



Starting School

From 2024 Government primary schools have 2 major enrolment intakes – **Term 1 Intake** for children commencing Reception at the beginning of the year and **Mid-Year Intake** for children commencing school in term 3.

If your child turns 5 years old:

- **before 1st May they can start Reception in term 1 of that year**
- **between 1st May and 31st October, they can start Reception in term 3 (mid-year)**
- **after 31st October they start Reception in Term 1 the following year**

Children who start Reception at the beginning of the year will complete 4 terms of Reception, while children who start Reception through the Mid-Year Intake will complete 6 terms of Reception (terms 3 and 4 in the year they enrol and a full 4 terms the following year).

The application process commences before the end of Term 2 in the current year for both the Term 1 Intake and the Mid-Year Intake for the following year.

Families are encouraged to submit their registration of interest by the end of Term 2 to help with class placement and transition. Applications can still be accepted after this date, however, enrolment into a non-local primary school will be subject to availability of places.

For a registration of interest (ROI) form or for further information about our enrolment process, please email dl.0131.info@schools.sa.edu.au

Information is also available on the Department for Education website www.education.sa.gov.au