

# **Preparatory Department**

Age 8 to 11 Years

**Supplementary Information 2025-2026** 

TATTENHOE LANE, MILTON KEYNES MK3 7EG

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## **Preparatory Department**

## **Governors 2025-2026**



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## **Preparatory Department**

## Staff 2025-2026



**Senior Management Team** 

**Headmaster** Mr Simon Driver BA (Hons), PGCE, QTS

**Deputy Head** Mrs Katherine Foulger BA (Hons), PGCE, QTS

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Mr Ryan Ware NVQ Sports Science/Performance Level 3

HR Manager Mrs Ann Marie Rust

Bursar Mrs Tiana Peel
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# Staff 2025-2026



### **Business & Senior Management Team**

Headmaster Mr Simon Driver BA (Hons), PGCE, QTS

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Registrar & Director of Communications Mrs Sam Pauley Cert HE (Open)

**Director** Mr Philip Pauley BA (Hons)

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# Preparatory Department Term Dates 2025-2026



AUTUMN TERM 2025		
Term begins:	Wednesday 3rd September 2025	
Half term:	Monday 27th - Friday 31st October 2025	
Playscheme:	Monday 27th - Friday 31st October 2025	5 days
Term ends:	Tuesday 16th December 2025	•
Playscheme:	Wednesday 17th – Friday 19th December 2025	3 days
Building closed:	4pm Friday 19th December 2025 – Friday 2nd January	2026 inclusive
SPRING TERM 2026	•	
Playscheme:	Monday 5th January 2026	1 day
Term begins:	Tuesday 6th January 2026	•
Half term:	Monday 16th – Friday 20th February 2026	
Playscheme:	Monday 16th – Friday 20th February 2026	5 days
Term ends:	Thursday 2nd April 2026	•
Building closed:	Friday 3rd – Friday 10th April 2026 inclusive	
SUMMER TERM 2026	•	
Playscheme:	Monday 13th – Monday 27th April 2026	11 days
Term begins:	Tuesday 28th April 2026	•
Building closed:	Monday 4th May 2026 – Bank Holiday	
Half term:	Monday 25th – Friday 29th May 2026	
Building closed:	Monday 25th - Friday 29th May 2026	
Term ends:	Friday 10th July 2026	
Playscheme:	Monday 13th July – Friday 14th August 2026	25 days
Building closed:	Monday 17th – Monday 31st August 2026 inclusive	
AUTUMN TERM 2026-2	2027	
Playscheme:	Tuesday 1st – Tuesday 8th September 2026	6 days
Term begins:	Wednesday 9th September 2026	

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# Preparatory Department Fees 2025-2026 Years 3-6 (8 to 11 years)



Term Time (3 Term Year)	Annual	Termly	Monthly
Full Time	£20,460	£6,820	£1,705.00
All Year Fees	Annual	Termly	Monthly
Full Time	£23,166	£7,722	£1,930.50

- School Day is 8.30am to 4.00pm Classes 8 to 11 (Year 3 to Year 6)
- Includes costs for closely related supplies and VAT
- Early Room available from 7.30am to 8.00am
- Late Room available from 6.00pm to 6.30pm
- Holiday care (Playscheme) available to book for term time only children
- Sibling discounts available from 15% up to 30%
- Monthly fee is indicative of 12 payments from 1st August to 1st July
- Refer to supplementary sheet for information on extra charges and discounts
- Introductory fee will continue for Class 11 leavers and alumni
- Class 11 (Year 6) children are expected to complete the whole academic year, the entire year's fee will be charged for any child who starts the school year.

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# Preparatory Department Discounts/Extra Charges 2025-2026 Years 3-6 (8 to 11 years)



Registration Fee	£250.00 non-refundable		
Scholarships (for eligible children in Years 3-6) & Bursaries (for eligible children in Years 1-6)	Various % subject to eligibility (relates to tuition fee only)		
Cibling Discounts	15% for second child (relates to tuition fee only on All Year Fees)		
Sibling Discounts	<b>30%</b> for third child and subsequent children (relates to tuition fee only on All Year Fees)		

- There are seldom scholarship/bursary opportunities or funds for younger children. Should there be an exception, Prep fees conditions apply.
- Sibling discounts will be applied after any other discounts, funding or reductions have been taken into account.
- Annual payment discounts are applied on the final bill balance due after any other discounts, funding or reductions have been applied.

