

The Kings Hospital - Dublin, Ireland

The King's Hospital is a voluntary, Church of Ireland, co-educational, secondary school for boarders and day pupils offering a broad academic curriculum and a wide range of extra-curricular activities. It is a Christian school in which the traditions and beliefs of the Church of Ireland inform its policies and practices.

Its principal aim is service to the Church of Ireland community and other mainstream Protestant or Reformed traditions of Christianity throughout the country, while those of other faiths are welcomed.

The core values of love of God and love of neighbour are lived out in a spirit of honesty, fairness and respect for, and appreciation of, diversity.

'The King's Hospital is a school and a way of life'



Key Facts

LOCATION

- Palmerstown, Dublin, IRELAND
- Population: 1,000,000
- Nearest Airport: Dublin

SCHOOL TYPE

- IREPS / IREBS
- Boys, Catholic (Open to other faiths)

SIZE

- 1000 students (500 boarders)

ACCOMMODATION

- Homestay & Boarding

UNIFORM

- Compulsory

AGE RANGE

- 12-18

EFL LESSONS

- Available at extra cost



Facilities

ACADEMIC FACILITIES

- Science laboratories
- Computer room with 30 terminals with up-to-date software
- Language laboratories
- Computer/powerpoint/internet in classrooms
- Home Economics Food Laboratories
- Guidance library
- Performing arts centre (opened May 2005)

SPORT & LEISURE FACILITIES

- Sports hall
- Computerised fitness centre
- 25-metre indoor heated swimming pool
- Floodlit artificial grass hockey pitch
- Playing fields for rugby, hockey, cricket and athletics

Academics

The King's Hospital aims to provide a learning environment in which pupils can achieve the standards of excellence appropriate to their potential and ability. The cultural, creative and intellectual development of each pupil is highly valued and every aspect of school life is designed to advance this process. Most pupils pursue a 6-year course on entering the School, leading first to the Junior Certificate Examination, followed by the Transition Year and finishing with the Leaving Certificate Examination.

The School's programme addresses two primary objectives – education for living and education to make a living – and it is constantly adapted to meet changing needs, offering a comprehensive and progressive range of subjects, extensive specialist facilities and a highly qualified teaching staff.



Sports

By providing an extensive range of sporting and leisure activities, the school encourages participation as a positive experience in each pupil's personal development. The pursuit of excellence, loyalty and a sense of balance and fair play are central to this approach.

The School's aim is to provide the facilities and opportunities to enable the most talented to achieve the highest standards possible while also making it possible and pleasurable for all to engage in their chosen activities as relaxation and enjoyment.

Each September a Sports Awards Evening is held in the school to recognise the outstanding team & individual achievements of the previous year. The Sports Award Evening was inaugurated in 2006.

Boarding Experience

The supportive atmosphere that exists amongst the whole school community stems from the fact that 50% of the staff actually live on the campus, some with their families, and interact with the pupils 7 days a week offering ongoing pastoral, academic and cultural support to all. While many domestic and International pupils enjoy full time 7-day boarding a 5-day boarding option is also available to pupils domiciled in Ireland. Self-contained units of six, four and two-bedded rooms - with en-suite bathrooms throughout all age groups - provide privacy and flexibility in the boarding accommodation.

