



Knightsbridge School

All-round
achievement in
an ecosystem of
happiness

Welcome

We are incredibly proud of our school and the happy, vibrant and purposeful community that has been built here over the last fifteen years.

When you walk through the blue doors you will be warmly welcomed into a friendly school where there is a palpable buzz; children chatting happily with one another and their teachers as they move between lessons, matches or clubs or heading off for a delicious lunch in the dining room.

Exceptional pastoral care ensures that our children feel loved, and well supported by consistent messages based around the KS Code - both at school and at home.

We warmly invite you to visit KS and to experience the KS family for yourself.

Mr Magoo (Principal & Founder) and
Ms Shona (Head)



The Guide

KNIGHTSBRIDGE SCHOOL

Founders

by Magoo Giles (Principal)
alongside William Russell
(former Lord Mayor of the
City of London) in 2006

Head, Ms Shona Colaço

MA with distinction in
Educational Leadership
and trained as an ISI
School Inspector

Day School

We are a co-educational
day school open from
8am to 6pm

Curriculum

KS provides an
all-through education
from Nursery to GCSE
level (age 3-16)

Extra Curricular

We have over 70
extra curricular activities
taking place after school,
on weekends and during
the school holidays

Book a tour

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Email our Registrar,
Mary Caldecott-Smith to
book a school tour

School Tours

Tours are available on
Tuesdays, Wednesdays
and Thursdays at 9am
by appointment only.
Please call or email the
Registrar to visit

Contact us

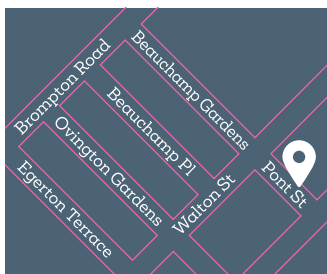
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walk)



Testimonials

CHILDREN AT KNIGHTSBRIDGE SCHOOL ARE:



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"A tip I would give new students is not to feel shy or uneasy as we're a loving and accepting community. The teachers adapt the way they teach to suit every child."

Zack

National-level fencer and actively involved in our drama scholar group. Earned a millennium scholarship to Brighton College on leaving KS, and soon to star in a film alongside Will Ferrell.

"I love the calm and inviting atmosphere you get when walking through the doors, the great food and excellent teaching. I would advise new students to 'keep calm and be yourself' as everyone is accepting and willing to try new things. KS has given me the encouragement and support to go the extra mile, and nurtured us all to confidently go forward and be the best version of ourselves that we can possibly be."

Eddie

High academic achiever now studying at Harrow, who competes in triathlons and is active in charity work within the community.

"Without the support and encouragement from all the staff at KS, especially the inspirational Mr Magoo, I would never have got to where I am today. KS gave me great confidence and self-belief that I could achieve great things in life. The learning support from KS has helped me understand that being dyslexic is not a bad thing – we just learn differently. Their support has helped me cope with being dyslexic and preparing me for life at Harrow. I loved my time at KS and have many fond memories of all my time there."



Innovators



We give our pupils the skills they need to stand tall in today's changing world. They are self-confident and focused. They understand the importance of adaptability and creative thinking.

Knightsbridge School pupils develop into natural problem-solvers, equipped with ideas and approaches to help them succeed as global citizens of the future.

Innovators

CHILDREN AT KNIGHTSBRIDGE SCHOOL ARE:

CASE STUDY

Our Entrepreneur Event gives Knightsbridge School pupils a fantastic opportunity to dip their toes into the dynamic world of business.

Children are challenged to create new product ideas and put them forward in a Dragon's Den style pitch, with advice and marketing tips offered via a series of entrepreneur workshops in the lead up to the final event.

Our chosen finalists are then given the chance to advertise their product via a school newsletter, with posters around the school, but also visualise their product ideas by showcasing them in a marketplace, which the school community are invited to attend as prospective buyers.

Some of our most innovative ideas include eco-friendly, reusable air fresheners, a student ID card that unlocks free merchandise and discounts at local shops within the Kensington and Chelsea borough, herbal teas to support digestion, pain relief and help improve skin complexion as well as customisable, vegan friendly shoes.

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It's about discovering a sense of independence, exploring new ideas and developing skills that will benefit students in later life.





Ambitious

Every child is different. At Knightsbridge School, it's our job to find those unique qualities and develop our pupils to the best of their abilities across all subjects.

We encourage them to excel in their learning and to shine as they move towards their GCSE's and to progress further in their education.



