

Reception Intake Information



REGISTERING YOUR CHILD FOR BIG SCHOOL

In England children tend to start primary school in the September after they turn four - so some will be almost five when they start and others may have only just turned four during the summer holidays.

There's actually no legal requirement for your child to be in full-time education until the term after they turn five, so if you wish you can delay - or even defer for a year - your child's start.

Parents of summer-born children do sometimes choose to do defer school entry. However, it's worth knowing that the school can then insist that your child go straight into a Year 1 class the following year so, in some ways, all they are doing is missing the Reception year, rather than starting a year later.

The primary school starting age is 4-5. Assuming your child is starting in the September after she/he turns four, you'll need to apply by the January in that year. The dates change slightly each year but the deadline for applications is usually early to mid-January. Consult your local council's website for more details.

Remember that you won't be 'nudged' to apply for your child's place. The responsibility to begin primary school enrolment is yours.

Online applications for Bromley residents for reception places are available at www.eadmissions.org.uk

Contact the School Admissions Team

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