

Information for Parents

about admission to Primary Schools
in September 2023



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Welcome

Admission to Primary School in September 2023

I am delighted to welcome you to Walsall's guide for parents about admission to primary school in September 2023. This provides advice and guidance on the process for applying for a primary school place for September 2023. If your child was born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019 they are due to transfer to a primary school in September 2023.

The start of your child's full time school life is an exciting time for both you and them. It can also be a time full of questions and concerns about choosing the right school for your child.

Before making your online application, it is recommended that you do the following:

- Explore school websites, read school admissions policies and entry criteria to help you understand how places are allocated.
- This year some schools may be holding 'virtual' open evenings so please refer to each individual school website for more information.
- Ask under what criteria the school filled last year. This will give you an idea under which criterion your application is likely to be considered and your likelihood of making a successful application.
- Consider how your child will travel to and from school.
- Remember to apply by the national closing date of 15 January 2023 as submitting a late application will impact on your chance of being offered a place at one of your preferred schools.
- To increase your chance of securing a place at one of your preferred schools I strongly advise you to express a preference for three schools, the maximum number that you can apply for.

Every Walsall school is committed to giving your child the best possible start to primary school helping them to enjoy their primary school experience and achieve their full potential.

The School Admissions and Appeals Team are available to support you through the application process and can be contacted via email at schooladmissionsadvice@walsall.gov.uk

If you would like advice about submitting your online application, then please contact the team who will be pleased to assist you.

Every best wish to your child for a successful transition to primary school.

Yours sincerely

Sharon Kelly

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Advice on the Primary School Admission Process

Our School Admissions and Appeals Team will be pleased to assist you if you have any questions or require advice about the Primary School Admissions Process

- assistance with the completion of on-line applications
- advice on the admission criteria for secondary schools
- providing information on how school places have been offered in previous years

Please contact the School Admissions and Appeals Team to discuss any aspects of the primary school admissions process:

School Admissions and Appeals Team

Walsall Council

Zone 2E,

Civic Centre

Darwall

Street

Walsall

WS1 1TP

Tel: 01922 652585

Email: schooladmissionsadvice@walsall.gov.uk

Submitting your application

If you live in Walsall and your child is due to start at a primary or infant school, or transfer from infant to junior school in September 2023, you will need to apply to Walsall Council for a school place.

You will need to submit your application on-line by 15 January 2023.

The benefits

- You will get email confirmation that your application has been received
- By logging back into your online application, you can make changes to your preferences up to the closing date (15 January 2023)
- The system is secure so that your information is protected
- You will receive the outcome of your application by email on Monday 17 April 2023 (National Offer Day is 16 April or the next working day, In 2023 16 April falls on a Sunday)

The closing date for applications is 15 January 2023, we strongly recommend that you submit your application as soon as possible and do not wait until 15 January 2023 to do so. This is because you will have more opportunity to obtain advice and support with the process if you begin your application early on.

Follow the link at www.walsall.gov.uk/education

Important dates for parents:

Now:

- Read this booklet – it is important to understand how the Inter-LA Coordinated Primary Admissions Scheme works.
- If you intend to apply for a school that is not in Walsall, you must obtain a copy of the relevant local authority's Information Booklet, or visit the local authority's website, to see the admission criteria for that school and to ascertain whether you would need to provide additional information to the school.
- Contact individual schools for copies of their prospectuses.
- Use the Internet – most schools have websites or go to the Walsall Council website (www.walsall.gov.uk) and follow the link to Education. Ofsted reports are also available at www.ofsted.gov.uk.
- Check the performance tables – read the recent KS2 Performance Tables or call 0370 000 2288 for a copy or visit www.compare-school-performance.service.gov.uk.

During the Autumn Term 2023:

- Submit your on-line application.
- You can list up to three preferences on your application.
- If you are applying for a place at a Walsall Catholic school or Voluntary Aided Church of England school, please complete the required Supplementary Information Form and return it directly to the school, together with any relevant attachments, by the due date. Please note, the supplementary information form is not the application for a schoolplace, you **must** also submit an on-line application.
- Some schools outside Walsall may require **additional information** or **registration forms** to be completed.
- If you need help with completing your application, please contact the School Admissions and Appeals Team at Primary.admissions@walsall.gov.uk. A member of the team will be happy to assist you.

15 January 2023:

- Deadline date to submit your application. Your application and any additional forms or supporting information must be submitted by this date.

April 2023:

- The National Notification Date is 16th April or the next working day. An email, offering your child a single offer of a school will be sent on Monday 17th April 2023.

May 2023:

- How to appeal – on-line appeal forms for Community and Voluntary Controlled schools must be completed and submitted by 19 May 2023. Further information about appeals can be found on page 34.

June/July 2023:

- School Admission Appeal Panels will meet to hear appeals during June/July 2023.

Your child's admission to primary, infant or junior school - Frequently Asked Questions

How do I apply for a place at a primary, infant or junior school?

You should apply on-line by logging on to www.walsall.gov.uk/education and following the link provided, and then following the instructions given.

When making an application, you must name all of the schools where you wish your child to be considered for a place. These should be listed in order of preference, including any Foundation Schools, Voluntary Aided schools, Academies or any schools in other local authorities.

Primary schools in Walsall

There are 67 maintained primary schools plus 20 academies in Walsall for boys and girls of all levels of ability, aged between 3 and 11 years old (see pages 17 to 35). There are:

- 47 non-denominational schools (48 community and 1 foundation schools)
- 8 Catholic schools (all voluntary aided)
- 11 Church of England schools (8 voluntary controlled and 3 voluntary aided)
- 20 Academies

There are 8 maintained infant schools (6 community schools, 1 voluntary controlled and 1 voluntary aided school) in Walsall for boys and girls of all levels of ability, aged between 3 and 7 years old. There is also 1 infant academy (see pages 17 to 35).

There are 8 maintained junior schools (6 community schools, 1 voluntary controlled and 1 voluntary aided school) in Walsall for boys and girls of all levels of ability, aged between 7 and 11 years old. There is also 1 junior academy (see pages 17 to 35).

Information about nursery education is provided on pages 53 to 59. There are:

- 8 nursery schools (see page 56)
- 6 infant and 64 primary schools with nursery classes (pages 17 to 35)
- 87 private, voluntary and independent nursery providers (page 57 to 59)

How do I apply for a school outside Walsall?

If you live in Walsall you can also apply for places at schools outside the Walsall borough by naming your preferences for those schools in your Walsall on-line application. For information about the admission criteria for schools outside Walsall you are advised to obtain a copy of the maintaining LA's information booklet or look at the Authority's website. Contact details for the West Midlands Authorities are given below.

Birmingham LA - Tel: 0121 303 1888 (choose Option 4)

School Admissions and Fair Access Service, PO Box 16513, Birmingham, B2 2FF
(www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions)

Dudley LA - Tel: 01384 814223 (choose Option 2)

People Directorate Education Outcomes, School Admissions, Dudley Council House, Priory Road, Dudley, DY1 1HF
(www.dudley.gov.uk) Email: admissions.cs@dudley.gov.uk

Sandwell LA - Tel: 0121 569 6765

School Admissions Service, PO BOX 16230, Sandwell Council House, Freeth Street, Oldbury, B69 3EX
(www.sandwell.gov.uk/schooladmissions) Email: annual_schooladmissions@sandwell.gov.uk

Staffordshire LA - Tel: 0300 111 8007 (Option for School Admissions & Transport)

School Admissions and Transport Service, Staffordshire County Council, 2 Staffordshire Place, Stafford, ST16 2DH
(www.staffordshire.gov.uk) Email: admissions@staffordshire.gov.uk

Wolverhampton LA - Tel: 01902 551122

City of Wolverhampton Council Education, Directorate Admissions and Appeals, Civic Centre, St Peter's Square, Wolverhampton WV1 1RR

(www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/education-and-schools/school-admissions)

E Mail: School.Admissions@Wolverhampton.gov.uk

Will I need to provide any additional information?

Walsall Catholic Primary Schools

If you wish to express a preference for any Walsall Catholic primary school, you will need to send any required supporting information, e.g. baptismal certificates and letters from a minister of religion, direct to the school, together with a completed **Supplementary Information Form** – this is available to download from the Walsall Council Primary School Admissions webpage. Please note that a Supplementary Information Form is not an application for a school place; you must also submit an online application.

Walsall Voluntary Aided Church of England Primary Schools

If you wish to express a preference for any Walsall Church of England primary schools, you will need to send any required supporting information, e.g. baptismal certificates and letters from a minister of religion, direct to the school, together with a completed Supplementary Information Form. This is available to download from the Walsall Council Primary School Admissions webpage. Please note that a Supplementary Information Form is not an application for a school place; you must also submit an online application.

When should I apply?

See also important dates on page 5. The closing date for receipt of applications is **15 January 2023**. Applications received after this date, unless there are exceptional reasons, will be considered after all those applications received on time and this may result in your child not being admitted to your preferred school.

Please contact the relevant local authority for information about schools in other areas

Please note that if your application is not submitted on time your child's chances of being offered one of your preferred schools is likely to be significantly reduced.

Children reach compulsory school age on the first day of the term following their fifth birthday. However, all Walsall primary schools provide full time places for pupils in a reception class from September in the school year in which children reach their fifth birthday.

If parents prefer their child to start school later than 1 September 2023, they have the option of delaying their child's entry until later in the 2023/24 school year when their child reaches compulsory school age. Parents opting for this must complete an on-line application by **15 January 2023** and must inform Walsall Council in writing of the date they wish their child to start in a reception class. Parents can request that their child attends part-time until the child reaches compulsory school age. Parents are not able to delay entry to reception class beyond the beginning of the term following their child's fifth birthday.

Summer born children, (born between 1 April and 31 August) reach compulsory school age in the September following their fifth birthday (or on their fifth birthday if it falls on 31 August). Parents of summer born children may submit a request for their child to be admitted to a reception class in the September following their fifth birthday, at the point at which other children in their age group are moving from the reception class to year 1. All requests for reception class deferral should be submitted in writing by 15 January 2023 and accompanied by relevant supporting educational or medical evidence.

Parents who are seeking a place for their child outside of their normal age group should make a request in writing to Walsall Council by the 15 January 2023 and accompanied by relevant supporting educational or medical evidence.

When a request for reception class deferral or admission outside of a child's normal age group relates to a community or voluntary in Walsall. Walsall Council, as admission authority for the school, will make the decision on whether or not to grant the request based on the individual circumstances of each case. If the application relates to a place at school where Walsall Local Authority is not the admission authority then Walsall School Admissions and Appeals Team will forward the request to the relevant admission authority for their consideration.

Please refer to page 27 of this brochure for more information about delayed or deferred entry to reception class or making a request for your child to be educated outside of their chronological age group.

What happens if I do not submit my application by 15 January 2023?

Primary school applications can only be made through Walsall Council's on-line portal up to 15 January 2023. Late applications received between 16 January 2023 and 13 February 2023 may be considered as being on-time but only where there are exceptional circumstances and the applicant is able to provide relevant supporting evidence.

Late Applications received between 14 February 2023 and 15 April 2023 will be processed as late application and applicant will receive their offer after the national offer day.

Late Applications for Walsall primary schools received up to 4 weeks after the closing date (between 16 January 2023 and 13 February 2023):

Late applications received up to four weeks after the closing date may be considered as being on-time but only where there are 'exceptional circumstances': which prevented the submission of all applications before the closing date. If there are no 'exceptional circumstances' then the application will be considered to be late and the applicant will not receive their offer until after national offer day.

- Where the family was unable to submit an on-line application by the closing date because they moved into the borough of Walsall after the closing date of 15 January 2023.
- The family was unable to comply with the admission timetable because of exceptional circumstances that prevented the on-line application being completed on time;
- When a lone parent has been ill for some time.
- In these cases the circumstances must be given in writing, evidence must be provided will be subject to verification by the Walsall School Admissions and Appeals Team. Please refer to Page 33 for more details about Walsall Council's Late Application Policy.

All applications received after 13 February 2023 will be considered as late applications.

Please note that if your application is not submitted on time, your child's chances of being offered one of your preferred schools are likely to be significantly reduced. Applications which are considered to be late will be processed as late applications and applicants will not receive their offer until after national offer day.

How many preferences can I have?

You can list up to 3 preferences on your application. It is advisable to list 3 preferences as it may not be possible to offer your child your first preference.

What happens if I would like to change my school preference after I have submitted my application?

Up to the closing date of 15 January 2023, parents may change their preferences if they wish to do so. After the closing date any change in preferences, other than in exceptional circumstances, will be regarded as a late application and will be considered under the late application policy. Documentary evidence is required to support claims of exceptional circumstances. (Please see page 33 for further details of Walsall Councils late application policy)

Won't my child automatically move from nursery to reception?

