

Appeals

If you were not offered a place at our school, you have a statutory right to appeal the decision. These appeals are heard by an Independent Appeal Panel in accordance with the [School Admission Appeals Code](#). If you wish to appeal for a place in Reception, please use [this link](#) to complete your appeal online.

You should include any evidence or supporting material with your appeal form and you **MUST** give the grounds for your appeal at the time you lodge your appeal form. Your appeal form will not be accepted unless you state the grounds for your appeal. You may appeal for more than one school.

The timetable for appeals is as follow: -

Last day for lodging appeal forms for a place in RECEPTION to start in September 2026	11.59pm Friday 22nd May 2026 to guarantee that your appeal will be heard in the first tranche of appeals. Appeals lodged later may not be heard until the second tranche which could be in September 2026 .
Deadline for additional evidence	Friday 5 th June 2026
Notice of Appeal Hearing	At least 10 school days' notice will be provided
Appeal Hearings Held	June and July 2026
Decision Letters Sent	Within 5 school days of the hearing

How to Appeal

- **Complete the appeal form and return it to the school by the deadline.**

Grounds for Appeal (Infant Class Size)

Most appeals for Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 are subject to **Infant Class Size (ICS) legislation**, which prohibits classes of more than 30 pupils. Because of this, an appeal panel can **only** uphold an appeal if one of the following three grounds is met:

1. **Procedural Error:** The admission arrangements were not properly followed, and your child would have been offered a place if they had been.
2. **Unlawful Arrangements:** The school's admission criteria do not comply with the law.
3. **Unreasonable Decision:** The decision to refuse admission was "unreasonable" in a legal sense - meaning it was so perverse or illogical that no sensible authority could have made it.

*Note: Personal circumstances, such as sibling attendance at the school or transport difficulties, are generally **not** sufficient grounds for an ICS appeal to be upheld.*