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Guide to primary school admissions in Telford and Wrekin

2027/28



Apply online at: www.telford.gov.uk/admissions

Key dates for admission to reception and junior (Year 3) in September 2027

September 2026

The application window opens. Complete the application online at:
www.telford.gov.uk/admissions

You are advised to apply to four schools, including your catchment area/nearest school.

If you want to apply for a place at a voluntary aided (church) school, you must also complete and return the school's supplementary information form.

31 October 2026

Closing date for online applications for children with an Education, Health, and Care Plan (EHCP).

15 January 2027 – Application Closing Date

Make sure you have applied online by this date.

15 February 2027

Children with an Education, Health, and Care Plan (EHCP) will be informed of which school has been named in their plan.

16 April 2027 – Primary National Offer Day

You will be sent an email by the School Admissions Team informing you of the outcome of your application.

June/July 2027

Appeals heard by independent appeals panel.

September 2027

Children start primary school.



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Children start primary school at the beginning of the school year in which they become five years of age. A child born between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023 should start school in September 2027.

When to make your application

If your child is due to start reception in September 2027, you must complete and submit your application by **15 January 2027**.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) must apply by **31 October 2026**.

What you should do before you apply

Starting primary school is an important milestone in your child's life. It is essential that you carefully consider which schools to apply for.

Visiting schools can really help you make your decision and many schools offer open days or visits where you can meet staff, look around and get a feel for what everyday school life is like. This will help you decide which school might best suit your child.

You should consider how your child will get to and from

school. In most cases parents are responsible for their child's travel arrangements and any associated costs if you decide that you want your child to go to a school that is not your nearest or catchment area school. See page 40 for further information.

You should also look at:

- the school's website or prospectus (information about how the school operates).
- the school's most recent Ofsted inspection report (www.ofsted.gov.uk/reports).
- the school's performance results (www.education.gov.uk/schools/performance).

You should also consider the likelihood of being offered places at the schools you prefer. This booklet explains the application process and how school admission decisions are made.

How to apply

If you live in Telford and Wrekin, you must apply through the local authority even if you are applying for schools outside the borough. Apply online at www.telford.gov.uk/admissions. If you need help completing the application, please email admissions@telford.gov.uk

Once you have submitted your application, you will receive an automatic email confirmation. If you need to make any changes after you have applied, please contact admissions@telford.gov.uk

If you live outside of Telford and Wrekin and want to apply to a school in the borough you should apply via the local authority where you live. Contact details for nearby local authorities are provided on page 42.

You cannot list independent (private) schools on your application. Instead, you should apply directly to these schools. Applications

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to independent schools do not form part of the nationally coordinated admissions process.

The number of schools you can apply for

We strongly advise that you apply to four local primary schools. When listing preferences you should rank the schools in order of preference, with your most preferred school listed first.

This ranking will determine which school is offered if your child qualifies for admission at more than one of the schools you have applied to.

You must complete an application for a reception place, even if your child is already in the school's nursery

Children do not automatically move from a school's nursery class into its reception class. You must submit a separate application for a reception place. Attendance at a school's nursery does not give your child any priority, and there is no guarantee they will be offered a place at the

same school.

Twins and multiple birth children

If you have twins or multiple birth children, you will need to make a separate application for each child.

You must apply through your local authority, even if you have already completed a form at the school

Some voluntary aided (church) schools also require a supplementary information form. This is used to gather additional details so that the school can consider your application under its

faith-based criteria. These forms should be completed and returned directly to the respective schools. However, you must still submit your main application to your local authority.

Parental responsibility

Both parents with parental responsibility or those with legal responsibility for a child through a court order should jointly agree which schools they wish to apply to.

Where parents cannot agree, they should seek independent legal advice. The local authority cannot act as a mediator or arbitrator where parents are not in agreement.



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Your home address

You must apply using the address where your child normally lives as their main home. This must be the address of the parent or carer with parental responsibility or legal custody.

You cannot use the address of a relative, friend, childcare provider, workplace, or business. A relative's address can only be used if that person has legal responsibility for the child through a court order.

If your child lives at two addresses because of shared care arrangements, you should use the address where they live for most of the school week. If time is shared equally, use the address where Child Benefit is claimed.

We will check the address used on your application

against Council Tax records. We may ask you for additional evidence if we cannot verify your address. If an application is found to contain false or misleading information, it may be withdrawn.

Changing your address

If you move address before or after 15 January 2027, you must email the School Admissions Team at admissions@telford.gov.uk as soon as possible so your application can be updated.

You will be asked to provide evidence of your new address. A change of address may affect how your application is considered, and, depending on when you move, it may still be possible to change your school preferences after the closing date.

A change in your circumstances

If an older child transfers to another school after 15 January 2027 and this affects your younger child's school preferences, you should contact the School Admissions Team as soon as possible. Depending on when the transfer takes place, it may still be possible to change your younger child's school preferences.

If your child's medical circumstances change after 15 January 2027 and this means that a particular school is needed to meet their needs, you should contact the School Admissions Team. Depending on the circumstances, it may still be possible to review your child's application.

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Children of UK service personnel and crown servants

Families of UK service personnel and Crown servants may need to move at short notice because of a new posting or relocation. If you apply before moving, you must provide an official letter from the MOD, FCDO or GCHQ confirming your relocation date. We can then process your application before you move.

In these circumstances your application will be considered using the address of the service accommodation allocated to your family.

Applying after the closing date

Applications received after 15 January 2027 will be processed after all on-time applications have been considered. This means that many schools may already be full by the time a late application is considered. Applying after the closing date may therefore reduce your chances of being offered a place at one of your preferred schools.

How applications are considered

The School Admissions Team processes applications and coordinates offers for children living in Telford and Wrekin, including applications for schools outside the borough. This is part of the nationally coordinated admissions process, which ensures that applications are considered fairly and that each child receives only one school offer.

Each application is considered in line with the published admissions criteria for each school. If your child is eligible for more than one of your preferred schools, only one offer will be made. Your child will be offered the highest preference on your application for which they qualify under the school's admission criteria.

Making the decisions on applications

For voluntary aided schools, foundation schools and academies, the admission authority is the school's governing body or academy trust. They decide whether a place can be offered, using their published admission

arrangements. The School Admissions Team then coordinates the final offer.

You can find each school's admission arrangements and oversubscription criteria on the school's website or on the council's website.

If you apply for a school outside Telford and Wrekin, that school's admission authority will decide whether a place can be offered and will notify the School Admissions Team. Once all decisions have been received, the School Admissions Team will coordinate the final offer in line with the process explained above.

Published admission numbers

Details of how many children can be admitted to each school in Telford and Wrekin for the school year 2027/28 are shown on pages 32–44 of this guide.

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Oversubscription criteria for community and voluntary controlled schools in Telford and Wrekin

If a community or voluntary controlled school receives more applications than places available, it will not be possible to offer every child a place.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP), which names the school applied to, will be placed before all other applicants.

The remaining places will be filled in the priority order below:

1. Looked After Children

A 'looked after child' or a child who was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangements, or special guardianship order including those who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. A looked after child is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being

provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions (see the definition in Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989).

2. Children who live in the school's defined catchment area

If places are unavailable for all these local children, then places will be given first to:

a) Those children who have exceptional health reasons where there is written medical evidence that admission to the school is essential for their medical wellbeing. The information must confirm the exceptional medical reason and demonstrate how the specified school is the only school that can meet the defined needs of the child.

b) Those children who will have on the day of admission a brother(s), sister(s), stepbrother(s), stepsister(s), half-brother(s) or half-sister(s) living as a family at the same address and who attend the school.

c) Pupils in receipt of early years pupil premium or

pupil premium at the point of closing the application round.

d) Other children living in the school's catchment area.

3. Children from outside the school's defined catchment area

If places are unavailable for all children living outside of the catchment area, then places will be given first to:

a) Those children who have exceptional health reasons where there is written medical evidence that admission to the school is essential for their medical wellbeing. The information must confirm the exceptional medical reason and demonstrate how the specified school is the only school that can meet the defined needs of the child.

b) Those children who will have on the day of admission a brother(s), sister(s), stepbrother(s),

stepsister(s), half-brother(s) or half-sister(s) living as a family at the same address and who attend the school.

c) Pupils in receipt of early

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years pupil premium or pupil premium at the point of closing the application round.

d) Children whose parent/guardian is a member of staff who has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time of application or has been recruited to fill a vacancy for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

e) Other children living outside of the school's catchment area.

