 Telephone (01245) 471654
 Email: admin@larkrise.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.larkrise.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Ms K Allen
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2144

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **180**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **65**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling[‡] attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

[‡] LA sibling definition applies.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

GREAT BADDOW

Meadgate Primary

Mascalls Way, Meadgate Avenue, Great Baddow,
Chelmsford CM2 7NS

Telephone (01245) 259403

Email: admin@meadgate.essex.sch.uk

Website: www.meadgateprimary.com

Headteacher: Mr J Figg

Academy (Co-educational)

4–11

School Number: 881-2098

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**

Number on roll: **215**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **86**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling[‡] attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Exceptional medical circumstances (supported by medical evidence) may override the above criteria (other than Looked after Children).

[‡] LA sibling definition applies.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

GREAT BARDFIELD

Great Bardfield Primary

Great Bardfield, Braintree CM7 4RN

Telephone (01371) 810252

Email: admin@greatbardfield.essex.sch.uk

Website: www.greatbardfieldprimaryschool.co.uk

Headteacher: Mrs L Crow

Community (Co-educational)

4–11

School Number: 881-2380

Published admission number 2026/2027: **20**

Number on roll: **124**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **34**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

GREAT LEIGHS

Great Leighs Primary

Aragon Road, Great Leighs, Chelmsford CM3 1RP
 Telephone (01245) 361254
 Email: admin@greatleighs.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.greatleighs.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mr J Garlick
 Community (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2450

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **205**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **60**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 3

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

GREAT MAPLESTEAD

St Giles' CE Primary

Church Street, Great Maplestead, Halstead CO9 2RG
 Telephone (01787) 460481
 Email: admin@sgasa.uk
 Website: www.sggm.sgasa.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs J Nichols
 Voluntary Controlled (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3009

Published admission number 2026/2027: **15**
 Number on roll: **86**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **37**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription, places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

GREAT TOTHAM

Great Totham Primary

Walden House Road, Great Totham, Maldon CM9 8PN
 Telephone (01621) 891091
 Email: admin@greattotham.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.greattotham.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Miss S Vass
 Foundation (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-5204

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **429**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **137**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 5

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

In the event of oversubscription, places will be allocated on the basis of the following criteria (in order):

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children living within the school priority admission area (map available at the school) with a sibling[‡] attending the school at the time of application and admission;
3. children living within the priority admission area (map available at the school);
4. children living outside the school priority admission area with a sibling[‡] attending the school at the time of application and admission;
5. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription priority will be determined by straight line distance, those living closest being accorded the highest priority. Straight line distances are calculated by the LA as described in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

[‡] LA sibling definition applies.

This school holds a rolling waiting list.

GREAT WALTHAM

Great Waltham CE VC Primary

South Street, Great Waltham, Chelmsford CM3 1DF
 Telephone (01245) 360395
 Email: admin@greatwaltham.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.greatwaltham.school/
 Headteacher: Mrs J Brooks
 Voluntary Controlled (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-3217

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **167**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **68**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

GREAT YELDHAM

St Andrew's CE Primary

Church Road, Great Yeldham, Halstead CO9 4PT
Telephone (01787) 237235

Email: office.greatyeldham@dcvst.org.

Website: www.greatyeldhamschool.co.uk

Headteacher: Mrs E Flin

Academy (Co-educational)

4-11

School Number: 881-3010

Published admission number 2026/2027: **22**

Number on roll: **135**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **38**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 5

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling* attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. children living outside the priority admissions area who meet the faith# criterion;
5. all other children.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

* Sibling means brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, foster brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom admission is sought is living in the same family unit as that sibling and at the same address.

Priority Admissions Area means the geographical area from which children will be afforded priority for admission to the School. A map showing the priority admissions area is available to view on the School website. A hard copy is available at the School office.

A child living outside the priority admissions area is eligible for this category where the child or the parent or carers meets the following criteria, in order of priority:

- Regular attendance at public worship in any Church of England church, for not less than eight times in a twelve month period prior to the date of submission of the application for admission to the school.
- Regular attendance at public worship in any other Christian church for not less than eight times in a twelve month period prior to the date of submission of the application for admission to the school. For the purposes of these admission arrangements 'other Christian church' means a church which is Designated under the Ecumenical Relations Measure 2018, nationally by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, or locally by the diocesan bishop; or which is a member of Churches Together in England; or affiliated to the Evangelical Alliance; or a Partner Church of Affinity.
- Regular attendance at public worship in any faith group which is a member of the local Council of Faiths for not less than eight times in a twelve month period prior to the date of submission of the application for admission to the school.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

HALSTEAD

Holy Trinity CE (VC) Primary

Beridge Road, Halstead CO9 1JH
 Telephone (01787) 472096
 Email: admin@holytrinityhalstead.com
 Website: www.holytrinityhalstead.com
 Headteacher: Mrs S Rowe
 Voluntary Controlled (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3006

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **209**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **106**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 3

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription, places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2026 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

Richard de Clare Community Academy

Parsonage Street, Halstead CO9 2JT
 Telephone (01787) 472153
 Email: admin@richarddeclare.com
 Website: www.richarddeclare.com
 Headteacher: Miss L Bellett
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11#
 School Number: 881-2083

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **332**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **65**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Siblings: For applications made in the normal admission round a relevant sibling is a child who has a brother, sister, adopted brother or sister or stepbrother or stepsister living in the same family unit in the same family household and address who attends the preferred school in any year group excluding year.

This school has a nursery unit. Please see the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

HALSTEAD

St Andrew's C of E Primary

Mathews Close, Halstead CO9 2BH
 Telephone (01787) 475699
 Email: admin@st-andrewscofe.com
 Website: www.st-andrews-halstead.co.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs B Gough
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4-11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3303

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **214**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **58**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion:10

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

Where applications for admission exceed the number of places available, the following criteria will be applied, in the order set out below, to decide which children to admit:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. the child has siblings in the school at the time of admission excluding the final year. This includes brothers and sisters and stepbrothers and sisters irrespective of their place of residence;
3. the family/carers are regularly involved in the work and worship of the parishes of St Andrew's and St James*;
4. the family/carers are regularly involved in the work and worship of any other Anglican Parish*;
5. the family/carers are regularly involved in the work and worship of another faith and wish their child to attend a Christian school because of its specifically religious emphasis and whose application is supported by the appropriate Faith authority*;
6. regular attendance of public worship (e.g. six times in a six month period, prior to the date of submission of an application for admission to the school), in any Church of England church, in any other Christian church, or in any faith group which is a member of the local Council of Faiths as in criteria 3-5 above;
7. exceptional medical circumstances. To demonstrate a medical need of a child which can most appropriately be met at the school, the

admission authority will require written medical evidence from an appropriate professional.

The admission authority will decide whether the evidence provided demonstrates that it is necessary for the school to admit the child on medical grounds as no other school would be able to meet the specific need;

8. family/carers reside in the parish of St James', Greenstead Green;
9. children of staff at the school – Where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time of application or the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage;
10. remaining applications. All further applications will be determined on straight line distance they live from school as measured by the Local Authority.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

* The term "work" is taken to mean that a parent/carer is involved in activities which allow the church to function. The term "regular worship" is taken to mean attendance at least once per month or twelve times per year at an act of worship. "In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church (or, in relation to those of other faiths, relevant place of worship) has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirement of these (admissions) arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church (or in relation to those of other faiths, relevant place of worship) or alternative premises have been available for public worship".

♦ For applications under criteria 3-6, this school requires a Minister's/Faith Organisation Recommendation/Accreditation Form to be completed (these are held by the school for use by Ministers/Faith Organisations).

