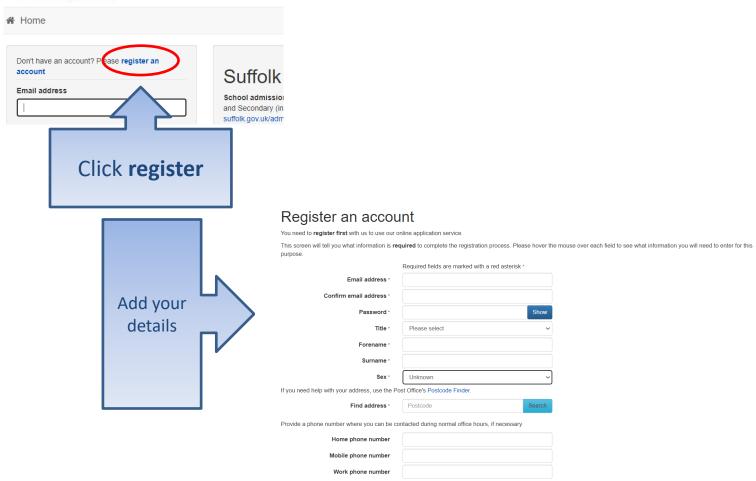
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Please note that some of the text may vary slightly – this is for example purposes only

Registration





Where do you live

Early Years And Childcare, Endeavour House, Endeavour House, Russell Road, In

Early Years and Advisor, Quality and Access, Endeavour House, 8 Russell Road,

Search

If you need help with your address, use the Post Office's Postcode Finder.

Find Address

IP1 2BX

Governor Services Endeavour House, 8, Endeavour House, Russ d, Ipswich C I S S , Endeavour House, Russell Road, Ipswich, IP1 2BX
Children And Young Peoples Services, Endeavour House, Russell Road, Ipswich, IP1 2BX

Not able to find your address?

If you can't find your address, or you don't know the postcode, click on the 'not able to find your address?' button to enter address manually

If you know your postcode, enter it here, then click on Search. Find your address from the list and click on your address within that list to populate

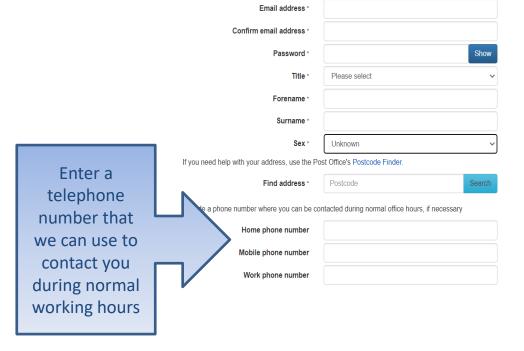
Tell us your contact details

Required fields are marked with a red asterisk

Register an account

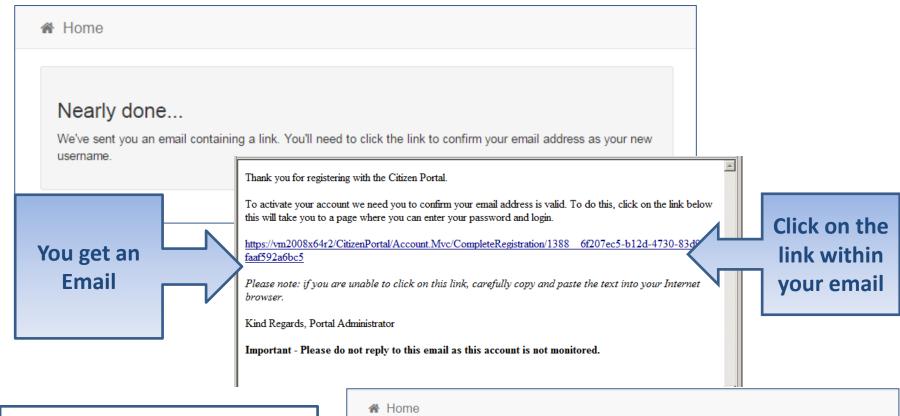
You need to register first with us to use our online application service.