Ambitions

CHILDREN AT KNIGHTSBRIDGE SCHOOL ARE:

EAGER TO ACHIEVE

Our children record extraordinary achievements, most notably Christian, who came first place in the Year 7 category at the national Pangea Maths Competition.

This challenge is entered by over 8,000 students, and Christian was one of eight Knightsbridge School pupils to make it through to the final. He was joined on the podium by Alessio and Kit, who claimed bronzes in their respective year groups, and Batu, who took home a silver.

At a creative level, we are also extremely proud of Claud, who was awarded second prize for his first oil painting in the Junior section at The Hurlingham Club Annual Art Exhibition. The collective success of these pupils demonstrates the importance of identifying and encouraging potential at an individual level.

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We offer the environment and opportunities that build character alongside an appetite for learning.





Curious



Children are naturally inquisitive, and we actively inspire our pupils to stay that way. The spark to explore new ideas and experiences is embedded in both their academic education and the range of extra-curricular activities we provide. By broadening their horizons and building their confidence, we keep them curious and lay the foundations for a life of learning.

Curious

CHILDREN AT KNIGHTSBRIDGE SCHOOL ARE:

HUNGRY TO LEARN

In all subjects, teachers strive to spark imaginations, exploring ideas in new and unexpected ways. This is encouraged through asking big questions, developing pupils' creative and critical thinking skills.

Pupils have the opportunity to pursue a passion project in a dedicated slot each week, and have the opportunity to present their ideas in front of the whole school community by giving a speech at the termly KS Voice.

Senior pupils' also have the chance to discover new talents and interests dabbling in woodwork, food technology, and physical computing, to name but a few, as part of our Enrichment Hour.

We also have over 70 extra-curricular clubs covering sport, dance, drama, languages, IT, and academic subjects, and we are always open to expanding our offering to accommodate a particular passion. Beyond this, there are many day trips to London's rich cultural sites, and there is an extensive range of residential trips on offer across the years to locations from Kent and Devon to France and Iceland.

Pupils are also introduced to new and exciting skills at our annual Key Skills Week, where external experts take them on a journey in workshops such as Zoology, money management, First Aid and self-defence. MP Greg Hands has also visited us to answer the children's questions about the local area. For parents with questions about their child's education, our Knowledge Society provides a welcoming environment for talks on areas such as online safety and mental health.





Musical

The benefits of music to a child's education are multi-faceted, and at Knightsbridge School, pupils are able to develop more than just a love for an instrument.

We encourage the rigour of practice and the pure enjoyment of playing, but we also want children to understand genres and cultural influences, and to use technology to express their creativity through their own music-writing craft.

Musical

CHILDREN AT KNIGHTSBRIDGE SCHOOL ARE:

ARTISTS AND CREATORS

The Performing Arts team work with an ethos that every child deserves their 'moment' and every student will have a chance to shine in productions and showcases, however big or small. We truly believe every child has the talent and scope to achieve extraordinary things.

Collaboration through Music, Drama and Dance creates the perfect platform to combine these skills and our teachers have professional experience both as performers, as well as directing and choreographing.

We are lucky to have 15 peripatetic music teachers on-site who guide children in one-to-one lessons throughout the course of the day on violin, cello, brass, guitar, piano, drums and percussion, harp and woodwind as well as voice. A large proportion of our children take ABRSM music exams which take place once a term.

Our KS Show Choir performs each year at The Royal Hospital, St Paul's Knightsbridge Foundation Carol Service and Alumni children have performed School of Rock, Les Miserables and the West End production of Sound of Music, to name a few!

At Christmas, the school carol service takes place at St Columba's, while there are performances from our Show choir at St Paul's in Knightsbridge and the Young Voices choir at Harrod's Tea Room.

We also have termly showcases, music recitals and live 'gigs' allowing our children from across the school to share their musical prowess.





Performers

If all the world's a stage, then the pupils of Knightsbridge School are well-prepared to step up and play their part.

We embed creativity and the art of performance within day-to-day school life, inspiring excitement and building confidence among our pupils.

Performers

CHILDREN AT KNIGHTSBRIDGE SCHOOL ARE:

PRESENCE AND CONFIDENCE

With West End performers and silver-screen stars among our pupils, alumni, and teaching staff, our Performing Arts Department is thriving. Every year group classes take part in a staged production, from nativities and summer shows through to the Year 11 GCSE. In between, there are musicals, pantomimes and plays as well as the invitation-only Drama Club Show, which was a spectacular version of Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing* in St Saviour's Theatre.

