

# SIXTH FORM



KING EDWARD VI  
HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS



Information Booklet and Entrance Form 2021



A wide-angle photograph of a school sports field. In the foreground, a large tree with green leaves frames the left side. The field is green with white markings for a game, possibly football. In the background, there is a brick building with a white roof and several windows. A chain-link fence separates the field from a line of trees. The sky is blue with some clouds.

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# Welcome to King Edward VI High School for Girls

## Dear Parents and students,

I am delighted that you are considering joining King Edward VI High School for Girls. There are many reasons indeed why the Sixth Form experience is second to none here, and that is due to the girls themselves and the brilliant staff, who are committed and passionate about their subjects both in and outside the classroom.

Do come to visit us when you are able to, and experience the distinctive atmosphere of the school for yourselves. In the meantime, I hope that you find this information helpful in giving you a flavour of the school, its breadth of opportunity and its spirit.

I hope to meet you and your daughter personally. In the meantime, if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact our Admissions Registrar, Mrs Catherine Oakes by email [c.oakes@kehsmail.co.uk](mailto:c.oakes@kehsmail.co.uk) or telephone 0121 415 2195.

*Kirsty von Malaisé*

Mrs Kirsty von Malaisé  
Principal



# About Us

At KEHS, we offer an outstanding education for able girls who like original ideas and new challenges. Girls combine a rigorous academic programme with high quality extra-curricular activities and of course we hope that each and every one of them has lots of fun along the way!

We take great pride in King Edward's High School's longstanding reputation for academic achievement. Our highly-qualified teachers look to inspire each girl's imagination and enable her to discover and develop her intellectual passions and ambitions, alongside outstanding opportunities in music, sport, the arts and many more spheres: our rich and highly prized co-curricular programme is very much at the heart of the school. We're delighted that the Sunday Times recently rated us number one in the Midlands Top 10 Independent Schools for our outstanding education.

We offer so much more than stellar grades and rigorous preparation for places at World Class Universities. We value each girl and help her navigate wisely

the choices ahead of her at each stage, giving her the opportunities to develop her leadership and collaborative skills as well as her resilience, so that she is ready in due course to make the difference our wonderful alumnae have made over the years, on a national and global stage for girls.

KEHS is a caring and generous community, where relationships between girls and our staff are very warm. The girls are encouraged to develop a strong spirit of philanthropy, and to engage with the world outside of school. Our assisted places scheme provides us with a wonderful opportunity to offer the full breadth of our education to talented girls whatever their background.

The two years of Sixth Form are when a KEHS girl really comes into her own, taking on leadership roles and pursuing her chosen subjects in depth, as well as embracing a myriad of opportunities which give her the confidence to excel.





# Sixth Form Curriculum

Currently, girls choose 4 A level subjects from the list below:

- Art and Design
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Economics
- English Literature
- French
- Geography
- German
- Classical Greek
- History
- Italian\*
- Latin
- Mathematics
- Further Mathematics
- Music
- Physics
- Psychology
- Religious Studies
- Russian\*
- Spanish
- Theatre Studies

\*Russian and Italian are offered on a two year rotation.

In addition girls also follow a rigorous non-academic programme to bring breadth to their Sixth Form studies, some of which is compulsory and some of which is based on girls' individual selection. All girls currently follow a course leading to A level General Studies. Many girls choose to take the Extended Project Qualification, a research project rated by University Admissions, which is equivalent to half an A Level. Supervisors will guide her to completing a project and presentation on a subject of her choice.

The school tries to meet the choices of as many girls as possible but it may not be possible to offer every single subject combination and on rare occasions, courses do not run. Teaching groups and the teachers delivering courses may change between Lower and Upper Sixth.



# Sixth Form Friday Afternoon Activities

Friday afternoons comprise a special curriculum and add a great deal to the enrichment of the Sixth Form experience here at KEHS. They are consciously non-academic short courses which provide an opportunity for our girls to try new things, develop new skills and interests and, in some cases, gain useful qualifications. Some activities provide memorable experiences; others might develop into lifelong hobbies.