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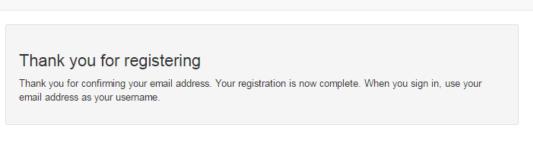




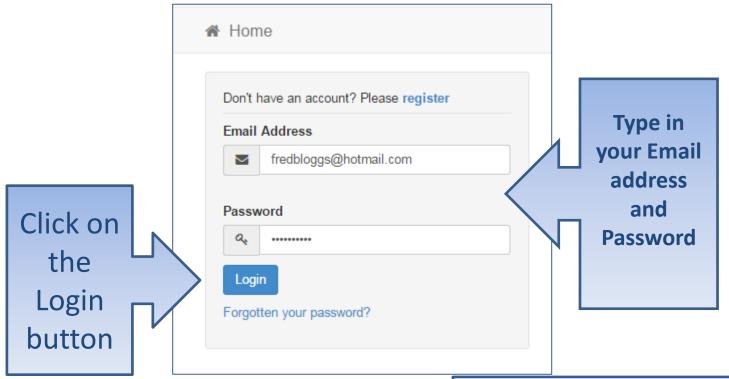
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- If the email is not in your inbox, check your Junk/Spam Mail folder
- If the link is not highlighted copy and paste into your browsers URL box



Log in



If you have forgotten your password click on the 'Forgotten your password?' link. If your email has changed since you registered – you will have to register again.

YOU CAN ONLY CLICK ON THE LOGIN BUTTON IF YOU HAVE ALREADY REGISTERED

Your Home Page

Suffolk County Council Citizen Portal

Manage your applications by clicking on one of the blue tiles below.

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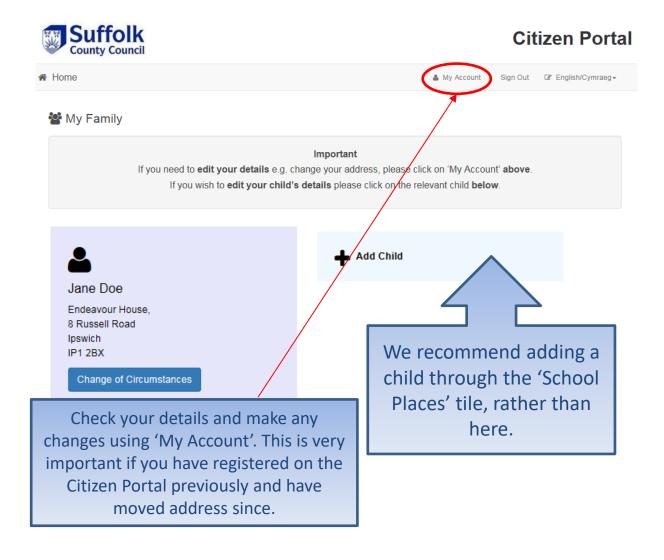
Before you start

- · Check your contact details are correct by clicking on 'my account' at the top right of this page.
- Add details of your child(ren) by clicking on the 'my family' tile below.

Use the 'My Family' tile to check your own details are correct. If you need to change any details, for example to update your address, you will need to go into 'My account' at the top right of the screen.



My Family



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Adding an Application

School places

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Schools that you can apply for

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Make a new application

You currently have no children without an application.

