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# Welcome!

## Hello!

My name is **Mr Grady**, and I have the joy, pleasure and privilege to be the **Head Teacher** at Rugby High School where we show **kindness and respect** to all – and you'll feel that in everything you do here.

It's my job to make sure you have the very best experience of learning; that you have an **exciting, challenging and broad curriculum**. It's my job to make sure you are **safe and well**, that **you know who to talk to** if you have any worries, and to make sure that your time at Rugby High School is a **happy one!**

If you're reading this, it's because **you're interested in Rugby High School** as the next part of your journey and I'm really pleased to tell you what a **fantastic next step** joining us would be!

It's a learning environment which has, over the years perfected an **outstanding education** for young women. **Our teachers are experts** in their field. They love their subjects and know how to **find the spark of curiosity** in the curriculum. They also know how to **support you to build your resilience** and your **independence** and, when it comes to examinations, to help you **perform to the very best of your ability**.

Our students are our greatest advert: **knowledgeable, good-humoured and confident young women**, who leave here **proud and ready** for whatever the Twenty First Century might throw at them!

I do hope the rest of this brochure gives you a flavour of Rugby High School, and that you can't wait to come and see what makes us such a **unique school**.





## SO MUCH MORE

- > Fundraising, extra-curricular clubs, and trips and visits are at the heart of Rugby High School.
- > There are 23 different lunchtime clubs and societies – all run by staff and students.
- > Each year we raise money for a range of charities. Students organise events such as cake sales, teacher karaoke competitions, non-uniform days, ice lolly sales and our famous Pink Day Race for Life. Since September 2021 we have raised an amazing sum of £7021.00 so far
- > Each year we organise a huge range of visits, from trips to the theatre to overseas residentials
- > Our students are at the heart of decision making and driving the development of our school with a wide range of posts of responsibility in all year groups.



## A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A YEAR 7

Wheels turning towards their  
destination;

Reflection of tree's branches  
reaching;

Towards me.

An archway like a camera lens,  
Focusing on the picture of our  
school.

Seconds to minutes to hours;

Pass by us creating;

Perfect circles;

Drawn with compasses;

Angles measured and calculations  
solved.

Injections of ink;

Drawn from the imagination;

Of others;

And yourself;

Analysing scriptures and inspiring  
your own.

Golden flames unfurling from  
metal;

Cylinders, mixing and creating;

Compounds.

Plant and animal life inspiring,  
Following the laws of the natural  
world.

Forgotten language buried in  
ashes;

Known but not learnt;

Heard of;

But rarely taught;

Except here, careful with every  
step.

The list could go on;

Paint brushes dipped in colour,

Past becoming present;

Performances laced with  
confidence and practise,

Stories of break shared with  
friends.

Respect

Happiness

Smiles.



My eyes not even open yet, I fling my bag over my shoulder and head out the door,

a bolt of lightning lights up in me as I think about today's exciting schedule. I wave at my friend as I walk through the gates, heading for form, heading for my friends, heading past the canteen, trying to guess what's on the menu for break. It always smells delicious.

Walking into the room, I put down my bag and head for the lockers.

The familiar yellow lock and fading beige doors seem to greet me as I grab what I need for the day, hurrying back as my form tutor enters the classroom.

I like to chat with my friends about homework as we race up the stairs but we always end up laughing about something or other as we turn towards the maths classroom and take our seats, white boards, and pens waiting patiently for us in the normal place.

On the way to English, my friends remind me of our upcoming food tech tester session and I can hear my stomach rumble, apparently, we're making cookies but we won't find out till next week.

Break could not come sooner and I struggle to scan my fingerprint to buy just what I guessed this morning, cheesy garlic bread, probably the best item on the menu.

Next, we have Latin and the usual question of "can we play Blooket" our teacher reminds us that we may if we have time but we must work hard as we answer the register with the usual "salve!"

For anybody considering this school, be warned, you're going to wish you could never leave. It's like a family here and everything is so diverse and accepting. Sure, there's ups and downs but someone always has your back and no day is like the next. It couldn't be more like home.