Children do not automatically move from nursery to primary or infant school. Every parent must complete an on-line application to ensure that their child is considered for a place at their preferred primary or infant school. Where a parent does not make an application for any school, a place at the nearest Walsall school with places available will be offered. This may not be your local school and transport assistance may not necessarily be provided.

Won't my child automatically move from infant school to junior school?

Children do not automatically move from infant to junior school. Every parent must complete an on-line application to ensure that their child is considered for a place at their preferred school, and should include the paired junior school as a preference. Failure to submit an application for a place at the paired junior school may result in your child being without a school place when the new school year commences.

If my child has an older sibling already in attendance at my preferred school, do I still have to apply?

You must make an application for your preferred school regardless of whether or not your child has an older sibling at the school at the time of admission. Please ensure you include details of any siblings currently attending one of your preferred schools when completing your on-line application. Failure to disclose a sibling connection will mean that your child's application will be not considered under the sibling criteria. If you are making an application for an infant school and your child has an older sibling who is already on roll at a paired junior school, you must include details of the older sibling and tick the box to indicate that there is a sibling connection.

When will I know the outcome of my application?

When you complete your application online, you will receive the outcome of your application by email on 17 April 2023 (please see page 4 for details).

In the case of offers to Walsall resident children for places in schools outside Walsall, Walsall Council will make offers on behalf of the relevant local authority.

How many places are available at each school?

Each school has a Published Admission Number which is the maximum number of pupils that the school can admit, taking into account the accommodation and resources available. The Published Admission Number for each school is shown on the school information pages. You will also find information on these pages about how places were allocated in previous years.

What is the Coordinated Admissions Scheme?

The scheme indicates the way in which Walsall Council will coordinate admission arrangements. The purpose of the scheme is to ensure that each pupil living in Walsall receives only one offer of a school place on the same date, whether that is at a school in Walsall or at one maintained by a neighbouring authority.

The neighbouring authorities coordinating in this scheme are: Birmingham, Dudley, Sandwell, Staffordshire and Wolverhampton.

Details of how the scheme operates are given on pages 31 to 32.

What can I do if I am unhappy with the school offer made?

Along with your offer letter, you will receive information on how to proceed if you are not satisfied with the school place you have been allocated.

If it is not possible to offer a place at your preferred Walsall school, parents have the opportunity to appeal against the decision to an Independent Appeals Panel.

Information on how to make an appeal for the different types of Walsall schools will be sent to parents with the offer letter. Details about how to appeal are given on page 34 of this booklet.

The deadline for receipt of appeal forms is **19 May 2023**, if forms are received after this date it may not be possible for the appeal to be heard in the summer term. Therefore, if you wish to appeal, you are strongly advised to return the appeal form by the specified date.

Infant class size limit - maximum of 30 pupils

The governors of each school are legally required to ensure that all infant classes have no more than 30 pupils with a single teacher. The infant class size limit applies to children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 classes.

If an appeal is made for a place in an infant class, the school or Local Authority may use the infant class size legislation to advise an appeal panel that by admitting another pupil there would be “infant class size prejudice”.

For example, a school that admits 45 pupils would have two reception classes of 22 and 23 and three mixed age Year 1/ Year 2 classes of 30 per class. Admitting extra pupils to the reception class would not cause a problem immediately but would result in classes of more than 30 when pupils are in Years 1 and 2.

Where infant class size prejudice is proven, the appeal panel should only uphold an appeal if:

- a) The decision was not one which a reasonable admission authority (Local Authority or governing body), properly aware of its responsibilities would make in the circumstances of the case. The circumstances which may be considered include the school’s admission policy, the internal organisation of the school and its ability to accommodate pupils in compliance with the class size limit; or
- b) The child would have been offered a place if the admission arrangements had been properly implemented.

What if my appeal is unsuccessful?

The decision of an Independent Appeal Panel is final and binding on all parties.

Repeat appeals will not be considered in the same academic year unless there have been significant and material changes in the circumstances of the child or the school.

Almost all admission appeals for schools where there is infant class size prejudice are unsuccessful.

How do I put my child’s name on a waiting list if my application is unsuccessful?

If your child has not been offered a place at your most preferred school, your child’s name will automatically be placed on the waiting list/s of the Walsall school/s you named as higher preferences on your original application.

Parents may enquire about their child’s position on any Waiting List by contacting the School Admissions and Appeals Team after 30 April 2023.

Please note pupils can move up and down on the waiting list throughout the admissions process.

Children who are the subject of a direction by a local authority to admit to a school or who are allocated to a school in accordance with a Fair Access Protocol must take precedence over those children on the Waiting List.

Please see further information about the Waiting List Policy on page 34.

Who should I contact if I have any questions about the admissions process?

The School Admissions and Advice Team will be pleased to assist with any queries that you have about making your application. In the first instance please refer to the Walsall Council website for information at www.walsall.gov.uk/education.

If you require additional support, please contact the School Admissions and Appeals team at schooladmissionsadvice@walsall.gov.uk and a member of the team will contact you about your enquiry.

Special Educational Needs

Many young people will have Special Educational Needs at some time during their school careers but in the majority of cases these needs can and will be met within the young person's own school. All schools in Walsall are required to follow the guidance as set out in the Special Educational Needs and Disability Code of Practice in order to identify young people considered to have Special Educational Needs.

All schools have a policy on Special Educational Needs and a designated Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator, usually referred to as the SENCO. In addition all schools have a designated governor who takes responsibility for ensuring provision to meet the Special Educational Needs of the young people in the school is made. All young people should be supported in their learning through a differentiated curriculum and personalised learning but some young people will be given additional support if required through 'SEN Support' or, in a very few cases, an Education, Health and Care Plan. More details about the secondary school admissions process for children with an Education, Health and Care plan are set out below.

If you have concerns about the provision being made for your child, you should always discuss these with staff in your child's school who may include the class teacher, form tutor, SENCO and Head teacher. However, if you need further advice or guidance about Special Educational Needs you can contact Walsall SENDIAS service at Walsallsendias@family-action.org.uk or on 0808 802 6666.

The Authority is committed to working in partnership with parents/carers and recognises your input as essential.

What happens if your child has an Education, Health and Care Plan?

The admission of a child with an Education, Health and Care Plan to a school is the responsibility of the Local Authority (LA) which maintains the child's Education, Health and Care Plan. This is the Authority to which you pay your Council Tax.

The Government has set a different timescale for the admission process for children with an Education, Health and Care Plan. This means that places will be given to children with a statement or Education, Health and Care Plan before places are allocated to other pupils.

From 15 February 2023, the Education, Health and Care Plan will be amended to name the school that the child will attend from September 2023.

Parents or carers of children who live in Walsall can apply on-line via the Walsall Council Admissions Portal but they should make sure that they show on the application that their child has an Education, Health and Care Plan. Parents can also apply by completing the preference form that will be sent to them as part of the Education, Health and Care Plan phased transfer process. The School Admissions and Appeals Team and Education Health and Care Plan Assessment Team will work together to ensure that all children with Education Health and Care Plans receive a single offer of a school place.

Please note that it is not possible to list a preference for a Special School on the online application and parents who wish to apply for a Special School place need to submit an application on a Special School preference form. These forms are available on request from primary.admissions@walsall.gov.uk

Children undergoing an Education, Health and Care Plan Needs Assessment

Where a child is undergoing a needs assessment for an Education, Health and Care Plan the date of issue will be dependent on the date that the application was made and it may not be possible to issue the plan in accordance with the 15 February 2023 timescale.

Where the decision to issue a EHC plan is made after the 15 February 2023 the EHC assessment team will continue to consult with both the existing school and the school identified by Secondary Admissions, as well as any parent preferences for schooling made as part of the EHCP process, in order to identify the child's school placement as quickly as the process permits.

What are the chances of getting my child into the school I want?

It is not possible to give guidance that will guarantee a place at a particular school. However, if you take time to consider the following advice, it may increase the chances of one of your preferences being offered:

- Submit an on-line application to Walsall Council before the closing date if you live in Walsall. If you live outside Walsall you must apply to the local authority where you live (your Home Authority).
- Do any of your preferred schools require another form to be sent in? For Walsall Schools check on page 7 of this booklet. For schools outside Walsall, check the information booklet or the website for the relevant local authority.
- Give the name and date of birth of any sibling who is already at a school you are applying for, and who will still be in attendance in September 2023. Year 6 sibling connections will not be counted, nor will children who do not live at the same address.
- If you are applying for a place at an infant school give the name and date of birth of any sibling who is already attending the paired junior school, who will still be attending the school in September and tick the relevant box on the application.
- Carefully check the admission criteria for the schools you wish to apply for. Admission criteria for Walsall schools are given in this booklet, but you will need to contact the relevant local authority to obtain details of the admissions criteria for schools in other areas. Does your child meet the criteria for the school(s) you prefer?
- Be realistic, would your child have met the admission criteria last year, or the year before? If in doubt, please contact either the Parent Support Advice Service, or the School Admissions and Appeals Team for advice.
- Even if you believe that your child stands a very good chance of being offered a place at your preferred school you are strongly advised to include at least one preference for an acceptable alternative school. If your child cannot be offered any of your preferred schools, they will be allocated a place at the closest school with places still available.
- Make sure you include as a preference at least one school where your child meets the admission criteria. This is likely to be a nearby school where one of the main admission criteria is distance. Requesting a local school may give your child the option to walk there.
- You can name up to three schools that you would like your child to go to and rank them **in order of preference**. The school you name first should be the one you would most like your child to go to.
- When you are naming your preferred schools, do not put down the same school more than once. If you do, we will treat this as one application. Listing more than one preference for the same school will not increase your chances of getting a place at the school.
- You must submit your on-line application by **15 January 2023**.
- If your application is submitted after the closing date your child's chances of obtaining a place at one of your preferred schools is likely to be significantly reduced.

Map of Walsall Primary Schools



Details of all Walsall primary schools

The following table provides information relating to the allocation of places 2022/23 and 2021/22. It gives a breakdown of how places were allocated in accordance with the admissions criteria for each of the schools.

The Published Admission Number for each school will be detailed in the table.

This table has been included in an attempt to give you as much information as possible regarding about to schools in Walsall. There is no guarantee that a similar situation will occur in 2023/24.

Key to Columns

Type	Categorisation of school C – Community VC - Voluntary controlled VA Voluntary aided FD - Foundation AC - Academy
PAN	Published Admission Number for Reception Class (number of places available as agreed by the Local Authority in consultation with school governors).
NOR	Total Number of Pupils on roll in January 2021 (excludes nursery places where applicable).
**	Data available direct from the school.
Furthest Distance	The distance of the last applicant admitted under the criteria distance in miles. Please note that this measurement will vary from year to year dependent of the addresses of the applicants.

EHCP: Education, Health and Care Plan

The School Admissions and Appeals Team will not undertake individual measurements for parents before places are allocated.
Useful website: www.direct.gov.uk/Schoolsfinder

Please note that the above website will give you an idea as to how far away you live from a particular school. It is not the system that Walsall Council uses to calculate distance and is only a rough guide. The system which Walsall Council operates measures the distance in miles in a straight line from the centre point of the school to the centre point of the home address. Ordnance Survey supplies the co-ordinates that are used to plot an applicant's home address within this system.

Note:

Please note all Walsall primary schools are co-education there are no single sex primary schools.

