



Admissions Timeline for 11+ and 16+ 2026 entry & 13+ 2027 entry

	11+ 2026	13+ 2027	16+
Deadline for Registrations (including applications for Scholarships and Bursaries, submission of any SEN Reports required to award access arrangements for the entrance assessment.)	Thurs 13 th Nov 2025	Thurs 13 th Nov 2025	On going
Entrance assessment	Mon 24 th Nov – Fri 5 th Dec 2025 at own school / Sat 29 th Nov 2025 at Aldenhams	Sat 10 th Jan 2026 at Aldenhams	GCSE results or Quest Assessment
Interviews	September – December 2025	September – December 2025	On going
Scholarship information evening Scholarships available are: Academic, Art, Dance, Drama, DT, Music, Sport, Textiles	Wed 1 st October 2025, from 6pm	Wed 1 st October 2025, from 6pm	No Scholarships are available at 16+
Scholarship interviews / auditions / trials	All subjects excl Sport Mon 19 th Jan 2026 Sport Mon 26 th Jan 2026	During your child's Year 8	Interviews are on going
Bursary (Financial Assistance) process	Autumn Term 2025	Autumn Term 2026	N/A
Offers made	Fri 13 th Feb 2026	Fri 13 th Feb 2026	As appropriate
Offer Holders Evening/Events	Wed 25 th Feb 2026	N/A	24 th September Sixth Form Information Evening 9 th October Sixth Form Year 11 Taster event
Acceptance deadline	Wed 4 th Mar 2026	Thurs 26 th Feb 2026	As stated in the Offer Letter.
11+ & 13+ induction afternoon	Wed 10 th June 2026	June 2027	NA
All new students induction day	Day before Autumn term starts	Day before Autumn term starts	Day before Autumn term starts

Please note the following:

For other entry points and International Students please telephone the school for information.

Entrance Assessment 11+

The entrance assessment ideally takes place at your child's current school within the two week assessment window, on a date of their choosing. We will contact your child's current school during the autumn term to see if this is possible but you may wish to contact them directly too, to find out which date (if any) they will be offering it on. If they are unable to facilitate this, we will be hosting the assessment at Aldenham on Saturday 29th November. [The details of the assessment, including a link to familiarisation materials can be found here.](#)

Interview

Interviews are offered during the autumn term. Once these are fully booked, a new schedule of interviews for January 2026 will be released and offered only to those who perform sufficiently well in the entrance assessment. 16+Interviews are ongoing.

Scholarships 11+

If you have applied for a scholarship, you will receive a separate application form for completion and will be asked to send appropriate references. Note: all children are automatically considered for an academic scholarship, you do not need to make an application for this.

Scholarships 13+

While the entrance assessment and interview will take place in your child's Year 7, all scholarship interviews / auditions / trials will take place in your child's Year 8. This means that we will make offers of places during Year 7 but any scholarship awards will not be issued until your child is in Year 8. Note: all children are automatically considered for an academic scholarship, you do not need to make an application for this.

SEN Needs

In order for us to know how best we can support your child if they join us, **and to make any special arrangements for the entrance examination, families of those with additional needs are requested to provide a copy of the most recent Educational Psychologist report and/or Diagnosis Letter, along with any learning support specific comments from your child's school reports.**

In secondary schools all access arrangements for examinations are governed by an external body called the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ) who have oversight of all GCSE and A Level examinations. Our SENCO is required to evaluate EP and other SEN reports against JCQ rules to make an informed decision about access arrangements (eg extra time and rest breaks) for both our entrance exam and future external exams. We will apply exam access arrangements only where these are warranted by these reports, thus ensuring a level playing field for all candidates.

Bursaries (financial assistance) 11+

Bursary applications involve means testing by a third party, independent company, which then gives advice to the school about the level of need. This process takes place during the autumn term of 2025. Applicants will be contacted directly by our Finance department to provide their financial details.

Bursaries (financial assistance) 13+

While the entrance assessment and interview will take place in your child's Year 7, the bursary application process will take place in the autumn term of your child's Year 8. This means that we will make offers of places during Year 7 but any financial assistance decisions will not be made until your child is in Year 8.

Deferred entry for 13+

Please note that an offer for 11+ entry will not be deferred to 13+ entry. All students wishing to apply for 13+ entry must take the entrance assessment in their Year 7 with the rest of the cohort.

Late applications for 13+ entry in 2026

We still have a few places for 13+ entry in September 2026. Applicants will be invited to join the 13+ assessment on Saturday 10th January. Any scholarship interviews / auditions / trials will take place on Monday 19th January 2026 (all subjects excl Sport) and Friday 30th Jan 2026 (Sport).