UCAS 'Apply 2026' APPLICATION TIMELINE

Date	Activity	Description		
21 st Jan 2025	UCAS Parents Evening	Presentation by Royal Holloway University explaining application process, student finance and university choices and options		
Ongoing	Enrichment Programme	On-going programme of professional talks and lectures delivered at school on Mondays at 3.30 pm		
13 th – 19 st June 2025	Internal Exams	Results of these exams will be used to form basis of students UCAS predicted grades		
23 rd - 27 th June 2025	UCAS and Careers Conference at school	Week of activities, talks and workshops designed to help students complete Personal Statements and UCAS registration for Apply 2026		
July – September	Open Days	Students are encouraged to attend open days for universities – leave of absence can be authorised for 2 school days only, so book weekend visits where possible		
July – September	Work experience, summer schools and course enrichment activities	Students are encouraged to seek work experience in field of future interest, can be on-line. Students supported in finding subject specific enrichment activities such as masterclasses, summer schools and conferences.		
July – September	UCAT and LNAT exams	Students who are applying for courses requiring UCAT or LNAT exams are encouraged to register in a centre and sit the exam early		
September – December	UCAS application process at school	Finalise applications, find 5 choices based on predicted grades. "Pay & Send" goes to school, references are added before application is sent to UCAS		
15 th October 2025	Deadline for applications to Oxford, Cambridge, and courses in medicine, dentistry and veterinary medicine/science	Students can apply with just one choice for Oxford or Cambridge, or four choices for Medicine/Dentistry/Vet Medicine. Other choices can be added later, before the January deadline.		
October 2025	Oxbridge and Imperial exams	Exams for Oxford, Cambridge and Imperial taken at school		
17 th November 2025	Personal Statement Deadline	Deadline for students to submit Personal Statement to a member of Staff - Sixth Form Team or Teachers - to review it		
14 th January 2026	UCAS official Deadline for all other applications	Students should submit application to school by 12 th December the latest. Cardinal Wiseman encourages students to send them by this date to ensure applications can be thoroughly reviewed before submitting		
November 2025 - January 2026	Mock Interviews	Mock interviews offered to students at school		
After application is sent off	Offers from universities	Check the UCAS Track regularly for interview invitations and offers. Student should visit universities which have made an offer at weekends and decide upon their 'firm' choice and their 'insurance' choice		
Early June 2026	Deadline for accepting 'firm' and 'insurance' offers – for most courses and institutions	Students can only keep two offers; all other offers will be declined. Insurance choice should have lower entry requirements than firm choice		
13 th August 2026 (provisional date)	Receive results and confirm university choice, important to be at school on this date, do not book a holiday	Confirm university choice with firm or insurance choice (depending on grades). Apply through Adjustment (higher grades) or Clearing (lower grades) as needed		