Waiting list held until: end of academic year.

HATFIELD PEVEREL

Hatfield Peverel Infant and Nursery

Church Road, Hatfield Peverel, Chelmsford CM3 2RP
 Telephone (01245) 380220
 Email: office@hatfieldpeverel.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.hatfieldpeverelinfantschool.com
 Headteacher: Mrs Z Fairbairn
 Community (Co-educational)
 2-7#
 School Number: 881-2737

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **184**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **147**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 3

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school or Hatfield Peverel St Andrew's Junior school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

This school has a nursery unit. Please see the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

Hatfield Peverel St Andrew's Junior

Church Road, Hatfield Peverel, Chelmsford CM3 2JX
 Telephone (01245) 380131
 Email: admin@hatfieldpeverel-jun.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.hatfieldpeverelstandrews.co.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs R Black
 Foundation (Co-educational)
 7-11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-5279

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **235**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **65**

Admissions Policy

Where the number of applications for admission exceeds the published admission number, the following criteria will be applied to all applications, in the order set out below:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children attending Hatfield Peverel Infant School;
3. children living within the Ecclesiastical Parish of either Hatfield Peverel or Ulting with a sibling attending the school or Hatfield Peverel Infant School;
4. children living outside the Ecclesiastical Parish of either Hatfield Peverel or Ulting with a sibling attending the school or Hatfield Peverel Infant School;
5. any other applications

In each individual oversubscription criterion priority will be given to:

The proximity of the child's home to St. Andrew's Junior School will determine which child is to be admitted. Proximity will be judged using a straight-line distance as described in the LA admissions booklet Primary Education in Essex.

*A 'sibling' is defined as a child living in the same family unit, in the same family household and address as a child who attends the school. This includes brothers and sisters and stepbrothers and stepsisters. Biological siblings will be treated as siblings irrespective of place of residence.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

HEYBRIDGE

Heybridge Primary

Rowan Drive, Heybridge, Maldon CM9 4TU
 Telephone (01621) 854082
 Email: office@heybridge-tkat.org
 Website: www.heybridge-tkat.org
 Headteacher: Ms E Speller
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2030

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **370**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **46**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 3

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

Where applications for admission exceed the number of places available, the following criteria will be applied, in the order set out below, to determine which children to admit:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet).
2. Children with brothers or sisters attending Heybridge Primary School in Reception to Year 5 at the time of application and at the time of entry.
3. Proximity of home to school by straight line distance, those living nearer being given the highest priority.

A relevant sibling is a brother or sister who live as a brother or sister in the same house, including natural brothers and sisters, adopted siblings, half and step brothers or sisters and foster brothers and sisters.

Straight line distances are calculated by the LA as described in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

HIGHWOOD

Highwood Primary (Chelmsford)

Loves Green, Highwood, Chelmsford CM1 3QH
 Telephone (01245) 248200
 Email: admin@highwood.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.highwood.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs M Staley
 Community (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2500

Published admission number 2026/2027: **10**
 Number on roll: **56**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **17**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

KELVEDON

Kelvedon St Mary's CE Primary Academy

Docwra Road, Kelvedon CO5 9DS
Telephone (01376) 570411
Email: admin@kelvedonacademy.com
Website: www.kelvedonacademy.com
Headteacher: Mrs V Smith
Academy (Co-educational)
4-11# Church of England
School Number: 881-3211

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
Number on roll: **398**
Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **88**
In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling‡ attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

‡ LA sibling definition applies.

This school has a nursery unit. Please see the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.
Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

LATCHINGDON

Christchurch CE Primary

The Street, Latchingdon, Chelmsford CM3 6JS

Telephone (01621) 740328

Email: admin.christchurch@dcvst.org

Website: www.christchurchcofeprimary.co.uk

Headteacher: Mrs L Hall

Academy (Co-educational)

4–11 Church of England

School Number: 881-3230

Published admission number 2026/2027: **25**

Number on roll: **122**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **16**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: **5**

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling* attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. children living outside the priority admissions area who meet the faith# criterion;
5. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest given the highest priority.

* Sibling means brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, foster brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom admission is sought is living in the same family unit as that sibling and at the same address.

Priority Admissions Area means the geographical area from which children will be afforded priority for admission to the School. A map showing the priority admissions area is available to view on the School website. A hard copy is available at the School office.

A child living outside the priority admissions area is eligible for this category where the child or the parent or carers meets the following criteria, in order of priority:

- Regular attendance at public worship in any Church of England church, for not less than eight times in a twelve month period prior to the date of submission of the application for admission to the school.
- Regular attendance at public worship in any other Christian church for not less than eight times in a twelve month period prior to the date of submission of the application for admission to the school. For the purposes of these admission arrangements 'other Christian church' means a church which is Designated under the Ecumenical Relations Measure 2018, nationally by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, or locally by the diocesan bishop; or which is a member of Churches Together in England; or affiliated to the Evangelical Alliance; or a Partner Church of Affinity.
- Regular attendance at public worship in any faith group which is a member of the local Council of Faiths for not less than eight times in a twelve month period prior to the date of submission of the application for admission to the school.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

LITTLE WALTHAM

Little Waltham CE (VA) Primary

The Street, Little Waltham, Chelmsford CM3 3NY
 Telephone (01245) 360246
 Email: admin@littlewaltham.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.little-waltham-school.co.uk
 Headteacher: Mr S Saunders
 Voluntary Aided (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3530

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**

Number on roll: **213**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **102**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 8

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

Where applications for admission exceed the number of places available, the following criteria, in the order set out below, will be used to determine which children to admit:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a brother or sister* attending the school during the term of admission;
3. children living in the priority admission area* with strong links^ with a Christian church **, subject to a reference from the church. (see Supplementary Information Form);
4. children living in the priority admission area;
5. children living outside the priority admission area with strong^ links with a Christian church **, subject to a reference from the church (see Supplementary Information Form);
6. all other applicants.

* For applications made in the normal admission round a relevant sibling is a child who has a brother, sister, adopted brother or sister or stepbrother or stepsister living in the same family unit in the same family household and address who attends the preferred school or partner school in any year group excluding the final year. Biological and adopted siblings who attend the preferred school in any year group excluding the final year will also be treated as siblings irrespective of place of residence. Children residing in the same household as part of an extended family, such as cousins, will not be treated as siblings.

** ‘Christian Church means any church which is designated under the Ecumenical Relations Measure nationally by the Archbishop of Canterbury and York or locally by the diocesan bishop, or is a member of Churches Together in England (CTE), or the Evangelical Alliance or a partner church of Affinity.’

^ The Governors of the school consider that ‘strong links’ means attendance of the parent(s) / carer(s) and child at least monthly in the twelve months prior to the opening date for school applications as will be recorded on the Supplementary Information Form (SIF). In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these admissions arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church or alternative premises have been available for public worship.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority. Straight line distances are calculated by the LA as described in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

A map is available at the school to show the priority admission area.

