

Starting school and transfer from infant to junior school - September 2024

Timeline of events & key dates

DATE	EVENT
8 September 2023	Online applications open and information to parents/carers
12 December 2023	Reminder letter sent via schools to parents/carers of Year 2 pupils at infant schools, advising them of the need to apply for a junior school place. Email also sent to schools to remind parents/carers of the need to apply for reception
15 January 2024	Closing date for applications (Statutory) Late applications ie those received after 15 th January 2024, will not be processed until the additional rounds of allocation (see below)
9 February 2024	West Northants Council (WNC) - sends applications to other LAs and Own Admission Authority (OAA) schools
15 February 2024	EHC Team to have informed the School Admissions team about any pupils with an EHC Plan, and details of the named school (Statutory)
29 February 2024	OAA schools send ranked lists to WNC
22 March 2024	WNC applies agreed Scheme for West Northants schools, informing other LAs of offers to be made to their residents
15 April 2024	Primary schools informed by WNC of provisional allocations via S2S, which may include offers made to pupils living in other LAs
16 April 2024	National Offer Day - offers made to parents/carers by WNC (Statutory)
By 19 April 2024	Schools final allocation lists (ATFs) uploaded onto the S2S secure site
6 May 2024	School Admissions begins to share late applications with other LAs
10 May 2024	Cut-off date for consideration for inclusion in first round of reallocations
14 June 2024	Cut-off date for consideration for inclusion in second round of reallocations
3 July 2024	Cut-off date for consideration for inclusion in third round of reallocations
20 May 2024 24 June 2024 8 July 2024	Additional rounds of allocations will start on each of these dates
19 July 2024	Where no previous application has been submitted, places at junior schools are allocated to children living in the West Northamptonshire area who are currently in infant schools. Letters sent to parents/carers to advise of the places offered
1 September 2024	Co-ordination of the in-year application process commences

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