



RUGBY SCHOOL

HOW TO APPLY

FOR A PLACE AT
RUGBY SCHOOL

2021/22



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WELCOME TO RUGBY

We are delighted you are considering Rugby School for your child and our aim is to make the application process as clear for you as possible.

This brochure covers all the key areas including our admissions process for entry at 13+ and 16+ as a boarding or day student and how to apply from abroad. There is also advice on how we might be able to help if your child's school finishes at age 11.

There is information on our wide variety of Scholarship Awards and how to access our means-tested bursary assistance towards fees. I am also delighted to announce Rugby School will be offering the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme as part of the Sixth Form curriculum from September 2021 onwards.

For 13+ entry we recommend that the first thing you should do is to arrange a suitable date and itinerary for a visit to Rugby School during Year 5 or Year 6 to judge whether Rugby may be the best school for your child. For 16+ entry preliminary visits are usually during Year 10.

Once you are clear that Rugby School is your choice, then the next step is to complete and return the registration form.

We appreciate guidance may be needed throughout your application process and our Admissions team is here to offer support and advice every step of the way.

Please do contact them, their details are on page 11.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Guy Steele-Bodger
Admissions Registrar

HOW TO APPLY FOR A BOARDING PLACE

AT 13+ (YEAR 9)

We begin to consider a 'first wave' of registered applicants during Year 7. When you tell us you would like your child to be part of this process we will request a comprehensive report and the most recent verbal reasoning test (VRT) score from their current school. If the school cannot provide these scores we will arrange a test here.

Your child will be asked to complete a pre-interview questionnaire and during the assessment they will be interviewed by a Housemaster or Housemistress. We will also ask to see your child's recent Maths and English exercise books along with a piece of Year 7 work they are most proud of. This will form the basis of a further 20 to 30-minute discussion to help us assess academic ability.

Before the interviews take place we ask parents to pay the Entrance Fee.

If a conditional place is offered, the next step is to pass either Common Entrance (with an average of at least 55 per cent) or meet our entrance requirements in English and Maths for children whose schools do not prepare for Common Entrance, or to meet our entrance requirements in the Academic Scholarship examinations.

We temporarily close our lists for new applications between mid-October and April of Year 7 to enable us to carry out this first wave assessment process. If you apply after our lists have closed, we will ask you to fill in our Waiting List registration form so we can then consider you for places which may become available.

Applications for 13+ entry in 2022 are now being considered by means of our Waiting List registration form.

Applications for 13+ entry in 2023 – applicants registered before 15 October 2021 will be included in the first wave of interviews in January and February 2022.

NB: For entry in September 2024 and beyond – registration will close in October of Year 7 with interviews then in January and February.

AT 16+ (YEAR 12)

We assess registered applicants during Year 11. You should inform the Head Teacher of your child's present school before submitting your application via the registration form.

Registered applicants will then be invited to be assessed by entrance tests and interviews in the November of Year 11.

Offers of places at 16+ are conditional on applicants achieving our required grades at GCSE or the equivalent foreign examinations. We ask for three 7 grades (or grade A) and above and another three 6 grades (or grade B) and above, including English and Maths, and the subjects chosen for A Level, if applicable. We allocate places on academic merit, considered alongside the potential to contribute to our co-curricular programme.

For girls' entry, most places are offered in our girls' Sixth Form only boarding House, Stanley, but some places may become available in other 'all years' girls' boarding Houses. Boys will be placed in 'all years' Houses.

FOR 16+ ENTRY IN SEPTEMBER 2022

The closing date for applications for 16+ entry in September 2022 is Friday 24 September 2021. Entrance Examination dates – Tuesdays, 2 and 9 November and Thursday, 4 November 2021.

We are pleased to consider later applications by means of a Waiting List registration form.

NB: For entry in September 2023 and beyond, the closing date will be in September of Year 11 with examinations then in November.

HOW TO APPLY FOR A DAY PLACE

AT 13+ (YEAR 9)

First identify which of these three categories describes where your child is currently at school:

1. Local primary school
2. Local prep school
3. Local secondary school

Please then read information for the relevant category which follows.