♦ For consideration under criteria 3 or 5 this school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

Waiting list held until: 31st December 2026

MALDON

All Saints' CE (VC) Primary, Maldon

Highlands Drive, Maldon CM9 6HY
 Telephone (01621) 853519
 Email: admin@allsaintsprimaryschoolmaldon.co.uk
 Website: www.allsaintsprimaryschoolmaldon.co.uk
 Headteacher: Mr P Brown
 Voluntary Controlled (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3201

Published admission number 2026/2027: **45**
 Number on roll: **312**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **160**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 3

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area of Maldon*;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

* A map showing the priority admission area of Maldon is available from School Admissions, Essex County Council.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

Limebrook Primary and Nursery

Tempest Road, Maldon CM9 6NE
 Telephone (01621) 770854
 Email: admin@limebrookprimary.net
 Website: www.limebrookprimary.net
 Headteacher: Mr D Lough
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11#
 School Number: 881-2193

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **30**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **123**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 5

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children who have an exceptional medical need requiring attendance at the school applied for rather than any other school. Such needs must be supported, at the time of application, by reports or letters from suitable professionals such as GPs or consultants. Circumstances cannot be considered unless information is provided at the time of application and failure to provide such information at that stage may affect whether the children are allocated places at the preferred schools. All information submitted will be regarded as confidential;
3. children with a sibling attending the school including full, step, half or adopted siblings living in the same family unit in the same family household and address at the point of admission;
4. straight line distance between the child's home address and the main school;
5. remaining applications.

This school has a nursery unit. Please see the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

MALDON

Maldon Primary

Wantz Chase, Maldon CM9 5DQ
 Telephone (01621) 853409
 Email: office@maldon-tkat.org
 Website: www.maldonprimaryschool.co.uk
 Headteacher: Miss D Conroy
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4-11
 School Number: 881-2141

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**

Number on roll: **182**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **34**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 5

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children of staff: a) where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made; or b) the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post at the school for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. This applies to all staff;
3. children with a sibling attending the school. Sibling means children who live as a brother or sister in the same house, including natural brothers and sisters, adopted siblings, half and stepbrothers or sisters and foster brothers and sisters;
4. children living in the priority admission area of Maldon*;
5. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

* A map showing the priority admission area of Maldon is available from the school office.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

MALDON

St Francis Catholic Primary

London Road, Maldon CM9 6HN
 Telephone (01621) 856698
 Email: admin@st-francisc.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.christthekingfederation.uk
 Acting Headteacher: Mrs C. Peear
 Voluntary Aided (Co-educational)
 4–11 Roman Catholic
 School Number: 881-3811

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **197**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **73**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 8

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

If the school has more applications than places the governors will apply the following criteria:

1. Catholic Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. Catholic children who are resident in the parish(es) of Maldon, Burnham and the Tiptree part of Kelvedon;
3. other Catholic children;
4. other Looked After and Previously Looked After children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
5. Catechumens and members of an Eastern Christian Church;
6. children of other Christian denominations whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion;
7. children of other faiths whose membership is evidenced by a religious leader;
8. all other children.

Within each of the categories listed above, the following provisions will be applied in the following order:

(i) Where evidence is provided at the time of application of an exceptional social, medical or pastoral need of the child which can most appropriately be met at this school, the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made.

(ii) The attendance of a brother or sister at the school at the time of enrolment will increase the priority of an application within each category so that the

application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made after children in (i) above.

‘Catholic’ means a member of a Church in full communion with the See of Rome. This includes the Eastern Catholic Churches. This will normally be evidenced by a certificate of baptism in a Catholic Church or a certificate of reception into the full communion of the Catholic Church.

‘catechumen’ means a member of the catechumenate of a Catholic Church. This will normally be evidenced by a certificate of reception into the order of catechumens.

‘Eastern Christian Church’ includes Orthodox Churches, and is normally evidenced by a certificate of baptism or reception from the authorities of that Church.

‘children of other Christian denomination’ means children who belong to other churches and ecclesial communities which, acknowledge God’s revelation in Christ, confess the Lord Jesus Christ as God and Saviour according to the Scriptures, and, in obedience to God’s will and in the power of the Holy Spirit commit themselves.

‘children of other faiths’ means children who are members of a religious community that does not fall within the definition of ‘other Christian denominations’.

‘brother or sister’ includes:

- (i) all natural brothers or sisters, half brothers or sisters, adopted brothers or sisters, stepbrothers or sisters, foster brothers or sisters, whether or not they are living at the same address; and
- (ii) the child of a parent’s partner where that child lives for at least part of the week in the same family unit at the same address as the applicant.

A map showing the parish boundaries is available from the school.

♦This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

For the full Admission Policy and notes please refer to the schools website.

Waiting list held until: end of summer term.

MALDON

Wentworth Primary

Viking Road, Maldon CM9 6JN
 Telephone (01621) 853572
 Email: office@wentworth.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.wentworth.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs D Dack
 Community (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2649

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**

Number on roll: **440**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **170**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: **4**

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area of Maldon*;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

* A map showing the priority admission area of Maldon is available from School Admissions, Essex County Council.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

MARGARETTING

Margaretting CE Primary

Penny's Lane, Margaretting, Ingatestone CM4 0HA
 Telephone (01277) 352114
 Email: admin@margaretting.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.margaretting.essex.sch.uk
 Executive Headteacher: Mrs Melissa Taylor
 Head of School: Mrs Sarah Kirk
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3220

Published admission number 2026/2027: **12**

Number on roll: **69**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **33**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: **4**

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

A sibling is defined as a child living in the same family unit, in the same family household and address as a child who attends the preferred school or partner school in any year group excluding the final year. This therefore, includes brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or stepbrothers and stepsisters living in the same family unit in the same family household. In addition, biological siblings, in any year group excluding the final year, will be treated as siblings irrespective of place of residence. Children residing in the same household as part of an extended family, such as cousins, will not be treated as siblings.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

MAYLAND

Maylandsea Primary

Katonia Avenue, Mayland, Chelmsford CM3 6AD
 Telephone (01621) 742251
 Email: admin@maylandsea.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.maylandsea.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs C James
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2994

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **230**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **94**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 3

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling[‡] attending the school excluding the final year;
3. other children by straight line distance.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

[‡] LA sibling definition applies.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

PEBMARSH

St John the Baptist CE (VA) Primary

Pebmarsh, Halstead CO9 2NH
 Telephone (01787) 269300
 Email: admin@st-john.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.st-john.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Miss T Gage
 Voluntary Aided (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3308

Published admission number 2026/2027: **15**
 Number on roll: **78**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **36**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 6

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

Where applications for admission exceed the number of places available, the places will be allocated in accordance with the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children of parents/guardians resident in the parishes of Pebmarsh, Alphamstone and Lamarsh;
3. children with a sibling attending the school;
4. whether the parents, parent or guardian are regularly involved in the work and worship of the Church;
5. whether the parents, parent or guardian are active members of a non-Anglican Christian denomination and wish their child to attend this school because of its religious foundation;
6. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

♦ For consideration under criteria 4 or 5 this school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

PURLEIGH

Purleigh Primary School

Pump Lane, Purleigh, Chelmsford CM3 6PJ
 Telephone (01621) 828282
 Email: admin@purleigh.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.purleighprimary.com
 Headteacher: Mr N Stotter
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2620

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **206**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **115**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 3

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling[‡] attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Exceptional medical circumstances (supported by medical evidence) may override the above criteria (other than Looked after Children).

[‡] LA sibling definition applies.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

RAYNE

Rayne Primary and Nursery School

Capel Road, Rayne, Braintree CM77 6BZ
 Telephone (01376) 324959
 Email: office@rayne.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.rayneprimary.co.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs D Price
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11 #
 School Number: 881-2168

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **194**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **56**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the academy;
3. children of staff directly employed by the academy in either or both of the following circumstances:
 - a. where the member of staff has been employed at the academy for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the academy is made; and/or
 - b. the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post at the academy for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

For the avoidance of doubt, “a” and “b” above do not denote an order of priority – all children falling within this category will be treated equally. Children of staff are those where the staff member is the child’s parent by blood or adoption, or the member of staff has legal parental responsibility for the child;
4. children living in the priority admission area (a list of roads within the priority admissions area is available from the school);
5. remaining applications.