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If you have already added children via another service they will be shown here (see next page for example)





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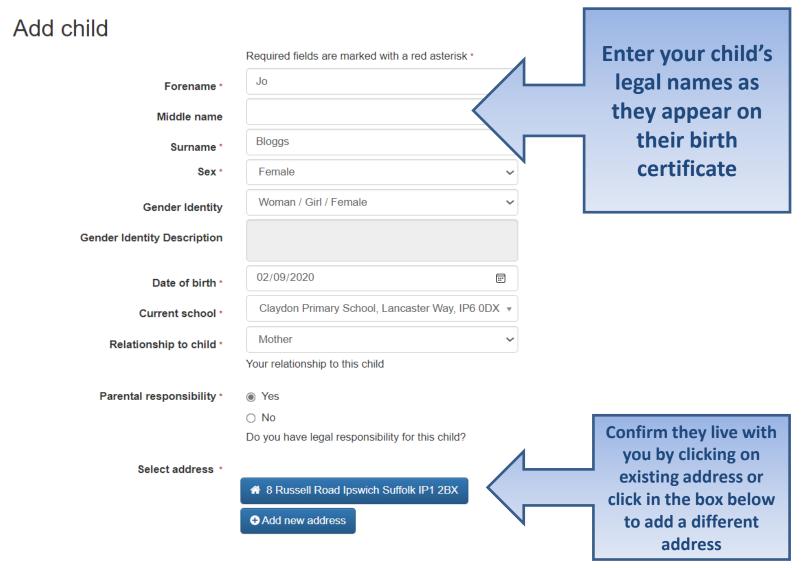
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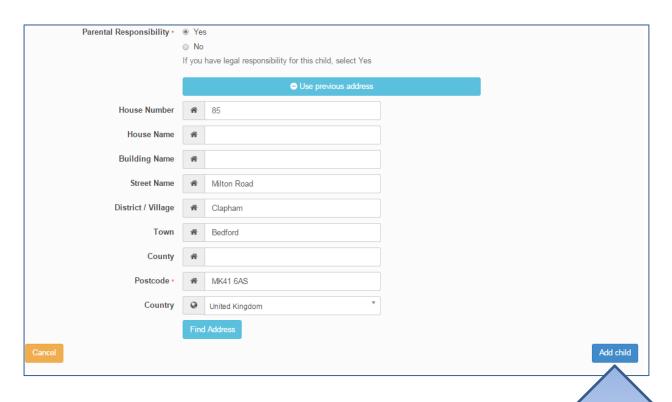


Click 'Start New Application' to apply for a school place

Add your child (if you have added a child via another service this information will already have been completed)



Add Child (continued)



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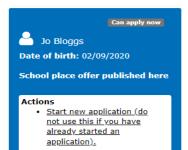
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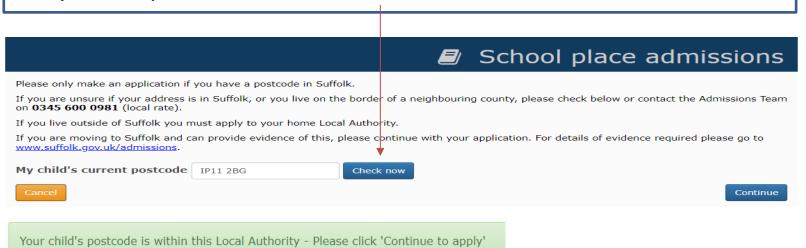
Click 'Start new application' to apply for a school place

Which Local Authority do you live in?

You should check you are applying to your home authority.

PLEASE ONLY MAKE AN APPLICATION IF YOU HAVE A POSTCODE IN SUFFOLK.

Enter your child's postcode and click on 'Check now'.



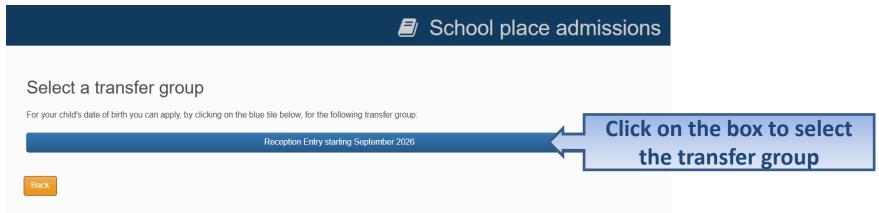
If your postcode is not within
Suffolk, please apply via your home
Local Authority. If you are moving to
Suffolk, please visit our website
www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions for
further information or call the
Admissions Team on
0345 600 0981.