Holiday Playscheme	£250.00	per week	(8am to 6pm)
	£60.00	per day	(8am to 6pm)

 Limited places are available for children who are not on All Year Fees. Please request a Playscheme Booking Form for ad-hoc bookings

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Early Room Charge (7.30am to 8am)		£ 5.00	per day
(20% discount available if books	ed for the whole year)		
Late Room Charges (6pm to 6:30pm)	24 hours notice given:	£7.50	per day
	Booked before 3:30pm.	£12.00	per day
	Booked after 3:30pm:	£20.00	per day
	Not pre-booked:	£30.00	per day
Introductory/ Registration Fee Discount	An introductory discount is offered to current families who introduce a new family to the school. This is £1,000 for a full time place, or pro-rata for part time and is payable to the introducing family, who <u>must</u> be named on the Registration Form.		
	The referred family will not be charged the registration fee		
	*Continues for all Class 11 leavers and alumni*		

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# Preparatory Department Fees 2025-2026 Classes 8-11 (Years 3-6)



# **Use of Childcare Vouchers & Payment via Tax-Free Childcare**

Many families are eligible for Childcare Vouchers and Tax-Free Childcare.

There are strict Government guidelines over the use of childcare vouchers and payments via the Tax-Free Childcare scheme. Milton Keynes Preparatory School does accept both methods of payment but only for qualifying activities specified within the rules of the schemes.

These methods of payment are only accepted for the following eligible activities-

- Payment toward the wraparound care element of the fees (outside of the tuition day), including before school, after school, the early morning room and late room.
- Playscheme located on the school premises during school holidays.
- All fees for children in our Early Years setting.

Vouchers are not eligible to pay towards the following-

- School Tuition Fees
- School materials, uniform, stationery, kit, exams or clubs
- Residential or day trips that take place away from the school's premises

Please be aware that any overpayment of childcare vouchers or tax-free childcare cannot be refunded directly to parents due to HMRC rules. Where the overpayments cannot be carried against future childcare costs, these will be refunded directly to the childcare voucher provider or tax-free childcare account.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Bursar on 01908 642111 or email <a href="mailto:bursarmk@mkps.co.uk">bursarmk@mkps.co.uk</a>

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# Preparatory Department Registration Classes 8-11 (Years 3-6)



Children of Preparatory Department age, 7+ to 11 years, may apply to enter the school at any time of the year.

Parents are invited to visit the school by appointment and may apply for their child to attend school for an Entrance Assessment on a specified date, or by special appointment. During the Entrance Assessment tests for basic skill acquisition and for academic potential are undertaken, as well as the child's ability to offer other qualities to the school community.

A completed Entrance Assessment form should be sent to the Registrar at least one week prior to the assessment date. If the child is successful and is offered a place, parents are requested to complete and return an admission form and a non-refundable registration fee (see page 7, *Discounts/Extra Charges*).

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# Preparatory Department Terms and Conditions 2025-2026

# **Basis of Charges**

- Fees are calculated over 35.2 academic weeks this year for Term Time Only children. In addition, there are 11.2 optional weeks of playscheme. All Year fees include 46.4 weeks of care.
- Dietary requirements and allergies will be accommodated where possible.
- A non-refundable registration fee is payable by all new children.
- Fees are payable in advance either by monthly direct debit on the first day of the month, or termly on the first day of each term, or annually by 1st September each year.
- If payment of fees is not made on the due date then interest of 10% will be added. Where monthly fees are not received by the due date (1st of each month), a late payment charge of £25 per child will be applied to the account. Persistent late payments may result in exclusion.
- For those who enter mid-year, the fees are calculated according to the date of entry.
- There is no reduction in fees if a child is absent due to illness, holiday or adverse weather
  conditions or for any other reason. In addition, the school will not be in breach of its
  obligations or otherwise be liable to you by reason of delay in performance or nonperformance of its duties due to any event outside of its reasonable control. Such events
  include, without limitation: fire, war, acts of terrorism, strikes or other industrial action,
  infectious diseases and epidemics.
- Any request for changes to core hours must adhere to the notice period terms and conditions, one complete term is required in the Pre-Preparatory Department. Repeated requests for changes or fee illustrations will also incur admin charges. Extra hours will be made available as soon as practicable.
- Fees are subject to an increase at the start of each academic year.
- Parents who are not contactable by telephone, in case of a sick child or in an emergency, will be charged £25 after one hour and £25 for every subsequent hour, until they arrive.
- Parents are liable for all costs, fees and charges including any costs reasonably incurred by the school in the recovery of unpaid school fees. The school reserves the right to exclude a pupil on 2 days' notice if fees are overdue for payment to the school, exclusion under these circumstances is not a disciplinary matter for the pupil.