RAYNE

Rayne Primary and Nursery School (continued)

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

A relevant sibling is a child who has a brother, sister, adopted brother or sister or stepbrother or stepsister living in the same family unit, in the same family household and address, who attends the preferred school in any year group excluding the final year.

This school has a nursery unit. Please see the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

RETTENDON

Rettendon Primary

Main Road, Rettendon Common, Chelmsford CM3 8DW
Telephone (01268) 732096
Email: admin@rettendon.essex.sch.uk
Website: www.rettendon.essex.sch.uk
Headteacher: Mrs S Hammond
Academy (Co-educational)
4–11
School Number: 881-2460

Published admission number 2026/2027: **15**

Number on roll: **100**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **41**
In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

RIDGEWELL

Ridgewell CE Primary

Church Lane, Ridgewell, Halstead CO9 4SA
 Telephone (01440) 785364
 Email: admin.ridgewell@dcvst.org
 Website: www.ridgewell.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs K Stuart
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-2161

Published admission number 2026/2027: **15**
 Number on roll: **57**
 Number of applications received September 2025: **15**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 7

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy ♦

In the event of more applications being received than there are places available, the following criteria will be taken into consideration in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with Exceptional Medical or Social Needs;
3. children living in the priority admissions area with a sibling* at the School;
4. other children living in the priority admissions area without a sibling* at the school;
5. children living outside the priority admissions area with a sibling* at the School;
6. children living outside the priority admissions area who meet the faith# criterion;
7. all other children.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

(i) Medical need means where written evidence has been provided from a senior clinical medical officer or the child's general practitioner / specialist showing that the child's condition would make it detrimental to the child's health not to admit him/her to the School. This may include written evidence where the parent has a medical need and/or disability which would make it detrimental for the child to attend a different school; this may be supported by evidence of the child as a young carer.

ii) Social Need means where the child is of confirmed refugee status. Written evidence of this must be submitted with the Supplemental Information Form and sent to the School on or before 15th January 2026.

* Sibling means brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, foster brother or sister, or the child of the parent/ carer's partner where the child for whom admission is sought is living in the same family unit as that sibling and at the same address.

Priority Admissions Area means the geographical area from which children will be afforded priority for admission to the School. A map showing the priority admissions area, is available to view on the School website. A hard copy is available at the School office.

A child living outside the priority admissions area is eligible for this category where the child or the parent or carers meets the following criteria, in order of priority.

- Regular attendance at public worship in any Church of England church, for not less than eight times in a twelve-month period prior to the date of submission of the application for admission to the school.
- Regular attendance at public worship in any other Christian church for not less than eight times in a twelve-month period prior to the date of submission to the school. For the purposes of these admission arrangements 'other Christian church' means a church which is Designated under the Ecumenical Relations Measure 2018, nationally by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, or locally by the diocesan bishop; or which is a member of Churches Together in England; or affiliated to the Evangelical Alliance; or a Partner Church of Affinity.
- Regular attendance at public worship in any faith group which is a member of the local Council of Faiths for not less than eight times in a twelve-month period prior to the date of submission of the application for admission to the school.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

RIVENHALL

Rivenhall CE Primary

Church Road, Rivenhall, Witham CM8 3PQ
 Telephone (01376) 514509
 Email: office.rivenhall@dvcst.org
 Website: www.rivenhallprimary.co.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs R More
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3205

Published admission number 2026/2027: **20**

Number on roll: **123**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **72**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: **4**

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy ♦

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children living in the priority admissions area with a sibling* at the School;
3. children living outside the priority admissions area with a sibling* at the School;
4. other children living in the priority admissions area without a sibling* at the school;
5. children living outside the priority admissions area who meet the faith# criterion;
6. all other children.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

* Sibling means brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, foster brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom admission is sought is living in the same family unit as that sibling and at the same address.

Priority Admissions Area means the geographical area from which children will be afforded priority for admission to the School. A map showing the priority admissions area, is available to view on the School website. A hard copy is available at the School office.

A child living outside the priority admissions area is eligible for this category where the child or the parent or carers meets the following criteria, in order of priority;

- Regular attendance at public worship in any Church of England church, for not less than eight times in a twelve-month period prior to the date of submission of the application for admission to the school.
- Regular attendance at public worship in any other Christian church for not less than eight times in a twelve-month period prior to the date of submission to the school. For the purposes of these admission arrangements 'other Christian church' means a church which is Designated under the Ecumenical Relations Measure 2018, nationally by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, or locally by the diocesan bishop; or which is a member of Churches Together in England; or affiliated to the Evangelical Alliance; or a Partner Church of Affinity.
- Regular attendance at public worship in any faith group which is a member of the local Council of Faiths for not less than eight times in a twelve-month period prior to the date of submission of the application for admission to the school.

You must complete the relevant part of the SIF if you are applying under Category 5. The SIF must be verified and signed by the relevant Church or Faith Leader, or an authorised Church or Faith Officer.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

ROXWELL

Roxwell CE Primary

The Street, Roxwell, Chelmsford CM1 4PE
 Telephone (01245) 248229
 Email: admin@roxwell.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.roxwellschool.co.uk
 Executive Headteacher: Mrs M Taylor
 Head of School: Mrs S Letham
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2182

Published admission number 2026/2027: **15**
 Number on roll: **85**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **37**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling[‡] on attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

[‡] LA sibling definition applies.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

RUNWELL

Runwell Community Primary

Canewdon Gardens, Runwell, Wickford SS11 7BJ
 Telephone (01268) 735329
 Email: admin@runwell.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.runwell.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs R Anthony
 Academy (Co-educational)
 3–11
 School Number: 881-2901

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **393**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **72**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 5

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy ♦

Where the number of applications for admission is greater than the published admissions number, applications will be considered against the criteria in the order in which they are set out below :

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. exceptional medical circumstances (supported by evidence) or special personal circumstances relating to the child which necessitate attendance at Runwell Community Primary School (supporting written evidence will be required from a professional e.g. social worker);
3. children living in the priority admission area of the school with a sibling* attending the school at the time of application and admission;
4. children living in the priority admission area of the school;
5. children attending Runwell Community Primary School's nursery who are in receipt of pupil premium funding;
6. children living outside the priority admission area of the school with a sibling* attending the school at the time of application and admission;
7. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority. In the unlikely event of two or more applicants with an identical distance competing for a single place at a school the place will be offered to one applicant on the basis of

RUNWELL

Runwell Community Primary (Continued)

lots drawn by a member of the trust.

*Sibling is defined as children who live as brother or sister in the same house, including natural brothers or sisters, adopted siblings, stepbrothers or sisters and foster brothers and sisters.

◆ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed to be considered under criterion 4.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

St Luke's Park Primary

Liberty Way, Runwell, Essex, SS11 7LH

Telephone (01268) 436050

Email: admin@stlukespark.essex.sch.uk

Website: www.stlukesparkprimary.com

Headteacher: Ms Jen Kendall-Hobbs

Academy (Co-educational)

4–11

School Number: 881-2188

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**

Number on roll: **139**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **65**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: **3**

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area. In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest given the highest priority.