Details of all Walsall primary schools

School Details - Name of School, Head teacher, Address & Telephone Number - All information correct at time of printing.	Type	Age Range of Pupils	Total NOR	Admission Number 2023/24	Admissions to Academic Year	Published Admission Number (PAN)	Total Applications	Total Admitted	EHCP	Child In Care	Sibling(s)	Medical or Social School	Paired Infant/ Junior School	Church Places	Faith	Furthest Distance Offered (miles)
Abbey Primary - Mr M Gilbert Glastonbury Crescent, Bloxwich, Walsall WS3 2RP 01922 710753	C	3-11 (N:26)	207	30	2022/23	30	43	29	1	0	8	0				n/a
					2021/22	30	63	30	0	0	20	0			0.228	
All Saints National Academy – Mr J. Dean (Executive Head) Miss R. Adamson (Head of School) High Street, Bloxwich, Walsall WS3 3LP 01922 710210	AC	4-11	309	45	2022/23	30	45	17	0	0	13	0				n/a
					2021/22	30	59	37	0	0	13	0	2		n/a	
Alumwell Infant - Mrs D Harper Primley, Avenue, Walsall WS2 9UP 01922 720886	C	4-7	266	90	2022/23	90	130	90	0	1	40	0				n/a
					2021/22	90	134	90	1	1	35	0			0.986	
Alumwell Junior - Ms K Boam & Ms L Upton (Joint Head of School) Primley Avenue, Walsall WS2 9UP 01922 721391	C	7-11	361	90	2022/23	90	107	90	4	0	42	0	85			0.457
					2021/22	90	101	90	2	2	45	0	50		0.264	
Barcroft Primary – Mr P. Drew (Executive Head) Mrs G Locke (Head of School) Barcroft, Willenhall, WV13 1NA 01902 368132	C	3-11 (N:52)	422	60	2022/23	60	82	55	0	0	24	0				n/a
					2021/22	60	79	54	0	1	23	0			n/a	
Beacon Primary – Mr P. Drew (Executive Head) Mrs Chandler (Head of School) Davis Road, New Invention, Willenhall, WV12 5HA 01902 368132	C	3-11 (N:65)	353	60	2022/23	60	75	49	1	1	22	0				n/a
					2021/22	60	84	54	0	0	24	0			n/a	
Bentley West Primary: Part of Bentley Federation Kate Magner (Principal Head) Mr M Molloy (Head of School) Monmouth Road, Bentley WS2 0EQ 01922 720792	C	3-11 (N:78)	416	60	2022/23	60	81	53	0	0	22	0				n/a
					2021/22	60	114	60	0	0	35	0			0.291	

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Birchills CE Community Academy – Mr J Dean Principal Farrington Street, Walsall WS2 8NF 01922 721063	AC	3-11 (N:52)	400	60	2022/23	60	64	44	0	0	21					n/a
					2021/22	60	36	34	0	0	19	0				n/a
Blackwood Primary Academy- Mrs T Coles Blackwood Road, Streetly, Sutton Coldfield B74 3PH 0121 353 1876	AC	3-11 (N:78)	632	90	2022/23	90	194	97	0	1	33					n/a
					2021/22	90	203	86	0	0	36					n/a
Blakenall Heath Junior - Mrs M Harris Field Road, Bloxwich, Walsall WS3 3JF 01922 710145	C	7-11	234	60	2022/23	60	53	49	0	1	20		49			n/a
					2021/22	60	55	54	1	1	18		34			n/a
Bloxwich Academy - Ms S Shepherd Bloxwich Lane, Walsall WS2 7JT 01922 710226	AC	3-11 (N:52)	419	60	2022/23	60	53	47	0	0	18					n/a
					2021/22	60	58	43	0	0	25					n/a
Blue Coat CE (A) Infant: Part of Blue Coat Federation - Mr A Orlik (Executive Head) Hanch Place, Walsall WS1 3AF 01922 720740	VA	3-7 (N:52)	270	90	2022/23	90	148	90	0	0	28	0				n/a
					2021/22	90	127	76	0	0		0				n/a
Blue Coat CE (A) Junior: Part of Blue Coat Federation Mr A Orlik (Executive Head) Springhill Road, Walsall WS1 2LP 01922 720921	VA	7-11	358	90	2022/23	90	120	90	1		21		58			n/a
					2021/22	90	109	80	1	3						n/a
Brownhills West Primary Academy - Mrs S Cotton Shannon Drive, Brownhills, Walsall WS8 7LA01543 452766	AC	3-11 (N:26)	180	30	2022/23	30	22	23	0	0	12					n/a
					2021/22	30	31	25	0	0	16					n/a
Busill Jones Primary Academy - Miss S Field Ashley Road, Bloxwich, Walsall WS3 2QF01922 710700	AC	3-11 (N:50)	295	45	2022/23	45	39	32	0	0	16	0				n/a
					2021/22	45	29	21	0	0	11	0				n/a

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Butts Primary:Part of Alumwell Junior/Butts Federation Mrs A Hill (Executive Head teacher), Ms D Marusamy (Head of School) Butts Road, Walsall WS4 2AH 01922 721073	C	3-11 (N:52)	210	30	2022/23	30	54	30	0	1	14	0				0.895
					2021/22	30	40	29	0	0	9	0				n/a
Caldmore Primary Academy – Mrs H Mitchell Carless Street, Walsall WS1 3RH 01922 721359	AC	3-11 (N:52)	373	60	2022/23	52	76	52	0	0	19	0				n/a
					2021/22	60	60	42	0	0	16	0				n/a
Castlefort JMI - Mrs J Wilson Castlefort Road, Walsall Wood, Walsall WS9 9JP 01543 452158	C	3-11 (N:52)	207	30	2022/23	30	47	24	0	0	14	0				n/a
					2021/22	30	52	30	0	1	13	0				1.447
Christ Church CE (C) JMI - Mr S Davies Harden Road, Leamore, Walsall WS3 1EN 01922 710080	VC	3-11 (N:26)	273	60	2022/23	60	115	60	0	1	34	0		2		0.488
					2021/22	60	97	60	0	0	22	0		3		1.959
Chuckery Primary - Mr J Pearce Lincoln Road, Walsall WS1 2DZ 01922 449104	C	3-11 (N:78)	408	60	2021/22	60	69	52	0	0	21	0				n/a
					2021/22	60	74	57	0	0	21	0				n/a
Cooper & Jordan CE VA Primary - Mr K Farquhar The Green, Aldridge, Walsall WS8 8NH 01922 743765	VA	3-11 (N:52)	431	60	2022/23	60	115	60	0	1	23	0				n/a
					2021/22	60	114	60								n/a
County Bridge Primary - Mrs R Patel Anson Road, Bentley WS2 0DH 01922 720718	C	3-11 (N:39)	209	30	2022/23	30	29	21	1	0	6	0				n/a
					2021/22	30	52	30	0	2	14	0				1.096

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Croft Academy - Mr P Edgerton (Executive Principal) Miss S Crisp (Principal) Croft Street, Walsall WS2 8JE 01922 720689	AC	3-11 (N:39)	210	30	2022/23	30	53	30	0	0	9	0			n/a
					2021/22	30	35	26	0	1	11	0			n/a
Delves Infant & Nursery - Mrs A Arnold (Executive Head) Mrs Reilly (Head of School) Botany Road, Walsall WS5 4PU 01922 720754	C	3-7 (N:78)	270	90	2022/23	90	180	90	0	0	30	0			0.865
					2021/22	90	175	90	1	1	36	0			0.819
Delves Junior - Mrs A Arnold (Executive Head) Mrs Fletcher (Deputy Head) Bell Lane, Walsall WS5 4PU 01922 721112	C	7-11	357	90	2022/23	90	130	90	2	1	31	0	53		0.506
					2021/22	90	127	86	1	0	33	0	47		n/a
Edgar Stammers Primary Academy Ms C Nock (Head teacher) Harden Road, Coalpool WS3 1RQ 01922 471390	AC	3-11 (N:52)	292	45	2022/23	50	68	44	0	0	18	0			n/a
					2021/22	45	45	31	0	0	15	0			n/a
Elmore Green Primary - Mrs P Jones Elmore Green Road, Walsall, WS3 2HW 01922 710162	C	4-11	320	45	2022/23	45	131	45	0	3	22	0			0.393
					2021/22	45	133	45	0	2	18	0			0.454
Fibbersley Park Academy - Mrs K Sugars (Head teacher) Noose Lane, Willenhall, WV13 3BB 2001902 366220	AC	3-11 (N:52)	501	90	2022/23	90	96	72	0	0	32	0	27		n/a
					2021/22	90	97	72	0	1	28	0	32		n/a
Goldsmith Primary Academy – Mr P Ingles (Head of School) Goldsmith Road, Walsall, WS3 1DL 01922 710182	AC	3-11 (N:32)	380	60	2022/23	60	69	52	0	0	24	0	13		n/a
					2021/22	60	71	50	0	1	33	0	12		n/a

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Greenfield Primary - Mrs C Lee Coal Heath Lane, Shelfield , WS4 1PL 01922 682234	C	3-11 (N:32)	237	45	2022/23	45	48	28	0	1	15	0				n/a
					2021/22	45	46	25	0	0	10	0				n/a
Hillary Primary – Ms A Taylor Hillary Street, Walsall, WS2 9BP 01922 720812	C	3-11 (N:78)	611	90	2022/23	90	93	83	0	0	39	0				n/a
					2021/22	90	99	77	0	0	35	0				n/a
Holy Trinity CE Primary - Mrs R Graham Church Street, Clayhanger, WS8 7EG 01543 452327	VC	3-11 (N:26)	213	30	2022/23	30	27	19	0	0	6	0				n/a
					2021/22	30	34	27	0	0	9	0				n/a
Jubilee Academy Mossley – Ms K Benton Tintern Crescent, Bloxwich, WS3 2SQ 01922 710357	AC	3-11 (N:36)	201	30	2022/23	30	41	29	0	2	10	0				n/a
					2021/22	30	43	30	0	2	10	0				0.415
King Charles Primary: Part of Bentley Federation - Kate Magner (Principal Head) Mr A O'Neil (Head of School) Wilkes Avenue, Bentley WS2 0JN 01922 721368	C	3-11 (N:52)	394	60	2022/23	60	63	44	0	0	19	0				n/a
					2021/22	60	100	60	0	4	31	0				0.78
King's Hill Primary - Mrs N Matharu Old Park Road, Wednesbury, WS10 9JG 0121 568 6301	C	3-11 (N:52)	333	60	2022/23	60	115	60	0	1	32	0				0.739
					2021/22	60	116	60	0	0	23	0				1.314
Leamore Primary - Miss L Francis Bloxwich Road, Leamore, WS3 2BB 01922 710514	C	3-11 (N:52)	210	30	2022/23	30	65	30	0	0	9	0				0.599
					2021/22	30	56	30	0	1	16	0				0.485

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Leighswood - Mr M Vlahakis (Executive Head) Mrs Pearson & Mrs Hanmer (Co-Heads of school) Broadmeadow, Aldridge, Walsall, WS9 8HZ 01922 743621	C	3-11 (N:78)	528	60	2022/23	60	107	60	0	1	28	0				n/a
					2021/22	60	56	30	0	1	30	0				n/a
Lindens Primary - Mr S Griffiths Hundred Acre Road, Streetly, Sutton Coldfield, B74 2BB 0121 353 9273	C	3-11 (N:52)	434	60	2022/23	60	208	60	0	0	23	0				0.666
					2021/22	60	193	60	0	1	25	0				0.611
Little Bloxwich CE (VC) Primary - Mrs E Taylor Grenfell Road, Little Bloxwich, Walsall, WS3 3DL 01922 684301	VC	4-11	211	30	2022/23	30	59	30	0	0	17					2.676
					2021/22	30	78	30	0	0	19			1		0.633
Lodge Farm Primary - Mrs N Boys Furzebank Way, Willenhall, WV12 4BU 01902 928900	AC	3-11 (N:39)	312	60	2022/23	60	57	36	0	0	18	0				n/a
					2021/22	60	55	28	0	1	13	0				n/a
Lower Farm Primary - Mrs S Rawlins Bakewell Close, Bloxwich, Walsall, WS3 3QH 01922 710479	C	3-11 (N:52)	407	60	2022/23	60	90	53	0	0	22	0				n/a
					2021/22	60	60	52	0	2	20	0				0.987
Manor Primary - Miss K Tomkins Briar Avenue, Streetly, Sutton Coldfield, B74 3HX 0121 353 1738	FD	3-11 (N:52)	311	60	2022/23	60	146	50	0	0	19	0				n/a
					2021/22	60	129	52	0	0	23	0				n/a
Meadow View JMI - Miss A. Adair Frampton Way, Great Barr, Birmingham, B43 7UJ 0121 366 6182	C	3-11 (N:65)	398	60	2022/23	60	117	60	0	1	32	0				0.696
					2021/22	60	118	60	0	1	25	0				0.887
Millfield Primary – Mrs Sheehy & Mrs Stacey (Co Head teachers) Catshill Road, Brownhills, Walsall, WS8 6BN 01543 452513	C	3-11 (N:26)	207	30	2022/23	30	63	30	0	3	16	0				0.398
					2021/22	30	54	30	0	1	9	0				1.656