1. APPLYING FOR A PLACE AT BILTON GRANGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL FROM A LOCAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Our Foundation Award offers funded places for Year 7 and 8 at Bilton Grange continuing to Rugby School from Year 9 if Common Entrance is passed well at the end of Year 8. If your child is currently at a local primary school and you would like them to be considered for entry in to Year 7 at Bilton Grange Preparatory School, applications should be made directly to Bilton Grange and your child will take part in the following process:

- assessment papers
- interview

In addition, Bilton Grange will ask applicants to complete a short interview questionnaire and request a reference from their current school.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Financial support may be available through our Foundation Award which is aimed at widening access to a Rugby School education for local families. The Award carries a fee discount and gives access to means-tested bursary support. It is open to local children who live within 20 miles of Rugby School. Foundation Awards are granted for entry into either Year 7 at Bilton Grange or Year 9 at Rugby School. The Award allows parents access to means-tested bursary support up to 100% of fees for a day pupil. Parents should apply for means-tested bursary support towards fees using the Confidential Statement of Financial Circumstances form, which must be completed and submitted by the closing date for applications. Forms are available from the Bursary

via email at funding@rugbyschool.net. If your child has performed well in the assessments and you are eligible for significant means-tested bursary support towards fees your child will be considered for a Foundation Award. Foundation Award applicants may also be preauditioned for a Music Scholarship if ability is around the Grade 4 standard, although we are looking for potential at this stage.

FOUNDATION AWARD ENTRY TO BILTON GRANGE 2022 CONTINUING TO RUGBY SCHOOL IN 2024
Applications should be made directly to Bilton Grange through admissions@biltongrange.co.uk

2. APPLYING FROM A LOCAL PREP SCHOOL

ENTRY TO RUGBY SCHOOL IN TOWN HOUSE (BOYS) AND SOUTHFIELD (GIRLS) IN 2024

Assessment in this category takes place at the end of January, beginning of February of Year 6. We will request a comprehensive report, and the most recent verbal reasoning test (VRT) score, from your child's current school. If the school is not able to provide these scores, we will arrange a test here.

Your child will be asked to complete a pre-interview questionnaire, and during the assessment, they will be interviewed by a Housemaster or Housemistress. We will also ask to see their recent Maths and English exercise books along with a piece of Year 6 work they are most proud of. This will form the basis of a further 20 to 30-minute discussion to help us assess academic ability.

If a conditional place is offered, the next step is to either pass Common Entrance (with an average of at least 55 per cent) or meet our entrance requirements in the Academic Scholarship examinations.

13+ ENTRY IN 2024

Applications should be made by:

Wednesday, 5 January 2022

Assessment will take place on:

Thursday, 27 January 2022

We are pleased to consider later applications by means of a Waiting List registration form

NB: For entry in 2025, the application closing date will be in January 2023

3.APPLYING FROM A LOCAL SECONDARY SCHOOL

ENTRY TO TOWN HOUSE (BOYS) AND SOUTHFIELD (GIRLS) IN 2022

We welcome applications for your child while they are in Year 8. Assessment will include tests in verbal reasoning, English, Maths and Science, all based on the National Curriculum. They will also be interviewed and we will ask for a reference from their current school.

If you would like to apply for one of our Scholarship Awards please let us know by the end of Year 7.

Applications should be made by:

Thursday, 3 February 2022

Assessment will take place on:

Thursday, 3 March 2022

AT 16+ (YEAR 12)

Please inform the Head Teacher of your child's present school before submitting your application via the registration form.

Registered applicants will then be invited to be assessed by entrance tests and interviews in the November of Year 11.

Offers of places at 16+ are conditional on children achieving our required grades at GCSE or the equivalent foreign examinations. We ask for three A grades (or grade 7) and above and another three B grades (or grade 6) and above including English and Maths and the subjects chosen for A Level, if applicable. We allocate places on academic merit, considered alongside the potential to contribute to our co-curricular programme.

Applications should be made by:

Friday 24 September 2021

Entrance Examination dates:

Tuesdays, 2 and 9 November and Thursday, 4 November 2021

We are pleased to consider later applications by means of a Waiting List registration form

NB: For entry in September 2023 and beyond, the closing date will be in September of Year 11 with examinations then in November.

HOW TO APPLY IF YOU ARE AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT

Your child's English language must be good enough for them to thrive academically and socially from the first day. We recommend you provide us with a UKiset report as soon as possible during the application process and before the closing date. The UKiset is an adaptive cognitive test measuring underlying ability and language proficiency. For more information please visit www.ukiset.com

Please then refer to the boarding entry process (on page 3) which is the same as for UK residents.

If you live overseas you must appoint a guardian in the UK for your child. The guardian will have authority to act on behalf of you if necessary and make arrangements for time away from school and travel.