The postcode is not within this Local Authority; please either re-enter and click 'Check Now' to try again or click on Contact Us for instructions on how to
Please only make an application if you have a postcode in Suffolk. If you are unsure if your address is in Suffolk please check below or
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Cancel

Cancel

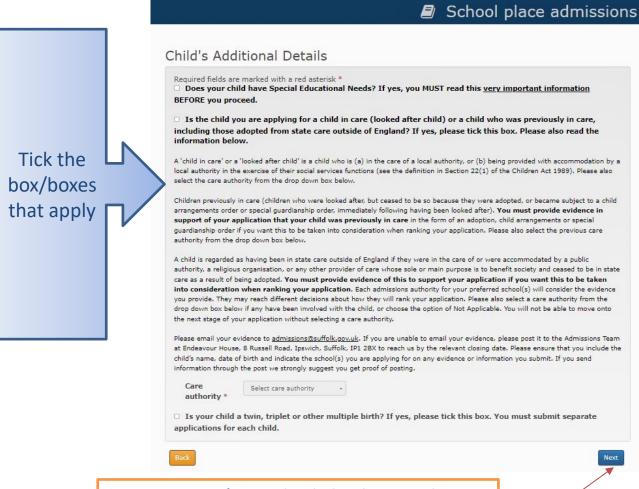
When is your child changing school?



DATE OF BIRTH	TRANSFER GROUP
01/09/2021 - 31/08/2022	Reception Entry starting September 2026
01/09/2018 - 31/08/2019	Transferring to Junior School in September 2026
01/09/2014 - 31/08/2015	Transferring to Secondary School in September 2026

 Please ensure that you have input your child's DOB correctly as this will automatically bring up the correct transfer group

Your child's details



Once you've ticked the boxes that apply, or if none of these apply to your child leave the boxes blank, and click on 'Next'

Your child's address details

It's important that you provide us with your child's correct address.

If you are moving house – please read the information carefully and send us evidence of your house move by the relevant dates provided.

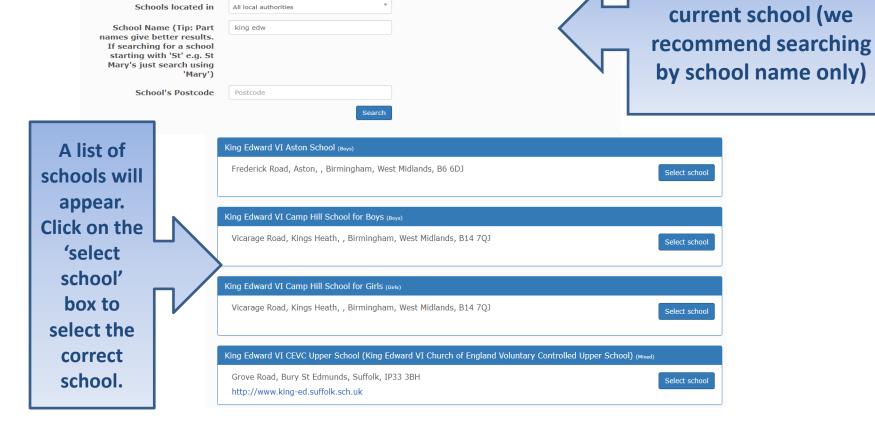
If you have completed all the relevant information about your house move and when it will take place, or you are not moving and this doesn't apply to you, click 'Next' to continue.

Current School

If you added a child via another service their current school information should already be here.

IMPORTANT – If you are applying for a place in the Reception Year, this page may not be displayed. Please do not worry as it does not affect your application for a Reception school place.