In alternate years we also give students the chance to shine in our Knightsbridge School's Got Talent show. Following two packed weekends of auditions, our finalists take to the stage with professional lighting, a sound system, and photography. *Britain's Got Talent* winner, Colin, a Royal Hospital Chelsea pensioner, performed at our end-of-year prize-giving ceremony, where Juliette was cheered to the title for singing Katy Perry's *Roar* while on a hoverboard. She was rewarded with tickets to the real *Britain's Got Talent* live final, where she met all the judges!

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There is the performance itself, but more fundamentally, it's about finding it within themselves to rise to the challenge.





Active



From PE lessons and sports fixtures to elite squad training and extra-curricular activities, sport and physical activity plays a big part in Knightsbridge School life so that our children understand the link between a healthy body and a healthy mind.

We celebrate and support individual excellence, but pupils are reminded that sport is also a powerful way of bringing us together as a school community and teaching us about competitive spirit and sportsmanship.

Active

CHILDREN AT KNIGHTSBRIDGE SCHOOL ARE:

HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

As well as traditional sports, including football, rugby, cricket, netball, hockey, athletics, and rounders, our clubs program provides access to more specialist activities, such as fencing, horse riding, and rock climbing.

We have supported several stand-out individuals during their time at Knightsbridge School, including Casey, who competes for the Welsh national youth team in fencing, Sam who is a goalkeeper for Crystal Palace, and Anastasia, who represents Team Great Britain at youth level in gymnastics. In addition, we regularly compete in the ISA Netball finals in York, and our Year 6 team were bronze medal winners at the ISA Mixed Hockey Championships.

We are privileged to have access to the excellent sports facilities within central London, including Burton Court, the Imperial Sports Centre, St Lukes and tennis in nearby Cadogan Square Garden. Our older students have previously benefited from a Be Military Fit boot camp session with TV presenter, Bear Grylls and HIIT training at F45 gyms. Sports Day is hosted in Battersea Park Millennium Arena every year, and our parents also come together in their own running, basketball, football, netball, cricket, and yoga teams.

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At whatever level, sport makes us move, and we know exercising our bodies is as important as exercising our minds.





Charitable



We have a strong focus on the individual, but our children are very much part of a school community with a shared responsibility to support their fellow students and the wider world around them.

Action in the service of others is encouraged, along with individual acts of kindness which help bring children together and foster a positive attitude that we hope will define our pupils' contribution as emerging members of society.

Charitable

CHILDREN AT KNIGHTSBRIDGE SCHOOL ARE:

SUPPORTIVE AND SELF-AWARE

The Royal Hospital Chelsea is one of our three core charities, and it is close to us in more ways than one. We attend each other's Remembrance Services, make Christmas cards for the pensioners, participate in their choir, and even use their gardens to host our Forest School.

Another is Place2Be, which provides our on-site children's counselling service. We were the first independent day school to work with Place2Be and it now forms part of everyday school life for our pupils, parents and staff.

Finally, there is the Knightsbridge School Education Foundation, which provides 100% bursaries to four children annually, supporting them from their time with us until they go to university. So far we have nominated 21 children from our local community.

In addition, our students nominate school charities on an annual basis. To date, we have supported over 60 charities, including this year's choice (2021): *The Teenage Cancer Trust*. The children raise money through exciting bake sales, charity fun runs, fashion shows, quizzes, competitions, discos and entrepreneur events which gives them the opportunity to really understand more about the charity they are raising money for and allows the school to support a worth cause.

Our Parents' Association is heavily involved in our charitable work, raising incredible amounts at the KSPA Gala. This funding allows us to add the 'extra' to our extraordinary provision and much-needed resources for two underfunded schools we are close to, Marlborough Primary and Ashburnham Primary.





Eco-conscious

Although we are located in the heart of the city, green issues and the environment are never far from the minds of all of us at Knightsbridge School.

We faithfully adhere to the 'reduce, reuse, recycle' mantra, and our pupils - via the Eco Committee - are given the inspiration and support they need to inject new ideas and implement new initiatives to improve sustainability across the school.



Eco-conscious



CHILDREN AT KNIGHTSBRIDGE SCHOOL ARE:

MEMBERS OF A GLOBAL COMMUNITY

We are incredibly proud of our efforts to become an eco-friendly school and these have been recognised by our receiving of The Eco-Schools Green Flag award. This award certifies our commitment to sustainability and our vision to a greener future for our children.

Integral to our green vision is the school's Eco Committee. Made up of students across all year groups, it provides an invaluable platform for pupil voice and empowers the children to understand the importance of sustainable life choices. One such example of this was our inspirational visit to the Design Museum for the Waste Age Exhibition. The Eco Committee has driven a lot of change for good, banning disposable cups and plastic water bottles, and introducing eco-friendly 'party boxes' filled with reusable plates, cups, cutlery, and tablecloths.