AT 13+ (YEAR 9)

We expect applicants to attend interviews at Rugby School from Year 7.

AT 16+ (YEAR 12)

We expect applicants to attend our entrance tests and interviews here at Rugby School and will do our best to schedule Scholarship interviews the following day. If your normal residence is outside the UK we will require payment of an overseas deposit.

HOW TO APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

Our scholarship provision is designed to attract boys and girls of outstanding talent and skill in a variety of fields and we value scholarship of all sorts. Through the excellence of our academic provision and of our facilities we encourage high achievement at all levels and aim to challenge expectations. The interplay of teaching and learning, and the experiences to be gained from being part of a stimulating and diverse community, encourages all our students to be the best they can be and to emerge as confident, well-rounded individuals.

Scholarships carry a single fee reduction worth 5 per cent.

We offer the following Scholarships (with assessment timings). The closing date for 2022 applications can be found on the Admissions section of our website under Scholarships.

- Academic (13+) – held in February of Year 8
- Academic (16+) – held in November of Year 11
- Music (13+) – held in late January or early February of the year of entry
- Music (16+) – held in November as part of the 16+ entrance procedure
- Art (13+) – held in March of Year 8
- Art (16+) – held in November as part of the 16+ entrance procedure
- Design and Technology (13+) – held in March of Year 8.
- Design and Technology (16+) – held in November as part of our 16+ entrance procedure
- Sports (13+) – held in November of Year 8
- Sports (16+) – held in October of Year 11
- Performing Arts (13+) – held in October of Year 8
- Performing Arts (16+) – held in October of Year 11
- Computing (13+) – held in May of Year 8
- Computing (16+) – held in November as part of the 16+ entrance procedure

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS (LOCAL)

We also offer Academic Scholarships (Local), awarded for academic merit, which attract at least a 5 per cent fee remission. These scholarships are aimed at children attending local schools who are studying the National Curriculum. There is no geographical restriction on these awards.

At 13+ (Year 9) the assessment takes place during February of Year 8 and exams will be based on the National Curriculum including tests in reasoning, English, Maths and Science. Applicants will also be interviewed and we will ask for references from their current school.

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP (LOCAL) AWARDS 2022

Applications should be made by:

Thursday, 3 February 2022

Assessment will take place on:

Thursday, 3 March 2022

FOUNDATION AWARDS (DAY PLACES ONLY)

We make Foundation Awards every year to talented boys and girls applying for entry as day students at 13+ or 16+.

The aim of these awards, so called as they date back to our foundation in 1567, is to widen access to an education at Rugby School for children living within a 20-mile radius of the School. They are worth a 5 per cent fee concession, although this amount can increase up to 100 per cent through means-tested bursary assistance.

Applicants may also be considered for Drama, Sport, Music, Academic, Art, Design & Technology and Computing Scholarship Awards during the course of Year 8.

13+ FOUNDATION AWARDS 2022

Applications should be made by:

Thursday, 3 February 2022

Assessment will take place on:

Thursday, 3 March 2022

16+ FOUNDATION AWARDS 2022

Assessment will be in November as part of the 16+ entrance procedure.

HOW TO APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

THE ARNOLD FOUNDATION

Under the umbrella of The Arnold Foundation for Rugby School, which is financed by donations and gifts, we are able to offer funded places to pupils who would benefit from a boarding education, but whose parents are unable to afford the fees.

We work with partner organisations in the education sector whose aim is to identify talented children they believe would benefit from a boarding place at Rugby. However, parents and guardians are welcome to apply independently.

AT 13+ (YEAR 9)

The application process begins in the June before the year of entry when children are nominated and encouraged to complete and return our Preliminary Information form.

Application forms are expected to be submitted by the September and a visit arranged by the October.

Candidates will then be invited to return in the November to sit our entrance tests in English and Maths.

Those children being taken forward are invited for a final, formal interview in the following January with the Deputy Head (Pastoral), the Assistant Head (Middle School) and the Chairman of the Arnold Foundation Board.

Parents of these children will need to complete a Confidential Statement of Financial Circumstances form and return it to the Bursary before the final interviews take place.

AT 16+ (YEAR 12)

The application process begins in the June before the year of entry when children are nominated.

Application forms are expected to be submitted by the September and potential candidates should arrange to visit Rugby School on either of the two open days (in June or September) or by personal visit before the October of Year 11.

Parents of candidates will also need to complete a Confidential Statement of Financial Circumstances form and return it to the Bursary before this closing date.

