By the time your daughter finishes nursery she is ready for St George’s Junior School

Here, from age five to nine (Primary 1 to Primary 5), we focus on each individual’s needs. Your daughter is encouraged to be herself in an environment expressly designed for girls. Through a wealth of opportunities and an ethos promoting high expectations, she will gain in confidence and develop ambition so that she may achieve her full potential.

A broad and enriching curriculum is followed, both inside and outside the classroom. With a Junior School of around 200 girls, we enjoy the benefits of remaining a relatively small school, compared to some, with smaller class sizes, and more opportunities for individual achievement beyond the classroom.

Our Junior School is a happy and friendly place with a strong caring culture. We believe that happy girls will learn more easily and develop into confident and well-rounded individuals.

Being the only all-through girls’ school in Edinburgh makes us unique. We stand out from the crowd because of our distinctive ethos, academic results, our coherent curriculum and smooth transitions. After P5, girls move from Junior School to P6 in our Lower School. Here they spend three years before transferring to our Upper School in S2.

Staff

Being part of an all-through school gives us an extra dimension and allows us to introduce specialist teachers in modern languages, art, drama, music and PE. Our Upper School subject specialists collaborate with our primary staff, adding to the richness of our curriculum.

Curriculum

We have a wealth of experience and expertise enabling us to offer a varied and exciting curriculum with planned progression and continuity across all year groups.

Through active learning in a supportive environment we provide opportunities for girls to acquire knowledge and understanding while developing practical life skills, positive attitudes and sound values. There is an increased focus on individual learning and responsibility with many leadership opportunities in P5.
Outdoor learning

Your daughter will participate in a range of progressive and creative outdoor learning experiences which are a planned part of the curriculum. These provide regular, frequent, enjoyable and challenging opportunities for our children: building fires, bug hunts, willow-weaving, planting and growing and archaeological digs are all part of the learning process.

“We picked St George’s School because we liked its size and intimacy, and we haven’t been disappointed. I really like the way the classes work together across the whole school.”

Parent

“St George's approach of focusing on each individual girl and helping them develop is refreshing in a world where many schools focus on the school’s interests before those of the child.”

Parent
International Education

Learning in a global context has been highly valued at St George’s for many years. As part of a whole school commitment to international education, the Junior School participates in pioneering classroom digital exchange projects. Run from web-based platforms they allow older girls and their teachers to work collaboratively online on a school project with pupils in other schools who can be several time zones away.

Extra-curricular clubs and activities

The richness of learning at St George’s goes beyond the classroom. We offer a range of experiences, activities and events designed to inspire and encourage by offering additional challenge, leadership opportunities, and exposure to new experiences. Sport, outdoor education, trips, music, drama, art, activities and clubs are run each week. They provide an invaluable and enriching part of school life.

Facilities

The Junior School has its own dedicated, purpose-built building on the main school campus. The classrooms are linked to our *Nursery which is housed in an adjoining wing. The outdoor space has been landscaped to provide girls with exciting and stimulating play areas including the Fantastical Forest, which has been developed as an outdoor classroom. In Primary 1 a bespoke outdoor learning area, is easily accessible from the Primary 1 classrooms.

Some reasons why you should consider St George’s Junior School

• Distinctive ethos providing a unique experience that is totally focused and designed for girls
• Dynamic environment packed with added value
• Smaller class sizes
• No stereotyping
• Emphasis on individual attention
• An enriching character-forming all-round education
• Progressive and coherent curriculum with smooth transitions
• High expectations
• Outstanding outdoor learning curriculum
• Extra-curricular clubs and activities with capacity for all
• All school facilities located on one 15 acre parkland site
• Flexible wrap around care and holiday club
• Secondary school starts a year early (after P6) in our Lower School

*Separate Nursery leaflet available

“Empowering girls to believe in themselves”

Tatler School Guide 2016
“I honestly can't praise the school enough, I have boys in another independent Edinburgh school, and although excellent, it doesn't compare to St George's. I can't imagine sending my daughter anywhere else.”

Parent

“St George's has a fantastic ethos and really does provide everything it says it will. The most complete and rewarding education any girl could ever hope to enjoy!”

Parent
Admissions

We welcome applications for any year group. Entrance assessments for P1 entry are in January. For other year groups assessments can take place at any time. Fee assistance is available to suitable candidates on a means-tested basis. Admissions enquiries should be made to the admissions department, T 0131 311 8008, E admissions@stge.org.uk.