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Moorcroft Wood - Mrs Wakelam Bull Lane, Bilston, WV14 8NE 01902 495943	C	3-11 (N:26)	214	30	2022/23	30	63	30	0	0	12	0				0.249
					2021/22	30	56	30	0	1	16	0				0.294
New Invention Infant - Ms D. Naffati Cannock Road, New Invention, Willenhall, WV12 5SA 01922 710871	C	3-7 (N:78)	270	90	2022/23	90	185	90	0	0	30	0				2.434
					2021/22	90	207	90	0	2	42	0				0.731
New Invention Junior - Mr A Pearson Cannock Road, New Invention, Willenhall, WV12 5SA 01922 710376	C	7-11	360	90	2022/23	90	99	90	0	1	33	0	55			0.58
					2021/22	90	110	90	4	0	29	0	84			1.11
North Walsall Primary Academy – Mr N Bradnick-Thompson Derby Street, Walsall, WS2 7BH 01922 720822	AC	3-11 (N: 52)	208	30	2022/23	30	61	30	0	0	19	0				0.272
					2021/22	30	37	30	0	0	13	0				n/a
Old Church CE (C) Primary - Miss D Clacy School Street, Darlaston, WS10 8DL 0121 5686329	VC	3-11 (N:52)	316	60	2022/23	60	92	60	0	1	30	0		0		n/a
					2021/22	60	84	53	0	0	21	0		1		n/a
Palfrey Infant - Mrs A Walsh Bescot Street, Walsall, WS1 4HY 01922 720713	C	3-7 (N:91)	266	90	2022/23	90	123	90	0	0	39	0				1.969
					2021/22	90	131	90	0	0	41	0				0.754
Palfrey Junior - Mrs A Hill (Executive Head teacher) Ms E Kinsey & Ms C Collis (Head of School) Milton Street, Walsall, WS1 4LA 01922 721092	C	7-11	359	90	2022/23	90	114	90	0	0	35	0	49			0.918
					2021/22	90	104	88	2	0	39	0	42			n/a

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Park Hall Infant Academy – Mrs G Healy (Executive Head) Mrs S Hand (Head of School)0029 Park Hall Road, Walsall, WS5 3HF 01922 721443	AC	3-7 (N:52)	272	90	2022/23	90	202	90	0	2	PHSib-30 Sib-20	0	38			n/a
					2021/22	90	216	90	2	3	PHSib-28 Sib-15 PHChild-33	0			0.586	
Park Hall Junior Academy - Mrs G Healy Park Hall Road, Walsall, WS5 3HF 01922 720761	AC	7-11	409	102	2022/23	102	159	102	2	3	43	0	43			1.177
					2021/22	102	126	101	1	1	43	0	44		n/a	
Pelsall Village - Mr G Bagley Old Town Lane, Pelsall, Walsall, WS3 4NJ 01922 682073	C	3-11 (N:65)	320	45	2022/23	45	55	36	0	0	17	0				n/a
					2021/22	45	35	22	0	0	14	0			n/a	
Pheasey Park Farm Primary Academy - Mrs S Arnold Wimperis Way, Great Barr, Birmingham, B43 7DH0121 3666183	AC	3-11 (N:91)	564	90	2022/23	90	111	70	0	0	30	0				n/a
					2021/22	90	111	73	0	1	27	0			n/a	
Pinfold Street Primary - Mrs T Beech Pinfold Street Extension, Darlaston, WS10 8PU 0121 568 6366	C	4-11	413	60	2022/23	60	119	60	0	1	32	0				0.613
					2021/22	60	117	60	2	0	30	0			0.569	
Pool Hayes Primary - Ms K Vaughan Bridgnorth Grove, Willenhall, WV12 4RX 01902 368 144	C	3-11 (N:26)	206	30	2022/23	30	36	23	0	0	10	0				n/a
					2021/22	30	43	21	0	1	12	0			n/a	
Reedswood E-ACT Academy - Mrs M Lathbury-Cox Bentley Drive, Walsall, WS2 8RX 01922 721323	AC	3-11 (N:65)	406	60	2022/23	60	96	60	0	0	32	0				0.808
					2021/22	60	73	47	0	0	25	0			n/a	

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Rivers Primary Academy – Mrs Bridgewood (Executive Head) Miss Anderson (Head of school) Mersey Road, Blakenall, Walsall, WS3 1NP 01922 710164	AC	3-11 (N:52)	290	60	2022/23	60	69	55	0	1	28	0				n/a
					2021/22	60	78	56	0	1	34	0			n/a	
Rosedale CE Infant - Part of Short Heath Federation - Mrs C Draper (Executive Head teacher), Mrs V Stephen (Head of School) Stroud Avenue, Willenhall, WV12 4EG 01902 368 910	VC	4-7	181	90	2022/23	90	96	73	0	1	44	0				n/a
					2021/22	90	93	72	0	0	26	0	1		n/a	
Rushall Primary - Mrs K Bargh (Executive Head) Mrs L O'Brien (Head of school) Pelsall Lane, Rushall, Walsall, WS4 1NG 01922 682300	C	3-11 (N:26)	226	30	2022/23	30	86	30	1	1	11	0				0.819
					2021/22	30	87	30	1	1	19	0			0.707	
Ryders Hayes School Academy - Mrs S Miner (Executive Head) Ms J Paul (Head of school) Gilpin Crescent, Pelsall, Walsall WS3 4HX01922 683008	AC	3-11 (N:52)	420	60	2022/23	60	96	42	1	1	14	0				n/a
					2021/22	60	96	51	0	2	24	0			n/a	
Salisbury Primary – Mrs N Matharu (Executive Head Teacher) Salisbury Street, Darlaston, WS10 8BQ 0121 667 4066	C	3-11 (N:52)	307	45	2022/23	45	48	35	0	0	22	0				n/a
					2021/22	45	44	28	0	0	9	0			n/a	
Short Heath Junior - Part of Short Heath Federation. Mrs Draper (Executive Head teacher) Miss S Harris (Head of School) Pennine Way, Short Heath, Willenhall, WV12 4DS 01902 368499	C	7-11	239	90	2022/23	90	88	83	1	1	25	0	54			n/a
					2021/22	90	84	83	2	4	23	0	54		n/a	
St Anne's Catholic Primary - Ms T Johnson Blackwood Road, Streetly, Sutton Coldfield, B74 3PL 0121 353 5114	VA	3-11 (N:26)	206	30	2022/23	30	98	30	0	0	0		11			n/a
					2021/22	30	99	30	1	0	0			n/a		

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St Bernadette's Academy - Mrs S Moran Narrow Lane, Brownhills, Walsall, WS8 6HX 01543 452921	AC	3-11 (N:26)	192	30	2022/23	30	21	15		1						n/a
					2021/22	30	20	11		1					n/a	
St Francis Catholic Primary - Miss D Richards Mill Road, Shelfield, Walsall, WS4 1RH 01922 682583	VA	3-11 (N:26)	200	30	2022/23	30	45	27		0						n/a
					2021/22	30	37	20		1					n/a	
St Giles CE Primary - Mr M Dakin Walsall Street, Willenhall, WV13 2ER 01902 368308	VC	3-11 (N:52)	339	60	2022/23	60	87	60	0	0	23			1		1.946
					2021/22	60	85	57	0	0	20					n/a
St James Primary – Mrs C MacInnes Great Charles Street, Brownhills, Walsall, WS8 6AE 01543 452 328	C	4-11	200	30	2022/23	30	46	29	0	1	13	0				4.032
					2021/22	30	50	30	0	1	16	0				0.401
St John's CE Primary - Mr A Mills Brook Lane, Walsall Wood, Walsall, WS9 9NA 01543 452197	VC	3-11 (N:52)	318	45	2021/22	45	71	45	0	1	16			2		3.549
					2021/22	45	101	45	1	3	25			5		n/a
St Joseph's Catholic Primary - Mrs K Hinton Rough Hay Road, Darlaston, WS10 8HN 0121 568 6496	VA	3-11 (N:26)	209	30	2021/22	30	59	30	0	0						n/a
					2021/22	30	44	29								n/a
St Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary – Mrs N Hill Weston Crescent, Aldridge, Walsall, WS9 0HA 01922 743 411	VA	3-11 (N:26)	210	30	2022/23	30	71	30	0	0						n/a
					2021/22	30	61	30		2						n/a
St Mary's the Mount Catholic Primary - Mrs CA Amos Jesson Road, Walsall, WS1 3AY 01922 720711	VA	3-11 (N:26)	211	30	2022/23	30	114	30		1						n/a
					2021/22	30	103	30								n/a

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St Michael's CE (C) Primary – Mr P Martin Maple Road, Pelsall, Walsall, WS3 4JJ 01922 682309	VC	3-11 (N: 52)	319	60	2022/23	60	125	60	0	0	20			11		1.468
					2021/22	60	122	60	0	2	26		6		0.595	
St Patrick's Catholic Primary - Mrs J Richmond (Executive Head teacher) Miss Starr (Deputy Head) Blue Lane East, Walsall, WS2 8HN 01922 720063	VA	3-11 (N: 52)	209	30	2022/23	30	38	27		1						n/a
					2021/22	30	40	15						n/a		
St Peter's Catholic Primary – Mrs Burrows (Interim Head) Lichfield Road, Bloxwich, Walsall WS3 3LY 01922 710872	VA	3-11 (N: 26)	205	30	2022/23	30	56	30	0	0						n/a
					2021/22	30	56	30	0	0				n/a		
St Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary - Mrs J Richmond (Executive Head) Dartford Avenue, Walsall WS3 1SP 01922 720712	VA	3-11 (N: 52)	249	30	2020/23	30	67	30	0	0						1.189
					2021/22	30	64	30						n/a		
Sunshine Infant and Nursery - Miss S Corkindale Blakenall Lane, Leamore Lane, Walsall WS3 1HF 01922 710174	C	3-7 (N: 52)	175	60	2022/23	90	76	60	0	1	31	0				n/a
					2021/22	90	76	57	1	2	23	0			n/a	
The Radleys Primary - Mrs J Copley Kings Road, Rushall, Walsall WS4 1JJ 01922 721 383	C	3-11 (N:26)	212	30	2022/23	30	45	39	0	1	9	0				n/a
					2021/22	30	52	30	0	0	9	0			3.094	
Walsall Wood - Mrs J Garratt Brownhills Road, Brownhills, Walsall WS8 7BP 01543 452664	C	3-11 (N: 39)	214	30	2022/23	30	72	30	0	0	11	0				2.199
					2021/22	30	79	30	0	0	7	0			2.27	
Watling Street Primary - Mrs D Probert Watling Street, Brownhills, Walsall, WS8 7LW 01543 452320	C	3-11 (N: 26)	209	30	2022/23	30	67	30	0	1	15	0				0.677
					2021/22	30	55	30	0	0	9	0			1.066	

Details of all Walsall primary schools

School Details - Name of School, Head teacher, Address & Telephone Number - All information correct at time of printing.	Type	Age Range of Pupils	Total NOR (JAN 2020)	Admission Number 2023/24	Admissions to Academic Year	Published Admission Number (PAN)	Total Applications	Total Admitted	EHCP	Children In Care	Sibling(s)	Medical or Social	Paired Infant/ Junior School	Church Places	Faith	Furthest Distance Offered (miles)
Whetstone Field Primary - Mr S Cox Beaufort Way, Aldridge, Walsall WS9 0HJ 01922 743498	C	3-11 (N: 26)	214	30	2022/23	30	85	30	0	0	6	0				7.954
					2021/22	30	94	30	0	0	13	0				2.081
Whitehall Junior Community - Mrs E Attwood Delves Road, Walsall WS1 3JY 01922 720778	C	7-11	354	90	2022/23	90	88	65	2	1	17	0	58			n/a
					2021/22	90	154	89	0	1	33	0				n/a
Whitehall Nursery and Infant – Mr L Kilkenny West Bromwich Road, Walsall WS1 3HS 01922 721991	C	3-7 (N: 52)	267	90	2022/23	90	125	87	0	1	23	0				n/a
					2021/22	90	154	89	0	1	33	0				n/a
Woodlands Academy of Learning - Mrs T Newton Bloxwich Road North, Willenhall WV12 5PR 01922 710613	AC	3-11	419	60	2022/23	60	108	59	0	2	23	0				n/a
					2021/22	60	126	60	0	1	25	0				1.127
Woods Bank Academy - Mr P Edgerton (Executive Principal) Miss N Berkeley (Head of School) Rough Hay Road, Darlaston WS10 8NQ 0121 568 6421	AC	3-11 (N:52)	355	52	2022/23	52	65	50	0	0	19	0				n/a
					2021/22	52	56	39	0	0	23	0				n/a

Application for delayed or deferred admission to reception and applications for admission outside of a child's normal age group

Children reach compulsory school age on the first day of the term following their fifth birthday. However, all Walsall primary schools provide full time places for pupils in a reception class from September in the school year in which children reach their fifth birthday.

If parents prefer their child to start school later than 1 September 2023, they have the option of delaying the child's entry until later in the 2023/24 school year. Parents are not able to delay entry beyond the beginning of the term following their child's fifth birthday.

Parents opting for this must complete an on-line application by **15 January 2023** and must inform Walsall Council in writing of the date they wish their child to start in a reception class. Parents can request that their child attends part-time until their child reaches compulsory school age.

Summer born children, (born between 1 April and 31 August) reach compulsory school age in the September following their fifth birthday (or on their fifth birthday if it falls on 31 August). Parents of summer born children may submit a request for their child's entry to reception class to be deferred which means their child will be admitted to a reception class in the September following their fifth birthday, at the point at which other children in their chronological age group are moving from the reception class to year 1. All requests for reception class deferral should be submitted in writing by 15 January 2023 to primary.admissions@walsall.gov.uk and accompanied by relevant supporting educational or medical evidence.