Candidates sit entrance examinations and attend interviews in November at Rugby School. In exceptional circumstances we can make arrangements for children to sit entrance tests either at their current school or at an agreed testing site.

Those children being taken forward are invited for a final, formal interview in the following January with the Deputy Head (Pastoral), the Assistant Head (Upper School) and the Chairman of the Arnold Foundation Board.

Entry to our Sixth Form also requires all applicants to pass our minimum entry qualification at GCSE which will be at least three at grade 7 and another three at grade 6 or above (including English and Maths and the subjects to be studied at A Level).

Please contact Becky Witcomb on 01788 556267 or email rw2@rugbyschool.net who will be able to assist with your application.

HOW TO APPLY FOR MEANS-TESTED BURSARY ASSISTANCE TOWARDS FEES (AWARDS AND AUGMENTATION)

The value of a Scholarship or a Foundation Award is a fee concession of 5 per cent which parents or legal guardians of the awardee may elect to accept. More than one Scholarship can be awarded to a candidate although the total fee reduction available is limited to 5 per cent.

The level of fee concession provided can be augmented by bursary support up to 100 per cent of the boarding or day fees subject to means assessment.

To access bursary support a Confidential Statement of Financial Circumstances (blue form) must be completed and should be submitted to the Bursar before the examination closing date.

Completed bursary applications received after the closing date will not be assessed until after the result of a scholarship application is known and any bursary award may not then be offered at the time of joining the School. We are not able to provide an indication of the amount of financial assistance that may be available until the Registration Form has been completed and returned to the Admissions Office, together with payment of the Registration Fee. Bursary application forms are obtainable from funding@rugbyschool.net.

Additionally, at the Head Master's discretion, exceptional awards with a fee concession which may be greater than 5% can be made where, during the assessment process, we identify exceptional potential.

FEES INFORMATION FOR 2021/22

Boarder:	£12,818 per term	We ask families interested in admission to the School to register using the Registration Form included with the Prospectus package. A non-returnable fee of £250, payable to Rugby School, is charged on registration.
Day Pupil:	£8,042 per term	
Registration Fee:	£250 (except those applying for Foundation or Arnold Foundation Awards)	About 18 months before entry parents are asked to pay the Entrance Fee of £1,250. Payment of this fee constitutes on the parents' part, a pledge that Rugby is their first choice of School.
Entrance Fee:	£1,250 (except those applying for Foundation, or Arnold Foundation Awards)	
Overseas Deposit:	One term's fees in advance.	Further information on fees and other charges may be obtained from the Bursar – bursary@rugbyschool.net .

(Payable in addition to the Entrance Fee by parents of pupils whose normal residence is outside the United Kingdom).

Family Discount: 5 per cent discount on net termly fees for a third child at Rugby.

7.5 per cent discount on net fees for fourth (and subsequent) child at Rugby.

CONTACT ADMISSIONS

Our team, led by the Admissions Registrar, Guy Steele-Bodger, is here to help with your application – please do call us or email about any questions you have.

13+ boarding visits, open days and Scholarships

If your enquiry is about a 13+ boarding entry visit, 13+ boarding open days or a 13+ Scholarship application, please contact:

Sharon Mabey – 01788 556274
scm@rugbyschool.net

13+ boarding application process

If you would like help with a 13+ boarding entry application or the assessment procedure, please contact:

Michelle Humphrey – 01788 556275
mh2@rugbyschool.net

13+ day entry visits, applications, Foundation Awards and the Arnold Foundation

If your enquiry is about 13+ day entry visits, applications and assessment, Foundation Awards or the Arnold Foundation, please contact:

Becky Witcomb – 01788 556267
rw2@rugbyschool.net

16+ entry visits, open days and applications

If you would like more information about 16+ entry visits, our open days, applications or assessment, please contact:

