



Guidance Note

Registration for 11+ entry in September 2026

Please read these Guidance Notes before completing the online registration form for 11+ entry to Year 7 in September 2026. If you are currently resident overseas, please ensure that you read the end paragraph on *Applying from overseas*.

Kindly note that in exceptional circumstances and particularly those outside of the School's control, the admissions process outlined below may be amended at short notice and with immediate effect.

OVERVIEW

11+ registration is open to children commencing Year 6 in September 2026, ordinarily with a date of birth falling between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015.

The registration form gathers information about:

- the child
- you, i.e. their parents, carers or guardians
- relevant medical conditions, including allergies and special dietary requirements
- specific learning differences, such as dyslexia

The registration form enables you to indicate that you wish to be considered for means tested financial assistance to help with the cost of school fees (i.e. an academic bursary).

The registration form incorporates the scholarship application forms for:

- Art
- Design & Technology
- Drama
- Music
- Sport

There is a registration fee of £200 + VAT which is waived for children qualifying for the Pupil Premium, or for families in receipt of Universal Credit or Income Support.

1. THE REGISTRATION FEE & THE FEE WAIVER

With the exception of children who qualify for the Pupil Premium, or for families in receipt of Universal Credit or Income Support, candidates must pay a registration fee of £200 + VAT (£350 + VAT for candidates based and assessed overseas).

Families who wish to claim the registration fee waiver must upload confirmation of their entitlement when completing the fee waiver registration form.

2. INFORMATION ABOUT PARENTS

If both parents live together with their child, please provide details of **both** parents.

If parents are separated, but both have regular contact with the child, please provide details of **both** parents. We shall then send all communications to both parents.

We do not require the details of a parent who does not have contact with their child.

3. SPECIFIC LEARNING DIFFERENCES AND EXAMINATION CONCESSIONS

It is important that you inform us if your child has a specific learning difference, such as dyslexia. We are able to make reasonable adjustments in the entrance assessments (in line with the School's Entrance Examination Concessions and Access Arrangements Policy) if your child has a specific learning difference and has a diagnostic report prepared by an educational psychologist or specialist teacher that confirms the candidates underlying differences. Please upload your evidence when completing the registration form. We will then liaise with you to confirm any special examination arrangements which we are able to put in place for your child.

4. MEDICAL CONDITIONS AND DISABILITIES

Please ensure that you inform us about any medical condition or disability that is relevant to the assessment process or which may have an effect on day-to-day school life.

We are able to make reasonable adjustments in the entrance assessments (in line with the School's Entrance Examination Concessions and Access Arrangements Policy) if your child has written recommendations from an independent and appropriately qualified physician or other medical professional. There should be confirmation that your child's disability or medical condition results in persistent and significant difficulties when accessing and processing information. Please upload your evidence when completing the registration form. We will then liaise with you to confirm any special examination arrangements which we are able to put in place for your child.

5. SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

When visiting Alleyn's during the admissions process, we will provide your child with refreshments. It is important for us to be aware of any special dietary requirements, so that we can ensure that your child is well-cared for during their time at Alleyn's.

6. SCHOLARSHIPS

All children are automatically considered for an academic scholarship, but you may apply for any of the following Departmental scholarships:

ART

Candidates for the 11+ Art Scholarship will be expected to demonstrate strong skills, creativity and imagination.

Initially we would like candidates to submit a digital portfolio of works consisting of a powerpoint presentation with images of 10 artworks by the candidate (a photograph of one artwork per slide). A range of work is suggested for inclusion showcasing their skills and creativity. We recommend including some examples of observational drawing, some 'experimentation' and a few 'final pieces'. The artworks could be in any media and could include one or more of the following areas; painting, printmaking, mixed-media, sculpture and photography. One slide could also include images of artworks by artists who are particularly inspiring to the candidate.

Based on a review of the digital portfolios, selected candidates will be invited to attend an art workshop in late January when they will be asked to bring in a physical portfolio of their work (this can be the same content as the digital portfolio, in addition to a sketchbook, and any other artworks that have been produced in the interim).

There is nothing further you need to do at this stage other than to give some thought to the artwork for submission.

Portfolio submission: Monday 5 January 2026

Art Scholarship candidates will be sent further instructions regarding submission of the digital portfolio in December.

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

This scholarship is intended to identify candidates with the potential to develop a real talent in this area of the curriculum. Candidates with no previous experience of Design and Technology are encouraged to apply. We are hoping to meet candidates who are inquisitive about designing and manufacturing; who can problem solve real world issues and who are undaunted by challenges where the solution has not already been suggested.

Candidates will be invited to submit a short written piece of work.

Submission date for written work: Monday 5 January 2026

Selected candidates will then be invited to attend a Design and Technology workshop at Alleyn's in late January.

There is nothing more that needs to be done now. Further instructions will be sent in December.

DRAMA

This scholarship is intended to recognise candidates with a real flair and potential in this area of the curriculum and co-curriculum. Candidates are not expected to have had any particular training or experience and we are hoping to meet children with a real passion for drama.

Candidates will be invited to attend a half day of drama activities and workshops in late January which will include a prepared speech (which will be provided in advance, in January).

There is nothing further you need to do at this stage.

MUSIC

Candidates for the 11+ Music Scholarship should show evidence of real musical ability and offer at least two instruments, or voice and one instrument. It is not essential for candidates to have taken music examinations but, as a guide, the standard expected on the principal instrument corresponds with Grade V. Applications must be supported by a short performance video and

candidates will be emailed separately with further information and instructions. Please note that not all candidates who apply will be called for audition.

Auditions for selected candidates will take place on: Monday 12, Tuesday 13, Wednesday 14 January 2026.

At audition, candidates will be asked to play two short, but contrasting, pieces on their principal instrument and to play one other piece on their second instrument. Sight reading tests will be given on the candidate's principal instrument, and ear tests will be given on pitch, rhythm and general aural response. Candidates will be asked to sing a song of their own choice and to talk about their musical and general interests.

Shortlisted Music Scholarship candidates will be sent further instructions regarding auditions in December.

SPORT

Candidates for the 11+ Sport Scholarship should demonstrate exceptional all-round ability, or, particular talent in one sport. A candidate's underlying fitness levels and functional movement will also be taken into consideration.

Selected candidates are required to attend the Sport Scholarship Assessment Morning on:

Tuesday 25 November for girls or Wednesday 26 November for boys.

Candidates must select and participate in two sports from the following list, and specify a first and second choice:

Cricket

Football

Hockey

Netball /Basketball

Swimming (candidates must be able to swim at least 200 metres and use two or more different strokes)

Tennis

There is nothing further that applicants need to do at this stage.

Selected Sport Scholarship candidates will be sent further information in November regarding the assessment morning.

7. APPLICATIONS FROM OVERSEAS RESIDENTS

We welcome applications from families who currently reside overseas. Your child will sit the same entrance assessments as UK resident families, but we are happy to facilitate remote assessment at your

child's current school. We will liaise with you to make these arrangements.

Kindly note that it is necessary to attend Alleyn's for the Departmental scholarship assessments (in Art, Design & Technology, Drama, Music and Sport).

The registration fee for families based overseas is £350 + VAT. Kindly complete the Overseas Residents registration form.