Search for your child's



To find the school you are looking for, search using the school's postcode OR local authority OR school name (recommended), then

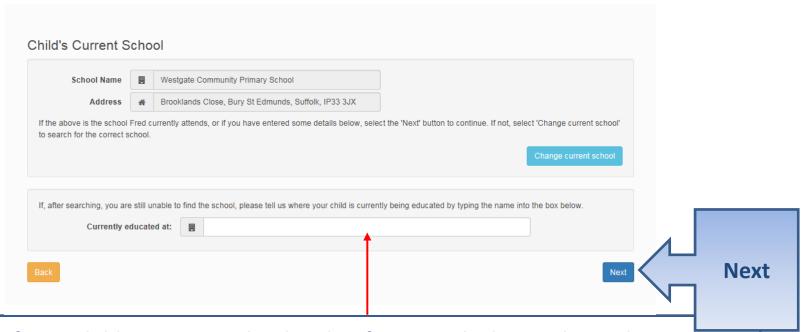
click Search. In order to continue with your application, you will need to click on the relevant school to select it, even if it is the

Find school

school listed

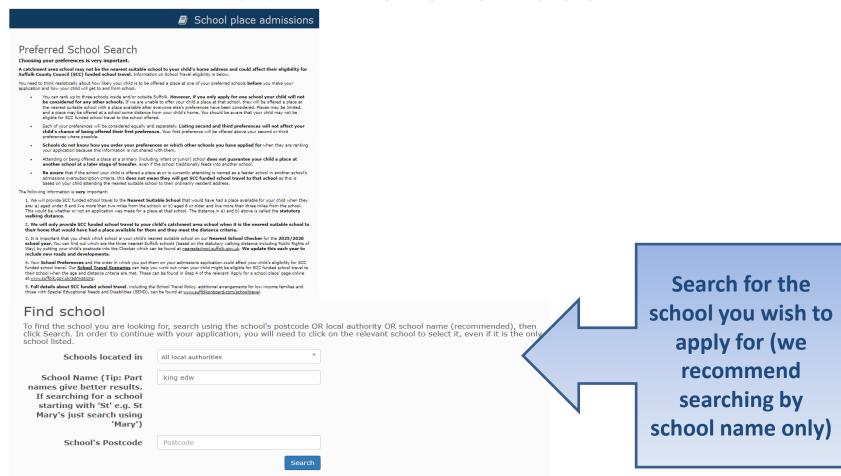
Confirm School

IMPORTANT – If you are applying for a place in the Reception Year, this page may not be displayed and if it doesn't, it will not affect your application.



If your child is not in a school and is, for example, being Electively Home Educated, or the school is not listed please tell us in the box at the bottom of this page.

Your Preferences



IMPORTANT Please remember to click on the 'select school' box next to your preferred school, even if only one school is returned in the list. You will not be able to progress with the application if this is not done.

Sibling attending the school?

if you have another child attending the school and then click 'Next'

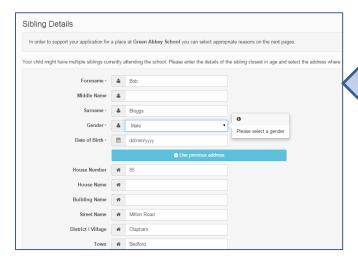
Preference reasons: Sibling

You can provide other reasons for applying to King Edward VI CEVC School on the next pages, if you wish.

Does the child you are applying for have a sibling at this school?

It is important that you provide this information because it can affect your child's priority or offer of a school place. Please name the youngest sibling who has already been offered a place at the school, or where the sibling will still be attending the school at the time of admission but not in a specialist unit or a specialist resource base for Hearing Impaired provision, or in the sixth form.

Back



If you have ticked the box and clicked 'Next', tell us about your other child attending this school.

If you don't have any other children attending this school, click **next**

Sibling's School				
The sibling's current school is	show	n below.		
School Name		King Edward VI CEVC Upper School		
Address	番	Grove Road, Bury St. Edmunds, IP33 3BH		
If the sibling does not attend the above school, but instead attends a partner school or paired infant or junior school, please click on the Find School button to select the correct school.				
button to select the con	ect sc	iliooi.	Find School	
Back			Next	

Tell us your Reasons

Preference Reasons

In order to support your application for a place at **The Albert Pye Community Primary School** you can select appropriate reasons below. You will have the opportunity to tell us in your own words of any additional reasons, or more about your selected reasons, on one of the next pages, but you don't have to. The admissions authority is only able to take reasons into account if they have a direct bearing on how your application is ranked against the relevant published oversubscription criteria.

