

# HOW TO APPLY

FOR A PLACE AT RUGBY SCHOOL

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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 document 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.

It also includes information about our wide variety of scholarship awards and how to access our means-tested bursary assistance towards fees.

For 13+ entry we recommend you arrange a suitable date and itinerary for a visit to Rugby School during Year 5 or Year 6, to consider if Rugby may be the best school for your child.

For 16+ entry preliminary visits are usually during Year 10.

Our Admissions Team is here to support and guide you throughout your application process every step of the way. Please do contact us, details are on page 11.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Laura Bursey Faulkner Director of Admissions

#### **HOW TO APPLY AT 13+ BOARDING & DAY**

(including 11+ option with Bilton Grange Preparatory School)

There are three routes available to join Rugby School at 13+:

If your child is joining:

- 1. from a prep school, they will make their application in Year 6
- 2. from a local primary school, they will make their application in Year 6
- 3. from a secondary school, they will make their application in Year 8

#### **BOARDING AT 13+ (YEAR 9)**

Registered children from prep schools will be asked to provide a comprehensive report and the most recent verbal reasoning test (VRT) score from their current school in Year 7. If the school cannot provide this score, we will arrange a test here.

An invitation to an assessment day at Rugby School will follow, when they will:

- complete a pre-interview questionnaire
- have an interview with a Housemaster or Housemistress along with an interview with a senior member of the Admissions Team
- be asked to bring their most recent Maths and English exercise books, along with a piece of Year
   7 work they are most proud of.

If a conditional place is offered, the next step is for your child to:

- either pass Common Entrance (with an average of at least 55 per cent)
- meet our entrance requirements in English and Maths for children whose schools do not prepare for Common Entrance, or
- meet our entrance requirements in the Academic Scholarship examinations.

The deadline for 13+ Boarding applications for September 2024 is 14 October 2022.

# DAY AT 13+ (YEAR 9) AND 11+ (YEAR 7) OPTION AT BILTON GRANGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL Our two Day Houses are Town (for boys) and Southfield (for girls)

Registered children provide a comprehensive report and the most recent verbal reasoning test (VRT) score from their current school in Year 6. If the school cannot provide this score, we will arrange a test here.

They will then be invited to an assessment day at Rugby School to include the following:

- Complete a pre-interview questionnaire
- An interview with a Housemaster or Housemistress, and an interview with a Senior member of the Admissions Team
- Your child will be asked to bring their most recent Maths and English exercise books, along with a piece of Year 7 work they are most proud of.

If a conditional place is offered, the next step is for your child to either pass 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.

The Assessment Day will take place on Thursday, 26 January 2023.

The deadline for 13+ Day applications for September 2025 is 4 January 2023.

# DAY AT 11+ (YEAR 7+8) CONTINUING AT RUGBY SCHOOL FROM 13+ (YEAR 9)

There is the option for children to apply for a Foundation Award which offers funded places for Year 7 and 8 at Bilton Grange Preparatory School continuing to Rugby School from Year 9, provided that Common Entrance is passed 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 into Year 7 at Bilton Grange, applications should be made directly to Bilton Grange by emailing admissions@biltongrange.co.uk

#### **HOW TO APPLY AT 13+ BOARDING & DAY (cont)**

#### **FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

The Foundation Award carries a fee discount and gives access to means-tested bursary support up to 100% of fees. It is open to local children who live within 20 miles of Rugby School.

#### APPLYING FROM A SECONDARY SCHOOL

#### AT 13+ (YEAR 9)

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.

The Assessment Day will take place on Thursday, 2 March 2023.

The deadline for applications is 22 February 2023.

#### **HOW TO APPLY AT 16+ BOARDING & DAY**

#### 16+ (YEAR 12)

We assess students who are registered during Year 11 to study IB Diploma or A Levels. Please inform your child's head teacher of your intentions before submitting your application via the registration form.

Registered students will then be invited to attend our Assessment Day in the November of Year 11.

Offers of places are conditional on students achieving: IB Middle Years three 6 grades and three 5 grades, or at GCSE, three 7 grades (grade A) or above and another three 6 grades (grade B) and above, including English and Maths, and the subjects chosen for A Level, or the equivalent foreign examinations. We allocate places on academic merit, considered alongside the potential to contribute to our cocurricular programme.