Straight line distances are calculated by the LA as described in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

‡ LA sibling definition applies.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

SHALFORD

Shalford Primary

Church End, Shalford, Braintree CM7 5EZ
 Telephone (01371) 850336
 Email: shalford@compassps.uk
 Website: www.shalford.compassps.uk
 Head of School: Mr T Arding
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2138

Published admission number 2026/2027: **15**
 Number on roll: **75**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **19**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling[‡] attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

[‡] LA sibling definition applies.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

SIBLE HEDINGHAM

St Peter's CE (VC) Primary

School Road, Sible Hedingham, Halstead CO9 3NR
 Telephone (01787) 460362
 Email: admin@st-peters.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.stpetersch.schooljotter2.com
 Headteacher: Mr C Eynon
 Voluntary Controlled (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3013

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **216**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **51**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 3

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

SILVER END

Silver End Academy

School Road, Silver End, Witham CM8 3RZ

Telephone (01376) 583353

Email: admins@inspiresmat.co.uk

Website: www.silverendschool.co.uk

Headteacher: Mrs S Meares

Academy (Co-educational)

4-11#

School Number: 881-2164

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**

Number on roll: **349**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **58**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling[‡] attending the school other than year 6;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

[‡] LA sibling definition applies.

[#] This school has a nursery unit. Please see the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

SOUTHMINSTER

St Leonard's CE Primary

Burnham Road, Southminster CM0 7ES
 Telephone (01621) 772732
 Email: admin.southminster@dcvst.org
 Website: www.southminsterschool.co.uk
 Headteacher: Mr S Bragg
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2095

Published admission number 2026/2027: **45**

Number on roll: **253**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **61**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 7

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription any remaining places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet).
2. Children living in the priority admissions area with a sibling at the School. Sibling means brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, foster brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom admission is sought is living in the same family unit as that sibling and at the same address.
3. Other children living in the priority admissions area without a sibling at the school.
4. Children living outside the priority admissions area with a sibling at the School.
5. Children with Exceptional Medical or Social Needs.
6. All other children.

Tie Breaker

For admissions purposes, the school uses a distance tie-breaker. In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest given the highest priority. Straight line distances are calculated by the LA as described in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Priority Admissions Area means the geographical area from which children will be afforded priority for admission to the School. A map showing the priority admissions area is available to view on the School website.

Medical need means where written evidence has been provided from a senior clinical medical officer or the child's general practitioner/specialist showing that the child's condition would make it detrimental to the child's health not to admit him/her to the School. This may include written evidence where the parent has a medical need and/or disability which would make it detrimental for the child to attend a different school; this may be supported by evidence of the child as a young carer. Evidence to be relied upon must be submitted with the Supplementary Information Form and sent to the School on or before 15th January.

Social Need means where the child is of confirmed refugee status. Written evidence of this from the home LA must be submitted with the Supplemental Information Form and sent to the School on or before 15th January.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

SOUTH WOODHAM FERRERS

Collingwood Primary

Collingwood Road, South Woodham Ferrers,
Chelmsford CM3 5YJ
Telephone (01245) 322258
Email: admin@collingwood.school
Website: <https://www.collingwood.school/>
Headteacher: Mrs A Buckland-Garnett
Foundation (Co-educational)
4–11
School Number: 881-5265

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
Number on roll: **227**
Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **77**
In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

Where applications for admission exceed the number of places available, the following criteria will be applied, in the order set out below, to determine which children to admit:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children living in the boundary agreed effective from the 2011-2012 academic year (this includes children with siblings† at the school living within the boundary area). Map available on request from the school office;
3. children living out of area with a sibling† at the school;
4. children living out of area by distance (measured in a straight line from home to school with the closest being given priority).

The fourth criterion will act as a tie-breaker in the event of oversubscription against 1–3.

† LA sibling definition applies.

Exceptional medical circumstances (supported by medical evidence) may override the above (other than Looked After Children and previously looked after children).

Waiting list held until: January 2027.

Elmwood Primary

Guys Farm Road, South Woodham Ferrers,
Chelmsford CM3 5NB
Telephone (01245) 321301
Email: admin@elmwood.school
Website: www.elmwood.school
Headteacher: Mrs Maidment
Foundation (Co-educational)
4–11
School Number: 881-5200

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
Number on roll: **417**
Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **121**
In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 5

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

Where applications for admission exceed the number of places available, the following criteria will be applied, in the order set out below, to determine which children to admit:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a brother or sister† currently attending the school at the time of application other than in Year 6;
3. children living within the designated priority admission area;
4. where there are medical grounds for admitting the child (supported by medical evidence);
5. proximity of the child's home to the school, with those living nearer being accorded the higher priority. For the purpose of this clause, distance will be measured in a straight line.

† LA sibling definition applies.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

SOUTH WOODHAM FERRERS

St Joseph's Catholic Primary

Trinity Square, South Woodham Ferrers,
Chelmsford CM3 5JX
Telephone (01245) 321828
Email: admin@st-josephspri.essex.sch.uk
Website: www.christthekingfederation.uk
Headteacher: Miss T North
Voluntary Aided (Co-educational)
4-11# Roman Catholic
School Number: 881-3815

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**

Number on roll: **170**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **36**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 8

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

Where applications for admission exceed the number of places available, the following criteria will be applied, in the order set out below, to determine which children to admit:

1. Catholic Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. Catholic children who are resident in the parishes of English Martyrs, Danbury and Holy Trinity, South Woodham Ferrers;
3. other Catholic children;
4. other looked after and previously looked after children;
5. Catechumens and members of an Eastern Christian Church;
6. children of other Christian denominations whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion;
7. children of other faiths whose membership is evidenced by a religious leader;
8. any other children.

Within each of the categories listed above, the following provisions will be applied in the following order:

(i) Where evidence is provided at the time of application of an exceptional social, medical or pastoral need of the child which can most appropriately be met at this school, the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made.

(ii) The attendance of a brother or sister at the school at the time of enrolment will increase the priority of an application within each category so that the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made after children in (i) above.

‘Catholic’ means a member of a Church in full communion with the See of Rome. This includes the Eastern Catholic Churches. This will normally be evidenced by a certificate of baptism in a Catholic Church or a certificate of reception into the full communion of the Catholic Church.

‘catechumen’ means a member of the catechumenate of a Catholic Church. This will normally be evidenced by a certificate of reception into the order of catechumens.

‘Eastern Christian Church’ includes Orthodox Churches, and is normally evidenced by a certificate of baptism or reception from the authorities of that Church.

‘children of other Christian denomination’ means children who belong to other churches and ecclesial communities which, acknowledge God’s revelation in Christ, confess the Lord Jesus Christ as God and Saviour according to the Scriptures, and, in obedience to God’s will and in the power of the Holy Spirit commit themselves.

‘children of other faiths’ means children who are members of a religious community that does not fall within the definition of ‘other Christian denominations’

A map showing the parish boundaries is available from the school.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria priority will be determined by distance measured in a straight line from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

For the full Admission Policy and notes please refer to the schools website.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

SOUTH WOODHAM FERRERS

Trinity St Mary's CE (VA) Primary

Trinity Square, South Woodham Ferrers,
Chelmsford CM3 5JX
Telephone (01245) 321711
Email: admin@trinity-st-marys.essex.sch.uk
Website: www.trinitystmarys.com
Headteacher: Miss J Hoy
Voluntary Aided (Co-educational)
4–11 Church of England
School Number: 881-3814

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**

Number on roll: **157**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **42**
In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: g

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

Where applications for admission exceed the number of places available, the following criteria will be applied, in the order set out below, to determine which children to admit:

- Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
- children with a sibling† attending the school at the time of admission;
- social, medical or pastoral reasons where Trinity St Mary's is the closest school which can support the identified need (contact the school for more information);
- attendance at Holy Trinity Church, South Woodham Ferrers;
- attendance with another Christian community;
- children of other faiths;
- remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria priority will be determined by distance measured in a straight line from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

† LA sibling definition applies.

'attendance at Church' For the full definition please see schools website.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term, longer by request.