Tiebreaker

If there are more applicants than places available in any category, priority will be given to children who live closest to the school. Distance is measured in a straight line from the home address to the school using the Council's mapping system.

If two or more applicants live exactly the same distance from the school, priority will be decided by random allocation. This process will be independently verified to ensure that it is fair.

Catchment areas

It is strongly recommended that you include your catchment area school as one of your preferences. Children living in a school's catchment area may be given priority under that school's admission criteria.

Maps of school catchment areas are on pages 28–31. You can also use the council's online [catchment school finder](#) to determine which catchment area you live in.

Application outcomes

If you submit your application by the closing date of **15 January 2027**, you will receive your outcome by email from the School Admissions Team on 16 April 2027. The outcome email will confirm the school place offered and explain what to do next.

For children with an Education, Health and Care Plan, parents or carers will be notified on **15 February 2027** which school has been named in the plan.



Summary of reception offers for 2026/27

School name	Places available	Total on time preferences	Number of on time 1st preferences	Total number of places offered	Number of places offered to children living within the catchment area for the school	Number of places offered to children living outside the catchment area for the school	Home to school, straight line distance for last place offered (metres) For over-subscribed schools	Children allocated school as nearest alternative offer	No. of appeals heard	No. of successful appeals
Allscott Meads	20	63	33	20	20	0	854	0	7	1
Apley Wood	60	147	52	60	45	11	n/a	2	0	0
Aqueduct	30	60	33	30	14	16	857	0	0	0
Captain Webb	60	88	39	51	27	16	n/a	7	0	0
Church Aston Infant	20	64	14	17	6	11	n/a	0	0	0
Coalbrookdale and Ironbridge CofE	30	39	14	15	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	0	0
Crudgington	20	59	22	20	7	12	6651	0	2	0
Dawley CofE	30	77	16	20	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	0	0
Donnington Wood Infant	45	77	37	38	25	12	n/a	0	0	0
Dothill	60	139	56	60	26	32	n/a	1	0	0
Grange Park	60	123	65	60	25	34	1937	0	1	0
Hadley Learning Community - Primary Phase	90	163	77	85	48	35	1085	2	0	0
High Ercall	20	42	23	20	17	3	7112	0	0	0

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Hollinswood	45	61	40	43	26	15	n/a	1	0	0
Holmer Lake	30	63	21	21	9	12	n/a	0	0	0
John Fletcher of Madeley	30	86	24	24	4	19	n/a	0	0	0
John Randall	30	65	26	27	17	10	n/a	0	0	0
Ladygrove	60	154	52	60	10	49	2470	0	0	0
Lantern	15	19	11	14	9	3	n/a	1	0	0
Lawley Primary	60	170	47	60	21	33	n/a	3	0	0
Lawley Village	60	206	65	60	30	30	366	0	1	0
Lightmoor Village	30	90	45	30	30	0	487	0	5	1
Lilleshall	30	96	36	30	8	22	3124	0	0	0
Meadows	60	91	43	52	26	22	n/a	2	0	0
Millbrook	60	99	49	50	32	18	n/a	0	0	0
Moorfield	30	120	42	30	13	17	1278	0	0	0
Muxton	60	83	45	46	20	25	n/a	0	0	0

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Newdale	60	195	89	60	60	0	580	0	8	0
Newport Infant	60	99	47	50	41	8	n/a	0	0	0
Old Park	80	93	58	61	39	21	n/a	1	0	0
Priorslee	60	157	40	57	18	36	n/a	1	0	0
Randlay	45	68	26	31	15	12	n/a	3	0	0
Redhill	60	240	105	60	57	0	592	n/a	tbc	tbc
Short Wood	70	112	63	65	48	16	n/a	1	0	0
Sir Alexander Fleming	45	59	39	39	25	11	n/a	n/a	0	0
St George's CofE	75	210	89	75	55	20	4388	0	3	0
St Lawrence CofE	15	32	10	13	3	10	n/a	0	0	0
St Luke's Catholic	20	48	18	20	n/a	n/a	1858	n/a	0	0
St Mary's Catholic	30	43	13	13	n/a	n/a	0	n/a	0	0
St Matthew's CofE	40	62	29	31	22	7	n/a	2	0	0
St Patrick's Catholic	30	75	28	30	n/a	n/a	0	n/a	0	0

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St Peter and St Paul Catholic	30	39	22	23	n/a	n/a	0	n/a	0	0
St Peter's (Bratton) CofE	60	75	32	40	22	12	n/a	5	0	0
St Peter's (Edgmond) CofE	30	56	27	29	6	22	n/a	n/a	0	0
Teagues Bridge	40	53	30	30	18	12	2238	0	2	0
Thomas Telford Primary	60	212	62	60	48	12	2708	0	tbc	tbc
Tibberton CofE	25	29	19	19	8	11	n/a	0	0	0
William Reynolds	60	98	52	55	40	12	n/a	2	0	0
Windmill	60	75	44	45	27	17	n/a	1	0	0
Wombridge	45	83	27	32	10	21	n/a	1	0	0
Woodlands	60	83	44	45	13	30	n/a	1	0	0
Wrekin View	60	145	62	60	39	18	1909	0	3	1
Wrockwardine Wood Infant	45	89	37	37	14	23	n/a	0	0	0

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Accepting the school place offered

If you are happy with the school place you have been offered, you do not need to do anything. The school will contact you with further information about starting school in September.

If you do not have an offer at any of the schools you have applied for

If we cannot offer your child a place at any of the schools you applied for, your child will still be allocated a school place. This will be at your catchment school or the nearest school to your home address with a vacancy, after all applications have been considered.

If your child is not offered a place at any of the preferred schools on your application, they will automatically be added to the waiting list for those schools. The outcome email will explain how to ask for your child to be added to the waiting lists of other schools and how to appeal.

School waiting lists

After National Offer Day, parents can ask for their child to be added to the waiting list for schools where a place has not been offered. Waiting lists are ranked using each school's oversubscription criteria. This means that a child's position on a waiting list can go down if other children are added who have a higher priority under the school's admission criteria.

For voluntary aided schools, foundation schools and academies, you will need to contact the school directly to check how their waiting list operates. Schools outside Telford and Wrekin may manage waiting lists differently, so you should check with the relevant admission authority.

How to appeal against a decision not to offer a place

If your child has not been offered a place at one or more of the schools listed on your application, you have the right to appeal. For most primary schools in Telford and Wrekin, you can submit an appeal through the council's website. Further information about

the appeal process is also available here.

Infant class sizes

The law limits Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 classes to 30 children per teacher. Only in very limited circumstances can a child be admitted over this limit. This does not remove your right of appeal, but it does mean that the grounds for a successful appeal are limited.

Appeal timetable

Appeals are normally heard within 40 school days of the appeal deadline and before children start reception in September.

The independent appeal panel

Your appeal will be heard by an independent panel of three people with experience or knowledge of education. None of the panel members will have any connection with the school or the admission authority. The panel is supported by an independent clerk, who will contact you to confirm the date, time and venue of the hearing and explain how you can attend.

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The appeal panel's decision is final and is binding on both you and the local authority.

Deferring entry to the reception year

Children are normally admitted to Reception in September, at the start of the school year following their fourth birthday. Your child will usually benefit from starting at the same time as other children of the same age.

Primary schools in Telford and Wrekin can usually meet individual needs by making appropriate adjustments to the curriculum. However, if you feel that there are particular reasons why your child should not start Reception in September, you can ask for your child's entry to be deferred until later in the same school year.

You should first discuss this with the headteacher or manager of your child's current nursery or playgroup and then with the headteacher of the school(s) you would like your child to attend.

Where a place is deferred it cannot be given to another child but your child must enter school by the start of the

summer term of the school year for which your child was offered a place.

You can also request that your child attends reception part-time from September until the latest date that entry can be deferred. You should not request to defer your child's admission to one school because you are awaiting a place at another.

The latest point that your child's entry can be deferred depends on when your child was born:

Your child was born between: **September 2022 – December 2022** the point until which entry can be deferred to **January 2028** (Start of the spring term)

Your child was born between: **January 2023 – August 2023** the point until which entry can be deferred to **April 2028** (Start of summer term)

Delaying entry to the reception year

Parents of children born between April and August 2023 may request that their child starts reception in September 2028 instead of in the normal year of

entry. Parents may wish to consider this, for example, where a child has missed a significant amount of education due to ill health, or was born prematurely and would otherwise have been educated outside their normal year group.

