



King's Schools  
TAUNTON

**11+ SCHOLARSHIPS**

**KING'S HALL SCHOOL  
THROUGH TO  
KING'S COLLEGE**





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# KING'S SCHOOLS

Two schools, one inspiring education....

King's Hall School, a prep school for children aged 2-13,  
and King's College, a senior school for 13 to 18 year olds,  
share a common foundation and ethos  
and provide a wonderful, seamless transition for children  
moving from prep schools and primary schools at age 11.

Each school is located on its own distinct site  
with its own Headmaster.

King's Hall School has a stunning 50-acre estate  
in the foothills of the Quantocks;

King's College has 75 richly endowed acres  
close to the centre of Taunton.

This structure allows for the appropriate needs  
of relative age groups to be fully met.



# 11+ SCHOLARSHIPS

King's Schools make a limited number of awards to internal candidates who are moving up to Year 7 (11+) and external candidates who are joining Year 7.

These awards recognise excellence and potential in a range of areas and all awards are made on the basis of open competition.

This booklet gives details of the various awards available and further information can be obtained from the Admissions Registrar at King's College:

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# GENERAL PROCEDURES

The administration of the 11+ scholarships is undertaken by King's College and testing takes place in the January preceding entry for both internal and external candidates.

In all testing, the emphasis is on allowing the candidates an opportunity to demonstrate their strengths and we hope that they find the experience enjoyable.

All scholarship testing involves interviews with members of King's College staff, including the Headmaster. Again, the emphasis is on putting candidates at ease and allowing them an opportunity to talk about their enthusiasms. Credit will be given to those who seem genuinely interested in their subjects, have read widely and can apply their knowledge to new situations and problems.

As part of the scholarship process, we will seek a report from the candidate's present school to support their application.

Parents will be informed of the results of the scholarship tests and examinations soon after they are taken.



# EXPLANATION OF TERMS

**SCHOLARSHIP** The largest award we make which is given to candidates who show exceptional ability and potential. Typically, scholarships entail a remission of 15% of the day fees. The number of scholarships in each category is strictly limited. Clear expectations of involvement are placed on scholars.

**BURSARIES** This term refers to means-tested fee remissions that are available to families who are not able to afford the fees. For full details of our Bursary Policy, please see our website.



# EXPECTATIONS & REVIEW

External candidates who have won an award are expected to enter King's Hall in the September following the testing.

All award holders are expected to play an active and significant part in the life of King's Schools in relation to their specialist area, throughout their time at King's Schools.

In Year 8, candidates who win an award at 11+ are expected to enter the relevant 13+ scholarship where, depending on performance, the award will either be re-confirmed (Exhibition – 15%) or increased (Scholarship – 20%).

If holders of 11+ awards choose not to proceed to King's College, the value of the award must be repaid.



# FINANCIAL MATTERS

The number and size of awards and bursaries which King's Schools can make each year are set by the Awards Committee of the School Council.

11+ awards attract a remission of, typically, 15%.

King's Schools offer a limited number of means-tested bursaries and parents who believe they will need such assistance should apply to the Director of Finance.

It is the policy of King's Schools that where more than one award or bursary is held, only the value of the largest will apply.



# MULTIPLE AWARDS

It is not unusual for a candidate to be entered for two awards and to receive more than one offer.

In considering these offers, parents are asked to keep in mind:

- ❖ Only the largest of the awards will apply as far as the remission of fees is concerned
- ❖ Each award carries with it specific expectations of involvement and achievement, however many awards the pupil holds
- ❖ King's Schools offer all-rounder awards in certain circumstances



# ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

King's Schools enjoy a fine reputation for academic scholarship. Results at both GCSE and A Level are amongst the best in the region and pupils go on from King's to achieve great success at university and beyond.

King's Schools are determined to foster an appreciation of learning for its own sake, a scholarship and enthusiasm which goes far beyond mere examination preparation. To this end we seek to employ teachers who are passionate about their subjects and are able to communicate that passion to their pupils.

Academic Scholarship candidates are examined in English, Maths and Verbal Reasoning.



# MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Music at King's Schools continues to go from strength to strength. There are a large number of ensembles, choirs and orchestras and a rich and varied programme of concerts throughout the year.

We seek to attract pupils with musical talent and ambition who will contribute with enthusiasm to the wider musical life.

Candidates will be asked to show achievement (Grade 3-4 is a good guideline) and potential in one instrument. Competence on a second instrument is welcomed and candidates are encouraged to offer singing.

Auditions will consist of two contrasting prepared pieces on voice or first instrument, another prepared piece on the second instrument if offered, an aural test and a study piece given to the candidate half an hour before performance.

Music award holders will receive free tuition in up to two instruments.



# SPORTS SCHOLARSHIPS

King's Schools have an outstanding reputation for competing in a wide range of sports at the very highest levels and enjoy a national reputation in several games, including cricket, rugby, netball, athletics and hockey. We seek to attract boys and girls of exceptional sporting and leadership potential who are likely to contribute in the success of 'A' teams, particularly in the major games. There is a balance to be struck between pursuing ambitious sporting goals and ensuring that elite athletes enjoy as normal and as productive a school life as possible; we believe we are very successful in achieving this balance.

Testing for sports awards consists of a practical aptitude test in several sports.

Candidates are invited to provide sporting CVs and references from coaches and clubs giving details of past sporting achievements and involvement.





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