Key Dates

Monday 1 September 2025 - application process opens
You will be able to apply on the eadmissions portal: www.eadmissions.org.uk. Paper applications will be available from Ealing admissions service on request.

September to October 2025 – high school open day events
You should attend the open day events for your preferred high schools. Please see details in the prospectus 'Starting High School 2026' for high schools in the borough of Ealing.

Friday 24 October 2025 – recommended submission date
If you are making a paper application you are advised to submit this to your child's primary school by 24 October. Primary schools will be closed for half term from Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October 2025.

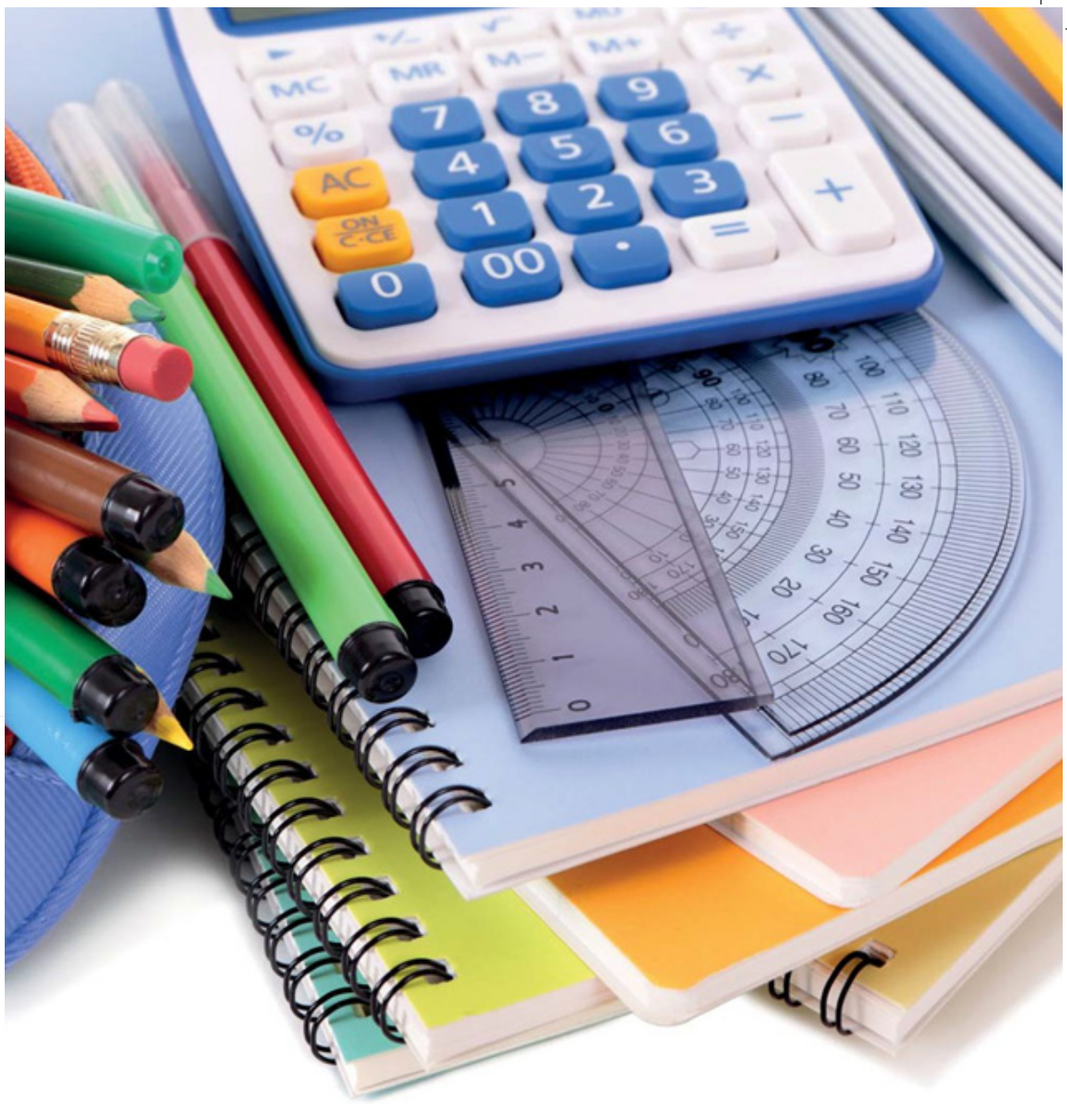
Friday 31 October 2025 – closing date for applications
If you apply online, you will have up until 11.59pm on 31 October to submit your application. If you are applying by paper application form you will need to ensure this is received by the admissions service by 31 October.