As part of the Friday Afternoon Activities programme the girls are expected to do a term of Community Service in a primary school, an old people's home or a school for children with special needs. In addition, the sixth form host a Party for the Elderly on the last Friday afternoon before Christmas and Easter.

The girls can currently choose from courses such as:

- Arts Award
- Child Development
- Design and Construct
- Engineering Education Scheme
- First Aid
- Food Studies
- High Profile
- Lifeguarding
- School Magazine 'Phoenix'
- Photography
- Practical Theatre
- Primary Outreach
- Rock Climbing
- Sailing
- Textiles

# University Applications

The majority of the Sixth Form aspire to attend Russell Group and World Class universities, and some will go further afield, or pursue Arts based courses. We have a very high rate of girls being accepted into their first choice of university, due to our rigorous and supportive process.

Many girls go on to Oxford or Cambridge, and Medical school. We have a thriving network of Old Edwardians who can be contacted for advice about specific courses or career trajectories.







# Visiting the School

Open Events for prospective parents and girls have been arranged as follows:

## Virtual Open Evening for Sixth Form Entry 2021

17th November 2020 at 6.30pm

Please contact [admissions@kehsmail.co.uk](mailto:admissions@kehsmail.co.uk) to register your interest.

# Admissions Information

The school warmly welcomes a number of new girls into the Sixth Form each year.

## Entry requirements

Applicants are invited to attend an academic interview with a member of the School Leadership team and a Head of Department.

Students are expected to reach levels 7-9.  
Some subjects require a minimum level 8.

**Closing date for applications – 1st February 2021**  
for entry in September 2021.

# Fees, Scholarships and Assisted Places

## SCHOLARSHIPS

Although the Governors are principally committed to supporting the means-tested Assisted Places scheme, in addition the school offers academic scholarships to encourage the girls who excel in their academic interviews. Girls are awarded scholarships for academic achievement at the discretion of the Principal. These scholarships are independent of parental income and are normally tenable for the two years of the Sixth Form.

## SPORTS SCHOLARSHIP

At KEHS our pursuit of excellence extends beyond the classroom. In every aspect of life at KEHS we support the individual and in the sports department this is no different.

We value each pupil and want to help her manage sporting ambitions alongside her academic successes. We recognise any pupil who is on a national pathway to international representation is already motivated, determined and resilient. At KEHS we highly value these character traits and would welcome an application from you if you feel your daughter fits the criteria.

To be considered for the KEHS Sports Scholarship, applicants must be on a recognised development pathway to international competition with their sport's national governing body.

## MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

We offer a music scholarship to a suitable candidate who shows considerable talent and passion for music. The candidate would need to be grade 8+ standard and have extensive experience of performing in a range of ensembles/choirs.

## FINANCIALLY ASSISTED PLACES

The Governors' Assisted Places Scheme aims to ensure that girls who would benefit from an education at KEHS can come to the school irrespective of parental income. The scheme is means-tested and parents wishing to apply for remission must complete and return a statement of income annually.

Funds are not yet sufficient to provide assistance to every applicant who does well in the examination. As a result, not all applicants for an Assisted Place who are offered a place will be successful in securing financial assistance.

Awards are always made in line with the published scale of fees. Awards are made on the basis of performance in the Entrance Examination.

It is also possible to combine Assisted Places awards and Scholarships for exceptional candidates.

The Admissions Registrar can provide further details about Assisted Places and Scholarships either at our Open Events or in person.

## FEES

Fees are payable not later than the first day of each term and can be paid termly or monthly by Direct Debit. The termly tuition fees for the school year 2020/2021 are £4,446 (£13,338 per annum). The fees are reviewed annually by the governors.





Candidate No



**KING EDWARD VI**  
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# Registration Form

PLEASE ATTACH  
A RECENT PHOTO  
OF YOURSELF

## APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

For entry into **Sixth Form September 2021**

**LAST DATE FOR REGISTRATION - MONDAY 1ST FEBRUARY 2021** (Girls born between 1st September 2004 and 31st August 2005 are eligible.)