Parents seeking a place for their child outside of their normal age group should make a request in writing to Walsall Council to primary.admissions@walsall.gov.uk providing details of the reason for the request and supporting medical or educational evidence.

When a request for reception class deferral or admission outside of a child's normal age group relates to a community or voluntary in Walsall. Walsall Council, as admission authority for the school, will make the decision as to whether to grant the request based on the individual circumstances of each case. If the application relates to a place at school where Walsall Local Authority is not the admission authority, then Walsall School Admissions and Appeals Team will forward the request to the relevant admission authority for their consideration.

Transport to primary schools

Free transport criteria

To apply for free transport, pupils must live outside the statutory walking distance, measured by the shortest route along which a pupil, accompanied as necessary, may walk with reasonable safety to their nearest appropriate school.

The statutory walking distance is two miles for pupils aged under eight and three miles for pupils aged eight and above.

Primary age

Regardless of the level of family income, children of compulsory school age, but under the age of eight are entitled to free travel arrangements to their nearest qualifying school if it is more than two miles from their home. In addition, children aged eight to eleven from low-income families must have travel arrangements made where they live more than two miles from their nearest qualifying school.

Suitability of a 'qualifying school'

References to 'the nearest qualifying school' are to be taken to mean the nearest qualifying school with places available that provides education appropriate to the age, ability and aptitude of the child and any special educational needs that the child may have.

Low Income groups

Children from low-income groups are defined as those who are entitled to free school meals, or those whose families are in receipt of their maximum level of Working Tax Credit (WTC). Eligibility for transport assistance will be assessed on an annual basis.

Examples relating to eligibility based on income:

Child A is an 8 year old child entitled to free school meals. Their nearest suitable school is 2.5 miles from their home. Child A would be entitled to free transport to this school.

Child B is an 8 year old child whose parents are in receipt of their maximum level of Working Tax Credit. Their nearest school – 'y' – is 2.2 miles from their home; and the second nearest – school 'z' – is 5.5 miles away. Child B would be entitled to transport to school 'y' but not to school 'z'.

Child C is an 8 year old child whose parents are not in receipt of their maximum level of Working Tax Credit and who is not entitled to free school meals. Their nearest school is 2.5 miles from their home. Child C would not be entitled to free transport.

How the Inter-LA Coordinated Admission Scheme works

1. The Inter-LA Coordinated Primary Admission Scheme allows parents/carers to express preferences for up to three primary schools, rank them in order of preference and, if appropriate, give reasons for their preferences (e.g. medical or social reasons).
2. Parents/Carers who live in the borough of Walsall must apply on-line at www.walsall.gov.uk/education for a place at any primary school in Walsall or at a primary school outside Walsall. Each school named is regarded as a separate application.
3. Your on-line application must be submitted by **15 January 2023**. If you do not submit your application on time your child's chances of being offered a place at one of your preferred schools may be significantly reduced.
4. If you wish to express a preference for any Walsall Catholic school or Voluntary Aided Church of England school, you will need to send any supporting information, e.g. Baptismal Certificates and a Supplementary Information Form, direct to the school. Please note that a Supplementary Information Form is not an application for a school place, and you must also submit an online application.
5. Schools where the Governing Body is the admission authority will be informed of all applications naming their school, but not the rank given by you. However, once places have been offered your rankings may be disclosed to a school if you request an admission appeal.
6. After the Closing Date of 15 January 2023, the admission criteria for each of your preferred schools will be applied by the appropriate admission authority to determine whether your child meets the school's admission criteria and could be offered a place.
7. The admission authorities will inform us whether your child meets their admission criteria and could be offered a place. If your child meets the admission criteria of only **ONE** of your named schools, you will be offered a place at that school.

If your child meets the admission criteria of **TWO** or more of your named schools, you will be offered a place at the highest ranked of those schools.

If you are a Walsall resident and your child does not meet the admission criteria of any of your named schools, we will offer a place at an alternative Walsall school with places available.

If you live outside Walsall and do not meet the admission criteria of any of your named schools, your child will not be offered a place at an alternative Walsall school, but your home Authority is responsible for offering a place at an alternative school in your home authority area.

Parents will not be able to hold places at more than one primary school. If your application for any preferred Walsall school is unsuccessful, please read the Waiting List Policy.

8. On the national Notification Date, **17 April 2023**, the School Admissions and Appeals Team will, notify all parents resident in Walsall, on behalf of the relevant admission authority, informing them of the outcome of their applications. If appropriate, this notification will also inform you of the reason for the refusal of a place, your right of appeal and will give you contact details for appeal information.
9. Examples – the examples shown on the following page will help you to understand how places will be offered using the Inter-Local Authority Coordinated Primary Admission Scheme.

Examples of how the Inter-LA Coordinated Admission Scheme works

These three examples do not use the names of Walsall primary schools.

RANJIT lives a long way from Fairview School and close to Sunnyville School and Hall View School. His parents know Fairview School is usually over-subscribed, but they want to see if he will be offered a place there.

Rank	School	Ranjit's Details	School's Admission Criteria Met?	Place Offered?
1	Fairview School	Lives 5 miles away	No	No
2	Sunnyville School	Lives ½ mile away	Yes	Yes
3	Hall View	Lives 1 mile away	Yes	No

Ranjit lives too far from Fairview to be offered a place. He qualifies for a place at Sunnyville and Hall View. **He is offered a place at Sunnyville, the higher ranked of the schools for which he qualified.**

LUCY's nearest school is Midhay. Her parents would like her to go to Bishop Fields, slightly further away which is a Catholic school.

Rank	School	Lucy's Details	School's Admission Criteria Met?	Place Offered?
1	Midhay	Lives ¼ mile away	Yes	Yes
2	Bishop Fields School	Is a baptised Catholic	Yes	No
3	Marsh Hill School	Lives ½ mile away	Yes	No

Lucy met the Bishop Fields criteria because she is a Catholic. She also met the admission criteria for Midhay and Marsh Hill because she lives near to both schools. **Lucy is offered a place at Midhay because the school was ranked higher than Bishop Fields and Marsh Hill.**

JAMES lives ½ a mile from Wishbone, his local school, but his parents don't want him to go there. The schools they named are a long distance from their home.

Rank	School	James' Details	School's Admission Criteria Met?	Place Offered?
1	Trent School	Lives 6 miles away	No	No
2	Rainbow School	Lives 5 miles away	No	No
3	Avon School	Lives 4 miles away	No	No

James lives too far from his parents' preferences to qualify for places.

None of his parents' preferences could be met. His closest school, Wishbone, filled its places with children whose parents had ranked it as one of their preferences. **James is therefore offered a place at Sally Hall School. This school is 2 miles from his home but is offered as it is the nearest school with places still available.**

Late application policy

Primary school applications can only be made through Walsall Council's on-line portal up to 15 January 2023. Any applications (and where appropriate, an additional Supplementary Information Form) submitted after the closing date of 15 January 2023 will be classed as late applications. Any request to add additional schools or change the ranking position of your named schools after the closing date will mean that the whole application will be classed as late.

Each admission authority is required to publish its own Late Application Policy that explains how late applications will be dealt with. Details of each school's or Local Authority's late application policy is available on their website or upon request from the school or Local Authority.

Walsall Council's Late Application Policy is set out below and is applicable to any Walsall school that does not publish its own late application policy.

Late Applications received up to 4 weeks after the Closing Date (between 16 January 2023 and 13 February 2023):

Late applications during this period will be considered late and applicants will not receive notification of their offer until after national offer day unless there are exceptional circumstances, including:

- Where the family were unable to submit their online application to Walsall Council on time because they moved into the Borough of Walsall after the Closing Date;
- The family were unable to comply with the admission timetable because of exceptional circumstances which prevented them from submitting their online application;
- When a single parent has been ill for some time.

In these cases, the circumstances must be given in writing at the time of application. Supporting evidence must be provided and will be subject to verification by Walsall Council.

Late Applications received more than 4 weeks after the Closing Date (between 14 February 2023 and 15 April 2023):

Applications for schools received more than 4 weeks after the closing date but before the notification date will be considered late applications and applicants will not receive their offer until after national offer day.

Late Applications received after Notification Date of 17 April 2023 (once places have been offered):

Applications received after the notification date: a place will be offered at the highest ranked school if places are available. For Walsall residents, if a place is not available at any of the preferred schools a place will be offered by Walsall Council at the nearest alternative Walsall school with vacant places, after consultation with the relevant admission authority, and the child's name will be added to the waiting list for schools listed as preferences in admission criteria order.

If the deadline for applications through Walsall Council's On-Line portal (15 January 2023) has passed, please visit the School Admissions pages of Walsall Council's website for details of how to submit a late primary school application. Visit: www.walsall.gov.uk/primary_school_admissions

During the admissions procedure you must notify the School Admissions and Appeals Team in writing of any change of home address. The definition of a home address is given on page 36.

Proof of change of address can include:

- Solicitor's letter confirming exchange of contract
- Rental agreement of not less than 6 months duration
- Utility bill
- Council Tax bill
- Other bills showing name and address.

Failure to provide this information **will** affect the outcome of your preferences.

Waiting list policy for Admission to Reception and Year 3

Waiting lists for all Walsall schools will be maintained by the School Admissions and Appeals Team until the end of the Autumn Term 2023. Parents may enquire about their child's position on any waiting list by contacting the School Admissions and Appeals Team at primary.admissions@walsall.gov.uk from 30 April 2023.

Children who are the subject of a direction by a local authority to admit to a school or who are allocated to a school in accordance with a Fair Access Protocol must take precedence over those children on the waiting list.

Waiting lists are kept of all children who have been refused a place at any school which was ranked higher than the school at which they have been offered a place, for example

- If your child is offered a place at the school that you ranked 2nd on the application, then your child's name will only be placed on the waiting list for the Walsall school that you had ranked 1st
- If your child is offered a place at the school that you ranked 1st on your application, then your child's name will not be added to any waiting list kept for your other ranked schools unless a request is submitted in writing by the parent or guardian.

We aim to offer parents a place at their highest ranked preferred school.

Please note that waiting lists are held in admission criteria order and pupils can move up and down on the waiting list throughout the admissions process.

How to appeal if your application is unsuccessful

Parents who do not obtain a place for their child at a preferred school may appeal against the decision not to offer a place. An independent Admission Appeal Panel will hear the appeal. The decision of an Appeal Panel is binding on the school, the parents and Walsall Council.

If you wish to make an appeal against a decision not to offer your child a place at a Walsall school, the Appeals Information sheet accompanying your offer notification will explain who you will need to contact regarding appeals. If the school, you wish to appeal for is situated outside Walsall you should contact the relevant LA for information on their process. If an appeal is unsuccessful, the policy in all Walsall schools is not to hold another appeal in the same school year unless there are significant changes in the circumstances of the child or the school.

Offer of a place at a school

You will be notified of the outcome of your application by email, on 17 April 2023. (The National Offer Date for primary admissions is 16 April, or the next working day. In 2023 16 April falls on a Sunday so offers will be notified on 17 April 2023)

If you submitted a late application after the closing date of 15 January 2023, you will be notified as soon as possible after 17 April 2023.

If your child meets the admission criteria of only **ONE** of your named schools, you will be offered a place at that school.

If your child meets the admission criteria of **TWO** or more of your named schools, you will be offered a place at the highest ranked of those schools.

If you are a Walsall resident parent but do not meet the admission criteria of any of your named schools, we will offer your child a place at one of the Walsall schools with places available.

Your child will be offered a place at one school only. Parents will not be able to hold places at more than one school.

Withdrawing the offer of a place at a Walsall school

Once a place has been offered on 17 April 2023, it will be assumed that you have accepted the place offered.

The offer of a place at an oversubscribed school may be withdrawn if your application contains fraudulent or intentionally misleading information that would prevent a place being given to a child with a higher priority. This may include, for example, where a false home address was detailed when applying.

Where a place is offered based on the address given on the application, but the child's address is subsequently found to have changed, the place may be withdrawn.

Admission criteria for community and voluntary controlled schools

The admission authority for Walsall community and voluntary controlled schools is Walsall Council. Admissions are administered by the School Admissions and Appeals Team.

Where the number of preferences received exceeds the number of places available, Walsall Council's admission criteria are applied to all community and voluntary controlled schools. The admission criteria are shown below, in order of priority, for these schools.

Criterion 1.

Children in Public Care (Children In Care) and previously Looked After Child. Children in Public Care are children in the care of a local authority or provided with accommodation by a local authority and previously looked after children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order. These children are given priority over other children when applications are considered.

Criterion 2.

