

**Howbridge Infant School - Timetable for admissions and appeals
for children starting primary school in September 2026**

15th January 2026 Closing date for applications

This is the last day for receipt by the Local Authority (Essex County Council) of the Common Application Form, either paper or online.

Applications received after 15th January will normally be treated as late applications.

16th April 2026 National offer day

Offers will be sent to online applicants by email on 16th April 2025.

From 16th April 2025 you can log in to your account to see your allocation.

If you do not receive a notification by 23rd April 2026 you should contact the Local Authority's School Admissions Team admissions@essex.gov.uk / 0345 603 2200.

20th May 2026 Deadline for lodging an appeal

Deadline by when appeals against a refusal of a place should be lodged if you want it to be heard before the end of the summer term.

17th June 2026 Appeal hearings

Appeals heard for those lodged by the deadline and where possible for late appeals.

(Appeals for applications made within the normal admissions round will be held within 40 school days of the above deadline.

Appeals for late applications will be heard where possible within 40 school days of the above deadline OR within 30 school days of the appeal being lodged.)

September 2026 Appeal hearings for any appeals not heard before the end of the summer term.

Waiting list

Between April and 31st August 2026 the waiting list for Howbridge Infant School is maintained by the Local Authority. Following that date the waiting list will be maintained by the school.