The school operates it's own admissions oversubscription criteria. You may also need to complete a Supplementary Information Form (SIF). Please check the school's individual policy to confirm if this is a requirement. If a SIF is required you will need to fill it in and return it direct to the school by the closing date.

Please note the preference details will be sent to the governing body/academy trust of the school for the purposes of ranking.

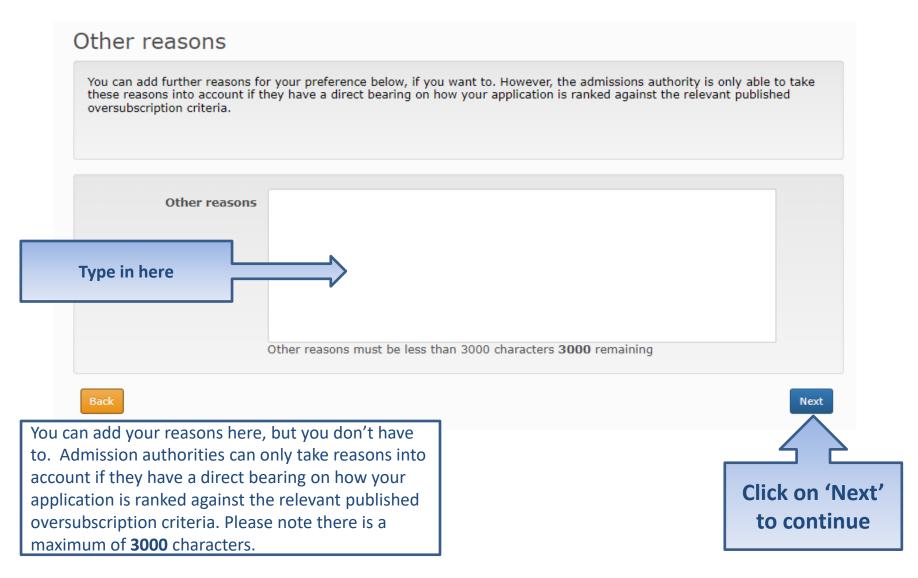
- ☐ I am selecting this school because it is a faith school
- □ I am selecting this school for medical reasons
- □ I believe my child lives in this school's catchment area. Please note, we would only provide Suffolk County Council funded school travel to your child's catchment area school if it is the nearest suitable school to their home that would have had a place available for them, and they meet the distance criteria. The nearest suitable school might not be your child's catchment area school. Some voluntary aided, free schools and academies do not have catchment areas.
- □ I believe my child attends a feeder school to this school. Please note, attending or being offered a place at a primary (including infant or junior) school does not guarantee your child a place at another school at a later stage of transfer, even if the school traditionally feeds into another school. Be aware that if the school your child is offered a place at, or is currently attending, is named as a feeder school in another school's admissions oversubscription criteria, this does not mean they will get Suffolk County Council funded school travel to that school as this is based on your child attending the nearest suitable school to their ordinarily resident address.
- I am selecting this school for social reasons
- I am selecting this school because of the distance from my child's home to this school
- I am selecting this school because it is easy to make arrangements for my child to travel to this school
- ☐ I am selecting this school because Fred is the child of a member of staff currently working there
- □ I am selecting this school because my child has an aptitude for the school's specialisms