#### FOR 16+ ENTRY IN SEPTEMBER 2023

For the most up to date information regarding applications for September 2023, please refer to our website www.rugbyschool.co.uk

#### HOW TO APPLY IF YOU ARE AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT

If your child's first language is not English, please provide us with a UKiset.com report as soon as possible during the application process and before the closing date. Your child's English language must enable them to thrive academically and socially from the first day. The UKiset is an adaptive cognitive test measuring underlying ability and language proficiency.

The application process will the be the same for UK residents as outlined above.

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)

Your child is required to attend interviews at Rugby School from Year 7.

#### AT 16+ (YEAR 12)

Students are required to attend our entrance tests and interviews here at Rugby School and we 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 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 of five per cent.

We offer the following scholarships (with assessment timings). The closing date for 2023 applications can be found on the Admissions section of our website here www.rugbyschool.co.uk/scholarships-2/

- Academic (13+ ISEB Curriculum) held in February of Year 8
- Academic (13+ National Curriculum) held in March of Year 8
- Academic (16+) held in November of Year 11
- Music (13+) held in late January or early February of Year 8
- 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

#### FOUNDATION AWARDS (FOR DAY ENTRY 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 five 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 Performing Arts, Sport, Music, Academic, Art, Design & Technology and Computing Scholarship awards during the course of Year 8.

#### 13+ FOUNDATION AWARDS 2023

Applications should be made by: Thursday, 2 February 2023 Assessment will take place on: Thursday, 3 March 2022

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#### 13+ FOUNDATION AWARDS 2023

Applications should be made by: Thursday, 3 February 2022 Assessment will take place on: Thursday, 2 March 2023

#### 16+ FOUNDATION AWARDS 2023

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

#### **HOW TO APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS (cont)**

#### 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 students 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 senior staff including 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 senior staff including the Assistant Head (Middle 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 five 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 five 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 (bursary 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 five per cent can be made where, during the assessment process, we identify exceptional potential.

#### FEES INFORMATION FOR 2022/23

**Boarder:** £13,970 per term

**Day Pupil:** £8,770 per term

**Registration Fee:** £250 (except those applying

for Foundation or Arnold Foundation Awards)

**Entrance Fee:** £1,250 (except those applying

for Foundation, or Arnold Foundation Awards)

**Overseas Deposit:** One term's fees in advance.

(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.

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.

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.

Further information on fees and other charges may be obtained from the Bursar bursary@rugbyschool.net.

#### **CONTACT ADMISSIONS**

Our team led by the Director of Admissions, Laura Bursey Faulkner, is here to help with your application – please do call or contact us by email about any questions you have.

#### 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+ Scholarship Awards

If your enquiry is about one of our 13+ Scholarship Awards then please contact: Sharon Mabey – 01788 556274 scm@ruqbyschool.net

### 13+ Day entry visits, applications, Foundation Awards or 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, Applications and Scholarships

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

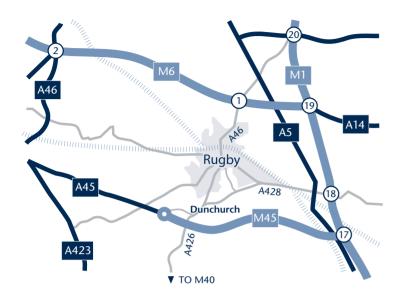
#### For prospectus enquiries or 13+ registrations

If you would like to request a prospectus or make a registration, please contact:
Bernie Frampton – 01788 556115
bmf@rugbyschool.net

#### Our correspondence address is:

Admissions Office, Rugby School, Temple House, 1 Barby Road, Rugby CV22 5DW admissions@rugbyschool.net

#### **HOW TO FIND US**



Admissions Office postcode: CV22 5DW

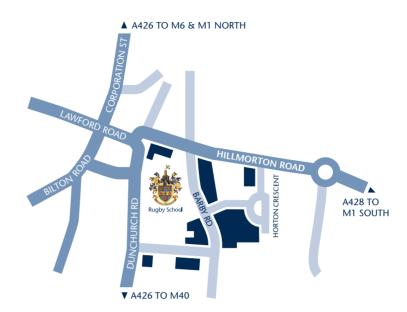
#### FROM THE SOUTH (M1/SE AND SW)

**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.