Pupils who have a sibling already in attendance at the school or paired junior school, when the application is made and who will still be attending the school at the proposed admission date.

A sibling is a child who resides at the same address as the child for whom a place is being requested and is one of the following:

- a brother or sister sharing the same parents
- a half brother or sister sharing one common parent
- a step brother or sister (i.e. related by their parent's marriage)
- any other child for whom it can be demonstrated that he or she is residing permanently at the same address (e.g. under the terms of a residence order)

The Authority will try to ensure that as far as possible siblings (including twins, triplets or children from other multiple births) can attend the same school.

Criterion 3.

Relevant medical or social grounds which show that attendance at the school is essential, and which are supported in writing by a medical practitioner or appropriate professional.

If parents believe there are specific medical or social reasons for claiming priority for a child to attend a particular school, the relevant part of the on-line form must be completed and evidence to support the claim must be submitted directly to the School Admissions and Appeals Team. This must relate to either the child or the parents, for example where either parents or the child has a disability that may make travel to a school further away more difficult.

Requests for such consideration will be subject to verification by Walsall Council. This is necessary because parents will be asking the Authority to assess the child as having a stronger case than many other children, some of whom may live closer to the school.

Medical

Medical evidence from a medical practitioner must be submitted in writing and should state why the preferred school is the only school that can meet the child's needs.

Social

Social evidence from a social worker or other appropriate professional must be submitted in writing and should state why the preferred school is the only school that can meet the child's needs.

Please note that children are only prioritised for admission in respect of medical or social grounds in exceptional circumstances.

Criterion 4.

For applications to junior school only. Attendance by the child at the relevant paired infant school, when the application is made.

The paired infant and junior schools are:

Alumwell Infant	paired with	Alumwell Junior
Delves Infant	paired with	Delves Junior
New Invention Infant	paired with	New Invention Junior
Palfrey Infant	paired with	Palfrey Junior
Rosedale CE (C) Infant	paired with	Short Heath Junior
Sunshine Infant and Nursery	paired with	Blakenall Heath Junior
Whitehall Nursery and Infant	paired with	Whitehall Junior Community

Criterion 5.

Church places at voluntary controlled Church of England primary schools.

These schools may offer up to a maximum number of Church places to children of regular worshippers based upon their admission numbers:

An admission number of 30: up to 7 Church places. Admission number of 45: up to 11 Church places. Admission number of 60: up to 15 Church places

"Regular worshipper" is defined as attending a place of worship on at least one occasion per month over the past 12 months.

If there is over-subscription for Church places, priority will be given to those living closest to the school as measured in a straight line.

Criterion 6.

Distance will be measured in a straight line from the centre point of the home address to the centre point of the school address using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.

The home address is considered to be the permanent residence of the child in a residential property when the place is offered. The address must be the child's only or main residence and either:

- owned by the child's parent, parents or guardian OR
- Leased to or rented by the child's parent, parents or guardian under lease or written rental agreement of not less than six months duration.

Documentary evidence of ownership or rental agreement may be required together with proof of actual permanent residence at the property concerned.

Where parents have shared responsibility for a child and the child lives with both parents for part of the week, the main residence will be determined as the address where the child lives for the majority of the week. Parents may be requested to supply documentary evidence to support the address used for the application.

The offer of a place is based upon the address of the child when the offer is made. If a child is offered a place at an oversubscribed school the place may be withdrawn if it is found that the child moved (before the place was offered) to a new address which was further away from the school and the child would not have qualified for a place on the distance criterion.

In the event that a family moves between the application and the date of offer, the parent, carer or guardian must inform the School Admissions and Appeals Team as soon as possible of these circumstances.

If the home address is a flat (or apartment) and there is more than one flat at the same address, priority will be given to applicants living at the lowest numbered flat, or the flat on the lower floor.

Admission criteria for Academies

Where the number of preferences received exceeds the number of places available, each academy will apply its own admission criteria. The admission criteria are shown below, in order of priority, for each academy.

All schools must admit any child with an Education, Health and Care Plan that names the school directly. In the event of oversubscription, places will be offered using the following criteria:

All Saints National Academy

1. Children in Public Care (Children In Care or previously in care).
2. Children who have an older sibling already in attendance at the school when the application is made and who will be attending the school at the proposed admission date.
3. Children for whom a place at the academy is essential on medical or social grounds and is supported in writing by a medical practitioner or social worker. (Applications will be subject to verification)
4. Children who qualify for a church place as a regular worshipper; defined as attending a place of worship on at least one occasion per month over the past 12 months. If there is over-subscription for Church places, priority will be given to those living closest to the academy as measured in a straight line.
5. The Local Academy Committee reserve the right to only offer a place in the academy to parents able and willing to support the Christian ethos of the school, including the children's participation in the regular worshipping life of the school.
6. Locality to the school - distance will be measured in a straight line from the Farringdon Street entrance to the school, to the front door of the home address using a computerised measuring system with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.

Birchills CE Primary Community Academy

1. Children in Public Care (Children In Care or previously in care).
2. Children who have an older sibling already in attendance at the school when the application is made and who will be attending the school at the proposed admission date.
3. Children for whom a place at the school is essential on medical or social grounds and is supported in writing by a medical practitioner or social worker. (Applications will be subject to verification)
4. Children who qualify for a church place as a regular worshipper; defined as attending a place of worship on at least one occasion per month over the past 12 months. If there is over-subscription for Church places, priority will be given to those living closest to the school as measured in a straight line.
5. Locality to the school - distance will be measured in a straight line from the Farringdon Street entrance to the school, to the front door of the home address using a computerised measuring system with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.

Blackwood School

1. Children in Public Care (Children In Care) and previously in care.
2. Children who have an older sibling already in attendance at the school when the application is made and who will still be attending the school at the proposed admission date
3. Children for whom a place at the school is essential on medical or social grounds, as supported in writing by a medical practitioner or social worker (applications will be subject to verification by the governing body)
4. Distance between the home address and the school as measured in a straight line, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.

Bloxwich Academy

1. Children in Public Care (Children In Care) and previously in care.

Definition: children who are in the care of the local authority or provided with accommodation by the local authority and previously Children In Care who ceased to be looked after because they were adopted or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order.

2. Where a child has an older sibling currently attending the school when the application is made and who will be still attending the school at the proposed admission date

Definition: a child who resides at the same address as the child for whom a place is being requested and is one of the following:

- A brother or sister sharing the same parents
- Half brother or sister sharing one common parent
- Step brother or sister (i.e. related by parent's marriage)
- Any other child for whom it can be demonstrated that he or she is residing permanently at the same address (e.g. under the terms of a residency order)

3. Where there are essential medical or social grounds for admitting the child

Definition: relevant medical or social grounds that show that attendance at the school is essential and supported in writing by a medical practitioner or social worker. Requests for such consideration will be subject to verification by Governing Body.

4. Children of Staff employed at The Academy

Where a member of staff (**) has been employed at The Academy for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission is made/or the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

** All full time teaching staff

All full time support staff – (defined as those on a 37 hour week and above contract)

The definition does not include contract staff. If service has been 'in house' and is subsequently 'contracted out' children of staff will no longer be eligible for priority admission under this criterion.

5. Proximity of the child's home to the school, with those living nearest being accorded the higher priority, the distance being measured in a straight line

Definition of home address: the home address of a child is considered to be the permanent residence of a child in a residential property when the place is offered. The address must be the child's only or main residence and is either owned by the child's parent, parents or guardian or leased to or rented by the child's parent, parents or guardian under lease or written rental agreement of not less than six months duration.

Brownhills West Primary School

1. Children in Public Care (Children In Care) and previously in care.
2. Children who have an older sibling already in attendance at the school when the application is made and who will still be attending the school at the proposed admission date
3. Children for whom a place at the school is essential on medical or social grounds, as supported in writing by a medical practitioner or social worker (applications will be subject to verification by the governing body)
4. Distance between the home address and the school as measured in a straight line, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.

Busill Jones Primary Academy School

1. Children in Public Care (Children In Care) and previously in care.
2. Children who have an older sibling already in attendance at the school when the application is made and who will still be attending the school at the proposed admission date
3. Children for whom a place at the school is essential on medical or social grounds, as supported in writing by a medical practitioner or social worker (applications will be subject to verification by the governing body)
4. Distance between the home address and the school as measured in a straight line, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority

Caldmore Academy

1. Children In Care and all previously in care (children who were in care but ceased to be so because they have been adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order, immediately following having been looked after) in accordance with section 22 of the Children's Act 1989.
2. Siblings; which for the purposes of this policy are defined as: children living permanently at the same address as the child attending the academy at the same time as their admission.
3. Other children by distance from the academy, with priority for the admission given to children who live nearest the academy as measured using Ordnance Survey data to plot an address employing the measuring system used by the local authority in which the academy is situated. Distances are measured 'as the crow flies' from the child's property address point to the academy's property address point on the site where the child will predominately be based.

Croft Academy

1. A Children In Care or a child who was previously in care but immediately after being in care became subject to an adoption, child arrangements, for special guardianship order. A Children In Care is a child who is a) looked after by a local authority or b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in their exercise of their social services functions, in accordance with section 22 (1) of the Children Act 1989. Details of eligibility must be supplied by the allocated social worker or foster carer.
2. Children for whom it is essential to be admitted to the Academy because of special circumstances to do with significant medical or social needs, which relates to the child or an immediate member of the child's family. Applications must be supported by medical evidence from a GP or hospital consultant, social worker or similar professional.
3. Children who, on the date of admission, will have a sibling (i.e. a natural brother or sister, or a half-brother or sister, or a legally adopted brother or sister or half-brother or sister, or step-brother or sister) who will be living with them at the same address) on roll of the Academy. Children will be considered under this criterion if they have an older sibling who attends the Academy and who will continue to be on roll when the child joins the Academy.
4. Children of staff, where the member of staff has been employed by the Academy for two or more years at the time of application, or the member of staff was recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
5. Children living nearest to the school. Distance will be measured in a straight line from the centre point of the home address to the centre point of the school address using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system.

Edgar Stammers Academy

1. Children in Public Care (Children In Care) and previously in care.
2. Pupils who have an older sibling already in attendance at the school or paired junior school, when the application is made and who will still be attending the school at the proposed admission date
3. Children for whom a place at the school is essential on medical or social grounds and is supported in writing by a medical practitioner or a social worker. (Applications will be subject to verification)
4. Distance will be measured in a straight line from the centre point of the home address to the centre point of the school address using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority

Fibbersley Park Academy

1. Children in public care (Children In Care) and previously in care.
2. Children who have an older sibling already in attendance at the school when the application is made and who will still be attending the school at the proposed admission date.
3. Children for whom a place at the school is essential on medical or social grounds and where the application is supported in writing by a medical practitioner or social worker.
4. Children who are attending Fibbersley Park Nursery and an application for a school place has been made following the correct procedure and within the required timescales.
5. Children living closest to the school will be given a higher priority. Distance will be measured in a straight line from the centre point of the home address to the centre point of the school address.

For the purposes of this policy a brother or sister/sibling is:

- A brother or sister sharing the same parents
- A half-brother or half-sister where two children share one common parent
- A step brother or step sister where two children are related by marriage
- Any other child for whom it can be demonstrated that he or she is residing permanently at the same address (e.g. under the terms of a residency order/special guardianship or adoption)

Children with Education Health and Care Plans (EHCP)

- Children who have an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP) and have named Fibbersley Park Academy as their preferred school will be admitted before all other applicants providing the school feels that the needs of the child can be met.

Applications for twins and multiple births

- It is the policy of Fibbersley Park Academy that when applications for twins/multiple births or siblings that are in the same year group the children will not, if possible, be admitted into the same class. They will be allocated separate classes.

Goldsmith Primary Academy

1. Children in Public Care (Children In Care or previously in care)
2. Children for whom a place at the school is essential on medical or social grounds and is supported in writing by a medical practitioner or social worker (subject to verification)
3. Children who have an older sibling already in attendance at the school when the application is made and who will be attending the school at the proposed admission date
4. Children who are attending Goldsmith Primary nursery and have made an application following the correct procedure and within required timescales
5. Distance will be measured in a straight line from the centre of Goldsmith Academy site to the centre point of the home address using computerised measuring system with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority

Jubilee Academy Mossley

1. Children In Care and all previously in care (children who were in care but ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order special guardianship order, immediately following having been looked after) in accordance with section 22 of the children's act 1989.
2. Siblings; which for the purpose of this policy are defined as: children living permanently at the same address as a child attending the academy at the time of their admission
3. Other children by distance from the academy, with priority for admission given to children who live nearest to the academy as measured using Ordnance Survey's data to plot and address. Distances are measured 'as the crow flies' from the main entrance of the child's property address point to the academy's property address point on the site where the child will predominantly be based.