## YOUR CHILD

Surname of your child

First names (underline preferred name)

Address (including postcode)

Nationality

Date of birth

/ /

Religion

## FIRST PARENT / LEGAL GUARDIAN

Title (e.g. Mrs, Ms)

Full name:

Day-time telephone

Mobile

Occupation

Email address

Address (including postcode)

## SECOND PARENT / LEGAL GUARDIAN

Title (e.g. Mr)

Full name:

Day-time telephone

Mobile

Occupation

Email address

Address (including postcode)



GCSE subjects to be taken and examining board:

Subject	Exam Board	Predicted Grade

Please note: We normally expect applicants to attain levels 7, 8 or 9 grades in the majority of subjects including those they wish to take at A level.

Your choice of A level subjects – please check page 3 for the subjects offered.

Please note: It may not ALWAYS be possible to offer the subject combination you want.

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Reserve/Alternative Choice

## PREVIOUS EDUCATION:

Please give the names of the schools attended by the candidate, with dates and an indication of the type of school.

Name and address of school		
Dates of attendance	Type of School: FEE PAYING / STATE	
Name of Head		
Name and address of school		
Dates of attendance	Type of School: FEE PAYING / STATE	
Name of Head		







## REDUCED FEES – MEANS TESTED BURSARY

A limited number of Assisted Places can be offered. The level of reduced fees is based on the income of both parents and step-parents, and on the number of dependent children in the family. WE REGRET IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO GRANT FEE ASSISTANCE TO EVERYONE WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR IT.

Do you wish your daughter to be considered for the Governors' Assisted Places Scheme:	YES / NO *		
Do you already have a child (children) attending King Edward VI High School for Girls and / or King Edward's School?	KEHS	KES	BOTH

\*If you have indicated 'yes', a Governors' Remissions Scheme form will be sent to you for completion. Forms must be returned (even if you have a child already receiving financial assistance) by the closing date of 1st February 2021.

For example:

- a) we may contact your child's current or previous school to ask for a reference;
- b) we may contact other people with parental responsibility to check that they consent to your child joining the School;
- c) the Confidential Information Form will be used to ensure that we have made any reasonable adjustments/suitable arrangements for your child when they visit the School or during any entrance assessments and subsequently if they are offered a place;
- d) we may share your information with credit reference agencies if you are applying for an Assisted Place.

If your child is not offered a place, we will only retain this information for as long as we need to. Unless there are exceptional circumstances, information is kept for a year after the end of the admissions process.

If you do not accept the offer of a place, we will only retain this information for as long as we need to. Unless there are exceptional circumstances, basic contact information is kept for five years after the end of the admissions process so that we can invite your daughter to apply to our Sixth Form.

For more information about how the School will use your information, and your child's information, please see our pupil privacy notice and our parent privacy notice. Both of these documents are published on the School's website: [www.kehs.org.uk](http://www.kehs.org.uk). Please show her a copy of the pupil privacy notice and discuss it with her.

### Declaration

- I / We attach a copy of the birth certificate of the child named above.
- I / We request that our child named above is registered as a prospective pupil.
- I / We enclose a cheque / cash for £25 (payable to SKE)**

## SIGNATURES OF PARENTS / LEGAL GUARDIANS

	First parent / legal guardian	Second parent / legal guardian
Signature		
Name in full (please include all names)		
Date of birth	/ /	/ /
Relationship to child		
Date	/ /	/ /

PLEASE RETURN TO: King Edward VI High School for Girls, Edgbaston Park Road, Birmingham B15 2UB

# The School Day

## Monday – Thursday:

8.45 to 16.00

## Friday:

8.45 to 15.20

The timings of the school day are as follows:

