

SHREWSBURY SCHOOL

Shrewsbury
Shropshire

A leading independent day and boarding
school for boys aged 13–18

Co-education Christian

About School

Founded in 1552 by Royal Charter under Edward VI, Shrewsbury School is an academically selective independent day and boarding school for boys and girls aged 13–18. Located on the outskirts of Shrewsbury in Shropshire, the School occupies a spacious site with more than 800 pupils and a distinctive combination of historic and modern buildings, extensive playing fields and a wide range of academic, sporting, performing arts and co-curricular facilities.

Shrewsbury School is well connected by road and rail. Shrewsbury railway station is approximately a 20-minute walk from the School, with regular services to Birmingham, Manchester, Liverpool, Oxford, Cardiff and Bristol, as well as connections towards London via Birmingham New Street or Wolverhampton. Birmingham International Airport is approximately one hour away by car or rail, while Manchester Airport is around 1 hour and 15 minutes by car. London Heathrow Airport is further away, and the School operates coach services to Heathrow at the beginning and end of term and often at half-term, providing convenient connections for families travelling from overseas.

Shrewsbury provides a broad, whole-person education that extends well beyond the classroom. Learning takes place through a vibrant co-curricular programme as well as through the pastoral and communal life of the School. Pupils are encouraged to develop intellectual curiosity, independence, character, creativity and a strong sense of social responsibility. The School offers extensive opportunities in sport, music, drama, art, academic societies and other activities, supported by a substantial range of sports facilities, performing arts venues and specialist academic spaces.

Admission to Shrewsbury School is selective, with the principal entry points being Third Form (Year 9, age 13), Fourth Form (Year 10, age 14) and Sixth Form (Year 12, age 16). For Year 9 entry, families can begin the admissions process in Year 6 or Year 7 through the ISEB Common Pre-Test, or apply in Year 8 through Shrewsbury's own written entrance assessments. The current assessment process may include the ISEB Pre-Test, a school reference, an interview with a senior member of staff and collaborative group activities. Candidates taking the later Year 8 route normally sit written papers in English and Mathematics, followed by an interview and a school reference.

For Year 12 entry, candidates normally apply during the year before joining and attend the Sixth Form Assessment Weekend. Applicants nominate three subjects in which they would like to be examined, with the written examinations based on GCSE specifications. Candidates also meet with a senior member of staff for an interview, submit a personal statement and provide a reference from their current Headteacher. International applicants can arrange to sit the written examinations at their current school or at an approved overseas venue. If you have any questions about the admissions process, contact Scholar Gateway – we're here to answer your questions and guide you through every step.

University Destination – 2025

- Oxford and Cambridge 5%

Entry Process

Entry Point	Assessment Dates	Details
 Year 9 (13+) Entry	 2027 Entry (Year 8 candidates) Saturday 14th November 2026  2028 & 2029 Entry (Year 6 & 7 candidates) Sunday 7th February 2027	2027 Entry (Year 8 candidates): Assessment Day takes place on Saturday 14th November 2026, featuring written English and Math papers plus an interview. 2028 & 2029 Entry (Year 6 & 7 candidates): Collaborative group activities and interviews form the Admissions Afternoon on Sunday 7th February 2027 (alongside ISEB Pre-Tests).
 Year 10 (14+) Entry	 UK Candidates Saturday 14th November 2026  Overseas Candidates Saturday 7th – Saturday 14th November 2026	UK Candidates: Assessment sits at Shrewsbury School on Saturday 14th November 2026 Overseas Candidates: Assessments can be taken at approved local centers between Saturday 7th and Saturday 14th November 2026.
 Sixth Form / Year 12 (16+) Entry	 2027 Entry Assessment Weekend Friday 6th and Saturday 7th November 2026 (Alternative overseas windows: Saturday 7th to Saturday 14th November 2026)	2027 Entry Assessment Weekend: Scheduled for Friday 6th and Saturday 7th November 2026 (with alternative overseas windows from Saturday 7th to Saturday 14th November 2026).

Students

808

Total Students

614

Total Boarders

Percentage of Boarder stay over the weekend 100%
Percentage of International Students 20%

Fees/term

Lower School (Third, Fourth & Fifth Forms)
Boarding | Day
£ 20,500 | £ 13,330

Sixth Form
Boarding | Day
£ 21,217 | £ 14,051

Educational

Programmes offered

- GCSE/IGCSE
- A Levels
- PRE-U

Information in year 2026

School Ranking



Academic Results

GCSE	9(A*)	8–9(A*)	7–9(A*–A)	4–9(A*–A)
	39.6%	64.3%	90%	97.4%
A-LEVEL	A*–A	A*–B	A*–C	A*–E
	42.8%	72%	87.9%	99.7%

Location

Nearest Airport:
Manchester

1.5 hour drive from
Airport



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