

Admissions Timeline for 11+ and Sixth Form 2027 entry & 13+ 2028 entry

	11+ 2027	13+ 2028	Sixth Form 2027
Deadline for registrations (incl applications for scholarships & bursaries & submission of any SEN reports required to award access arrangements for the entrance assessment)	Thursday 12 th November 2026	Thursday 12 th November 2026	No deadline But offers are made on a rolling basis & some subjects may become full so early registration is advised
Entrance assessment	Mon 23 rd November – Fri 4 th December 2026 at own school / Sat 28 th November 2026 at Aldenham	Saturday 9 th January 2027 at Aldenham	GCSE results or Quest assessment
Interviews	September – December 2026	September – December 2026	On going
Scholarship interviews / auditions / trials	All subjects excl Sport Mon 18 th January 2027 Sport Monday 25 th January 2027	During your child's Year 8	N/A
Bursary (financial assistance) process	Autumn term 2026	Autumn term 2027	N/A
Offers made	Friday 12 th February 2027	Friday 12 th February 2027	As appropriate
Offer Holders Evening	Tuesday 23 rd February 2027	N/A	N/A
Acceptance deadline	Wednesday 3 rd March 2027	Thursday 25 th February 2027	As stated in the offer letter
Summer term induction afternoon	Wednesday 9 th June 2027	N/A	N/A
Autumn term induction day(s)	Days 1 & 2 before Autumn term starts	Day before Autumn term starts	Day before Autumn term starts

Please see below for further information:

Entrance Assessment

For 11+ entry, 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 email your child's current school during the autumn term with information about the assessment, but you should also contact them directly, 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 28th November. The details of the 11+ / 13+ assessment, including a link to familiarisation materials, can be found here [Parent-FAQs-for-Admissions-Assessment](#)

Interview

Interviews are offered throughout the autumn term, so in many cases applicants have their interview before their assessment. We will send you a link to book your child's interview.

Scholarships 11+

If your child would like to be considered for a scholarship, you will need to complete a separate application form (which will be sent to you) and will be asked to provide appropriate references. The scholarship process runs independently of the entrance assessment process so please note that an invite to a scholarship audition does not mean a confirmed school place. Additionally, all children are automatically considered for an academic scholarship, which are awarded based on performance in the entrance assessment, so an application for this is not required.

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. Please 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. Applicants will be contacted directly by our Finance department to provide their financial details. The likelihood that acceptance of a place is conditional upon financial assistance must be indicated on the registration form because the school is unlikely to consider a request for financial support once an offer of a full fee-paying place has been made. Please be aware that bursary funding is quite limited, particularly in the light of recent tax changes.

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 spring 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 2027

We still have a few places for 13+ entry in September 2027. Applicants will be invited to join the 13+ assessment on Saturday 9th January 2027. Any scholarship interviews / auditions / trials will take place on Monday 18th January 2027 (all subjects excl Sport) and Friday 29th Jan 2027 (Sport).

Sixth Form entry requirements

Details about Sixth Form entry requirements, the courses on offer and specific entry requirements for each can be found here [A Levels Curriculum and Support – Aldenham](#)