If you wish to request delayed entry to reception, please read the delayed entry policy and complete and return the request form to admissions@telford.gov.uk by 31 December 2026, setting out the reasons for your request and including any supporting information from an appropriate education or health professional.

Your request will be considered by the admission authority for the school. If it is agreed that your child should be admitted outside their normal age group, this does not guarantee that a place will be available at one of your preferred schools in the following year.

Further information regarding delayed and deferred entry is available on [our website](#).

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Frequently asked questions



Q. Is my child guaranteed a place at one of their four preferred schools?

Most families will be offered a place at one of their four preferred schools; however, this cannot be guaranteed. Unfortunately, it is not always possible for everyone to get a place at their most preferred school.

When a school receives more applications than the number of places available, not all children can be admitted. Therefore, it is important that you fully consider the likelihood of your child getting a place at a preferred school before you make your application.

Q. What happens if I only apply to one school?

Your child will not gain any additional priority by applying to only one school. Applying to multiple schools does not reduce the likelihood of being offered a place at your most preferred school.

If it is not possible to offer a place at any of the schools listed on your application, a place will be allocated at your catchment or nearest school with a place available once all applications have been considered.

The schools you may have considered as second, third or fourth preference may have filled their places. To increase the likelihood of your child getting a place at one of your preferred schools we strongly advise that you list four local primary school preferences including your catchment

area or nearest school.

Q. Is my child more likely to be offered a place at my first preference school?

Applications for each school are considered in line with the school's admissions criteria without regard to whether it is the first, second, third or fourth preference school. However, if your child qualifies for a place at more than one school, the order in which you listed your preferences on your application form will determine the school you are offered.

This school will be the highest listed preference at which an offer can be made. Your application for schools listed as lower preferences will no longer be considered. This is why it is important to list the schools you are applying to in order of preference on the

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application form.

Q. If my child is already in the school's nursery class, is there an automatic right to a place in the school's reception class?

No. When parents apply for their children to start reception, no priority is given to children that attend the nursery of the school.

The decision on whether a place can be offered will be made in accordance with the school's admission criteria.

The admissions criteria used for community and voluntary controlled schools in Telford and Wrekin is explained on page 8.

Q. Do all schools have catchment areas?

All community, voluntary controlled and foundation schools and most academies in Telford and Wrekin have a defined catchment area and give priority to local children that live within the catchment area for the school.

Most voluntary aided schools in the borough do not use catchment areas in their admissions criteria. Generally, these are faith schools and give priority to children of a particular faith. Schools outside of Telford and Wrekin may or may not use catchment areas and you are advised to check how places are offered if you are interested in applying for a place at one or more of these schools.

Q. Is my child guaranteed a place at my preferred school if my neighbours children go to that school?

No. The number of applications a school receives each year varies, along with factors such as where families live and the number of children with older siblings that attend the school.

You can use the information on pages 10-13 to see how places were offered last year. This will give you an indication of the likelihood of being offered a place, but it cannot be guaranteed that your child will be offered a place at your preferred school even if they would have been offered a place in previous years.



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Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan

If your child has an Education, Health and Care Plan you must apply online at www.telford.gov.uk/admissions by 31 October 2026.

You can make preferences for mainstream and/or special schools. Information on all schools in Telford and Wrekin and the way in which we support special educational needs and disability can be found in the SEND Local Offer at www.telfordsend.org.uk

The local authority is committed to inclusion and will endeavour to support children in mainstream schools wherever possible and appropriate. Most children who attend a mainstream nursery setting will transfer to a mainstream primary school. If your child currently attends a mainstream nursery, it is important that where your first preference is

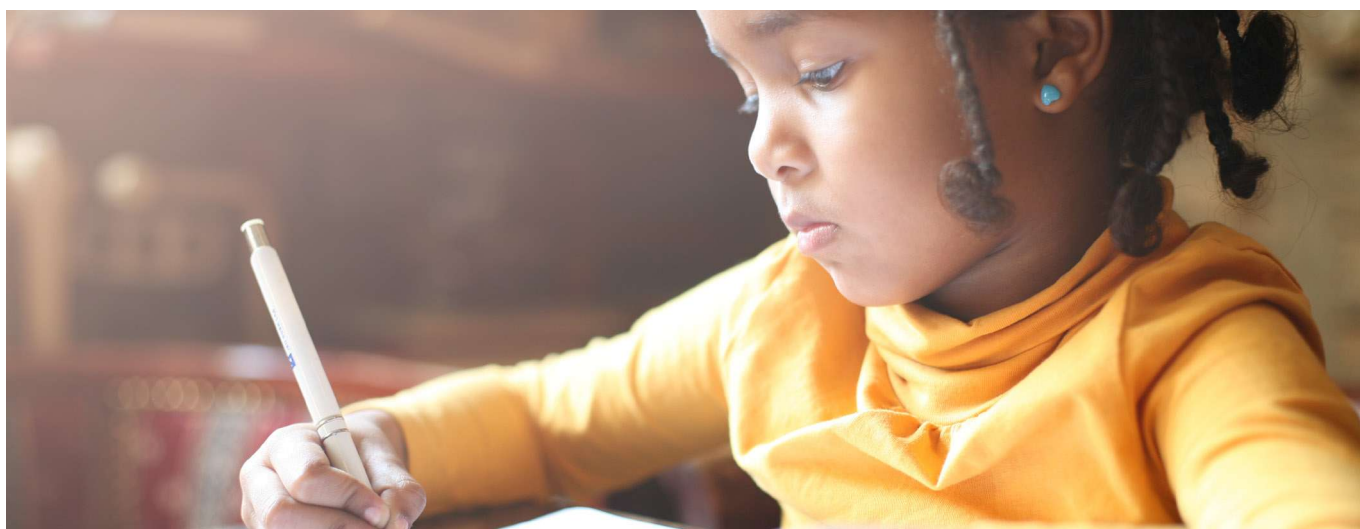
a special primary school then you also provide a mainstream primary school for your second and third preferences. This is to increase your chances of being allocated a school that you have considered.

You will want to carefully consider the views of your child's current school or setting and other professionals who work with your child when making a preference.

If your preference is for a special school placement this should have been discussed at your child's most recent Annual Review meeting with input from relevant professionals where appropriate

The annual review report must have been sent to the local authority's SEND Team by the school, and it must clearly provide evidence that your child's SEND needs are such that the preferred special school is suitable. The number of places in special schools are limited, which means that it may not always be possible to allocate your child a place at your preferred school.

In the circumstances that the local authority does not consider that a special school is suitable, where you have not included a mainstream school in your second or third preferences, the local authority will consult with the closest



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appropriate mainstream school to your home address to secure a placement.

If your child currently attends a specialist early years setting and your preference is to transfer to a specialist placement then you must still apply for a place.

The local authority must comply with your preference for a maintained school unless:

- The school is unsuitable to the child's age, ability, aptitude or SEN, or
- The placement would be incompatible with the efficient education of the other children with whom your child would be educated, or
- The placement would be incompatible with the efficient use of resources

You may also make representations to the local authority for a place in an independent or non-maintained school. The local authority is required to consider that preference alongside maintained school options.

You will need to contact the SEND Team directly on sendandinclusion@telford.gov.uk to give a preference for an independent or non-maintained school.

School places are allocated in accordance with the Education Act 1996 and the Children and Families Act 2014. Decisions about placements for children with EHCPs are made after considering the child's special educational needs, parental preference and the formal view of the schools requested.

The local authority is required to amend your child's EHC Plan by 15 February 2027 and name the primary school your child will be attending from September 2027.

If you do not apply for a place online, we will:

- Consider all information available, such as the most recent Annual Review and current EHC Plan.
- Proceed to consult with the closest appropriate school setting in order to secure a placement.

It is therefore important that you apply on time to express a preference of a named school for your child.

If we cannot offer a place at your preferred school, you will have the right of appeal to the Special Educational Needs and Disability Tribunal (SENDIST).

If you would like advice and support in your decision-making Telford and Wrekin SENDIASS (Information, Advice and Support Service) www.telfordsendiass.org.uk can provide comprehensive, quality, and impartial advice to parents of young people and children with special educational needs.