Lodge Farm Primary Academy

1. Children in Public Care (Children In Care) and previously in care.
2. Children who have a brother or sister already in attendance at the school when the application is made
3. Children for whom a place at the school is essential on medical or social grounds and is supported in writing by a medical practitioner or a social worker.
4. Distance between the home address and the school measured in a straight line with priority given to those living closest.

Park Hall Infant Academy

1. Children in Public Care (Children In Care) and previously in care.
2. Where the child has a sibling currently attending either Park Hall Infant Academy or Park Hall Junior Academy, up to Year 5, Living within 0.5 miles of the school
3. Other children living within 0.5 miles of the school
4. Where there are essential medical grounds in relation to the child
5. Where the child has a sibling currently attending either Park Hall Infant Academy or Park Hall Junior Academy, up to year 5, and living outside of 0.5 miles of the school
6. Proximity of the child's home to the school, with those living nearer being accorded the higher priority.

Park Hall Junior Academy

1. Children in Public Care (Children In Care) and previously in care.
2. Where the child has a brother or sister already attending the school or Park Hall Infant Academy who will still be in attendance during the year of admission of the child
3. Where the child is transferring from Park Hall Infant Academy
4. Where there are essential medical or social grounds (supported in writing by a doctor or social worker) for admitting the child (evidence will be subject to verification)
5. The distance of the child's home to the school, as measured in a straight line, from the centre of the school, using the Local Authority recommended software, with those living nearest to the school being accorded the highest priority.

Pheasey Park Farm Primary Academy School

1. Children in Public Care (Children In Care) and previously in care
2. Children who have an older sibling already in attendance at the school when the application is made and who will still be attending the school at the proposed admission date
3. Children for whom a place at the school is essential on medical or social grounds, as supported in writing by a medical practitioner or social worker (applications will be subject to verification by the governing body)
4. Distance between the home address and the school as measured in a straight line, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.

Reedswood EACT Academy

1. Children In Care

Children In Care are children who are in the care of a local authority or provided with accommodation by the authority in accordance with section 22 of the Children Act 1989,

2. Siblings

Where there are siblings in attendance at the academy and who will still be on roll in the year of entry. Sibling refers to brother or sister, half brother or sister, step brother or sister or the child of the parent/carers partner where the child for whom the place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling

3. Geography

Children living closest to the school as measured in a direct line from the home address to the school. The home address is where the child spends the majority of the time and is living with the person who has parental Responsibility and is the main 'carer' as defined in section 576 of the Education Act 1996. If a child regularly lives at more than one address the Local Authority will have to reach a conclusion about which should be counted as the main address when allocating places, this will normally be the address where the child benefit is paid and where the child is registered with a doctor. Home to school distances will be measured in a direct line from the front door on the home address to the central point of the main school building using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, this criterion will also be used as a tie-break in criterion 2 if the school is oversubscribed within this criterion except in the case of Children In Care. In criteria, 2 and 3 where two or more children live in a flat or other multi-home dwelling, and it is not possible to determine which applicant lives closest to the preferred school as measured in a direct line from the building to the school; the available place(s) will be allocated by drawing lots.

Ryders Hayes School Academy

1. Children in Public Care (Children In Care) and previously in care.
2. Pupils who have an older sibling already in attendance at the school when the application is made and who will still be attending the school at the proposed admission date
3. Children for whom a place at the school is essential on medical or social grounds and is supported in writing by a medical practitioner or a social worker. Applications will be subject to verification by the School's Admissions Committee
4. Children of members of staff at Ryders Hayes School (subject to verification by the Academy)
5. Distance will be measured in a straight line from the centre point of the home address to the centre point of the school address using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority

North Walsall Primary Academy

1. Children In Care and previously in care (children who were in care but ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order special guardianship order, immediately following having been looked after) in accordance with section 22 of the children's act 1989.
2. Siblings; which for the purpose of this policy are defined as: children living permanently at the same address as a child attending the academy at the time of their admission.
3. Other children by distance from the academy, with priority for admission given to children who live nearest to the academy as measured using Ordnance Survey's data to plot and address. Distances are measured 'as the crow flies' from the main entrance of the child's property address point to the academy's property address point on the site where the child will predominantly be based.

The Rivers Primary Academy

1. Children in Public Care (Children In Care) and previously in care
2. Children who have an older sibling already in attendance at the school when the application is made and who will still be attending the school at the proposed admission date
3. Children for whom a place at the school is essential on medical or social grounds and is supported in writing by a medical practitioner or a social worker. (Applications will be subject to verification)
4. Distance will be measured in a straight line from the centre point of the home address to the centre point of the school address using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.

St Bernadette's Catholic Primary Academy School

1. Baptised Catholic children who are looked after or previously in care
2. Baptised Catholic children living in the parish of Brownhills who have a brother or sister attending St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School at the time of admission
3. Baptised Catholic children living in the parish of Brownhills
4. Other Baptised Catholic children who have a brother or sister attending St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School at the time of admission
5. Other Baptised Catholic children
6. Non-Catholic children who are looked after or previously looked after
7. Non-Catholic children who have a brother or sister attending St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School at the time of admission
8. Non-Catholic Children

Woods Bank School Academy

1. A Children In Care or a child who was previously in care but immediately after being in care after became subject to an adoption, child arrangements, for special guardianship order. A Children In Care is a child who is a) looked after by a local authority or b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in their exercise of their social services functions, in accordance with section 22 (1) of the Children Act 1989. Details of eligibility must be supplied by the allocated social worker or foster carer
2. Children for whom it is essential to be admitted to the Academy because of special circumstances to do with significant medical or social needs, which relates to the child or an immediate member of the child's family. Applications must be supported by medical evidence from a GP or hospital consultant, social worker or similar professional
3. Children who, on the date of admission, will have a sibling (i.e. a natural brother or sister, or a half-brother or sister, or a legally adopted brother or sister or half-brother or sister, or step-brother or sister) who will be living with them at the

4. same address) on roll of the Academy. Children will be considered under this criterion if they have an older sibling who attends the Academy and who will continue to be on roll when the child joins the Academy
5. Children of staff, where the member of staff has been employed by the Academy for two or more years at the time of application, or the member of staff was recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage
6. Children living nearest to the school. Distance will be measured in a straight line from the centre point of the home address to the centre point of the school address using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system.

Woodlands Academy of Learning

1. Children in Public Care (Children In Care) and previously in care.
2. Children who have an older sibling already in attendance at the school when the application is made and who will still be attending the school at the proposed admission date.
3. Children for whom a place at the school is essential on medical or social grounds and is supported in writing by a medical practitioner or a social worker. Applications will be subject to verification by the governing body
4. Distance will be measured in a straight line from the centre point of the home address to the centre point of the school address using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.

Admission criteria for foundation schools

Where the number of preferences received exceeds the number of places available, each school will apply its own admission criteria. The admission criteria are shown below, in order of priority, for each foundation school.

Manor Primary School

1. Children in Public Care (Children In Care), and previously in care.
2. Children who have a brother or sister still attending the school at the time of entry
3. Where there are medical grounds (supported by a doctor's letter)
4. Distance will be measured in a straight line from the centre point of the home address to the centre point of the school address using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.

Admission criteria for voluntary aided Church of England schools

Voluntary aided schools have different admission criteria that reflect their religious character. The admission authority for voluntary aided Church of England schools is the school's own governing body. The individual admission criteria are shown below, in order of priority, for each voluntary aided school.

Where the number of preferences received exceeds the number of places available, each school will apply its own admission criteria.

Blue Coat CE (A) Infant School

1. Children in Public Care (Children In Care) and previously in care.
2. Children who have a sibling in attendance at Blue Coat CE (Aided) Infant School or at Blue Coat CE (Aided) Junior School when the application is made and who will still be attending at the proposed admission date.
3. Children whose family worships regularly at an Anglican Church
4. Children whose family worships regularly at a church of another Christian denomination.
5. Children who have been baptised or dedicated within the Christian church.
6. Children with special medical or social circumstances and whose needs can only be met at Blue Coat CE (Aided) Infant School.
7. Other children arranged in order of distance from the school, with priority for admission being given to children who live nearest to the school.

If there is an over subscription within the criterion, the Federated Governing Body will give priority on the basis of distance as set out in criterion 7. If the distance between two children's homes and the school is the same, random allocation will be used to decide who has the highest priority for admission.

Blue Coat CE (A) Junior School

1. Children in Public Care (Children In Care) and previously in care.
2. Children attending Blue Coat CE (Aided) Infant School when the application is made.
3. Children with a sibling in attendance at Blue Coat CE (Aided) Infant School or at Blue Coat CE (Aided) Junior School when the application is made and who will still be attending at the proposed admission date.
4. Children whose family worships regularly at an Anglican Church
5. Children whose family worships regularly at a church of another Christian denomination.
6. Children who have been baptised or dedicated within the Christian church.
7. Children with special medical or social circumstances and whose needs can only be met at Blue Coat CE (Aided) Junior School.
8. Other children arranged in order of distance from the school, with priority for admission being given to children who live nearest to the school.
9. If there is an over subscription within the criterion, the Federated Governing Body will give priority on the basis of distance as set out in criterion 8. If the distance between two children's homes and the school is the same, random allocation will be used to decide who has the highest priority for admission.

Cooper and Jordan CE (VA) Primary School

1. Children in Public Care (Children In Care) and previously in care. Meaning, children who are in care of a local authority or provided with accommodation by a local authority or previously Children In Care who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order
2. Children of parents/carers who worship regularly within the *Parish Boundary of Aldridge, at one of the Aldridge Trinitarian Churches; APC, St Thomas', Tynings Lane, Aldridge Methodist Church or St Mary's RC, or who live within the *Parish Boundary of Aldridge and worship regularly elsewhere at a Trinitarian Church, (Anglican, Methodist, Catholic, or Evangelical Churches recognised by the British Council of Churches and the Evangelical Alliance) subject to endorsement by the minister. Regularly is defined as, at least twice per month for at least two years, as per Lichfield Diocesan Guidelines
3. Children who have an older sibling already in attendance at Cooper and Jordan School when the application is made who will still be attending the school at the proposed admission date
4. Children of parents/carers who live within the *Parish Boundary of Aldridge
5. Children of parents/carers who live outside the *Parish Boundary of Aldridge and worship regularly at a Trinitarian Church (Anglican, Methodist, Catholic or Evangelical) recognised by the British Council of Churches and the Evangelical Alliance, subject to endorsement by the minister. Regularly is defined as, at least twice per month for at least two years, as per Lichfield Diocesan Guidelines
6. Children of parents/carers who live outside the *Parish Boundary of Aldridge

Admission criteria for voluntary aided Catholic schools

The admission authority for voluntary aided Catholic schools is the school's own governing body. Voluntary aided schools have different admission criteria that reflect their religious character. The individual admission criteria are shown below, in order of priority, for each voluntary aided school. Where the number of preferences received exceeds the number of places available, each school will apply its own admission criteria.

St Anne's Catholic Primary School

1. Baptised Catholic children who are in care or previously in care
2. Baptised Catholic children living in the parish of St Anne's, Streetly who have a brother or sister attending St Anne's Catholic Primary School at the time of admission
3. Baptised Catholic children living in the parish of St Anne's, Streetly
4. Other Baptised Catholic children who have a brother or sister attending St Anne's Catholic Primary School at the time of admission
5. Other Baptised Catholic children
6. Non-Catholic children who are in care or previously in care
7. Non-Catholic children who have a brother or sister attending St Anne's Catholic Primary School at the time of admission
8. Non-Catholic Children

St Francis Catholic Primary School

1. Baptised Catholic children who are in care or previously in care
2. Baptised Catholic children living in the parish of St Francis of Assisi who have a brother or sister attending St Francis Catholic Primary School at the time of admission
3. Baptised Catholic children living in the parish of St Francis of Assisi
4. Other Baptised Catholic children who have a brother or sister attending St Francis Catholic Primary School at the time of admission
5. Other Baptised Catholic children
6. Non-Catholic children who are in care or previously in care
7. Non-Catholic children who have a brother or sister attending St Francis Catholic Primary School at the time of admission
8. Non-Catholic Children

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

1. Baptised Catholic children who are in care or previously in care
2. Baptised Catholic children living in the parish of St Joseph's, Darlaston and St Mary's, Willenhall who have a brother or sister in the school at the time of admission
3. Baptised Catholic children living in the parish of parish of St Joseph's, Darlaston and St Mary's, Willenhall
4. Other Baptised Catholic children who have a brother or sister in the school at the time of admission
5. Other Baptised Catholic children
6. Non-Catholic children who are in care or previously in care
7. Non-Catholic children who have a brother or sister in the school at the time of admission
8. Non-Catholic Children

St Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School

1. Baptised Catholic children who are in care or previously in care
2. Baptised Catholic children living in the parish of St Mary of the Angels Aldridge, who have a brother or sister attending St Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School at the time of admission.
3. Baptised Catholic children living in the parish of St Mary of the Angels Aldridge.
4. Other Baptised Catholic children who have a brother or sister attending St Mary of the Angels at the time of admission.
5. Other Baptised Catholic children.
6. Non-Catholic children who are in care or previously in care.
7. Non-Catholic children who have a brother or sister attending St Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School at the time of admission.
8. Non-Catholic children.