The Eco Committee have also been working hard within the school through their efforts to create a Sensory Garden. This carefully designed space ensures that the pupils of Knightsbridge School have the opportunity to experience biodiversity first hand. Another exciting venture has seen all classes across the school nurture their own acorn, from which the trees will be planted as part of a small woodland and an ever lasting legacy.

Our whole menu is organic and freshly prepared on-site by Chef Alan and his team, who are proud to display our 'Gold Served Here' award from the Soil Association.

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It starts with awareness of the environment around you and how you can influence it.





Mindful



Our pioneering work with Place2Be is evidence that mindfulness and mental health take a central role here at Knightsbridge School. As part of our pastoral care, students are encouraged to talk to their house tutor, and also look out for each other through a peer-to-peer network.

We place a constant emphasis on well-being and aim to equip pupils with the vocabulary to articulate their feelings.

UNDERSTANDING SELF-CARE

With Place2Be, children have a designated safe place where counsellors and Miss Paula, our Place2Be lead, can let them talk about their concerns. Pupils can opt to visit by themselves or might be referred via our safeguarding team.

Parents can also enquire about sessions, and they are informed of behaviours to look out for as part of our Knowledge Society sessions. We were lucky enough to be one of the first independent schools in the UK to ever have Place2Be, thanks to the school's principal and founder, Magoo.

Children's Mental Health Week, run nationally by Place2Be, is an incredibly important week at KS. Promoting well-being and positive mental health is at the core of the pastoral care at KS, from EYFS to GCSE.

The week focuses on promoting the theme 'growing together'. Growing through movement in yoga, growing through the development of a Growth Mindset, through reading around the subject of mental health and on growing together through sharing and listening.

The week is topped off with 'Dress to Express Yourself Day' to raise money for Place2Be

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We can't eradicate life's stresses, but we can give pupils the skills to understand and manage their emotions.





Achievers



We believe students can be high achievers across all aspects of their education, and we give them the opportunities and guidance to support their growth.

Where pupils have gone absolutely above and beyond, including feeding the homeless or competing for their country, they are recognised with a Knight of Knightsbridge Award. To date, just twenty students have received this prestigious accolade.



Moving up



Moving up

CHILDREN AT KNIGHTSBRIDGE SCHOOL ARE:

PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE

We are delighted that students will now be able to stay with us between the ages of 13 and 16 thanks to the extension to Knightsbridge School's education provision.

Most senior pupils join us from our own junior section where they have a thirst and love for learning, inspired by curiosity and engaging staff. We are also proud to welcome students into our senior school at Y7 and Y9, alongside our bursary students who bring great new energy to the year groups.

Students in Years 7,8 and 9 get a taste of GCSE and A-Level subjects through our Enrichment program, including subjects such as: Design Technology, Journalism, Film Studies and Computing. We also offer a strong co-curricular program including The Duke of Edinburgh Award and guest speaker talks. Our incredible location in Knightsbridge means we are also able to extend the pupils' learning through regular museum and theatre visits. In Y9 our students make their GCSE choices which will be taken up in Y10.

Our Senior students follow a broad, balanced curriculum including English Language and Literature, Mathematics, Science, French, and a second Modern Foreign Language of choice, Latin, History, Geography, DigiTech, Art, Performing Arts, PE & Games, and Philosophy Religion and Ethics.

We believe in 'the right school for the right child' ethos and so in the Senior School we still prepare the students for the 13+ Common Entrance and many of our students move on to a range of leading London day and country boarding schools as happy, well-rounded individuals.





CHILDREN AT KNIGHTSBRIDGESCHOOL ARE:

Successful



Successful

CHILDREN AT KNIGHTSBRIDGE SCHOOL ARE:

AN ECO-SYSTEM OF HAPPINESS

At Knightsbridge, we are proud to develop happy, confident students who are interesting and interested in the world around them. We are thrilled to be able to provide a stimulating education and supportive pastoral care for our students from Nursery to GCSE.

In this way, students get what they need when they need it and are encouraged to carve out their own path whether it be academic or the arts. Each will be unique.

The focus on the whole child is achieved by providing opportunities across academic subjects, sport, performing and creative arts and well being. Encouraging students to embrace the opportunity, to find the thing or things they love and to have a go. Valuing the skills and talents each person has is at the heart of all that we do and by creating an eco-system of happiness we believe leads to all-round achievement!

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A springboard for well-balanced, self-confident 21st century citizens to prepare them for a future full of wonder, responsibility and service.



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