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Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan

Policy for inclusive education

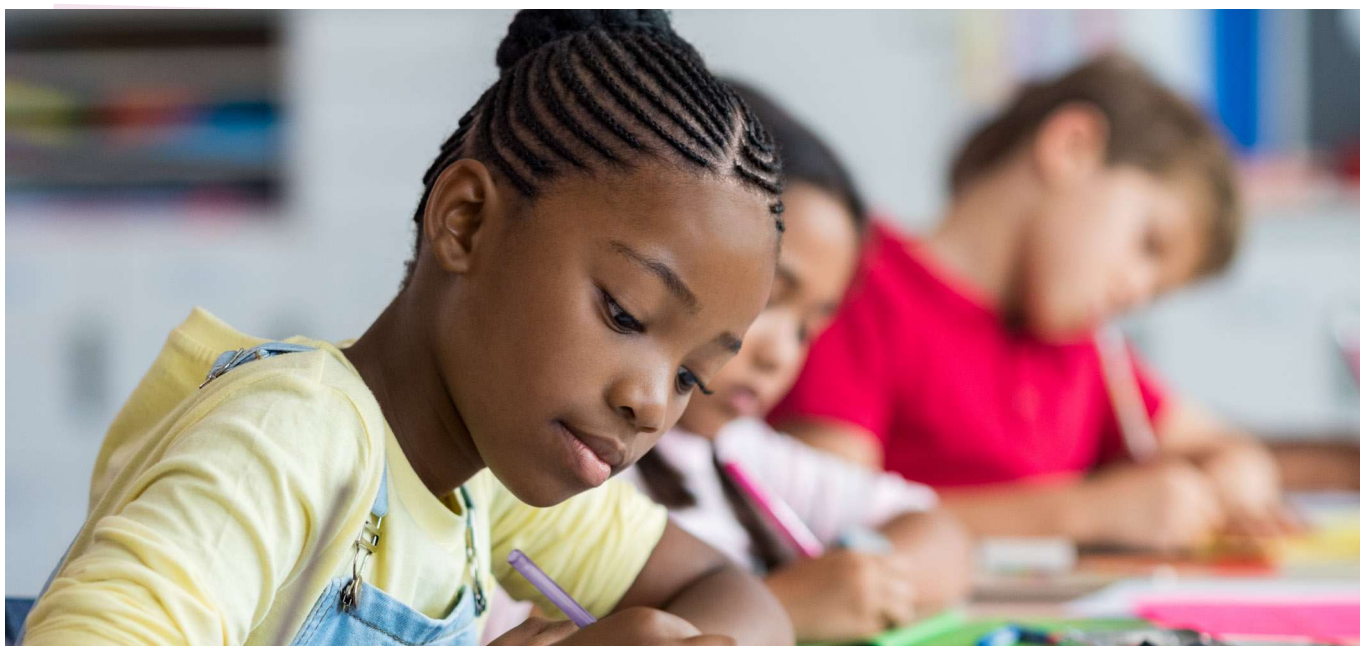
Telford & Wrekin Council promotes an inclusive approach to education which enables all children to have their educational needs met within their local school wherever possible.

The Council believes that inclusive education is an effective way to combat discriminatory attitudes and contribute towards the creation of welcoming and inclusive communities.

The view of inclusive education is based on the principle of Entitlement.

Telford & Wrekin Council believes that all children and young people are entitled to:

- Have equality of opportunity and access to education.
- Learn, participate, and form friendships with their peers within their local community.
- Have their skills developed, and their abilities nurtured to enable them to maximise their potential and attainment and to enhance self-esteem.
- Have any special educational needs identified as early as possible.
- Receive professional support, advice, and resources to meet identified needs.
- Be treated with respect and have their views and opinions considered.



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Haughton School – complex learning needs

Contact telephone number: 01952 387540

Address: Queen Street, Madeley, Telford, TF7 4BW

Website: www.haughtonschool.co.uk

Age Range (mainly): 5-11

Linden Primary Specialist School – social, emotional and mental health

Contact telephone number: 01952 385601

Address: The Carpenter Family Centre, Oak Road, Overdale, Telford TF3 5BT

Website: www.lindencentre.co.uk

Age Range (mainly): 5-11

The Bridge School – severe learning difficulties

Contact telephone number: 01952 387108

Address: Hadley Learning Community, Waterloo Road, Hadley, Telford TF1 5NQ

Website: www.thebridgeschool.co.uk

Age Range (mainly): 5-16

Haughton Hub @ Hollinswood Primary School

Address: Dale Acre Way, Telford TF3 2EP

Website: [SEND - Local Offer \(www.telfordsend.org.uk\)](http://SEND - Local Offer (www.telfordsend.org.uk))

Hub age : Key stage 1 & 2

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Haughton Hub @ Millbrook Primary School

Address: Grainger Drive, Leegomery, Telford TF1 6UJ

Website: [SEND - Local offer \(www.telfordsend.org.uk\)](http://www.telfordsend.org.uk)

Hub age : Key stage 2

Haughton Hub @ Old Park Primary School

Address: Brunel Road, Malinslee, Telford, TF3 2BF

Website: [SEND - Local Offer \(www.telfordsend.org.uk\)](http://www.telfordsend.org.uk)

Hub age: Key stage 2

Newport Infant Specialist Resource Base

Contact telephone number: 01952 386610

Address: Granville Avenue, Newport TF10 7DX

Website: specialist provision hubs - SEND - local offer www.telfordsend.org.uk

Age Range (mainly): 5-7yrs



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Newport Junior Specialist Resource Base

Contact telephone number: 01952 386600

Address: 20 Avenue Road, Newport TF10 7EA

Website: specialist provision hubs - SEND - local offer www.telfordsend.org.uk

Age Range (mainly): 7-11yrs

John Fletcher of Madeley Specialist Resource Hub

Contact telephone number: 01952 388188

Address: Upper Road, Telford TF7 5DL

Website: Specialist provision hubs - SEND - local offer www.telfordsend.org.uk

Age Range (mainly): 5-7yrs

Admission criteria for each school can be found on their websites.

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Transferring from infant to junior school

When your child is in a Year 2 class in an infant school, you must apply for your child's Year 3 place, even if this is for a place at the linked junior school. You must submit your application by **15 January 2027**.

Children at infant schools in the Borough will normally transfer to their linked junior school at the age of seven, but you must apply for a junior school place. We treat the following as linked schools:

- Donnington Wood Infant and Junior Schools.
- Newport Infant and Junior Schools.
- Wrockwardine Wood Infant and Junior Schools.

Church Aston Infant School does not have a linked Junior School. Many parents of Year

2 pupils choose to apply to Moorfield Primary School.

Moorfield has 17 additional places in Year 3. Please refer to the school's admission criteria on page 8 to see how places are allocated.

How to apply

Submit your application online at www.telford.gov.uk/admissions and include the name of the junior school you want your child to attend. In most cases, this will be your child's linked junior school.

Once you have submitted your application you will receive an automatic email confirmation. You can make changes to your application up until the closing date of 15 January 2027.

If you live outside of Telford and Wrekin, you should apply

via the local authority where you live. Contact details for nearby local authorities are provided on page 42.

For all Year 3 places at community junior schools, we use the admission criteria listed on page 8 in priority order to decide which children should be offered places. For Donnington Wood Junior School, Newport Junior School, and Wrockwardine Wood Junior School there is an additional criterion which is applied before the consideration of children living in the catchment area of the school- this is children who are on roll at the linked infant school.

The School Admissions Team will offer places based on the admissions criteria for each school and will notify you of the outcome of your application on **16 April 2027**.



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In-year admissions



An in-year admission is when a child starts or changes primary school at a time other than the normal point of entry in reception. This is often because a child has moved into Telford and Wrekin from another part of the UK or from overseas.

How to apply

To apply for in-year admission to a primary school in Telford and Wrekin, complete the online application at www.telford.gov.uk/admissions. This includes families who live outside of the borough and want to apply for a place at a school in Telford and Wrekin.

If you want to apply for a school outside Telford and Wrekin, you will need to apply either to the relevant local authority or directly to the school. Contact details for nearby local authorities are provided on page 43.

Application outcomes

The School Admissions Team will normally notify you of the outcome within 15 school days of receiving an in-year application. If a place is offered, your child should start school as soon as possible. If your application is refused, you will be told how to appeal against the decision.

Unplaced children

Where a child does not have a school place because you have recently moved to Telford and Wrekin and it is

not possible to offer a place at one of your preferred schools, your outcome letter will tell you which local schools have places available.