## WHAT OUR SUCCESS LOOKS LIKE

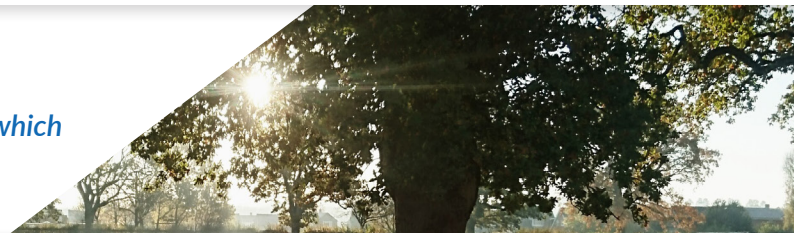
“ Having embarked on a career in physics, a field in which women are under-represented, I can now appreciate even more the benefit that I gained from having female role models at RHS, whether they were teachers, peers or speakers at assemblies. ”

“ The school's trust in me built a level of self confidence which has stayed with me throughout my career. ”

“ It challenges you to be the best you can be. ”

“ Surrounded by like-minded students who made my school days incredibly fun. ”

“ The self-belief that I could do anything if I tried, a skill carefully nurtured by a set of teachers who believed in me long before I did. ”





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## IS YOUR DAUGHTER EAGER AND EXCITED TO KEEP LEARNING?

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- Does she read her elder sister's books ?
- Is she fascinated with how the human body works ?
- Is she the first to answer the history questions on the quiz shows ?
- Does she know how much you've spent before you get to the checkout ?



Perhaps taking the 11+ and joining us at Rugby High School is just what she needs.





## THE 11+ PROCESS

When in Year 5 you will register for the 11+test <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/grammar-schools-11-test> by **Thursday 30th June 2022**.

Your application will be **acknowledged within 14 days of receipt**. If you don't—you must chase.

Your daughter will be invited to take the test at a local secondary school. Details will be sent to parents by **August 2022**.

11+test: **September 2022**. Updates on exactly when <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/grammar-schools-11-test/register-11-test/1>

You will need to bring a completed **'fit and well' form** and a **photograph of your daughter** signed and dated by her headteacher with you to **the test**.

Your daughter's test result will be emailed **mid-October** and parents **will then need to apply for a place through Warwickshire County Council**.

You will not find out if she has secured **a place at Rugby High School until 1st March 2023**. However this result can indicate how likely this is if you compare it to previous years' qualifying score.

Keep an eye on our website for 11+ Familiarisation Papers soon



*“In the end, I really enjoyed doing the 11+. I discovered it was easier than I thought it would be. Despite being extremely nervous, I powered through and I really enjoyed myself”*

*Matilda, Year 7*

## ELIGIBLE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS IN THE LAST 6 YEARS?

There are up to 20 places available at Rugby High for girls who have received free school meals in the last six years and who score up to 15 points below the qualifying score.

For example, if the general qualifying score is 210, a girl who has received free school meals only needs to score 195 to be offered a place.

If your daughter receives free school meals or you are in receipt of certain benefits you can gain help towards buying her first uniform.

Please use the email address below to get more information.

For students who are in receipt of PP/FSM, once you sign up for your daughter to sit the 11+ you will be sent a login which gives you access to some 11+ familiarisation sessions online that you can work through.

[welcome@rugbyhighschool.co.uk](mailto:welcome@rugbyhighschool.co.uk)





## TOP TIPS FOR 11+

- > It is a good idea to practise at home to familiarise yourself with the style of questions in the 11+ test.
- > Books to help you prepare for the 11+ start at around £10 - available online or from high street book shops. E-books are cheaper.
- > Example questions (and answers) are all available on the internet - just take a look.
- > Make sure that you read lots and widely, you need a wide range of vocabulary under your belt for the 11+ test.
- > Practise working out maths questions quickly, you'll need to know your times tables and number bonds off by heart as you'll need to work quickly during the timed sections of the test.
- > Some supermarkets have a scheme to offer guidance for the 11+ - but you really don't have to use it.