Woodville Primary

Brent Avenue, South Woodham Ferrers,
Chelmsford CM3 5SE
Telephone (01245) 321755
Email: admin@woodville.essex.sch.uk
Website: www.woodvilleprimaryschool.org.uk
Headteacher: Miss J Phillips
Academy (Co-educational)
4–11
School Number: 881-5213

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**

Number on roll: **407**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **116**
In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 5

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admissions area.

In the event of oversubscription, the following criteria will be applied in the order set out below, to decide which children to admit:

- Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
- children with a sibling attending the school at the proposed date of admission. A sibling is defined as a "brother or sister" of those children who has one or both parents in common;
- children of staff who are employed by the school
 - where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made; and/or
 - the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage;
- children residing in South Woodham Ferrers, north of the railway line – i.e. the priority admissions area defined by the local authority;
- children living outside the priority admissions area, preference being given to those having closest proximity to the school, defined as the distance measured in a straight line from home to Woodville School.

Exceptional medical circumstances may override the above criteria. Applications must be supported by evidence supplied by a suitably qualified medical practitioner.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

STEEPLE BUMPSTEAD

Steeple Bumpstead Primary

Bower Hall Drive, Steeple Bumpstead,
Haverhill CB9 7ED

Telephone (01440) 730220

Email: office@steepleprimary.co.uk

Website: www.steepleprimary.co.uk

Executive Headteacher: Mrs V Doherty

Academy (Co-educational)

4–11

School Number: 881-2172

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**

Number on roll: **184**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **50**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling[‡] attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

[‡] LA sibling definition applies.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

STISTED

Stisted CE Primary Academy

The Street, Stisted, Braintree CM77 8AN
 Telephone (01376) 325116
 Email: admin@stisted.academy
 Website: www.stisted.academy
 Headteacher: Mrs D Welsman
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3460

Published admission number 2026/2027: **15**

Number on roll: **102**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **53**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 7

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

Children will be admitted using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children who live in the civil parish of Stisted with their parent/s or legal guardian;
3. children who have a sibling‡ at Stisted CofE Primary Academy;
4. children of parent/s or legal guardian/s who are regular* attenders at a CofE church;
5. children of parent/s or legal guardian/s who are regularly* involved in the worship at a Christian church recognised by “Churches together in Britain and Ireland”;
6. children of parent/s or legal guardian/s who are regular* worshippers within other world faiths;
7. any remaining applications.

‡ LA sibling definition applies.

*For the purpose of criteria 4, 5 and 6 above, ‘regular’ will constitute a minimum of twice monthly attendance over an eighteen month period. Written confirmation from the responsible Minister or religious leader will be required on the Supplementary Information Form (SIF) provided by the Academy after the application deadline.

In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church [or, in relation to those of other faiths, relevant place of worship] has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these [admissions] arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church [or in relation to those of other faiths, relevant place of worship] or alternative premises have been available for public worship.

In the event of over-subscription in any criteria, the Governing Body will decide admissions by giving the shortest straight line distance priority.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

STOCK

Stock CE Primary

Swan Lane, Stock, Ingatestone CM4 9BQ
 Telephone (01277) 840265
 Email: admin@stock.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.stockessex.co.uk
 Headteacher: Mr G Roberts
 Voluntary Controlled (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3225

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **209**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **96**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription, places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

TERLING

Terling CE (VA) Primary

New Road, Terling, Chelmsford CM3 2PN
 Telephone (01245) 233206
 Email: admin@terling.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.terling.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs F Sapiano
 Voluntary Aided (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3470

Published admission number 2026/2027: **15**
 Number on roll: **106**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **69**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 5

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

Where applications for admission exceed the number of places available Governors will consider applications according to the following criteria:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children living in the parishes of Terling and Fairstead;
3. children with a sibling (brothers or sisters/step siblings, foster sibling and adopted siblings) attending the school who is not in Year 6;
4. children who have a parent who joins in the worship of the parish Churches of Terling and Fairstead (at least once a month for a year)*;
5. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, the nearest having preference.

* When taking Church ties into account documentation from the incumbent of the family's local church will be required.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term, longer by request.

TILLINGHAM

St Nicholas CE Primary

The Street, Tillingham, Southminster CM0 7TJ
 Telephone (01621) 779263
 Email: office.stnicholas@dcvst.org
 Website: www.st-nicholas-pri.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Miss M Campbell
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3232

Published admission number 2026/2027: **21**

Number on roll: **81**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **19**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: **6**

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with Exceptional Medical or Social Needs;
3. children living in the priority admissions area with a sibling* at the School;
4. other children living in the priority admissions area without a sibling* at the school;
5. children living outside the priority admissions area with a sibling* at the School;
6. all other children.

TIE BREAKER

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria priority will be determined by distance measured in a straight line from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

If a child's time is split equally between two residences, the address of the residence at which the child resides for the majority of the school week would be used to measure the distance between the child's school and home. In the unlikely event of two applicants with an identical distance competing for a single place at a school – for example because both families live in a block of flats with a common entrance - the place will be offered to one applicant on the basis of lots drawn.

i) Medical need means where written evidence has been provided from a senior clinical medical officer or the child's general practitioner / specialist showing that the child's condition would make it detrimental to the child's health not to admit him/her to the School. This may include written evidence where the parent has a medical need and/or disability which would make it detrimental for the child to attend a different school; this may be supported by evidence of the child as a young carer. Evidence to be relied upon must be submitted with the Supplementary Information Form and sent to the School on or before 15th January 2026.

(ii) Social Need means where the child is of confirmed refugee status. Written evidence of this from the home LA must be submitted with the Supplemental Information Form and sent to the School on or before 15th January 2026.

* Sibling means brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, foster brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom admission is sought is living in the same family unit as that sibling and at the same address.

Home address means the place where the child resides for the majority of the school week (Sunday to Thursday) with the person/s who legally has care of the child (child care arrangements are excluded). The School may require documentary evidence of house ownership or tenancy together with evidence of the child's residency at the property.

Priority Admissions Area means the geographical area from which children will be afforded priority for admission to the School. A map showing the priority admissions area, is available to view on the School website. A hard copy is available at the School office.

A child living outside the priority admissions area is eligible for this category where the child or the parent or carers meets the following criteria, in order of priority.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

TOLLESBURY

Tollesbury School

East Street, Tollesbury, Maldon CM9 8QE

Telephone (01621) 869242

Email: admin@tollesbury.essex.sch.uk

Website: www.tollesbury.essex.sch.uk

Headteacher: Mrs K Garnett

Community (Co-educational)

4–11

School Number: 881-2630

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**

Number on roll: **163**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **29**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 5

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription any remaining places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children living in the priority admission area with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. children living outside the priority admission area with a sibling attending the school;
5. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

TOLLESHUNT

Tolleshunt D'Arcy St Nicholas Primary Academy

Tollesbury Road, Tolleshunt D'Arcy, Maldon CM9 8UB
Telephone (01621) 860253
Email: office@darcyschool.co.uk
Website: www.darcyschool.co.uk
Headteacher: Miss E Reece
Academy (Co-educational)
4–11 Church of England
School Number: 881-3660

Published admission number 2026/2027: **17**

Number on roll: **111**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **40**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: **3**

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

In the event of oversubscription the following criteria will apply in priority order:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. whether the child has a sibling attending the school at the time of the admission of the child;
3. whether the parents of the child are resident in the civil parishes of Tolleshunt D'Arcy, Tolleshunt Knights, Tolleshunt Major, Little Totham and Goldhanger;
4. whether the parents are worshipping members of a Church of England parish for which this is the nearest Church of England Aided School. (The frequency of attendance and level of involvement will be considered, with confirmation of this by the priest or minister);
5. remaining applications