You should let the School Admissions Team know which of those schools you would like your child to attend so that a place can be secured as quickly as possible.

If no suitable school place is available your child may be referred for placement in accordance with the Fair Access Protocol.

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Telford and Wrekin Fair Access Protocol

All schools and academies in Telford and Wrekin participate in the Fair Access Protocol. The protocol sets out how applications are managed where families move into the borough and a local school place cannot be secured through the usual admissions process.

The Fair Access Panel meets every three to four weeks during term time to ensure that children do not face long delays in accessing education. The panel will take into account where you live, the schools you have applied for and which school is best

placed to accommodate an additional child. This may mean that a place cannot be offered at one of your preferred schools.

The protocol also provides access to alternative education for children whose circumstances make it difficult to place them in a mainstream school.

Transferring to another school

You may wish your child to transfer from one primary school in Telford and Wrekin to another. If you are considering this, you should first discuss the situation with the headteacher of your

child's current school before making an application.

It is not always possible for a child to transfer if the preferred school is already full or if there are more applicants than places available at the time of application. Your child must continue to attend their current school while you are awaiting a transfer.

If there is no place available at the school or schools you have applied for, you can ask for your child to be placed on the waiting list. Waiting lists are held in accordance with the school's admission criteria.

If you want your child to remain on a waiting list for a new academic year, you will need to reapply during the summer holidays each year.

Children transfer to secondary school in the September after they reach the age of 11.

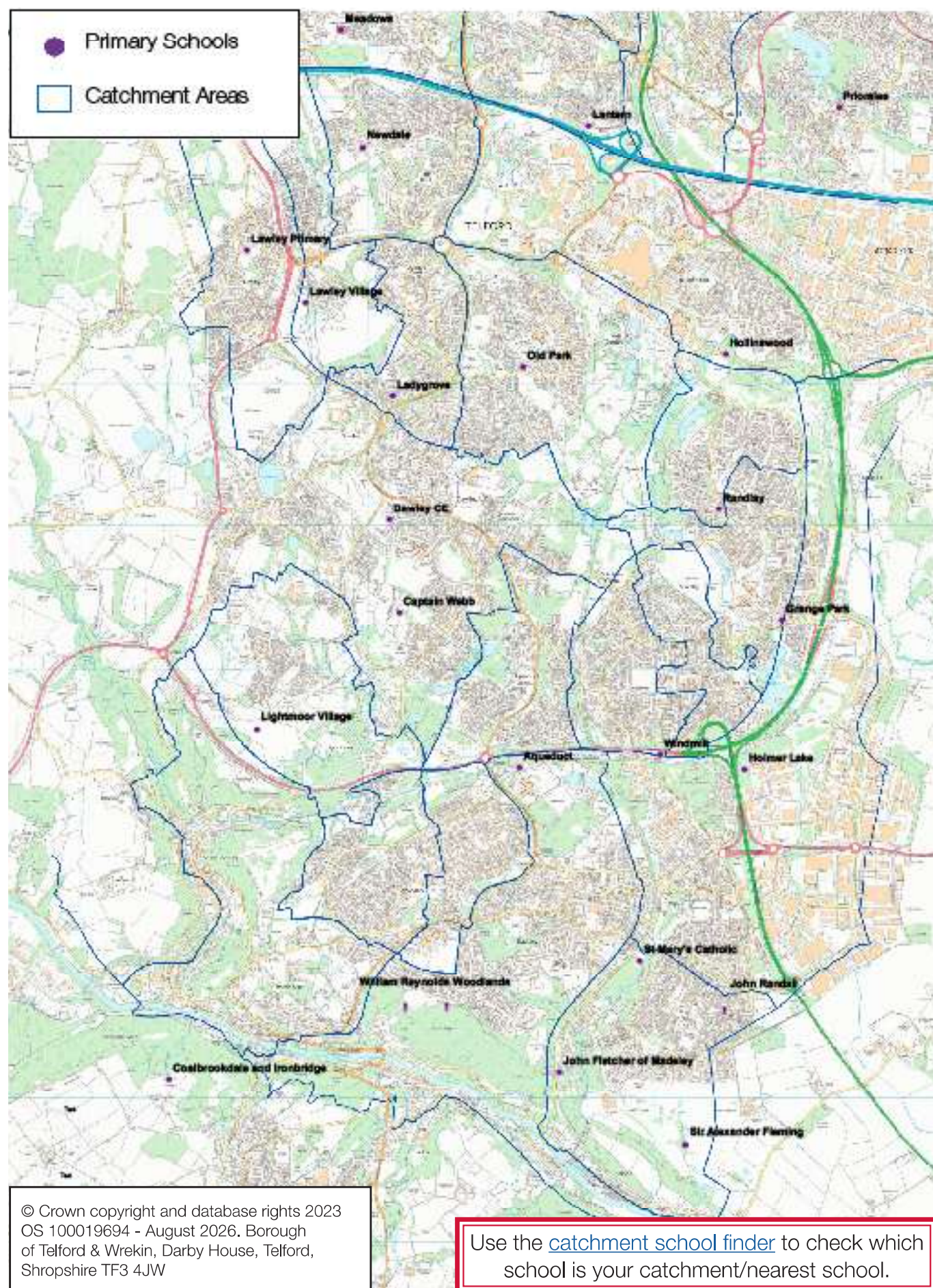


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Catchment area map: South Telford

