



4+ 2027 Reception Ballot Timetable and FAQ's

FAQ's

Number of applicants registered?

Usually between 250 and 350 per year

How many siblings for 4+2027?

On average we have between 4 and 8 siblings and more may register before the deadline. These siblings are offered an automatic place and we draw the remaining names from the Ballot to make up the class of 22 -24.

What happens if someone does not accept the place?

We draw a waiting list of applicants at the same time as the main draw, and so would offer this place to the next on the waiting list.

What happens if we are unsuccessful?

Your daughter remains registered with Bute House, and we reach out to you the year prior to entry into Year 3 2030, to enquire if you are interested in her sitting our 7+ assessment in January 2030. Please keep us informed of any change of address or contact details. You *DO NOT* need to re-register your daughter, but you will be asked to confirm you wish her to sit the 7+ assessment, and pay the assessment fee.

Event	Date	Time
4+ 2027 Open Mornings (open to invited parents who have registered at Bute House)	March 5th and 26th May 14th and June 4th 2025	9:00 - 11:30
Ballot Information Meeting (open to invited parents who have registered at Bute House)	September 2025	9:30 - 11:00
Closing Date for Applications	30th September 2025	
Ballot Draw	October 2025	
Ballot results communicated to parents	By Early November 2025	
Successful candidates invited to an interview with Head/Head of Lower School	April/May 2026	
Formal Offers sent and deposit of one term's fees to be paid	April/May 2026	