

# Register now for reception in 2025!



Government  
of South Australia  
Department for Education

In South Australia, the first year of primary school is called reception. Children who turn 5 years old:

- **before 1 May** can start school in term 1
- **between 1 May and 31 October** can start school in term 3 (mid-year intake)
- **after 31 October** can start the next year.

Children who start school at the beginning of the year will complete 4 terms of reception.

Children who start school in a mid-year intake will complete 6 terms of reception.



## Register your interest for 2025

Registrations of interest are now open to start school in 2025. If your child is starting school in term 1 or term 3, you are encouraged to submit your registration of interest by the end of term 2, 2024.



Scan or click  
[here](#) for more  
information

# When can my child start school?



Government  
of South Australia  
Department for Education



## My child turns 5



5th  
birthday

Before 1 May

Between 1 May  
and 31 October

After 31 October



Starting  
school

Starts school  
in term 1  
*(that year)*

Starts school  
in term 3  
*(that year)*

Starts school  
in term 1  
*(next year)*



Time in  
reception

Completes 4 terms  
of reception  
*(terms 1-4 the year  
they start)*

Completes 6 terms  
of reception  
*(terms 3 and 4 the year  
they start, then all 4  
terms the next year)*

Completes 4 terms  
of reception  
*(terms 1-4 the year  
they start)*



Starts year 1 (and each year after) in term 1