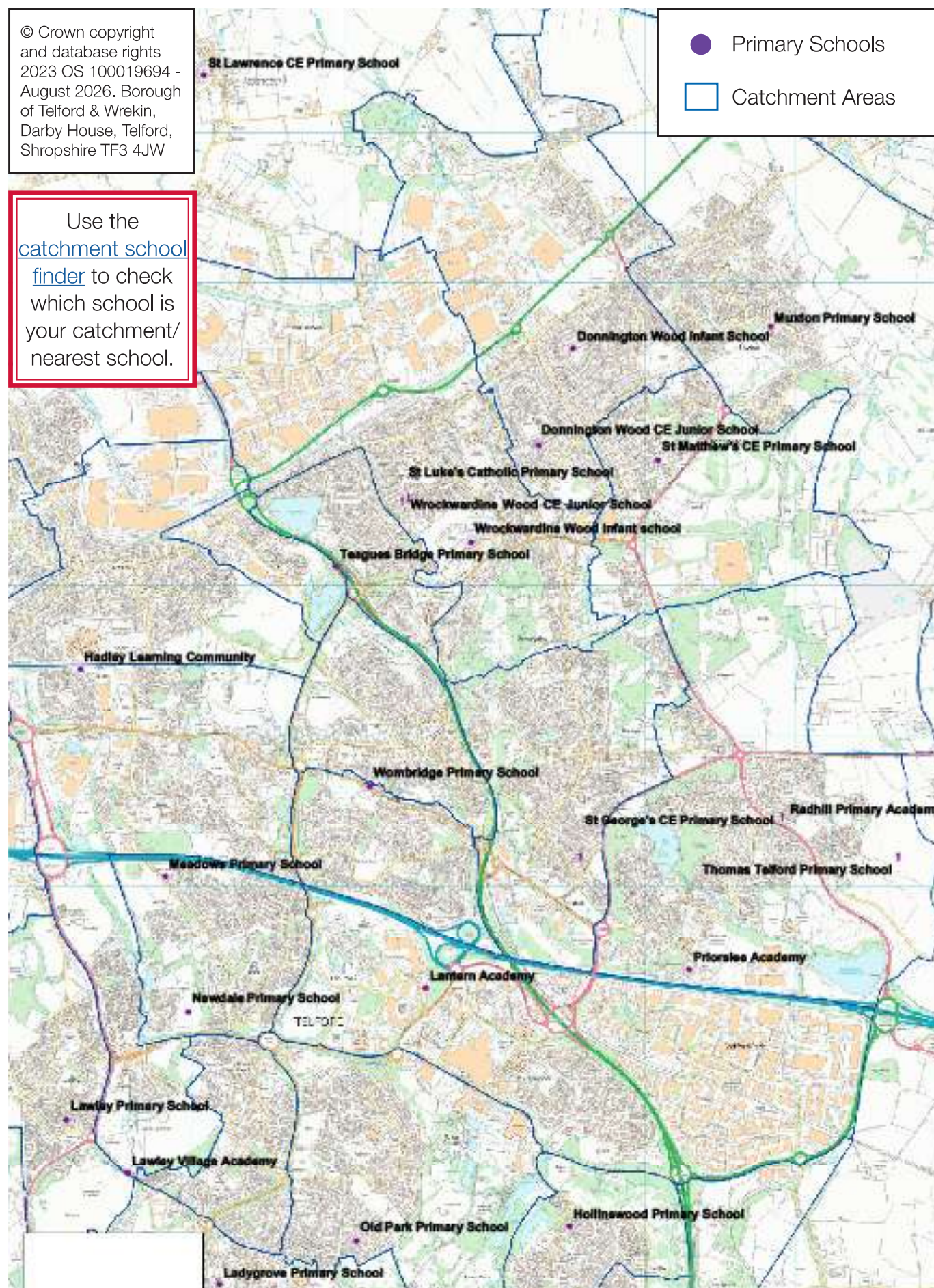


Catchment area map: North Telford

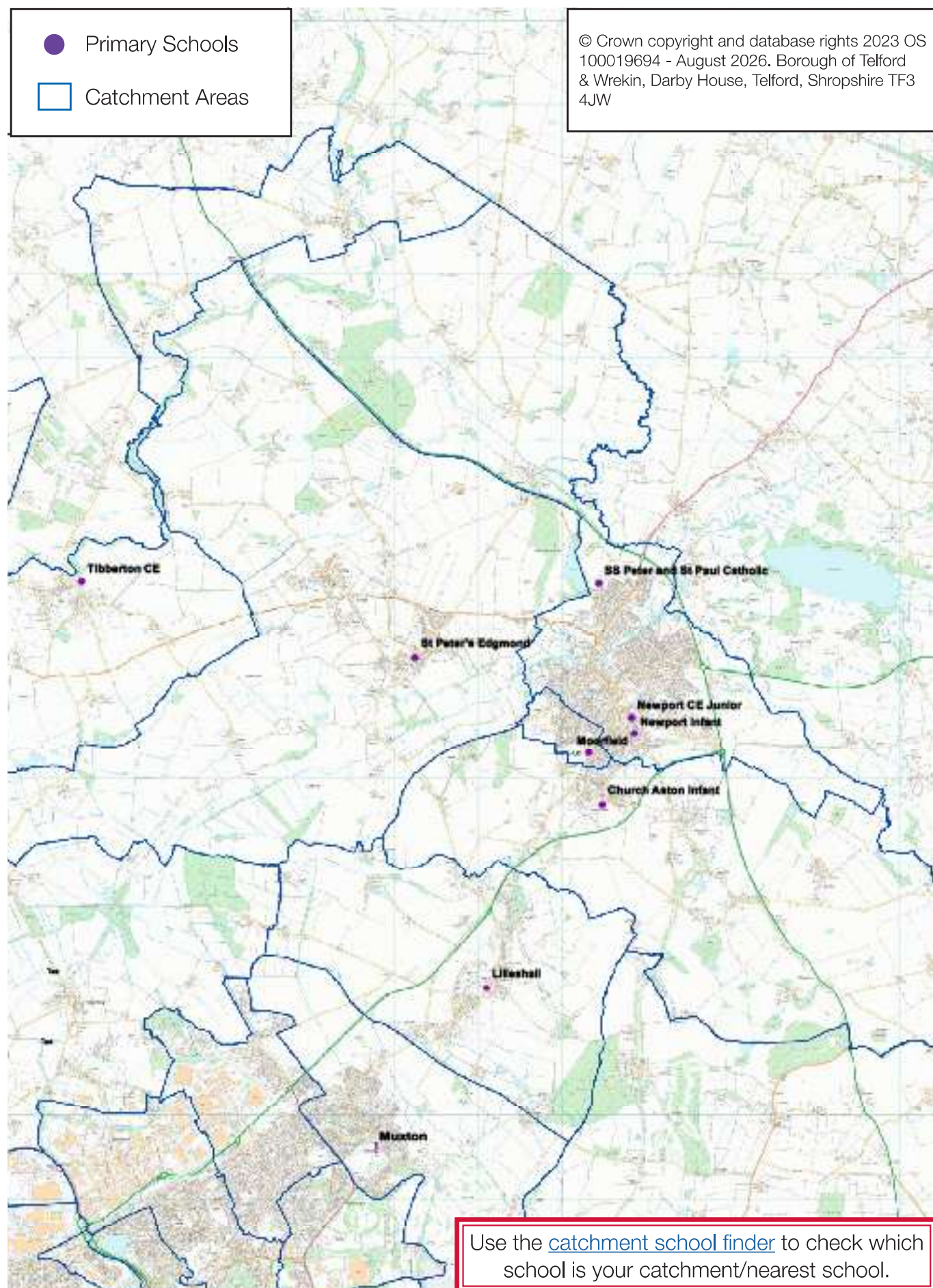
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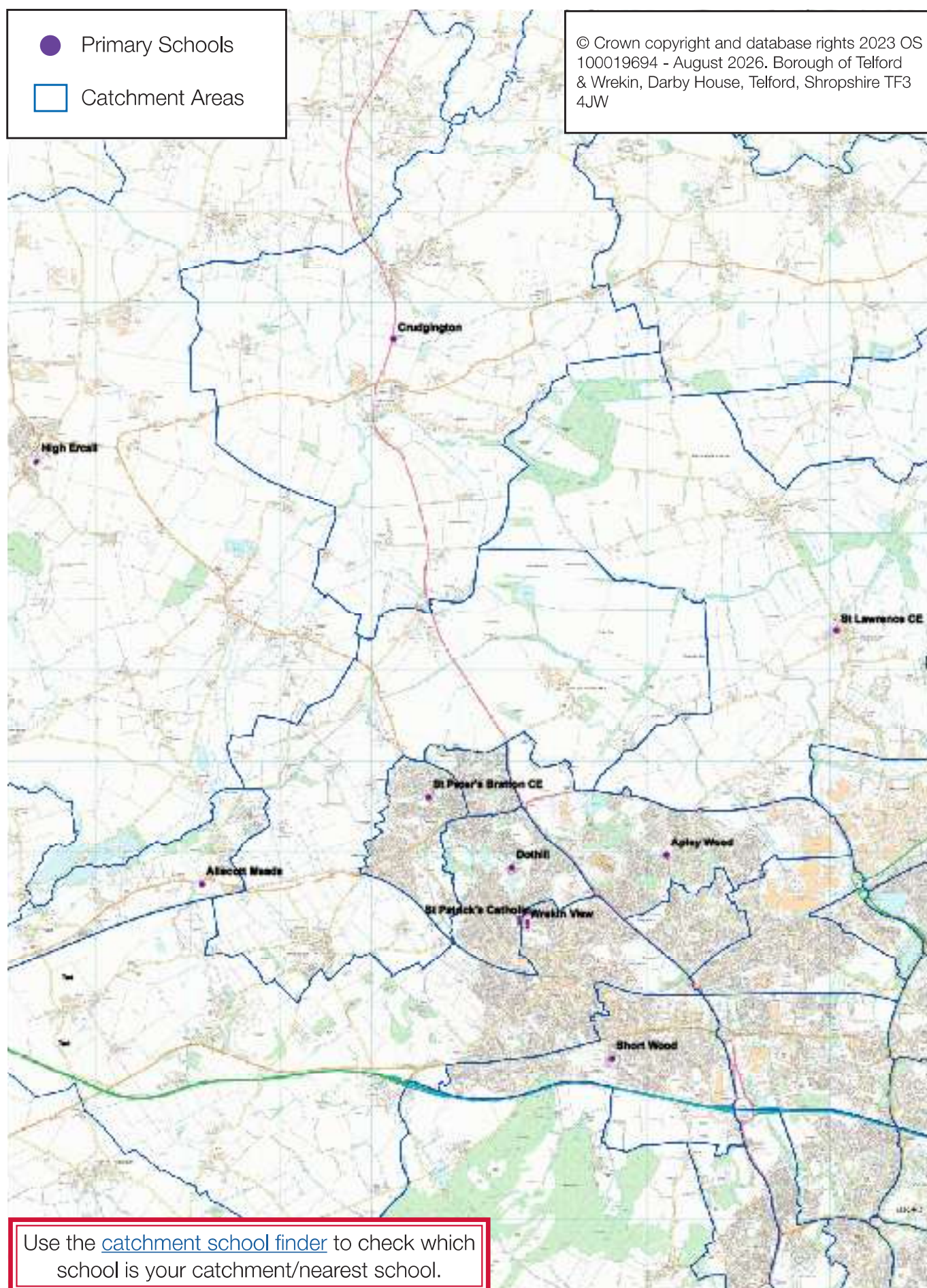
- Primary Schools
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Catchment area map: Newport