Registration	8.45
Period 1	9.10
Period 2	9.50
Period 3	10.30
Recess	11.10
Period 4	11.35
Period 5	12.15
Lunch	12.50
Registration	13.55
Period 6	14.00
Period 7	14.40
Period 8	15.20
Finish	16.00 (Friday 15.20)

# Term Dates

## Autumn Term 2020

Open: Thursday 3rd September

Half Term: Thursday 22nd October to Friday 30th October inclusive

N.B. There will be afternoon school on Wednesday 21st October

Close: Thursday 17th December at 12 noon

## Spring Term 2021

Open: Wednesday 6th January

Half Term: Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February inclusive

N.B. There will be afternoon school on Friday 12th February

Close: Friday 26th March

## Summer Term 2021

Open: Monday 19th April

**May Day: Monday 3rd May**

Half Term: Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June inclusive

N.B. There will be afternoon school on Friday 22nd May

Close: Wednesday 7th July at 12 noon.





# Extra-curricular Activities

Our Sixth Form students tell us that the extra-curricular activities on offer are the life-blood of a KEHS education. There is a rich programme, some sessions run by Sixth Form girls, and some run jointly with King Edward's School. They include the following:

## Lower Fifth - Upper Sixth

- Archives Club
- Chamber Choir
- Choral Society
- Cinematic Society
- Debating Society
- Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme
- Economics Society
- 1st XI, U16, and U15 Hockey and Netball Squads
- Senior Dance Workshop
- Senior and Intermediate Drama Clubs
- Senior Production (with KES)
- Senior Rounders Teams
- Senior Tennis
- Senior Creative Writing Society

## Sixth Form

- Breakfast Club
- Fitness Club
- Organisation of a wide variety of Community Service activities, including: Parties for the Elderly, Trips for Under-Privileged Children, Summer Fête
- Visits to foreign language films, as well as visits to plays, workshops and lectures, University Open Day visits and Insight courses
- Staff/Upper School Reading Group
- French Cinema Society

## Activities Involving the Whole School

A wide variety of fundraising events for charity and other community service activities:

- Art Club
- Athletics
- Badminton Club
- Camera Club
- Ceramics Club
- Chamber Music (with KES)
- Cheerleading Club
- Chess
- Christian Union
- Concert Band (with KES)
- Concert Orchestra (with KES)
- Creative Writing
- Cricket Club
- Cross Country
- Dance
- Debating
- Digital Arts Club
- Digital Learning Club
- Fencing
- Football Club
- French Gamers Club
- Geographical Society
- German Club
- Grade V Theory (Music)
- Greek Club
- Guitar Ensemble
- Gymnastics
- Junior Swing Band (with KES)
- Life Saving
- Martial Arts Club
- Model United Nations
- Philosophy Society
- Read4Green
- Rowing
- Schools' Challenge
- Senior Swing Band (with KES)
- Spoken Word
- String Ensemble (with KES)
- Swimming
- Swimming Squad
- Swimming Club
- Symphony Orchestra (with KES)
- Tennis
- Textiles Club
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Volleyball
- Wind Band (with KES)

### OVERSEAS VISITS

A number of departments including Art, Classics, Modern Languages, Religious Studies and Physical Education have organised subject specific overseas visits in the last few years. The school has an exchange programme with schools in Canada and New Zealand.

### SPORT/PHYSICAL RECREATION

Teams in hockey, netball, tennis and rounders regularly play inter-school fixtures on weekday evenings and most Saturday mornings. There are badminton, swimming, life saving, archery, fitness, volley ball, squash, fencing and gymnastics clubs. Senior and junior dance workshops prepare an annual production.

### MUSIC

Weekly activities provide opportunities for any girl to take part in some music making, whatever her level of musical achievement. They include Wind Band, Concert Band, Symphony Orchestra, Concert Orchestra, String Orchestra, Jazz Band, Chamber Music, Choral Society and Junior Choir. Regular concerts are given in the Concert Hall of the stunning Sir Paul and Lady Ruddock Performing Arts Centre; the highlights of the school year are the Christmas and Summer Concerts.

