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We are delighted that you are interested in Rugby School.

Here are the key steps to be taken to access our admissions process; these are set out below:

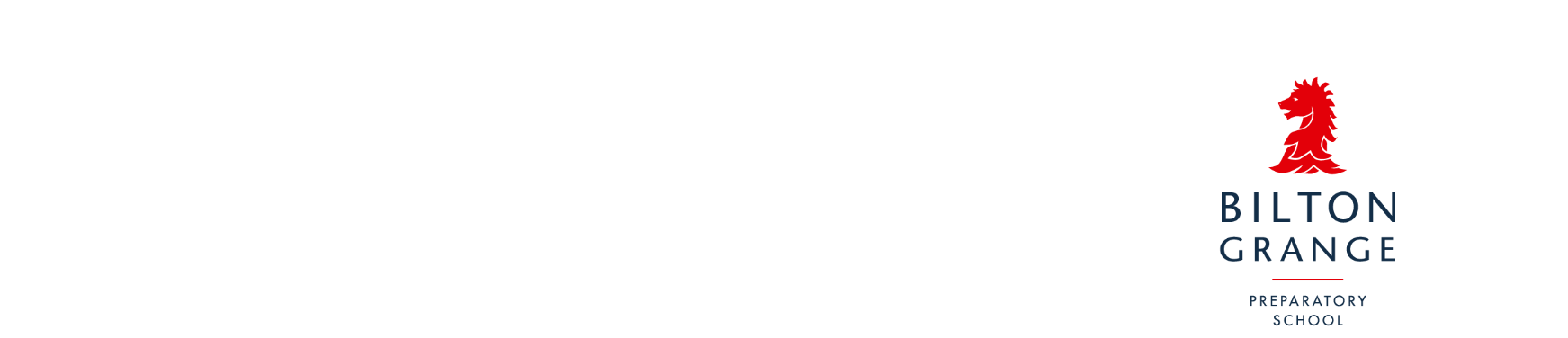
Step 1

**Identify which category your child fits:**

1. Currently attending a local primary school in Year 5 or 6 and is interested in a Foundation Award at Bilton Grange for Years 7 & 8. This would then lead to entry to Rugby School as a day student in Year 9.
2. Currently attending a local preparatory school in Year 5 or 6 and will transfer schools at the end of Year 8. Interested in a place for entry to Rugby School as a day student in Year 9.
3. Currently attending a local secondary school in Year 7 or 8. Interested in a place for entry to Rugby School as a day student in Year 9.

Step 2

**Read the relevant information for category 1 or 2 or 3 about the admissions process for your child.**

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**Category 1**

**Currently attending a local primary school in Year 5 or 6 and is interested in a Foundation Award at Bilton Grange for Years 7 & 8. This would then lead to entry to Rugby School as a day student in Year 9.**

* There is no entry to Rugby School before Year 9
* 11+ Foundation Awards are made in partnership with Bilton Grange School. **Applications should be made directly to Bilton Grange via admissions@biltongrange.co.uk.**

They offer funded day places at Bilton Grange for Year 7 and Year 8 and then entry as a day student to Rugby School in Year 9. This is conditional on a further application to confirm a 13+ Foundation Award AND performing well in Common Entrance during Year 8.

* Applicants who are successful at assessment, and whose parents are eligible for means-tested bursary support towards fees, will be considered for an 11+ Foundation Award which carries a means-tested bursary-assisted place at Bilton Grange school for Years 7 and 8 prior to entry to Rugby School in Year 9.
* Means-tested eligibility for bursary support towards fees is assessed through the Confidential Statement of Financial Circumstances Bursary form which may be requested from the Bursary by emailing [funding@rugbyschool.net](mailto:bursary@rugbyschool.net) .
* Applicants may subsequently be considered for 13+ Foundation Awards as well as Performing Arts, Sport, Music, Academic, Art, Design & Technology and Computing Scholarship awards during the course of Year 8.

**Key dates:**

**11+ Foundation Awards for Bilton Grange entry in 2025 and then entry to Rugby School in 2027**

**Closing Date for Applications: Friday 6 December 2024**

**Assessments will take place at Bilton Grange on Saturday 1 February 2025, with candidate interviews scheduled between 27 January to 7 February 2025.**

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**Category 2**

**Currently attending a local preparatory school in Year 5 or 6 and interested in a place for entry to Rugby School as a day student in Year 9.**

* We offer places for day pupils to enter Year 9; assessment for these applicants takes place at Rugby School in November of Year 6.
* Applicants are assessed through interviews, topic discussions on a questionnaire completed by the candidate, assessments in verbal and non-verbal reasoning tests.
* If candidates are successful, conditional places are offered subject to applicants passing the Common Entrance Examination with an average of at least 55 per cent or meeting the School’s entrance requirements in the Academic Scholarship examinations.

**13+ Foundation Awards**

**Foundation Award examinations take place at Rugby School in February of Year 8.**

We will consider candidates for a Foundation Award if their application meets three criteria:

1. They perform strongly in the entrance tests.
2. Their family lives within 20 miles of Rugby School
3. Parents have been assessed as being eligible for means-tested bursary assistance towards fees in addition to the 5% remission carried by the Award.

* Candidates may also be considered for Performing Arts, Sport, Music, Academic, Art, Design & Technology and Computing Scholarship awards during the course of Year 8.
* Means-tested eligibility for bursary support towards fees is assessed through the Confidential Statement of Financial Circumstances Bursary form which may be requested from the Bursary by emailing [funding@rugbyschool.net](mailto:bursary@rugbyschool.net).

**Key dates:**

**Day Entry to Town House and Southfield in 2027**

**Closing Date for Applications: Friday 11 October 2024**

**Assessment will take place at Rugby School on Thursday 26 November 2024**

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**Category 3**

**Currently attending a local secondary school in Year 7 or 8. Interested in a place for entry to Rugby School as a day student in Year 9.**

* During Year 8 we welcome applications for entry as a day student in Year 9.
* In February of Year 8 applicants who are not at schools which transfer at the end of Year 8 may sit entrance tests to be assessed for a place to enter as a day student, or for a Foundation Award or for an Academic Scholarship Award.
* Assessment will comprise tests in Reasoning, English, Mathematics and Science. These will be based on the National Curriculum. Applicants will also be interviewed, and we will request references from the current school.

**13+ Foundation Awards**

Foundation Award examinations will take place at Rugby School in February of Year 8.

We will consider candidates for a Foundation Award if their application meets three criteria:

* 1. They perform strongly in the entrance tests.
  2. Their family lives within 20 miles of Rugby School
  3. Parents have been assessed as being eligible for at least some means-tested bursary assistance towards fees in addition to the 5% remission carried by the Award.
* Candidates may also be considered for Performing Arts, Academic, Sport, Music, Art, Design & Technology and Computing Scholarship Awards during the course of Year 8.
* Means-tested eligibility for bursary support towards fees is assessed through the Confidential Statement of Financial Circumstances Bursary form which may be requested from the Bursary by emailing [funding@rugbyschool.net](mailto:bursary@rugbyschool.net).

**Key dates:**

**Day Entry, including Foundation Awards and Academic Scholarship Awards in 2024**

**Closing Date for Applications: Monday 22 January 2025**

**Assessment will take place on Thursday 25 February 2025**