Catchment area map: Wellington



Primary school details

School name and address	Contact details	Age range	Published admission number (PAN)	Admission arrangements
Allscott Meads Primary (Academy) Aldescote Way Telford TF6 5FA	www.allscottmeads.lct.education 01952 385140	3-11	20	Please click here
Apley Wood Primary Academy Pool Farm Avenue, Apley, Telford TF1 6FQ	www.apleywoodprimaryschool.org.uk 01952 980190	4-11	60	Please click here
Aqueduct Primary Academy Castlefields Way, Telford TF4 3RP	www.aqueductprimary.co.uk 01952 984980	5-11	40	Please click here
Captain Webb Primary School (Community School) Webb Crescent, Dawley, Telford TF4 3DU	www.captainwebbprimary.org 01952 386770	2-11	60	Please click here
Church Aston Infant School (Community School) Church Aston, Newport TF10 9JN	www.churchastoninfantschool.co.uk 01952 386390	5-7	20	Please click here
Coalbrookdale and Ironbridge CE Primary School (Voluntary Aided School) 6 Dale Road, Coalbrookdale, Telford TF8 7DS	www.coalbrookdaleschool.org.uk 01952 386620	5-11	30	Please click here
Crudgington Primary School (Academy) Crudgington, Telford TF6 6JF	www.crudgington.lct.education 01952 951403	4-11	20	Please click here
Dawley C of E Primary Academy Doseley Road North, Dawley, Telford TF4 3AL	www.dawley.academy 01952 386280	3-11	30	Please click here

School name and address	Contact details	Age range	Published admission number (PAN)	Admission arrangements
Donnington Wood Infant School and Nursery Centre (Community School) Baldwin Webb Avenue, Donnington, Telford TF2 8EP	www.donningtonwoodinfants.co.uk 01952 386640	2-7	60	Please click here
Dothill Primary School (Foundation School) Severn Drive, Wellington, Telford TF1 3JB	www.dothillprimaryschool.co.uk 01952 386870	5-11	60	Please click here
Grange Park Primary School (Academy) Grange Avenue, Stirchley, Telford TF3 1FA	www.grangeparkprimaryschool.co.uk 01952 387490	3-11	60	Please click here
Hadley Learning Community – Primary Phase (Academy) Crescent Road, Hadley, Telford TF1 5JU	https://hadleylearningcommunity.org.uk/primary/ 01952 951406	3-11	90	Please click here
High Ercall Primary School (Foundation School) Church Road, High Ercall, Telford TF2 6AF	www.highercallprimary.co.uk 01952 387570	4-11	20	Please click here
Hollinswood Primary School (Community School) Dale Acre Way, Hollinswood, Telford TF3 2EP	www.hollinswoodprimary.co.uk 01952 386920	3-11	60	Please click here
Holmer Lake Primary School (Community School) Brookside, Telford TF3 1LD	www.holmerlakeprimary.org 01952 387580	4-11	40	Please click here
John Fletcher of Madeley Primary School (Voluntary Controlled School) Upper Road, Madeley, Telford TF7 5DL	https://johnfletcherofmadeley.co.uk/ 01952 388188	4-11	60	Please click here

School name and address	Contact details	Age range	Published admission number (PAN)	Admission arrangements
John Randall Primary School (Community School) Queen Street, Madeley, Telford TF7 4DR	www.johnrandallprimary.co.uk 01952 388390	3-11	30	Please click here
Ladygrove Primary School (Community School) Old Office Road, Dawley, Telford TF4 2LF	www.ladygroveprimary.co.uk 01952 388370	3-11	60	Please click here
Lantern Academy Yates Way, Ketley Bank, Telford TF2 0AZ	www.lantern.lct.education 01952 386961	3-11	20	Please click here
Lawley Primary School (Community School) Arleston Lane, Lawley, Telford TF4 2PR	www.lawleyprimary.co.uk 01952 388410	5-11	60	Please click here
Lawley Village Academy (Academy) Bryce Way, Lawley, Telford TF4 2SG	www.lawleyvillageacademy.co.uk 01952 951200	5-11	60	Please click here
Lightmoor Village Primary School (Community School) Lightmoor Way, Lightmoor Village, Telford TF4 3EG	www.lightmoorvillageprimary.co.uk 01952 387620	5-11	30	Please click here
Lilleshall Primary School (Community School) Limekiln Lane, Lilleshall, Newport TF10 9EY	www.lilleshallprimaryschool.co.uk 01952 388430	5-11	30	Please click here
Meadows Primary School (Academy) Riddings Close, Ketley, Telford TF1 5HF	www.meadowsprimaryschool.co.uk 01952 386230	4-11	60	Please click here
Millbrook Primary School (Academy) Grainger Drive, Leegomery, Telford TF1 6UJ	www.millbrookprimary.org.uk 01952 387640	3-11	60	Please click here

School name and address	Contact details	Age range	Published admission number (PAN)	Admission arrangements
Moorfield Primary School (Foundation School) Wellington Road, Newport TF10 7QU	www.moorfieldprimaryschool.co.uk 01952 386470	5-11	30	Please click here
Muxton Primary School (Community School) Marshbrook Way, Muxton, Telford TF2 8SA	www.muxtonprimary.org.uk 01952 327007	5-11	60	Please click here
Newdale Primary School and Nursery (Community School) Marlborough Way, Newdale, Telford TF3 5HA	www.newdaleschool.org.uk 01952 387720	2-11	60	Please click here
Newport Infant School (Community School) Granville Ave, Newport TF10 7DX	www.newportinfants.co.uk 01952 386610	5-7	90	Please click here
Old Park Primary School (Community School) Brunel Road, Malinslee, Telford TF3 2BF	www.oldparkprimary.co.uk 01952 387250	2-11	80	Please click here
Priorslee Academy Priorslee Avenue, Telford TF2 9RS	www.priorsleepprimaryacademy.com 01952 387927	3-11	60	Please click here
Randlay Primary School (Community School) Randlay, Telford TF3 2LR	www.randlayprimaryschool.co.uk 01952 327160	3-11	50	Please click here
Redhill Primary Academy Gatcombe Way, Priorslee, Telford TF2 9GZ	https://redhill.ttsonline.net/ 01952 327170	3-11	60	Please click here
Short Wood Primary School (Academy) Limekiln Lane, Wellington, Telford TF1 2JA	www.shortwoodprimaryschool.com/ 01952 387360	3-11	70	Please click here

School name and address	Contact details	Age range	Published admission number (PAN)	Admission arrangements
Sir Alexander Fleming Primary School (Community School) 109 Southgate, Sutton Hill, Telford TF7 4HG	www.siralexanderflemingprimaryschool.org.uk 01952 327820	3-11	60	Please click here
St George's Church of England Primary School (Voluntary Controlled School) London Rd, St George's, Telford TF2 9LJ	https://www.stgeorgesschool.org.uk/ 01952 387750	3-11	75	Please click here
St Lawrence Church of England Voluntary Controlled Primary School (Academy), Preston on the Weald Moors, Telford TF6 6DH	www.stlawrencecofe.org.uk 01952 3877800	5-11	15	Please click here
St Luke's Catholic Primary School (Voluntary Aided School) Church Rd, Trench, Telford TF2 7HG	www.stlukescatholicprimary.org.uk 01952 388222	5-11	20	Please click here
St Mary's Catholic Primary School (Voluntary Aided School) Coronation Crescent, Madeley, Telford TF7 5EJ	www.stmaryscatholicprimarytelford.co.uk/ 01952 388255	4-11	30	Please click here
St Matthew's Church of England Aided Primary School and Nursery Centre (Voluntary Aided School) Church Road, Donnington Wood, Telford TF2 7PZ	www.stmatthewscofe.com 01952 386260	3-11	40	Please click here
St Patrick's Catholic Primary School North Rd, Wellington, Telford TF1 3ER	www.blessedrobertcampion.co.uk 01952 386160	3-11	30	Please click here

