Form SA1

Starting school – September 2026

Please read the ***“Starting school in Cumberland – September 2026”*** booklet **carefully** before you complete this form. The booklet is available in schools and on the council website at [www.cumberland.gov.uk](http://www.cumberland.gov.uk). Please return your completed form to your preferred school by **15 January 2026**.

**This form should be completed by parent/carers living in the Cumberland Council area only. If you live outside the Cumberland area, you need to contact your own Local Authority.**

**Personal information – child’s details**

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| Child’s first name |  | | | | | | | | | | | | |  |
| Child’s surname |  | | | | | | | | | | | | |  |
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| Date of birth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Gender  (male/female) | |  | |  |
| Home address |  | | | | | | | | | | | |  | |
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| Current Nursery |  | | | | | | | | | | | | |  |
| ***Please note: attendance at a nursery is only a factor in allocating places at a very small number of schools. It is not a factor in allocating places at any community or voluntary controlled schools. Please “Starting school in Cumberland – September 2026” booklet for further information.*** | | | | | | | | | | | | | |  |

**Parent/carer details**

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| Full name of parent/carer |  | Title (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss etc) | | |  |  |
| Relationship to child |  | | | | |  |
| Contact tel number |  | | | | |  |
| Contact email address |  | | | | |  |
| I give consent for all correspondence to be sent to this email address | | | Yes | No | |  |
| *(Please note: if you are applying using a paper form you will receive your offer of a school place by post and not by email)* | | | | | |  |
| *If you are caring for someone else’s child for more than 28 days and you are not an immediate relative, you may be private fostering, and it is a legal requirement that you contact the local authority on 0300 013 2065. Further information is available at www.cumberland.gov.uk.* | | | | | |  |

**Your preferred schools**

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| **Name of school (in order of preference)** | **Will your child have a brother or sister at this school or associated junior school in Sept 2026?** | **Brother/sister’s name** | **Brother/**  **sister’s date of birth** |
| **1.** |  |  |  |
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| **To be completed by your preferred school:**  **Date received in school: (*Please verify with stamp)*** | **For School Admissions use only**  **Date received:** |

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| Are you applying for any of your schools on the basis of faith? | | | **Yes** | **No** |  |
| If yes, which faith? |  | | | |  |
| *Please check to see if you need to complete a supplementary form or send any supporting information to your preferred schools. This information can be found in the “Starting school in Cumberland - September 2026” booklet.*  ***Voluntary controlled Church of England Schools only:***  Please see note 5 of Cumberland’s Local Authority Admissions Policy. If you believe you qualify under this criterion, please provide the evidence required. | | | | |  |
| If you have attached any evidence, please tick this box | |  | | | |

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| Does your child have an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP)? | | | | **Yes** | **No** | |
| Is your child currently undergoing a statutory assessment of special  educational need? | | | | **Yes** | **No** | |
| Do you have any other children attending any of your preferred  schools who have an EHCP which names that school? | | | | **Yes** | **No** | |
| Is your child in the care of a Local Authority? | | | | **Yes** | **No** | |
| If yes, which Local Authority? | |  |  | | |  |
| Was your child previously cared for or cared for by a Local Authority? | | | | **Yes** | **No** | |
| If yes, please refer to the *“Starting school in Cumberland - September 2026”* bookletfor further information. | | | | | | |
| If you have attached any evidence, please tick this box | | | |  |  | |
| ***Community and voluntary controlled schools only:***  Do you have any other children attending any of your preferred  schools who were directed to that school by the Local Authority.  (please see criterion 3 the Local Authority Admissions Policy for  further information) | | | | **Yes** | **No** | |
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| **Other reasons for your preferences**  If you wish to give any other reasons for your preferences, please attach a separate sheet. If you have attached any additional information, please tick this box | | | | | | |
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| **Parental declaration**  I confirm that I have parental responsibility for this child and the information given is correct. I understand that if I have given false information, any school place offered may be withdrawn. I also agree to whatever checks may be carried out to verify accuracy. I have read the “Starting school in Cumberland - September 2026” booklet provided by Cumberland Council before completing this form | | | | | | |
| Full name of parent/carer signing the form (please print) |  | | | | | |
| Signed |  | | | | | |
| Date |  | | | | | |
| Correspondence address if different from child’s address (*this address will not be used in the allocation process)* |  | | | | | |
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| **Remember to submit your form by 15 January 2026 – if your form is late, it may affect your chances of being allocated a place at one of your preferred schools**  Information about School Admissions can be found on Cumberland Council’s website at:  [**www.cumberland.gov.uk**](http://www.cumberland.gov.uk)or by contacting [school.admissions@cumberland.gov.uk](mailto:school.admissions@cumberland.gov.uk) or 01228 221582.  School Admissions and Appeals, Cumberland Council, PO Box 415, Carlisle, CA1 9GU | | | | | | |