In the event of oversubscription priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority. Straight line distances are calculated by the LA as described in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

TOPPESFIELD

St Margaret's CE (VC) Primary

Church Lane, Toppesfield, Halstead CO9 4DS
Telephone (01787) 237354
Email: admin@st-margaretscofe.essex.sch.uk
Website: www.st-margaretscofe.essex.sch.uk
Headteacher: Mrs S Newland
Voluntary Controlled (Co-educational)
4–11 Church of England
School Number: 881-3015

Published admission number 2026/2027: **14**

Number on roll: **66**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **14**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: **4**

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

WEST AND SOUTH HANNINGFIELD

St Peter's CE Primary

Church Road, West Hanningfield,
Chelmsford CM2 8UQ
Telephone (01245) 400327
Email: admin@st-peters.academy
Website: www.st-peters.academy
Headteacher: Mr J Bearman
Academy (Co-educational)
4–11 Church of England
School Number: 881-3820

Published admission number 2026/2027: **15**

Number on roll: **96**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **24**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: **8**

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

Where there are more applications received than places available, the governors will consider applications according to the following criteria:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet).
2. Children with a sibling attending the school. For applications made in the normal admission round a relevant sibling is a child who has a brother, sister, adopted brother or sister or step brother or step sister living in the same family unit in the same family household and address who attends the preferred school or partner school in any year group excluding the final year. Biological siblings who attend the preferred school in any year group excluding the final year will also be treated as siblings irrespective of place of residence. Children residing in the same household as part of an extended family, such as cousins, will not be treated as siblings.
3. Children living in priority admission area (Children living within West and South Hanningfield ecclesiastical parishes).
4. Children where the application is supported in writing by a member of the clergy from an Anglican parish indicating that the family is known to the church and that the family plays a part in the church community.
5. Children where the application is supported in writing by a member of the clergy from a Church which is affiliated to Churches Together in Britain and Ireland indicating that the family plays a part in the church community.

6. Children who because of social, medical or pastoral reasons would be best educated at this school. This must be supported by an independent report by a suitably qualified person. If the person to provide the report cannot be agreed, this will be determined by the Chair of Governors.
7. Children from other faiths specifically desiring a Christian education where the application is supported in writing by a leader of that faith stating that the family is known to that place of worship and that they play a part in that faith community.
8. Remaining applications.

In the event of over-subscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being the highest priority.

♦This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed.

Waiting list held until: end of academic year.

WETHERSFIELD

Wethersfield CE (VC) Primary

Silver Street, Wethersfield, Braintree CM7 4BP
 Telephone (01371) 850220
 Email: wethersfield@sgasa.uk
 Website: www.wethersfield.chorusschools.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs J Nichols
 Voluntary Controlled (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3212

Published admission number 2026/2027: **12**
 Number on roll: **46**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **10**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 5

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. children residing on the old USAAF base;
5. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

WHITE NOTLEY

White Notley CE (VC) Primary

Vicarage Avenue, White Notley, Witham CM8 1RZ
 Telephone (01376) 583376
 Email: admin@whitenotley.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.whitenotley.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs R Baugh
 Voluntary Controlled (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-3213

Published admission number 2026/2027: **15**
 Number on roll: **105**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **41**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 5

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in White Notley and Faulkbourne;
4. children living in Black Notley village (as defined on the map available at the school);
5. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

WITHAM

Chipping Hill Primary School

Owers Road, Witham, CM8 1FR
Telephone (01376) 512201
Email: admin@chippinghill.essex.sch.uk
Website: www.chippinghill.essex.sch.uk
Headteacher: Mrs N Robson
Community (Co-educational)
4–11
School Number: 881-2330

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
Number on roll: **419**
Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **201**
In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

WITHAM

Elm Hall Primary

Conrad Road, Witham CM8 2SD
 Telephone (01376) 516025
 Email: admin@elmhall.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.elmhall.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Mr Michael Wood
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11
 School Number: 881-2757

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**

Number on roll: **213**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **119**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: **4**

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the Academy other than year 6;
3. children of staff directly employed by the academy in either or both of the following circumstances:
 - a. where the member of staff has been employed at the academy for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the academy is made; and/or
 - b. the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post at the academy for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

For the avoidance of doubt, “a” and “b” above do not denote an order of priority – all children falling within this category will be treated equally. Children of staff are those where the staff member is the child’s parent by blood or adoption, or the member of staff has legal parental responsibility for the child;
4. children living in the priority admission area;
5. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given highest priority.

A relevant sibling is a child who has a brother, sister, adopted brother or sister or stepbrother or stepsister living in the same family unit, in the same family household and address, who attends the preferred school in any year group excluding the final year.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

WITHAM

Holy Family Catholic Primary

Maltings Lane, Witham CM8 1DX
 Telephone (01376) 513418
 Email: admin@holyfamilysch.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.hfcswitham.co.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs J Murray
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11 Roman Catholic
 School Number: 881-3813

Published admission number 2026/2027: **30**
 Number on roll: **198**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **69**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 8

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy♦

In the case of oversubscription places will be given in accordance with the following criteria:

1. Catholic Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. Catholic children who are resident in the parish of 'The Holy Family and All Saints', Witham;
3. other Catholic children;
4. other Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
5. Catechumens and members of an Eastern Christian Church;
6. children of other Christian denominations whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion;
7. children of other faiths whose membership is supported by a Religious Leader;
8. any other children.

Within each of the categories listed above, the following provisions will be applied in the following order:

(i) Where evidence is provided at the time of application of an exceptional social, medical or pastoral need of the child which can most appropriately be met at this school, the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made.

(ii) The attendance of a brother or sister at the school at the time of enrolment will increase the priority of an application within each category so that the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made after children in (i) above.

'Catholic' means a member of a Church in full communion with the See of Rome. This includes the Eastern Catholic Churches. This will normally be evidenced by a certificate of baptism in a Catholic Church or a certificate of reception into the full communion of the Catholic Church.

'catechumen' means a member of the catechumenate of a Catholic Church. This will normally be evidenced by a certificate of reception into the order of catechumens.

'Eastern Christian Church' includes Orthodox Churches, and is normally evidenced by a certificate of baptism or reception from the authorities of that Church.

'children of other Christian denomination' means children who belong to other churches and ecclesial communities which, acknowledge God's revelation in Christ, confess the Lord Jesus Christ as God and Saviour according to the Scriptures, and, in obedience to God's will and in the power of the Holy Spirit commit themselves.

'children of other faiths' means children who are members of a religious community that does not fall within the definition of 'other Christian denominations'

A map showing the parish boundaries is available from the school.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria priority will be determined by distance measured in a straight line from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed. **If you do not provide the information required in the SIF and return it by the closing date, together with all supporting documentation, your child will not be placed in criteria 1 to 4 or 6 to 8, and this is likely to affect your child's chance of being offered a place.**

For the full Admission Policy and notes please refer to the schools website.

Waiting list held until: end of academic year.

WITHAM

Howbridge Infant

Dengie Close, Witham CM8 1DJ
 Telephone (01376) 512153
 Email: admin@howbridge-inf.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.howbridge-inf.essex.sch.uk
 Headteacher: Ms A Conley
 Foundation (Co-educational)
 4–7
 School Number: 881-5276

Published admission number 2026/2027: **90**
 Number on roll: **267**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **164**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area. In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling[‡] attending the school or the partner junior school (this includes year 2 to year 3 children but excludes year 6);
3. children living in the school's priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given highest priority. Straight line distances are calculated by the LA as described in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

[‡] LA sibling definition applies.

Waiting list held until: end of academic year.