School name and address	Contact details	Age range	Published admission number (PAN)	Admission arrangements
St Peter and St Paul Catholic Primary School Coppice Drive, Off Deerpark Drive, Newport TF10 0FT	https://sspeterandpaulcatholicprimary.org.uk/ 01952 386450	5-11	30	Please click here
St Peter's Church of England Controlled Primary School, Edgmond (Voluntary Controlled School) Stackyard Lane, Edgmond, Newport TF10 8JQ	https://www.stpetersedgmond.co.uk/ 01952 811692	5-11	30	Please click here
St Peter's Bratton Church of England Academy Bratton, Telford TF5 0NT	www.brattonstpeters.org.uk 01952 387980	5-11	60	Please click here
Teagues Bridge Primary School (Community School) Teagues Crescent, Trench TF2 6RE	www.teaguesbridgeprimary.org 01952 388450	5-11	30	Please click here
Thomas Telford Primary Free School (Free School) George Lees Avenue, Priorslee TF2 5AB	https://ttprimaryschool.co.uk/ 01952 327170	5-11	30	Please click here
Tibberton Church of England Primary School (Voluntary Controlled School) Off Maslan Crescent, Tibberton, Newport TF10 8NN	www.tibbertonschool.org.uk 01952 387790	5-11	25	Please click here
William Reynolds Primary School (Academy) Westbourne, Woodside, Telford TF7 5QW	www.williamreynoldsprimary.org 01952 388280	3-11	60	Please click here
Windmill Primary School (Academy) Beaconsfield, Brookside, Telford TF3 1LG	www.windmillprimaryschool.co.uk 01952 386360	4-11	60	Please click here

School name and address	Contact details	Age range	Published admission number (PAN)	Admission arrangements
Wombridge Primary School (Community School) Hartshill, Telford TF2 6AN	https://wombridgeprimary.co.uk/ 01952 388040	4-11	50	Please click here
Woodlands Primary School (Academy) Ironbridge Road, Madeley, Telford TF7 5HX	www.woodlands-sch.org.uk 01952 386070	3-11	60	Please click here
Wrekin View Primary School (Academy) North Road, Wellington, Telford TF1 3ES	https://wrekinview.lct.education/ 01952 951405	3-11	60	Please click here
Wrockwardine Wood Infant School and Nursery (Community School) Church Rd, Wrockwardine Wood, Telford TF2 7AH	www.wrockwardinewoodinfant.org.uk 01952 387860	2-7	70	Please click here

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School attendance

By law, (Section 444 of the Education Act 1996) all children between 5 and 16 must receive a suitable full-time education.

To achieve this your child must:

- Attend school regularly
- Arrive at school on time
- Follow the school's rules and attend all lessons

Your school will monitor your child's attendance because regular attendance will:

- Give your child the best possible start in life
- Enable your child to keep up with schoolwork
- Prove to employers that your child is reliable and support them in gaining employment in the future.
- Reduce the risk of your child becoming a victim of crime or abuse
- Reduce the opportunity for your child becoming involved in anti-social or

criminal behaviour

An attendance of 90% for a Year 6 pupil may sound good but means that your child has missed four whole weeks of the Year 6 curriculum.

If this continued throughout secondary school your child could miss the equivalent of half a year of education. 90% is not a good attendance. Any pupil nationally who has an attendance level of 90% or below is deemed a persistent absentee by the Department for Education. Parents and carers can help by making sure children attend school every day. Children should not be kept off school for reasons such as shopping trips, birthdays, long weekends, waiting in for deliveries or visiting relatives.

If you are having difficulty getting your child into school regularly, speak to your child's school as soon as possible. Schools can offer support and advice.

Leave in term time (holidays)

There is no automatic right to take a child out of school during term time.

The local authority policy, in line with the School Attendance (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2024 is that no request for absence during term time should be authorised unless it is deemed by the headteacher to be in exceptional circumstances.

Any request for leave must be made in writing in advance and before any travel or accommodation is booked. The Headteacher will consider all requests and inform parents of their decision. If leave is taken without permission, the absence will be recorded as unauthorised and a penalty notice may be issued. The first penalty notice within a three-year period is charged at £80 if paid within the required timescale. A second Penalty notice in the same three-year period is charged at £160. A third PN will not normally be issued and other legal action may be considered.

If a penalty notice is not paid within the required timescale, the parent may be prosecuted in the Magistrates Court.

If you have questions about

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attendance or penalty notices, you should contact the Attendance Support Team.

School travel assistance

A primary school age child may be eligible for travel assistance if they attend their nearest or catchment area school and:

- are under the age of 8 and live more than 2 miles from the school; or
- are aged 8 or over and live more than 3 miles from the school.

A primary school age child may also be eligible for travel assistance under the extended rights provisions if they are from a low-income family and:

- attend their nearest or catchment area school; and
- The suitability of the walking route to school will also be taken into consideration.
- are aged 8 to 11 and live more than 2 miles from the school.

The safety and suitability of the walking route to school will also be taken into account.

Travel assistance may also be available for:

- children with special educational needs, disabilities or mobility problems who cannot reasonably be expected to walk to school, even if accompanied
- Children in exceptional circumstances, such as those living in emergency accommodation or some looked after children who need to remain at a particular school.

Travel assistance for eligible primary-age children in Telford and Wrekin is usually provided as a free bus pass for the child and, where needed, for an accompanying parent or carer. Other forms of travel assistance may be provided based on the child's needs or availability on existing vehicles.



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For further information on school travel assistance and to apply, please visit travelassistance.telford.gov.uk or contact the Passenger Transport Team on 01952 384545 or emailing travelassistance@telford.gov.uk

Applications must be made by 30 June 2027 to help ensure arrangements for eligible children are in place for September 2027.

Applications received after this date may still be considered but travel arrangements cannot be guaranteed to be in place for the start of the academic year.

Free school meals

From the start of the 2026/27 school year all children from households in receipt of universal credit will be entitled to receive a free meal.

Visit www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals for further information.

School uniform and clothing

The local authority does not provide grants towards the cost of school uniforms or other clothing. Schools may be able to tell you about local sources of support.

Telford Crisis Support may also be able to help through its School Uniform Project. Further information is available at www.telfordcrisissupport.org.uk and you can contact them by emailing admin@telfordcrisissupport.org.uk or calling 01952 586646 .

Child employment and performance licensing for children of compulsory school age

Children of compulsory

school age may gain valuable experience through part-time work or by taking part in performances such as stage productions, films or television work.

The Council's Attendance Support Team employs a Child Employment Officer who has a statutory duty to regulate, supervise and enforce legislation with respect to all aspects of the employment of children and performance licensing.

It is a requirement of the Employment of Children Regulations that all children of compulsory school age up to, and including the minimum school leaving age, must have a licence or permit issued by the LA when employed part-time outside school hours.

The employer and parent of each child who works part-time, must complete

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a work permit application form and submit it to the Child Employment Officer for approval and issuing of the licence. The officer provides advice to schools, parents, employers and children on the suitability and types of jobs permitted for children to ensure that they are working in a safe environment.

A child cannot start employment until they are 13 years old and may only work two hours per school day to a maximum of 12 hours per school week. The number of hours increases during holidays.

The Child Employment Officer is also responsible for the issuing of performance licences. These licences are granted to production companies, model agencies and amateur dramatic societies after a detailed application process in partnership with the parent and school.

The Child Employment Officer is based at Darby House and can be contacted for further information on 01952 385223 or

Email: child.employment@telford.gov.uk

Further information is available on the Telford & Wrekin Council website [Child employment](#)

School governors

Each school has a governing body made up of people from the local community, often including parents.

Governors help set the school's strategic direction and hold school leaders to account. They work with the headteacher and staff to support the school's development and success.

If you would like to know more about the work of governors, or are interested in becoming a governor, contact the school or the local authority's School Governance Team on (01952) 380808.

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Useful contacts

Telford and Wrekin

School Admissions Team

Darby House, Lawn Central,
Telford, TF3 4JA

Email: admissions@telford.gov.uk

SEND Team Email:
sendandinclusion@telford.gov.uk

Shropshire

School Admissions Team

The Guildhall, Frankwell Quay,
Shrewsbury SY3 8HQ

Tel 0345 678 9008

Email: school-admissions@shropshire.gov.uk

Staffordshire

School Admissions Team and
Transport Service

Staffordshire County Council,
2 Staffordshire Place, Stafford
ST16 2DH

Email: admissions@staffordshire.gov.uk

Wolverhampton

School Admissions and
Appeals Team

City of Wolverhampton Council,
Civic Centre, St Peter's Square,
Wolverhampton WV1 1RL

Email: schooladmissions@wolverhampton.gov.uk
