



RUGBY SCHOOL

13+ DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ENTRY IN SEPTEMBER 2026

Assessment date: Thursday 26 February 2026

THE CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATION FORMS AND BURSARY AUGMENTATION IS FRIDAY 23 JANUARY 2026

This information is for Preparatory School Heads, the Heads of Design and Technology in Preparatory Schools and for parents of potential candidates.

Scholarships

- (a) Candidates will take part in a simple practical exercise that will be set in the Rugby School Design Centre.
- (b) Candidates will also be required to sit a written D & T paper. This will be a paper of one hour, examining Designing and Evaluation to Level 6 as set out in the Key Stage 3 documentation of the National Curriculum. There will be no questions specifically involving food.
- (c) In addition there will be a review and discussion of the candidate’s portfolio lasting about 20 minutes. We would like to see complete tasks but, if this is not possible, appropriate photography. Any relevant artwork, design briefs or CAD records should also be brought.
- (d) Candidates from overseas or who attend schools that do not prepare for Common Entrance will be required to sit our entrance tests in English and Maths in the morning before the assessment. Lunch will be provided.

An example timetable for the Scholarship is as follows as follows:

Thursday 26 February 2026		
Candidates arrive at the Rugby School Design Centre for 2pm		
Session 1	2pm – 3.30pm	Hands-on experience, portfolio review and interviews
	3.30pm – 4pm	Break
Session 2	4pm – 5pm	Design written paper
Departure	5.00pm.	Departure

Award and Augmentation

If a scholarship is awarded, fees may be augmented by means-tested bursary support up to 100% of the boarding or day fees.

Bursary applications are made via an online system, please complete the [Bursary Application Form](#) to start an application. In order for your bursary application to be considered, your child must be registered with the School and the Registration Fee (if applicable) paid in full. Applications submitted after the closing date may not be assessed until after the result of a scholarship application is known.

Additionally, at the Head Master's discretion, exceptional awards with a fee concession may be made where, **during the assessment process**, we identify exceptional potential.