Ballot dates for 2026 and Term 1 2027

Term	Advertisement date	Application deadline 4pm on the following days	Ballot date	
For children who wish to enrol in Term 1, 2026 26 Jan - 2 April	Monday 15 September 2025	Wednesday 15 October 2025	Friday 17 October 2025	
For children who wish to enrol in Term 2, 2026 20 April - 3 July	Wednesday 11 February 2026	Wednesday 11 March 2026	Friday 13 March 2026	
For children who wish to enrol in Term 3, 2026 20 July - 25 Sep	Wednesday 29 April 2026	Wednesday 27 May 2026	Friday 29 May 2026	
For children who wish to enrol in Term 4, 2026 12 Oct - 18 Dec	Wednesday 22 July 2026	Wednesday 19 August 2026	Friday 21 August 2026	
For children who wish to enrol in Term 1, 2027 28 Jan - 9 April Tuesday 15 September 2026		Wednesday 14 October 2026	Friday 16 October 2026	

Applications are included in the ballot prior to the requested start date.

Merrin School Ngā Whetū Kohara has cohort entry on the below dates for New Entrants

2026 COHORT ENTRY AND VISIT DATES

TERM	START OF TERM DATE	MID TERM DATE
1	29 JANUARY	9 MARCH
	VISITS: 12 & 19 Nov 2025	VISITS: 18, 25 February and 4 March
2	20 APRIL	3 JUNE
	VISITS: 18, 25 March and 1 April	VISITS: 13, 20 & 27 May
3	20 JULY	24 AUGUST
	VISITS: 17, 24 June and 1 July	VISITS: 5, 12 & 19 August
4	12 OCTOBER	16 NOVEMBER
	VISITS: 9, 16 & 23 September	VISITS: 28 October and 4, 11 November

Dates for visits may be subject to change

2026 MERRIN SCHOOL OUT OF ZONE APPLICATION BALLOT FORM

Pre-enrolment form for a place at Merrin School for all families who live outside of the Merrin School Enrolment Zone.

Note to parent / caregiver: If you are living outside of the school's zone, it is only possible to secure a place at the school if there is a vacancy. The reason for setting up the enrolment zone is to ensure that our class sizes do not become too large.

Children living outside of the zone may obtain a place through a ballot system. Applications are included in the ballot prior to the requested start date. We will write to you within three days after the ballot takes place to let you know whether we can offer a position at the school or not.

	osing date: ne. Ensure you have rea	11 MARCH ad the accompanying dates form.)	27 MAY	19 AUGUST	14 OCTOBER	
Parent's nan	ne/s:					
Child's full n	ame:		Date Of Birth:.		Male / Female	
Address:				Phone number:		
			Email	:		
I would like t	o start my child or	n the following date:				
Is your child	a new entrant?	Yes / No Daycar	e Attended:			
OR Pre	sent class level:	School	currently attend	ing:		
Please tick	the appropriat		es your child's	priority status: Priority f		
Priority		Criteria			Tick applicable	
1	Sibling of a cu	rrent student of the scho	ool - Sibling 's	Name:		
2		Sibling of a former student of the school - Sibling's Name:				
3		Child of a former student of the school				
4	Either a child of an employee of the board of the school or a child of a member			r		
	of the board of the school					
5	All other appli					
I understand be made ava	that the Educatio	n and Training Act 2020 requi rutiny and this list will be kep	res the results of it in the school of			
l declare tha	t all of the informa	ation provided on this form is	accurate and car	n be verified if requested.		
Signed:				Date:		