



THE KING'S SCHOOL

GRANTHAM

Lincolnshire Consortium of Grammar Schools Admissions Procedure for Entry in September 2027

January 2026

To Parents and Carers of Year 5 students

I am writing to Parents and Carers of all boys who are due to transfer to secondary school in September 2027 and may be considering entry to The King's School. The selection procedure will be conducted by the Lincolnshire Consortium Grammar Schools (LCGS) and not by the Local Authority. The LCGS use Verbal Reasoning and Non-Verbal Reasoning & Spatial Awareness tests that are specifically produced for the LCGS by GL Assessment (GLA).

There will be two tests, both at the beginning of Year 6, and these tests will be administered by the grammar schools. Please note that the same tests are used in all Lincolnshire Consortium Grammar Schools and therefore may be taken only once in the school year, in preparation for application to any of the grammar schools in the LCGS. The Verbal Reasoning test will take place on Saturday, 12 September 2026 and the Non-Verbal Reasoning and Spatial Awareness test will take place on Saturday, 19 September 2026. Students need to attend both test days.

<https://www.kings.lincs.sch.uk/admissions/entry-to-year-7-in-september-2027> contains a link to our Admissions Policy, details about the testing process and where to purchase practice papers. A link to key dates in the 11+ process can also be found on our Admission page for Entry 2027 and this gives deadlines for various aspects of the registration and application process as well as information about the release of results.

Please also be aware that our 11+ examinations are conducted according to JCQ guidelines (IFC document available on our Admissions page – link above). As part of these guidelines, we would like to draw your attention to the rule that students are not permitted take a watch into these examinations. Countdown or 'count up' clocks are not allowed either. A reliable clock (digital or analogue) will be visible to all candidates in the examination room.

Registration for 11+ testing opens on Wednesday, 07 January 2026. The registration for testing administered by The King's School is electronic and can be found at <https://www.kings.lincs.sch.uk/admissions/entry-to-year-7-in-september-2027/registration-for-entry-2027>.

I would also like to draw your attention to our 11+ Frequently Asked Questions page which can be found at <https://www.kings.lincs.sch.uk/11plusfaq>.

Where a parent has chosen to consent for us to contact their son's primary school, we will contact the primary school in May 2026 to offer the opportunity to support their students with some familiarisation materials that the King's School purchases on behalf of each candidate wishing to sit the 11+. Some primary schools choose to decline this offer which is why we provide information on our website for how parents and carers can support their son.

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The King's School and KGGS are pleased to announce that we have partnered with [Atom Learning](#) to give free access to resources for those students who are Pupil Premium. All children who are eligible for Pupil Premium (not just those considering entry to a grammar school) will be given access to Atom Home (normally £575.90 a year). We think that Atom Learning may be of great benefit to your son in terms of their progress at Key Stage 2 and for preparing your son for the 11+ tests should you wish for him to sit these. Further information regarding this program can be found in the attached document or at <https://www.kings.lincs.sch.uk/atom>.

Our scheduled Open Evening is on Monday, 29 June 2026. This event will give you and your son the opportunity of looking around the school prior to the tests. The evening is due to start at 18:00 and end at 20.30. Parking at the School will not be available; we would be grateful that you utilise the public car parks in the town, the nearest being on Watergate. Please find updates about the Open Evening on the school website closer to the time (<https://www.kings.lincs.sch.uk/visiting>). No booking is required for this event but there will be three identical talks given throughout the evening by the Head Master which must be booked in advance closer to the date.

If you wish your son to take the main 11+ selection tests in September 2026 for entry to a Lincolnshire Grammar School in September 2027, it is vital you complete the online registration form by Tuesday, 31 March 2026. We would also ask that you read the form carefully as you may need to provide additional information if your son has Special Educational Needs (SEN), English as an Additional Language (EAL), medical needs or qualifies for Free School Meals (FSM).

Please note that registration for the tests does not constitute an application to this grammar school; application is a separate process that is co-ordinated by home Local Authorities.

We recommend that you retain these details for future reference.

Yours sincerely

Simon Pickett
Head Master