Howbridge CE Junior

Howbridge Road, Witham CM8 1BZ
 Telephone (01376) 501648
 Email: office.howbridge@dcvst.org
 Website: www.howbridgejunior.co.uk
 Executive Headteacher: Mrs R More
 Academy (Co-educational)
 7–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-2103

Published admission number 2026/2027: **96**
 Number on roll: **357**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **108**

Admissions Policy ♦

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription any remaining places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given*:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with exceptional medical or social needs;
3. children living in the priority admissions area with a sibling at the School;
4. other children living in the priority admissions area without a sibling at the school;
5. children living outside the priority admissions area with a sibling at the School;
6. children living outside the priority admissions area who meet the faith[#]criterion;
7. all other children.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given highest priority. Straight line distances are calculated by the LA as described in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

(i) Medical need means where written evidence has been provided from a senior clinical medical officer or the child's general practitioner / specialist showing that the child's condition would make it detrimental to the child's health not to admit him/her to the School. This may include written evidence where the parent has a medical need and/or disability which would make it detrimental for the child to attend a different school; this may be supported by evidence of the child as a young carer.

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Howbridge CE Junior (continued)

(ii) Social Need means where the child is of confirmed refugee status. Written evidence of this must be submitted with the Supplemental Information Form and sent to the School on or before 15th January 2026.

* Sibling means brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, foster brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom admission is sought is living in the same family unit as that sibling and at the same address.

Priority Admissions Area means the geographical area from which children will be afforded priority for admission to the School. A map showing the priority admissions area, is available to view on the School website. A hard copy is available at the School office.

Faith Criterion

- Regular attendance at public worship in any Church of England church, for not less than eight times in a twelve-month period prior to the date of submission of the application for admission to the school.
- Regular attendance at public worship in any other Christian church for not less than eight times in a twelve-month period prior to the date of submission to the school. For the purposes of these admission arrangements 'other Christian church' means a church which is Designated under the Ecumenical Relations Measure 2018, nationally by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, or locally by the diocesan bishop; or which is a member of Churches Together in England; or affiliated to the Evangelical Alliance; or a Partner Church of Affinity.
- Regular attendance at public worship in any faith group which is a member of the local Council of Faiths for not less than eight times in a twelve-month period prior to the date of submission of the application for admission to the school.

♦ This school requires a Supplementary Information Form to be completed. The SIF must be returned to the School office on or before 15th January 2026.

Waiting list held until: end of academic year.

Acorn Academy

Spa Road, Witham CM8 1NA
Telephone (01376) 512605
Email: admin@acornacademy.net
Website: www.acornacademy.net
Headteacher: Mrs Cheryl Noble
Academy (Co-educational)
4-7 #
School Number: 881-2679

Published admission number 2026/2027: **90**

Number on roll: **200**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **75**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school or Witham Oaks Academy (formerly known as Powers Hall Academy);
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given highest priority.

This school has a nursery unit. Please see the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

WITHAM

Templars Academy

Cressing Road, Witham CM8 2NJ
 Telephone (01376) 513477
 Email: admintem@inspiresmat.co.uk
 Website: www.templarsacademy.com
 Headteacher: Mr N Hancock
 Academy (Co-educational)
 2–11 #
 School Number: 881-2126

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **351**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **77**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling[^] attending the school other than year 6;
3. children living in the priority admission area, please see 'Catchment area Finder' tool on www.essex.gov.uk/admissions;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given highest priority.

[^]A sibling refers to a brother or sister, half-brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, or step-brother or step-sister living in the same family unit and at the same address as that sibling.

This school has a nursery unit. Please see the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

Witham Oaks Academy

Spa Road, Witham CM8 1NA
 Telephone (01376) 513322
 Email: adminwoa@inspiresmat.co.uk
 Website: www.withamoaksacademy.co.uk
 Headteachers: Mr D Sheehan and Mrs M Harrington
 Academy (Co-educational)
 7–11
 School Number: 881-2699

Published admission number 2026/2027: **90**
 Number on roll: **274**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **62**

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription any remaining places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given*:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling[^] attending the school other than year 6;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given highest priority.

[^]A sibling refers to a brother or sister, half-brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, or stepbrother or stepsister living in the same family unit and at the same address as that sibling.

*For applications received after the start of Year 3 Looked After Children and previously looked after children will be given priority ahead of all other applicants.

Waiting list held until: end of autumn term.

WOODHAM FERRERS

St Mary's CE Primary, Woodham Ferrers

Main Road, Woodham Ferrers, Chelmsford CM3 8RJ
 Telephone (01245) 320505
 Email: admin@st-marys-woodham.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.stmaryssw.co.uk
 Headteacher: Mrs T Walker
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–11 Church of England
 School Number: 881-2186

Published admission number 2026/2027: **14**

Number on roll: **62**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **23**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 5

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

In the event of oversubscription the governors will allocate places according to the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet):
2. children with a sibling ‡ attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. children of all staff at the School:
 - a) where the member of staff has been employed at the School for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the School is made, and/or
 - b) the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage;
5. remaining applications determined by distance from the school.

In the event of over subscription in any of the above criteria, the child living the shortest straight line distance from the school will be given the highest priority.

There is no guarantee of a place to children living in the priority admission area of a school.

Parents can check in which school's priority admission area (catchment area) their address is located (if any) using the Essex County Council online 'Catchment Area Finder' tool on the Local Authority website www.essex.gov.uk/find-a-school.

Further information can be obtained directly from the School.

‡ LA sibling definition applies.

Waiting list held until: end of academic year.

WOODHAM WALTER

Woodham Walter CE Primary Academy

The Street, Woodham Walter, Maldon CM9 6RF
Telephone (01245) 223264
Email: admin@woodhamwalter.essex.sch.uk
Website: www.woodhamwalterschool.co.uk
Executive Headteacher: Mrs L Roche
Head of School: Mrs A Dennis
Academy (Co-educational)
4–11 Church of England
School Number: 881-3235

Published admission number 2026/2027: **17**

Number on roll: **102**

Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **41**

In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

WRITTLE

Writtle Infant

Lodge Road, Writtle, Chelmsford CM1 3HZ
 Telephone (01245) 420963
 Email: admin@writtleinfantschool.com
 Website: www.writtleinfantschool.com
 Executive Headteacher: Mr N Taylor
 Head of School: Mrs T Wilson
 Academy (Co-educational)
 4–7
 School Number: 881-2619

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **177**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **144**
 In 2025 the last child was admitted under criterion: 4

Timing of Admission

Please see page 6 of this booklet.

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school or Writtle Junior school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Exceptional medical circumstances (supported by medical evidence) may override any of the above (other than Looked After Children).

Waiting list held until: 31 December 2026.

Writtle Junior

Margaretting Road, Writtle, Chelmsford CM1 3HG
 Telephone (01245) 420592
 Email: admin@writtle-jun.essex.sch.uk
 Website: www.writtlejuniors.org
 Executive Head Teacher: Mr N Taylor
 Head of School: Miss C Storer
 Academy (Co-educational)
 7–11
 School Number: 881-2950

Published admission number 2026/2027: **60**
 Number on roll: **237**
 Applications received (all preferences) Sept 2025: **77**

Admissions Policy

There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the priority admission area.

In the event of oversubscription places will be allocated using the following criteria in the order given:

1. Looked After Children and previously looked after children (as defined in the Primary Education in Essex 2026/2027 booklet);
2. children with a sibling attending the school or Writtle Infant school;
3. children living in the priority admission area;
4. remaining applications.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by straight line distance from home to school, those living closest being given the highest priority.

Exceptional medical circumstances (supported by medical evidence) may override any of the above (other than Looked After Children).

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