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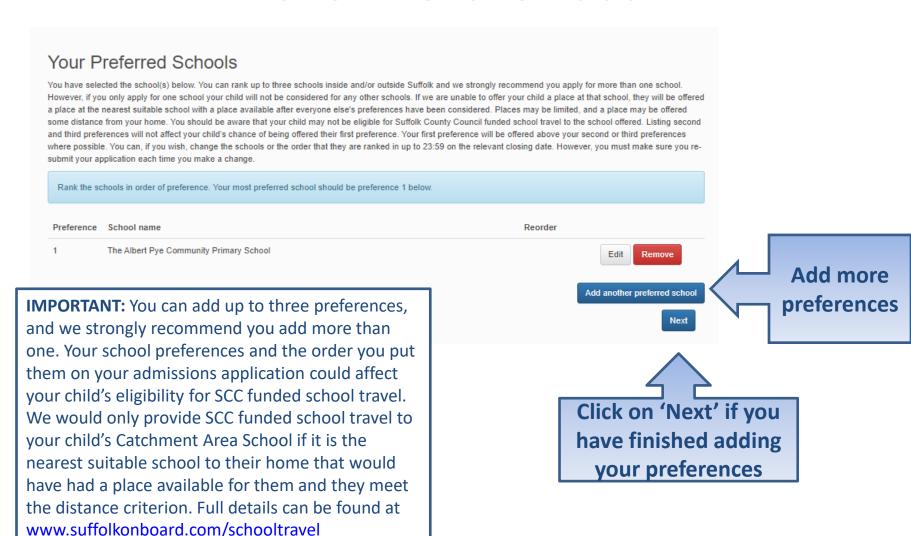
Next

Tick all of the boxes that apply to you and the reasons for applying for a place at this school. If none apply, leave all boxes blank.

Anything else we should know?



More Preferences



Submit Application

Application for Fred Bloggs (date of birth 31/08/2020)

You have completed your application and it has been saved. Using the options below, you can now either 'Submit' your application or you can 'Return Later' if you don't want to submit it just yet. However, it is very important that you submit your application by the relevant closing date. Please note, if your contact details change before the closing date you will need to update your details in 'My Account' which will automatically update your child's application.

Any change may set your application back to unsubmitted and you may need to resubmit your application. If your contact details change after the closing date you will need to update your details in 'My Account' and email us separately with the changes. You are unable to update your child's online application after the closing date. You do not need to let us know separately if you change your email address. You can also preview your application before submitting it.

Terms and conditions

I can confirm that:

- 1. I have read the online guide <u>Admissions to Schools in Suffolk 2025/2065</u>, the relevant <u>Directory of Schools in Suffolk -</u> Secondary schools or Primary (including infant and junior) schools and the guidance notes within this online application.
- I have read the <u>School Travel Policy</u> and understand how eligibility for Suffolk County Council funded school travel will be decided and how this may affect my child.
- 3. I confirm that the information I have given within this application is true and that I am a parent of this child as defined under section 576 of the Education Act 1996.

Definition of a 'parent':

For the purposes of education law, section 576 of the Education Act 1996 defines a 'parent' as:

- · all natural (biological) parents, whether they are married or not
- any person who, although not a natural parent, has parental responsibility for a child or young person (this could be a step-parent, guardian or other relative)
- any person who, although not a natural parent, has care of a child or young person.

A person has care of a child or young person if they are the person with whom the child lives and who looks after the child, irrespective of what their relationship is with the child.

