



ARTS APTITUDE APPLICATION PACK 2022

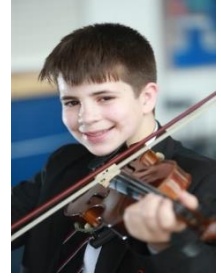
**Please return to The Latimer Arts College
no later than 9.00 am on Monday 11th October 2021**

Applications received after this date cannot be accepted



Welcome to our Arts Curriculum

Students enjoy an outstanding arts curriculum at The Latimer Arts College delivered by specialist staff who are passionate about the value that the arts add to a child's personal development. Through the arts, our students grow into confident and creative young adults, with strong and effective communication and collaborative skills.



In Key Stage 3, all students have weekly lessons in Art, Dance, Drama and Music where an exciting range of themes, genres and techniques are explored. This is enhanced by vibrant extra-curricular opportunities offered through weekly clubs to performances and shows, both at the College and in the local community.



At Key Stages 4 and 5, students can choose to specialise in one discipline or study for qualifications in a range of arts subjects.

Our students have the advantage of being able to study and perform in our Masque Theatre, where they also learn about the technical aspects of delivering a performance in our Dance and Drama studios and they are able to access purpose built, specialist art and design classrooms.

We are proud of our arts curriculum and the outstanding reputation that we have.

If your child shares our passion and commitment, we would love to consider them for one of our arts places.

Applications for September 2022

Guidance notes

This application form is linked to the Local Authority admissions criteria that have been agreed with the Governing Body of The Latimer Arts College, for intake at Year 7 for September 2022.

It will be used as the basis for decision making by The Latimer Arts College which then informs the Local Authority.

Contact may be made by the College with the primary school and other external organisations solely for the purposes of verifying information provided by parent(s)/carer(s).

The procedure is as follows.

1. Parent(s)/carer(s) download an Arts Aptitude Application Pack from the College website.
2. Parent(s)/carer(s) complete the Arts Aptitude application form and submit it to the College by **9.00 am on Monday 11th October**.
3. During October, contact will be made with parents and carers of Arts College applicants who have been selected on the basis of their Supplementary Information Form (SIF) to proceed to the next stage. The successful applicants will be invited to submit a short video (or photo in the case of Art) for consideration in the discipline they have expressed an interest in (Dance, Drama, Music or Art). Final selection will occur after all videos or artwork submitted by the deadline have been review and graded.
4. Parent(s)/carer(s) will be notified by the College if their child has shown an aptitude for the Arts in a letter that will be sent on **Monday 25th October**. This will not be an offer of a place, but an indication as to whether an applicant has an aptitude.

The Latimer Arts College operation of the admission criteria for Arts Places – September 2022 entry

Following the allocation of places to students who have an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan, which names the school as appropriate provision, when there are more applications for places than there are places available, priority will be given in the following order:

1. Children in public care (looked after children) or previously looked after.
2. Students who will have an older brother or sister continuing at The Latimer Arts College at the time of admission of the younger child.
3. Children of staff where that member of staff has been employed at the College for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the College is made, and/or the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage in the area.
4. 20 students will be selected for their aptitude in art, dance, drama or music. To be selected through video/photo submission.
5. Those students who live with their parents or carers at an address in Barton Seagrave or the linked town/villages of Burton Latimer, Cranford and Isham (using wards as according to Kettering Borough Council).
6. Other students.

Operation of the Arts Places Criteria

Parents and carers complete both the Local Authority application form and the Arts College Supplementary Information Form (SIF) if applying for an 'Arts College' place (20 places available).

Completed Arts College SIFs should be returned to the College by **Monday 11 October 2021 at 9.00 am. SIFs will not be accepted after this deadline.**

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Full details of the application process are on the College website: www.Latimer.org.uk or email mail@latimer.org.uk



Dance Brief:

Please submit a short performance of your own dance choreography based on an idea of your choice.

Include the following aspects in your choreography:

- 2 different levels
- 2 different dynamics
- 2 different pathways.

Your piece should be no longer than 2 minutes.

Drama Brief:

For Drama, we would like you to bring to life the monologue provided - it is the opening narration to a play that we study in Year 7, called 'The Willow Pattern'. Spend around 30 minutes planning how to present your monologue in an interesting way, using a range of physical and vocal techniques.

You could consider: *volume, tone, projection, body language, gestures and facial expressions.*

You do not have to be completely word perfect in your recording, but you should be confident performing without relying on the script too heavily.

Your recording should be no longer than 90 seconds.

The Willow Pattern

The Narrator explodes, jumps, rolls, runs, glides, skateboards, sky-dives, somersaults or trampolines into the performing space (unless you can think of something even more spectacular). S/he is full of life and eager to tell his/her tale.

NARRATOR

HOOOOOOOOOOOORAAAAAH!
HOOPLAAH! AND GREETINGS, MY GOOD FRIENDS!

It is written, 'He that is angry is seldom at ease.' I myself know this to be true. And maybe you know this too. But never has there been a man so ruined by anger as the man whose story I'm about to tell. Long ago, in Ancient Times, long before any of you were born. *(s/he looks around)* Well, most of you anyway. Way way back, when things were different. When things were clearer, when decisions were easier, when life was more definite. And so was death. Back then, there lived a Mandarin.

He was the most important man in the province. He was eminent, influential, powerful. He was the chief, the boss, the main man, the king. He was critical, crucial, focal. Of great consequence, of great magnitude, of great worth. You get the picture. Everyone bowed down before him. Everyone except his daughter.

Music Brief:

Practise a piece of music on your main instrument (your voice can be your instrument).

Think about:

- accuracy (performing the correct pitches and rhythms)
- fluency (playing without stopping/slowing down)
- tone production (trying to create the nicest sound on your instrument and make it as 'in tune' as you can)
- dynamics (what volume should you perform at and what effective changes could you make in your piece?)
- musicality and style (does your performance sound nice? Are you performing in a style that suits the piece?)
- confidence

Record your piece, which should be no longer than 3 minutes. At the start of the recording, state your name, instrument, title of piece (and composer if known), and the reason why you have chosen this piece. If you know that a piece is a specific standard e.g. grade 2, please also state this.

Art Brief:

For your ART submission, we would like you to complete a PENCIL drawing of 2 BISCUITS – arranged in front of you with one biscuit leaning on top of the other – like the picture below. You can use any biscuits of your choice, they can be the same or you can use two different ones. We would like you to spend 30 minutes on this drawing, working carefully to include all of the textures you can see by mark making and applying shading! Email a good photograph of the finished drawing.



Please complete the application form in as much detail as possible stating how your son or daughter will benefit from teaching in the Arts or how they have demonstrated a capacity to succeed in the Arts.

We ask parents not to bring in any portfolios or other evidence as we are trying to assess aptitude, not previously demonstrated ability.

Arts Aptitude Places for September 2022 Application Form			
Name of Student	Gender		
Primary School			
Home Address			
Parent(s)/Carer(s)			
Home tel number	Mobile tel number		
Medical needs			
Please circle 1: Successful applicants will then be invited to submit a short video (or photo in the case of Art) for consideration in the discipline they expressed an interest in.			
Dance	Drama	Music	Art
<i>PLEASE STATE HOW YOUR SON OR DAUGHTER WILL BENEFIT FROM BEING A MEMBER OF AN ARTS COLLEGE.</i>			
Parent(s)/Carer(s) Signature:			

Please return this form to The Latimer Arts College marking it 'Arts Aptitude Application', as soon as possible, but no later than 9.00 am on Monday 11th October 2021