



**KING EDWARD VI
CAMP HILL
SCHOOL FOR GIRLS**

In pursuit of educational excellence for all

INFORMATION BOOKLET 2017 - 2018

SCHOOL VISION STATEMENT

King Edward VI Camp Hill School for Girls aims to provide a full range of quality experiences, within a forward thinking and supportive environment. We strive to develop independent, mature young women who achieve their best and make positive contributions to school and the wider community.

ADMISSIONS

Admissions aged 11

The school takes five forms of entry (150 pupils) into Year 7. Admission at 11 is by an entrance examination which takes place in September. Arrangements for the entrance examination are made by the Foundation Office (Edgbaston Park Road, Birmingham B15 2UD). It is essential that parents who wish to apply for a place for their daughters at any of the King Edward Grammar Schools, complete the home Local Authority (LA) form, as well as the King Edward's form. In order to be eligible for admission to the school, candidates must achieve a minimum standardised score in the selection test ("the qualifying score"). Where the number of applications for admission exceeds the number of places available at the school, places are offered to children as follows:

1. Looked After Children / Previously Looked After Children who achieve the qualifying score by rank order of standardised score;
2. Up to 30 other children attracting the Pupil Premium who achieve the qualifying score by rank order of standardised score;
3. Other children who achieve the qualifying score by rank order of standardised score

Where children are equal on standardised score, places will be offered to those who live nearest to the school (according to the straight-line distance between home and school). Further information is available on the Schools of King Edward VI website - www.schoolsofkingedwardvi.co.uk.

Receiving an Offer

Places are offered once the 11+ test papers have been marked. The LA will consider your application to each of the schools you have named on the LA preference form. You can name up to six schools. Information on how places are allocated is given in your LA booklet. Birmingham and most LA's have an equal preference system so, if your child meets the criteria for two or more schools, the LA will offer you a place at the school you have ranked highest on the LA form. Therefore, if you put a grammar school first on your LA form, but your child is not successful in the entrance test, you will not put at risk your chance of being offered a place at any other school you have listed. Your child's application for other schools will be treated in the same way as every other application. For example, it will depend on the distance between your home and the school for most comprehensive schools. Remember, if a grammar school is your first choice, you need to list that school first on the Local Authority preference form.

Entry in Later Years

Parents of students who wish to transfer at a later stage, either because they have moved into the area or because they feel their daughter is able to benefit from a grammar school education, should write to the Headteacher, giving the girl's full name, date of birth and the name of the school currently attended. A copy of a recent report is useful. The girl's name may be added to the waiting list. A local authority form will also need to be completed.

Admission to the Sixth Form

The school positively welcomes applications from pupils with very good GCSE results to join the Sixth Form. A copy of the most recent Sixth Form prospectus is available on the school's website.

Arrangements for Pupils with Disabilities

Pupils are admitted on the basis of their performance in tests. Children with disabilities requiring special resources to sit the tests should contact the Foundation Office.

OPEN DAYS, TERM DATES AND SCHOOL POLICIES

Open Days in 2017 - 2018

Our two major Open Evenings for Main School entry in the coming year are:

- Thursday 19th October 2017 (5.30pm – 8.30pm) and
- Thursday 5th July 2018 (4.00pm – 6.45pm)

There are additional Open Mornings when parents can see the school in session. **These are by appointment only:**

- Week Commencing Monday 16th October 2017 – Wednesday 18th October 2017 (10.45am– 11.30am)

For prospective Sixth Form students, there will be a separate Open Evening on **Thursday 16th November 2017** from 5.30pm – 8.30pm.

Term Dates 2017 - 2018

Autumn Term 2017

Monday 4th September - Friday 22nd December 2017

Half-term

Monday 23rd October - Friday 27th October 2017

Christmas Holidays

Monday 25th December – Friday 5th January 2018

Spring Term 2018

Monday 8th January – Thursday 29th March 2018

Half-term

Monday 19th February - Friday 23rd February 2018

Easter Holidays

Friday 30th March – Friday 13th April 2018

Summer Term 2018

Monday 16th April - Friday 20th July 2018

Early May Bank Holiday

Monday 7th May 2018

Half-term

Monday 28th May - Friday 1st June 2018

Timing of the School Day

The school day begins at 8.50 am and ends at 3.35 pm with a mid-morning break of 20 minutes. The lunch hour is from 12.35 pm – 1.35 pm.

Policies

Educational regulations require us to make copies of key policies accessible. These are available on the School Website.

Uniform

Students in Years 7 to 11 wear uniform of navy blue and light blue. Parents will find full details in the School Handbook which they receive when their daughter is offered a place at the school. For families where there is a need, a grant towards school uniform is available. These details are likewise available in the School Handbook. There is a dress code in the Sixth Form.

Complaints Procedure

Parents are encouraged to refer any concern they may have on curricular or other issues to the Headteacher. The School follows the guidelines established by the Department for Education. There is a formal procedure if a resolution is not possible.

Examinations

Year 11 students take up to a maximum of eleven GCSE subjects.

A Level students take four subjects from the start of Year 12.

Some students also undertake the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) as an enrichment qualification in Year 13.

TEACHING ORGANISATION

Teaching

There are five teaching periods in the day and we operate a two-week timetable.