Claire Shrimpton – 01788 556276
cls1@rugbyschool.net

For prospectus enquiries, registration and 13+ boarding visits

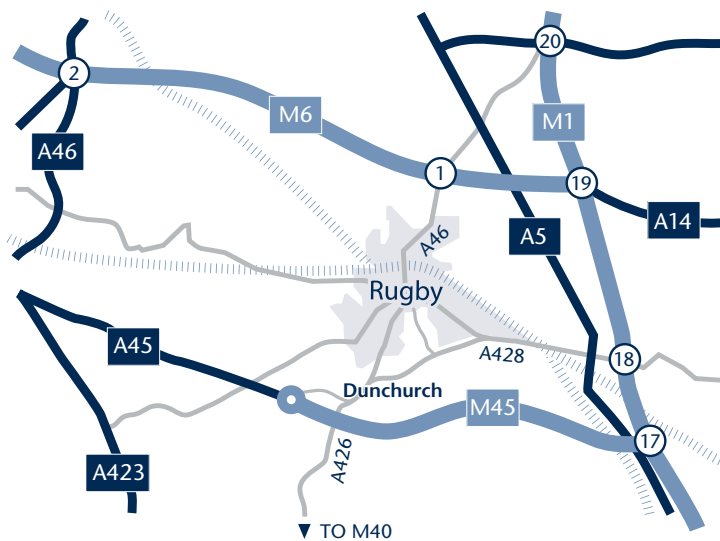
If you would like to request a prospectus, register a place, or organise a 13+ boarding visit, please contact:

Hayley Chaplow – 01788 556115
hcw@rugbyschool.net

Our correspondence address is:

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HOW TO FIND US



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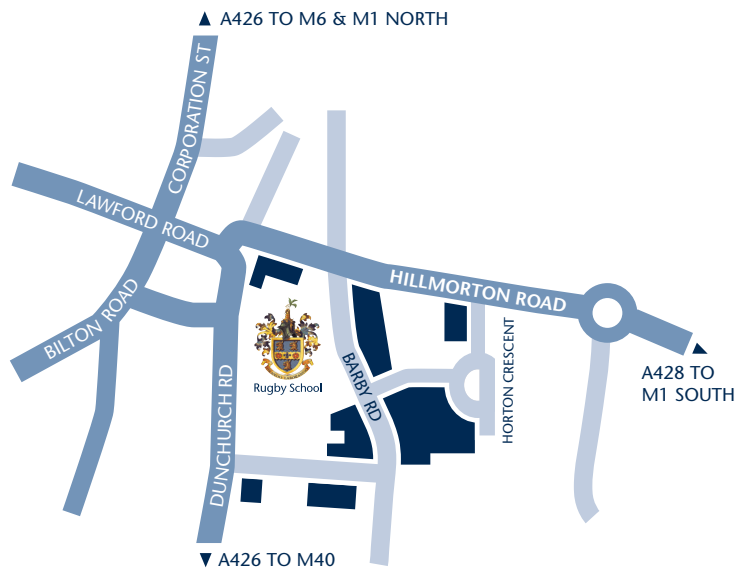
FROM THE SOUTH (M1/SE AND SW)

From the M1: Leave the motorway at junction 17 (for Coventry M45). At the first roundabout [M45/A45 junction] take the second exit for Dunchurch.

From the SW: Access the A45 in the south of Coventry area, and follow directions as above, but taking the first exit.

Both routes: Continue into Dunchurch, just over a mile, and turn left at the traffic lights in the village centre. Continue out of Dunchurch until the roundabout and take the second exit [for Northampton, M1 and Hillmorton]. Continue about a mile until a minor crossroads by the speed camera and turn left here [Rugby and St Cross Hospital] into Barby Road.

Just over a mile later, past School polo fields, Springhill playing fields and St Cross Hospital all on the right, to the top of the hill you pass School buildings on the right, then on both sides. The Close is on the left with the Admissions Office to the right.



FROM THE NORTH (VIA M1 OR M6, OR EAST VIA A14)

From the North via M1: Leave the motorway at junction 20, Lutterworth, and take the third exit for the A426 [Rugby]; you cross the A5 then pass junction 1 of the M6.

From the North via M6: Leave the motorway at junction 1, take the third exit on to the A426 [Rugby]. From the A14, continue on to the M6 (West), turn off at junction 1 and take the first exit onto the A426 for Rugby.

From all three routes: Continue on the A426 over the next three roundabouts until reaching the fourth with Tesco to the left. Continue straight on, through traffic lights, then take the first exit at the following roundabout [Town Centre and St Cross Hospital]. Head up Corporation Street, straight through the traffic lights at Asda and turn left at the next set of traffic lights [Webb Ellis public house on left]. Keep in the left hand lane which guides you past the School on the right. Take the first right into Barby Road [St Cross Hospital] and The Close is to the right and Admissions Office to the left.

AIR & RAIL LINKS

By Air: Motorway links provide easy access to East Midlands, Birmingham, London, Luton and Stansted airports.

By Rail: Rugby is situated on the main West Coast line, with a frequent fast service between London and Scotland.



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