

UK School Years

Age (Yrs)	School Year	State School	Private Schools	State Selective	Key Stage	Exam/Test
0-1		Not available	Pre-School or Nursery			
1-2		Not available	Pre-School or Nursery			
2-3		Pre-school or Nursery	Pre-School or Nursery			
3-4	Nursery	Pre-school or Nursery	Pre-Prep or Junior		Foundation	
4-5	Reception	Primary or Infant	Pre-Prep or Junior		Foundation	Teacher Assessments
5-6	Year 1	Primary or Infant	Pre-Prep or Junior		Key Stage 1	Phonics Screening
6-7	Year 2	Primary or Infant	Pre-Prep or Junior		Key Stage 1	SATS
7-8	Year 3	Primary or Infant	Prep or Junior		Key Stage 2	
8-9	Year 4	Primary, Infant or Junior	Prep or Junior		Key Stage 2	
9-10	Year 5	Primary or Infant or Junior	Prep or Junior		Key Stage 2	
10-11	Year 6	Primary or Infant or Junior	Prep or Junior		Key Stage 2	SATS or 11+
11-12*	Year 7	Senior, Secondary or High School	Prep or Senior	Grammar School	Key Stage 3	
12-13	Year 8	Senior, Secondary or High School	Prep or Senior	Grammar School	Key Stage 3	
13-14*	Year 9	Senior, Secondary or High School	Senior or Public School	Grammar School	Key Stage 3	Common Entrance
14-15	Year 10	Senior, Secondary or High School	Senior or Public School	Grammar School	Key Stage 4	
15-16	Year 11	Senior, Secondary or High School	Senior or Public School	Grammar School	Key Stage 4	GCSE
16-17*	Year 12	College or Sixth Form	Sixth Form	Grammar School	Key Stage 5	
17-18	Year 13	College or Sixth Form	Sixth Form	Grammar School	Key Stage 5	A-Levels

* = Very important years in a child's education. Not advisable to move schools if possible during school years 7 to 11 or 12 to 13.

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Please note that each school may have their own version/name for each stage of a child's education and this may differ from this chart.