

School Admission Appeals

Hearing Dates, 2017

There are four types of appeal and there are different arrangements for when the hearings will take place:

- **Reception appeals** – for children under five who will begin school on or after 1 September 2017
- **Secondary Transfer appeals** – for children aged 11 who will transfer to secondary school in September 2017
- **Sixth Form appeals** – for Year 11 students who want to move to Sixth Form education in a school in September 2017
(note: appeals for admission to a Sixth Form College are dealt with by the College itself)
- **Casual appeals** – for children of any age changing school (including a school Sixth Form)

The following table shows the general timescale for appeals (other than casual appeals):

Stage	Secondary Appeals Date	Reception Appeals Date	Sixth Form Appeals Date
Offer date:	1 March	18 April	
GCSE results date:			24 August
* Deadline – appeals MUST be received by:	18 April	8 May	29 September
Earliest hearing:	12 May	21 June	19 September
Latest hearing:	16 June	10 July	14 October

* Appeals received after the relevant deadline will be dealt with separately.

All sessions are held during normal working hours (between about 9:30am and 5pm) but not during school holiday (including half-term) periods nor at weekends.

Casual appeals will generally be heard within 30 school days of being received – weekends and public and school holiday periods do not count in working out when an appeal will be heard. Please note that appeals received in June or July are unlikely to be heard until after the new school year starts in September.

Results of appeals

The results of their appeal will be sent to parents:

- Where appeals for a school are dealt with over several days, within five days of the conclusion of the last appeal in that session;
- Where all appeals are dealt with on the same day, within five days of that day.

Occasionally, it may be necessary to provide only an indication of whether or not the appeal has succeeded in that five day period. Where that happens, a more detailed decision notice, explaining the reasons for the decision, will follow as soon as possible afterwards.

Dates for individual schools' appeals

The expected dates of hearings are set out below but may need to be changed in due course, depending upon the number of appeals received.

School	Last date for submitting evidence	Expected date of first hearing	Probable date of last hearing	Probable date of decision notice
Secondary Transfer appeals				
Coopers' Co. and Coborn	2 May	12 May	16 May	23 May
Campion	8 May	17 May	19 May	26 May
Redden Court	12 May	22 May	24 May	31 May
Emerson Park	15 May	25 May	26 May	5 June
Hall Mead	22 May	5 June	6 June	12 June
Drapers Academy	24 May	7 June	8 June	14 June
Marshalls Park	24 May	9 June	12 June	19 June
Frances Bardsley	26 May	9 June	12 June	19 June
St Edward's (Secondary)	3 June	13 June	14 June	21 June
Abbs Cross	6 June	15 June	15 June	22 June
Albany	6 June	15 June	15 June	23 June
Bower	6 June	15 June	15 June	22 June
Brittons	6 June	15 June	15 June	22 June
Chafford	6 June	15 June	15 June	22 June
Gaynes	7 June	16 June	16 June	23 June
Sanders	7 June	16 June	16 June	23 June

Primary/Infant Schools (Reception Year)				
School	Last date for submitting evidence	Expected date of first hearing	Probable date of last hearing	Probable date of decision notice
Community Schools	12 June	21 June	3 July	10 July
Voluntary Aided and Foundation Schools	23 June	4 July	10 July	17 July
Academy Schools	23 June	4 July	10 July	17 July
Late appeals (Secondary Transfer and Reception)				
All schools	*	11 July	17 July	21 July
* Appeals received after 26 June will be dealt with in September/October				

School	Last date for submitting evidence	Expected date of hearing	Probable date of decision notice
Coopers' Co & Coborn	29 September	6 October	13 October
Campion	29 September	6 October	13 October
St Edward's	29 September	6 October	13 October
Frances Bardsley	29 September	6 October	13 October

Casual appeals

Sessions for casual appeals are held throughout the year, up to three times a month, depending upon demand.