

Timeline for Application and Entry to Senior Schools

Year 5	
Autumn Term	Parents are invited to meet with the Headmaster to discuss senior school options
Spring Term	 Parents are invited to meet with the Headmaster to discuss senior school options Attend Open Days at senior schools or arrange an individual visit directly with the desired school 11+ practice sessions available after school for pupils aiming for Grammar School entry after discussion with the Headmaster
Summer Term	 Anyone considering Eton should register their son by June in Year 5 to ensure they meet the deadline 11+ practice sessions available after school for pupils aiming for Grammar School entry after discussion with the Headmaster Registration for the Essex 11+ Entry takes place in May/June Attend Open Days at senior schools or arrange an individual visit directly with the desired school
Year 6	
Autumn Term	 Parents are invited to a follow-up meeting with the Headmaster to discuss the senior school process and potential scholarship applications Essex 11+ Examination Date: normally third Saturday in September Attend Open Days at senior schools or arrange an individual visit directly with the desired school Register for pre-tests/entrance exams to some schools (e.g. Felsted, RHS and Haileybury), the Headmaster will then advise on an individual basis Potential Sports scholars are encouraged to join external clubs; visit bit.ly/scholarshipprep for more information Senior school entrance test practice sessions are available after school
Spring Term	 Pre-tests/entrance exams take place for some schools (e.g. Felsted, RHS and Haileybury) Senior school entrance test practice sessions are available after school
Summer Term	 Potential Art scholars to maintain portfolio Potential academic scholars are identified prior to entry into Year 7
Year 7	
Autumn Term	 Registration for senior schools takes place Some academic scholarship candidates sit internal assessments at Holmwood Potential non-academic scholars identified (Art, Music, Drama, Sports and All-Rounder), portfolios need to be established and maintained where appropriate
Spring Term	 Pre-tests/entrance exams take place for some senior schools (e.g. Felsted, RHS and Haileybury) Schools such as Framlingham and Ipswich do not currently operate pre-tests in Years 6 & 7 but rely upon the Holmwood House Certificate process, visit bit.ly/holmwoodhousecertificate for more information Some scholarship candidates sit internal assessments at Holmwood
Summer Term	 Year 7 Assessments towards the Holmwood House Certificate Potential non-academic scholars reviewed (Art, Music, Drama, Sports and All-Rounder)
Year 8	
Autumn Term	 Potential non-academic scholars confirmed (Art, Music, Drama, Sports and All-Rounder) All Scholarship application forms should be completed by parents and submitted for all schools; please note, some forms require a Headmaster's signature Assessments towards the Holmwood House Certificate Felsted non-academic scholarship assessments, which takes place earlier than most other senior schools
Spring Term	 Pre-tests/entrance exams take place for some senior schools (e.g. Felsted, RHS and Haileybury), as well as the Ipswich entrance exams Assessments take place for the Holmwood House Certificate Scholarship assessments take place for most schools; please note that dates will vary so parents are advised to check directly with the senior schools Scholarship results are more commonly communicated to pupils via the Headmaster however, occasionally senior schools will contact parents directly
Summer Term	 Final assessment for the Holmwood House Certificate Final offer confirmation letters are sent to parents directly from senior schools

This timeline may be changed by the various senior schools and parents should always check senior school websites for deadline dates themselves.