Monday 8 December 2025 - deadline for late applications
If you apply after the 31 October but before the 8 December and have recently moved or have exceptional circumstances for applying late you must contact the school admissions service to see if your application can be on-time.

Monday 2 March 2026 – high school national offer day
If you apply on-time on the eadmisisons portal, you will receive an email between 5pm and 10pm with your school offer. If you made an on-time paper application your offer letter will be posted to you, first class.

Monday 16 March 2026 – deadline to respond to offer
After this date, the eadmisisons portal will close and you will not be able to accept or decline your offer online. If you do not respond the offer may be withdrawn and offered to another child.

Apply online at www.eadmissions.org.uk



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Closing date: **31 October 2025**
Offer date: **2 March 2026**

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A guide to applying for high school 2026 Ealing Residents

This leaflet explains how to apply for a high school place for children born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015.

Please visit our website: www.ealing.gov.uk/admissions
The website provides full details on the application process and includes a copy of the prospectus 'Starting High School 2026' and a step-by-step guide to applying online.

What do I have to do?

You must make an application by 31 October 2025.
We recommend you apply online at: www.eadmissions.org.uk
Once you have submitted your application you will receive a confirmation email with your application details and a reference number like this: 307-2026-09-E-123456.

You may list up to six high schools in or outside the borough of Ealing. It is important that you list your schools in the order of your preference with your first preference as the school you want the most. Schools cannot see where you have listed them, and the preference order is not part of the admissions criteria. For example, if you list a school as your first preference you will not have priority over children that have the listed the school as a lower preference. This is important as your child is offered a place at the highest preference possible and withdrawn from your lower preference schools.

Please make sure you understand how schools offer places by reading their admissions criteria. This information is published in the prospectus 'Starting High School 2026' for Ealing schools.

If you are applying to any faith schools, you may be required to complete a supplementary information form. Please check the admissions criteria of the school for details.

What happens next?

Provided that your application was received by the closing date:

- If you apply online, you will receive your school offer by email from eadmisisons after 5pm on 2 March 2026.
- If you apply by paper application your offer letter will be sent by first class post on the 2 March 2026, you should receive this within 2 working days.

If you could not be offered a place at any of your preference schools, you will be offered the nearest school to your home address that had an available place after every child that applied was offered. We strongly advise that you accept the offer unless you have already secured a place at an alternative school. Accepting the offer will not affect your chances of getting a place at one of your preferred schools later.

You must confirm if you are accepting or declining your school offer by 16 March 2026:

- If you apply online, you can simply log into your eadmissions account and accept or decline online.
- If you apply by paper application, you will need to complete and return the reply slip enclosed with your offer letter.

Please be aware that the eadmisisons portal will close for offer responses at 11:59 on the 16 March. You will not be able to accept or decline your offer through the eadmisisons portal after this time. If you do not respond to your offer the place may be withdrawn and offered to another child.

Where can I get more help and information?

Please contact the admissions service or go to our website for further information and advice:
Telephone 020 8825 5511 Monday to Friday 9am to 12 noon.
Email: mainroundadmissions@ealing.gov.uk
Website: www.ealing.gov.uk/admissions

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