St Mary's the Mount Catholic Primary School

1. Baptised Catholic children who are in care or previously in care
2. Baptised Catholic children living in the parish of St Mary of the Mount who have a brother or sister in the school at the time of admission
3. Baptised Catholic children living in the parish of parish of St. Mary of the Mount
4. Baptised catholic children living in the parish of Holy Cross Parish, Stone Cross and have brothers or sisters in the school at the time of admission
5. Baptised Catholic children living in the parish of Holy Cross Parish, Stone Cross
6. Other Baptised Catholic children who have a brother or sister attending St May of the Mount School at the time of admission
7. Other Baptised Catholic children
8. Non-Catholic children who are in care or previously in care
9. Non-Catholic children who have a brother or sister attending St Mary of the Mount School at the time of admission
10. Non-Catholic Children

St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

1. Baptised Catholic children who are in care or previously in care
2. Baptised Catholic children living in the parish of St. Patrick's who have a brother or sister attending St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School at the time of admission
3. Baptised Catholic children living in the parish of St. Patrick's
4. Other Baptised Catholic children who have a brother or sister attending St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School at the time of admission
5. Other Baptised Catholic children
6. Non-Catholic children who are in care or previously in care
7. Non-Catholic children who have a brother or sister attending St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School at the time of admission
8. Non-Catholic children.

St Peter's Catholic Primary School

1. Baptised Catholic children who are in care or previously in care
2. Baptised Catholic children living in the parish of St. Peter's Bloxwich or St. Mary's Willenhall who have a brother or sister attending St. Peter's Catholic Primary School at the time of admission
3. Baptised Catholic children living in the parish of St. Peter's Bloxwich or St Mary's Willenhall
4. Other Baptised Catholic children who have a brother or sister attending St. Peter's Catholic Primary School at the time of admission
5. Other Baptised Catholic children
6. Non-Catholic children who are in care or previously in care
7. Non-Catholic children who have a brother or sister attending St. Peter's Catholic Primary School at the time of admission
8. Non-Catholic children

St Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary School

1. Baptised Catholic children who are in care or previously in care
2. Baptised Catholic children living in the parish of St. Thomas of Canterbury who have a brother or sister attending St. Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary School at the time of admission
3. Baptised Catholic children living in the parish of St. Thomas of Canterbury
4. Other Baptised Catholic children who have a brother or sister attending St. Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary School at the time of admission
5. Other Baptised Catholic children
6. Non-Catholic children who are in care or previously in care
7. Non-Catholic children who have a brother or sister attending St. Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary School at the time of admission
8. Non-Catholic children

General information

School hours and term dates

Details of school hours are available at each school and are shown in each school's prospectus or on the school's website. Details of school term dates are available on the Walsall Council website. Always check with the school to confirm term dates and school hours.

Provision of free school meals

Under the new Government directive from September 2014, children in Reception, Year1 and Year 2 (KS1) will receive a meal free of charge.

By being registered for Free School Meals, you will be helping your child's school to obtain additional funding. More money to the school will further help your child achieve.

The application form can now be completed online and submitted electronically from the Walsall Council website. The Benefit Service can be contacted on 0300 555 2855. For more information please follow this the line below https://go.walsall.gov.uk/free_school_meals

Eligibility Criteria

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-based Employment and Support Allowance
- Support from NASS (National Asylum Support Service) under part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of the State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more that £16,190
- Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit – your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Changes to this booklet: The information in this booklet is correct at the time of printing. It is, however, possible that there may be some changes affecting points of detail.

Nursery Education

Good quality pre-school experiences are directly related to better cognitive, social and behavioural development for young children.

All providers of early year's education work within the framework of the Early Years Foundation Stage. Every 3 and 4 year old in Walsall is entitled to 15 hours free early years education in

Nursery schools

Classes in primary schools Playgroups Day nurseries independent schools

Children may access their entitlement of 15 hours at up to 2 providers.

The table below indicates when children are eligible for a part-time nursery place.

A child born between	will be eligible for a free place from
1 April and 31 August	the start of the autumn term following their third birthday
1 September and 31 December	the start of the spring term following their third birthday
1 January and 31 March	the start of the summer term following their third birthday

These dates are set by the Department for Education and do not take account of variations in the date of Easter.

Entitlement at a nursery, infant or primary school

Before starting in a Reception class, all children are entitled to three terms of part-time nursery education in a Walsall nursery school or in a nursery class in a primary school. In the term following a child's third birthday the Walsall schools listed on pages 17 to 35 and 56 provide flexible provision for five days a week during the school term free of charge.

A place in a nursery class does not guarantee a full-time place in the school's Reception class.

Entitlement at a private, voluntary or independent provider

Places are available at childminders, playgroups, day nurseries and independent schools that are registered to deliver the Early Years Foundation Stage. These settings are listed on pages 53 to 55. The list of providers may change and more up to date information is available from the Walsall Families Information Service on 01922 653383.

To apply for a place

To apply for a nursery place you should contact the head teacher of the school for details.

Places at community or voluntary controlled nursery, infant and primary schools, will be allocated as follows.

If there are more applications than places available, the head teacher of the school will admit children by using the following admission criteria (in order of priority):

- Children in Public Care (Children In Care), and previously Looked After Child
- Pupils who have an older sibling already in attendance at the school at the proposed time of admission
- Pupils for whom a place at the school is essential on medical or social grounds as supported in writing by a medical practitioner or a social worker. Applications will be subject to verification by the Executive Director, Children's Services
- Distance will be measured in a straight line from the centre point of the home address to the centre point of the school address using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority

If there is over-subscription in Criteria 2-3 above, priority will be given to those living closest to the school as measured in a straight line. Please see pages 35 to 36 for a definition of the admission criteria.

If you are refused a nursery place there is no right of appeal as nursery education is non-statutory. Where there is capacity, schools may offer places to children who have attained the age of three years. To apply for a place at a private, voluntary or independent provider

Please contact the manager of the provider for details.

If you need any information about early years provision for your child please contact the Walsall Families Information Service on 0300 555 2866,

Directory of providers: private, voluntary and independent nursery providers

The following settings are included in the directory of providers and eligible to claim funding for the provision of free nursery education places. The list of providers may change and up to date information is available from the Families Information Service on 01922 653383.

Name of Provider	Address	Telephone
ABC Day Nursery	9 Bath Street, Willenhall, WV13 2EY	01902 606666
Abu Bakr Nursery	150 Wednesbury Road, Walsall, WS1 4JJ	01922 626829
Adventureland	Unit 6a, Coppice Lane, Walsall Wood, WS9 9AA	01922 455711
Almozene Nursery	Almozene Nursery, Walsall, WS4 2DQ	01922 722066
Alumwellies	Alumwell Nursery, Primley Avenue, Walsall, WS2 9UP	01922 721264
Banana Moon	78-80 Ida Road, Walsall, WS2 9SS	01922 601439
Bentley Childcare	Bentley West Primary School, Monmouth Road, Bentley, WS2 0EQ	01922 746592
Blue Giraffe Day Nursery	New Street, Rushall, WS4 1NW	01922 637777
Busy Bees At South Staffordshire Water	South Staffordshire Water Plc, Green Lane, Walsall, WS2 7PD	01922 618009
Charlie Caterpillar's Day Nursery	Leamore Lane, Walsall, WS2 7PS	01922 497136
First Friends Day Nursery	Education Development Centre, Pelsall Lane, Tushall, WS4 1NG	01922 691902
Greenfield Primary Preschool	Coal Heath Lane, Shelfield, WS4 1PL	01922 694143
Headstart Playgroup	The School House, Brook Lane, Walsall Wood, WS9 9NA	01543 453996
Hideaway Nursery	25a Station Street, Walsall, WS2 9JZ	01922 628824
Hundred Acre Pre-School Playgroup	1 Goodwood Drive, Streetly, B74 2JG	07906 971876
Hydesville Tower School Nursery	Hydesville Tower School, Broadway North, Walsall, WS1 2QG	01922 624374
Kangaroo Pouch Day Nursery	Mossley Lane, Bloxwich, WS3 2SF	
Kangaroo Pouch	Harden Road, Walsall, WS3 1RQ	01922 471392
Kiddies playhouse	33 Lincoln Road, Walsall, WS1 2EA	01922 613909
Leighswood Out Of School Care	Leighswood Childrens Centre, Broadmeadow, Aldridge, WS9 8FY	01922 457186
Little Crickets Nursery	Walsall Cricket Club, Gorway Road, St Matthew's, WS1 3BE	01922 626736

Name of Provider	Address	Telephone
Little Explores Day Nursery	Foley Road East, Streetly, Sutton Coldfield, B74 3HR	07581246299
Little Fishes Playgroup	St Mary's Church Rooms, The Green, Aldridge, WS9 8PT	07796 108411
Little Green Dragons Day Nursery	Brownhills Activity Centre, Chester Road North, Brownhills, WS8 7JW	01543 370188
Little Professors Nursery	Walsall College, Littleton Street West, Walsall, WS2 8EW	01922 657000
Little Rascals	Bilston Street, Walsall, WS10 8EY	0121 439 2830
Little Stars Creche	72 Queen Mary Street, Walsall, WS1 4AB	01922 625510
Little Treasures Pre-school Bloxwich	Busill Jones Primary School, Ashley Road, Walsall, WS3 2QF	7592545115
Maple Tree Nursery and Pre-school	191a Broadway, Walsall, WS1 3HD	01922 648447
Mayfield Preparatory School Nursery	Mayfield Preparatory School, Sutton Road, Walsall, WS1 2PD	01922 624107
Meadow View Early Bird Club	Meadow View J M I School, Frampton Way, Pheasey, B43 7UJ	0121 366 6193
Millfields Nursery	Lichfield Road, Bloxwich, WS3 3LU	01922 714830
Music Box	Salisbury Street, WS10 8PL	0121 448 3773
Ogley Hay Nursery School	Bricklin Street, Brownhills, Walsall, WS8 6AU	01922 683599
Park Hall Playgroup	Falmouth Road, Walsall, WS5 3EZ	01922 628627
Pelsall Pre School	Pelsall Village Centre, High Street, Walsall, WS3 4LX	01922 683599
Pheasey Park Farm Playgroup	Pheasey Park Farm Primary School, Wimperis Way, Pheasey, B43 7LH	0121 366 7639
Poppies Fullbrook Nursery Wrap Around	Fullbrook Nursery School, West Bromwich Road, Walsall, WS5 4NW	01922 721066
Rowley View Nursery School	Dangerfield Lane, Darlaston, WS10 7RU	0121 568 8168
Sandbank Playcare	Sandbank Nursery School, Elmore Row, Bloxwich, WS3 2HR	01922 710132
Small Street Day Nursery	1 Small Street, Walsall, WS1 3PR	
St Matthew's Little Monkeys Day Nursery	45 New Street, Walsall, WS1 3DF	01922 474660
St Thomas Playgroup	St Thomas Church, St Thomas Close, Aldridge, WS9 8SL	01922 745106
Stanley's Nursery	Birchills And North Walsall Children's Centre, Birchills Street, Walsall, WS2 8NF	01922 646574
Sunflower Nursery	Sunflowers Day Nursery, 361 Beacon Road, B43 7BW	

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Sunflowers Pre-School	11 Morton Avenue, B43 7QP	0121 360 6859
Taylor's Tots Day Care Nursery	Boundary Court, Streetly, B74 2JR	0121 352 0770
The Beeches Day Nursery	Beechdale Lifelong Learning Centre, Stephenson Square, Walsall, WS2 7DX	01922 620524
The Children's Centre at Bentley West School	The Children's Centre at Bentley West School, Bentley West Primary School, WS2 0EQ	
The Co-operative Childcare Walsall Wood	7a Lichfield Road, Walsall Wood, WS9 9NP	01543 453257
The Honey Pot	71 Lichfield Street, Walsall, WS4 2BY	01922 640200
The Old Railway House Nursery Limited	15 Station Road, Aldridge, WS9 0BL	01922 455755
Tiny Talents Pre-School	1a Field Street, Willenhall, WV13 2NY	01902 604216
Tots Care Playgroup	Harden Road, Blakenall, WS3 1RQ	07590 463453
Valley Nursery School	Blakenall Heath, Walsall, WS3 1HT	01922 710518

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