Key Stage 3: Years 7, 8 and 9

The subjects taught in Key Stage 3 are: Art, Design Technology, Drama, English, French, German, Spanish, Latin, Geography, History, Computing, Mathematics, Music, Physical Education, Religious Studies, Biology, Chemistry, Physics and STEM.

Note: Pupils study either French, German or Spanish in Year 7 and choose a second language in Year 8 which is studied until the end of Year 9. Latin courses for all Year 7 are compulsory, and in addition to French, German or Spanish.

Educational day visits are a feature throughout the school as are residential visits, either to locations in this country or abroad.

Key Stage 4: Years 10 and 11 (GCSE)

Students take the following core subjects:

- English Language
- English Literature
- Mathematics
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Modern Language 1 (French, German, Latin, Spanish)
- Religious Education.

Students then choose three further subjects from a list of optional subjects below:

- Art and Design
- Design and Technology
- Drama
- Modern Language 2 (French, German, Spanish)
- History
- Geography
- Music
- Physical Education
- AS Level (offered as an option in Years 10 and 11)
- A Tutorial programme and Physical Education for fitness and health also form part of the compulsory curriculum.

INSERT OUR PROMISE

COMMUNITY & PARTNERSHIP LINKS

Personal and Social Education

Use of outside agencies regularly for PSE:

- Police; Fire Service
- Health Education Unit (School Nurse)
- Other health visits
- Educational Psychologist
- Open Door Counsellor

Careers, Business & Industry

- Year 11 1-to-1 Career Interviews
- Engineering in Education Scheme
- Year 12 Post 18 Conference
- Sixth-formers attend residential courses
- Subject/business links
- University Open Day Visits
- Industry Visits e.g. Land Rover
- Forensic Science Day
- Business sponsored Competitions

Assemblies and Charities

- Visits by local ministers, religious Representatives and youth workers
- Charity fund-raising speakers

Bringing in Parents and other Adults

- AFS
- Subject specialist parent support for Year 13 university mock interviews programme
- Visiting speakers invited e.g. 'Tuesday After School' Lecture Series
- Master classes conducted by local musicians, writers and dancers

Languages, International Links

- International Schools Accreditation
- Community languages valued
- Exchange visits with French and German partner schools
- MFL Sixth Form Conference
- Russian studies within Enrichment package for Year 12

Extra-Curricular Activities

- Chemistry Quiz –Birmingham University
- Sport fixtures including County and National teams
- Debating and Public Speaking
- Birmingham Schools' Ensembles.
- Enrichment theatre visits
- Writing: pupils' work published
- Songs From the Shows
- Evening of Dance
- Drama Productions
- House Fair
- Charity & Fundraising events
- Project work: successful Competition entries
- Music and sport links with Local junior schools
- Sports Leader Award
- UKMT Maths Challenges
- Spelling Bee

School facilities

- Community swimming clubs.
- Community ICT classes

School Trips & Visits

- Enrichment Week : Suspended school timetable
- CBSO at Symphony Hall (Music)
- Field study visits within the curriculum to a wide range of places
- French & German exchanges
- Geography trip to Iceland
- History trip to USA
- Music tour to Europe
- Poetry Live
- Visits to Parliament
- Year 7 residential trip to Anglesey
- Year 12 residential trip to Cambridge

Community Service

- Birmingham Civic Society Awards
- Duke of Edinburgh Award
- Sixth-form volunteers, including Senior Prefect responsibilities
- Senior Citizens' Party organised by Year 10
- Contributions to the work of charities, local, (both national and international)
- Cecily's fund – link with schools in Zambia
- Student Partnership with Dame Ellen Pinsent Special School
- Year 13 Enrichment programme
- Widening Accessibility initiative, With local Primary Schools

PUBLIC TRANSPORT TO CAMP HILL

Travel WM Buses

11A Outer Circle

Serves Harborne, Selly Oak, Bournville, Cotteridge

11C Outer Circle

Serves Yardley, Acocks Green, Hall Green, Selly Oak, Harborne

18 Yardley Wood – Bartley Green

Comes within $\frac{3}{4}$ mile of the School.
Serves Yardley Wood, Kings Norton, Cotteridge, Northfield, Bangham Pit

27 Parsons Hill – Kings Heath

Serves Bournville, Northfield, West Heath

35 City Centre – Pool Farm

Serves Balsall Heath, Moseley, Kings Heath, Kings Norton

50 City Centre – Druids Heath

Serves Balsall Heath, Moseley, Maypole, Druids Heath

76 Selly Oak, Kings Heath, Hall Green, Shirley, Solihull

Diamond Buses

69 Weoley Castle – Kings Heath – Yardley Wood

Serves Kings Heath, Maypole, Shirley, Solihull, Yardley Wood

School Bus

The Green Bus 871 – Solihull – KE Camp Hill

Damsonwood, Solihull, Olton, Sharmans Cross, Hall Green, Yardley Wood

The Green Bus 872 – Dorridge – KE Camp Hill

Dorridge, Knowle, Widney Manor, Monkspath, Cheswick Green, Shirley, Hollywood

The Green Bus 873 – Walsall - KE Camp Hill

Walsall, Great Barr, Handsworth Wood, City Road/Rotton Park Road, Quinton, Harborne, Edgbaston

50A City Centre – Wythall

Serves Moseley, Kings Heath, Maypole, Hollywood, Wythall, Winyates, Redditch
