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## Primary school places for September 2026

If you applied online for a 2026 primary reception place, select the 'view primary offer link' below. If you applied on a paper application, you will receive a letter on the 16 April.

[View primary 2025 school offer](#)

### Paper applications - late applications

To apply for a reception place for admission in September 2026, please complete a paper application form. Which can be obtained by contacting us by email [schoolaccess@blackpool.gov.uk](mailto:schoolaccess@blackpool.gov.uk) or telephone 01253 476637

### Ready steady school

Would you like to help give your child the best start to their school journey?

The Blackpool Family Hubs are delivering [Better Start's fun and free ready steady school sessions](#) from now until the end of the summer holidays, every week.

Enjoy play, rhymes, stories and games that focus on supporting the development of Blackpool's nine school ready priorities.

These fun sessions have been developed with local schools and nurseries and been proven to support and quick and happy transition to school.

There is no need to book, just turn up.

### Important information

Children who attend a nursery that is attached to a school or academy do not automatically move into reception.

Attendance at a nursery is not taken into consideration when places in the reception classes are being allocating.

You can find the criteria that is used for allocating places in reception classes in the guide for parents booklet or on the school/academy's website. A link to the guide is in the additional information section on this page. A paper copy can be obtained from the school admissions team.

Child born between	Starts primary school	Apply between
1 September 2021 to 31 August 2022	September 2026	September 2025 to January 2026

### Summer-born deferring or delaying school entry

Please read the information about summer born children if you are considering requesting a deferment.

## [Summer born guidance](#)

If you wish to apply for a full year's deferment with a reception start, please complete the application below. You must also complete the main application for primary school.

## [Complete a summer born application](#)

## Contact

### School admissions team

PO Box 4, Blackpool, FY1 1NA

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**Email** [schoolaccess@blackpool.gov.uk](mailto:schoolaccess@blackpool.gov.uk)

## Additional information

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