### DRAMA

In addition to the ever popular annual Junior and Senior productions, there are several drama clubs which meet regularly and stage more informal presentations. A Stage Crew option for Sixth Formers also provides opportunities for theatre design, set construction, lighting, props, costume, publicity and stage management.

A well equipped drama studio in the Performing Arts Centre allows for workshop style productions. Our 450 seater auditorium enables us to produce large scale productions as well. Recent Senior productions have included 'Romeo & Juliet', 'Hairspray', 'West Side Story', 'A Winter's Tale', 'Cabaret', 'Much Ado About Nothing', 'Arabian Nights', 'The Crucible' and 'An Awfully Big Adventure'.





### THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD SCHEME

The Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme is established and very popular at all levels.

### EXPEDITIONS AND TRIPS

Expeditions of various kinds form an important part of school life both in term time and during the school holidays. These include theatre trips, visits to places of historical, geographical, scientific or classical interest, ski trips, tours of art galleries, treks and outdoor challenges.

### COMMUNITY SERVICE

A wide variety of awareness raising and fundraising events are organised by girls to support charities of their choice. In addition, Senior girls give practical help with projects in the local community and run community events in school for the elderly and for young children.

## A Supportive Environment

Pastoral care is proactive as well as reactive, as we guide girls to become confident young women, ready for the greater independence which comes with life beyond school.

Each girl is a member of a small tutor group which meets daily. The Form Tutor comes to know each girl well and is a vital link between parents, girls and teachers, overseen by the Director of Sixth Form and her team of Heads of Year.

We also have a full time matron, a school doctor who comes into school on a weekly basis, and two school-based counsellors.





# A Level Results

## 2019 School A Level Results

Our 2020 examinations results were established via Centre Assessed Grades. 2019 is our last set therefore, of externally accredited A level results.

Subject	No. of Entries	No. of Passes	% Pass	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U	% A*	% A* - A	% A* - B
Art	5	5	100%	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	80%	80%	100%
Biology	38	38	100%	11	16	9	2	0	0	0	29%	71%	95%
Chemistry	35	35	100%	8	15	9	3	0	0	0	23%	66%	91%
Economics	16	16	100%	8	5	3	0	0	0	0	50%	81%	100%
English Literature	5	15	100%	7	5	3	0	0	0	0	47%	80%	100%
French	13	13	100%	8	4	0	1	0	0	0	62%	92%	92%
Further Maths	9	9	100%	4	2	2	1	0	0	0	44%	67%	89%
Geography	10	10	100%	1	7	2	0	0	0	0	10%	80%	100%
Greek	2	2	100%	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0%	100%	100%
History	16	16	100%	1	5	8	2	0	0	0	6%	38%	88%
Latin	4	4	100%	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	50%	75%	100%
Maths	30	30	100%	15	13	2	0	0	0	0	50%	93%	100%
Music	2	2	100%	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	100%	100%	100%
Physics	7	7	100%	3	2	1	0	1	0	0	43%	71%	86%
Psychology	18	18	100%	5	10	2	1	0	0	0	28%	83%	94%
Religious Studies	9	9	100%	3	5	1	0	0	0	0	33%	89%	100%
Russian	3	3	100%	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0%	67%	100%
Spanish	6	6	100%	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	83%	100%	100%
Theatre	4	4	100%	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0%	100%	100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>95%</b>





## Transport

King Edward VI High School for Girls is well placed for girls to use public transport with buses from the city centre and trains coming into Birmingham University Station, conveniently located approximately 10 minutes walk from school.

There are also special buses daily from and to Solihull (via Acocks Green and Moseley) and Walsall (via "Scott Arms", Great Barr).

## Contact Information

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## Links with King Edward's School

We firmly believe that single-sex education offers girls the opportunity to flourish and to achieve the best possible academic results, but we have the advantage of sharing a large and attractive school site with King Edward's School which enables us to offer a number of joint extra-curricular activities, notably in music and drama.





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