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# Preparatory Department Terms and Conditions 2025-2026

### **Notice Period**

- In the Pre-Preparatory and Preparatory Departments, one complete term's notice must be given by letter to the Headmaster. A term's written notice means that notice must be given before or on the first day of term and expires at the end of that term. In circumstances where a term's written notice has not been received, fees in lieu of notice at the full applicable rate for the next term will be payable. Provisional notice is only valid for the period for which it is approved and only when provided in writing to the Headmaster.
- Year 6 (Class 11) children are expected to complete the whole academic year (September 2025 to July 2026). The entire academic year's fee will be charged for any child that starts the school year.

### Introductory/Registration Fee Discount

- When a current or past family introduces a new family to the school, there is a one-off fees
  discount of £1,000 for the introducing family, providing the new child is full time. A pro-rata
  sum is given based on the hours on starting, if the new child is part-time. Only one family
  can make the introduction and therefore receive the discount. The discount is applied after
  the new child has completed a full term.
- The introducing family's name <u>must</u> appear on the Registration Form of the introduced child. If for any reason the new child leaves during the academic year, the discount will be limited to a third for each full term completed and reclaimed.
- The new family will have their registration fee of £250 waived.

### Scholarships & Bursaries

Scholarships (subject to eligibility, for children in Year 3 or above) and Bursaries (subject to
eligibility, for children in Year 1 or above) are applied to the tuition element only. There are
seldom scholarship/bursary opportunities or funds for younger children. Should there be an
exception, Prep fees conditions apply.

### Sibling Discount

- Sibling discount is applied for younger brothers and sisters on the tuition element of the fees.
- Sibling discount will be applied after any other discounts, funding or reductions have been taken into account but before the annual payment discount.

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### Other Discounts

- There is a one off bonus discount available to the children moving from Class 4 into Class 5 of £1,500.
- The discount is applied to the annual invoice at the start of the new academic year, if for any reason the child leaves the school during the academic year the discount will be limited to one third for each full term completed. Not applicable for children in receipt of other financial assistance.
- An annual payment discount of 5% is available if fees are paid in full by 1st September each year. The discount will be allowed on the element paid upfront if also paying monthly by childcare vouchers. Annual payment discount is applied after all other discounts and reductions have been taken into account.

These Terms and Conditions are deemed to supersede the Terms and Conditions for the previous academic year.

Your agreement to these terms and conditions is implied when your child starts the new school year from September 2025 onwards.

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# **Preparatory Department**

# **Complaints**

Milton Keynes Preparatory School prides itself on the quality of the teaching and pastoral care provided to all its pupils.

However, if parents have a complaint, they can expect it to be treated by the school in accordance with the Complaints Policy, a copy of which is available from the school office, upon request, or via the website.

Parents can rest assured that all complaints and concerns will be treated seriously and confidentially.

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# **Preparatory Department**

# **Extra Facilities**

# Nursery and Pre-Preparatory Departments, Milton Keynes Preparatory School

The school has an attached Nursery Department for babies of 2 months to children of 2 years and is open for approximately 46 weeks of the year.

From 3 to 7+ years children are taught in the Pre-Preparatory Department. A separate prospectus is available for these two departments.

Entry into the Preparatory Department at age 7+ is subject to an Entrance Assessment.

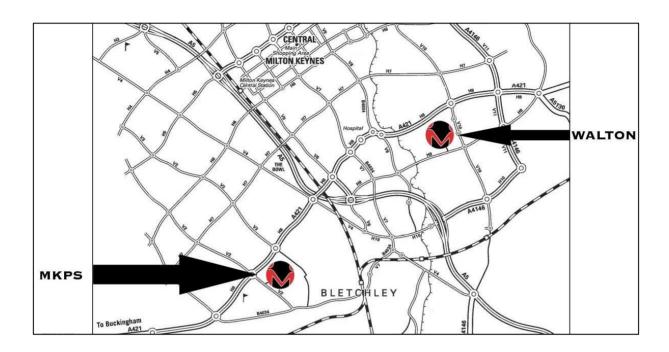
### **Walton Nursery**

The nursery is open for approximately 46 weeks of the year and caters for babies of 2 months to children of 4 years. Children may transfer to Milton Keynes Preparatory School for Reception, subject to place availability.

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# **Map and Directions**



Milton Keynes Preparatory School, in Tattenhoe Lane, MK3 7EG, is situated in southwest Milton Keynes, off the Windmill Hill roundabout, where H8 (Standing Way) and V2 (Tattenhoe Street) meet.

Walton Nursery, at The Old Rectory, Walton Drive, MK7 6BB is situated next to the Open University, in southeast Milton Keynes, off H9 (Groveway).