It's important that you read and understand the Terms and conditions

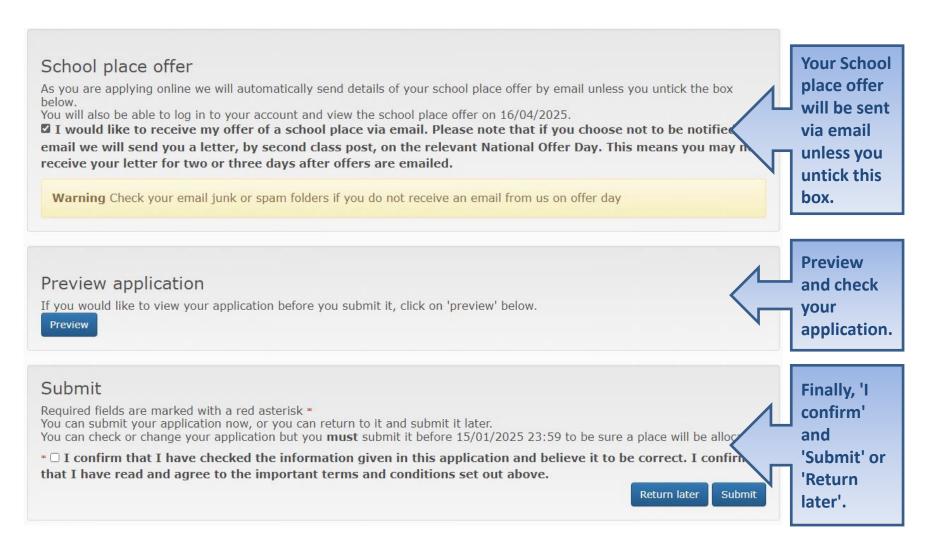
Data Protection

Our Privacy Notice is available at www.suffolk.gov.uk/CYPprivacynotice. This privacy notice tells you what information Children's Services collects and uses, and your rights regarding your information.

You can request a paper copy by contacting us on 0345 600 0981 (local rate).

This gives
details of how
we will store
and share
your data

Submit application



What next?

Thank you for submitting your application for a school place.

Please ensure that any additional evidence or information that is required by the school(s) you have expressed a preference for, for example, medical/baptism certificates or Supplementary Information Forms (SIF) is sent separately and by the relevant closing date.

Reminder - If you are moving to a new address and you want to use that address as your child's ordinarily resident address, you must email or post to us written evidence by the relevant closing date that you are legally committed to the move and that it will happen before the start of the school year you have applied for. The evidence must be either proof of exchange of contracts for your new address, or a signed letting/tenancy agreement confirming your new address. Please note that a sale memorandum, an unsigned tenancy agreement or a letter from your solicitor confirming exchange of contracts will take place soon will not be accepted. For children of UK service personnel or a crown servant family returning from overseas, we will offer places in adversor provided the application is accompanied by an official letter that declares a relocation date. Evidence of a future address may also be required. Or quartering address can be used if requested.

If you are unable to provide evidence of your move by the closing date you should still apply by the relevant closing date using your current address. You can then make a further application by completing a paper application (CAF1) once your plans have been confirmed. As long as we receive your further application and written evidence, as set out above, by Tuesday 3 January 2023 we will use your new address to allocate a school place.

You should email your evidence to admissions@suffolk.gov.uk or post to the Admissions Team, Endeavour House, 8 Russell Road, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP1 2BX. Please ensure that you include your child's name, date of birth and indicate the school you are applying for on any evidence or information you provide. If you send information through the post we strongly suggest you get proof of posting.

You have expressed preferences for the following schools in this order of priority:

Rank	School Name	Address
1	Benjamin Britten Academy of Music and Mathematics	Blyford Road, Lowestoft, Suffolk, NR32 4PZ

You will receive an email to your registered email address confirming submission (Please note: any dates shown on here are for illustrative purposes only)

School place admissions

Application for Jo Bloggs (date of birth 02/09/2020)

Your application has been successfully submitted. You will shortly receive a confirmation email listing your school preferences. If additional information, evidence or a Supplementary Information Form is required for these schools, you will need to supply them separately as per the guidance provided during the application process.

Preview your application Preview

You can make changes to this application until 15/01/2025 23:59. If you do make changes

es, you must resubmit the amended application for the changes to be considered.

Confirmation on Screen

What next?

You can return to the Citizen Portal and change your application up until midnight on the relevant closing date by clicking on the 'School Places' tile. IMPORTANT: Please ensure that you resubmit your application before midnight on the relevant closing date after making changes.





Actions

16/04/2025

 Change application (use this to make changes to a submitted application).

School place offer published here

- View application (use this to view a submitted application when you don't want to make any changes).
- Start new application (do not use this if you have already started an application).

Once you have submitted your application you can make changes by clicking on 'Change application'. Please ensure that you re-submit your application by midnight on the relevant closing date, even if you haven't made any changes.

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