







King's College School, Wimbledon is an independent day school in the United Kingdom for boys aged 7 to 18 and girls aged 16 to 18. Founded in 1829 by royal charter, it has more than 1,300 pupils and is one of the most academically successful schools in the world.

King's was recently named as the number one school in London for the third consecutive year by The Sunday Times newspaper and regularly features in the top three schools in the United Kingdom. Crucial to this success is the balancing of academic excellence with a wholehearted commitment to developing the whole child through the provision of outstanding pastoral care and a considerable range of co-curricular pursuits.

As a result, King's College School pupils do not just achieve excellent test results. They also become innovative, interested and interesting individuals, with a comprehensive worldview and the skills to make a profound contribution to society.



Dipont Education is at the forefront of changing the way education is thought about and delivered in China and has been a pioneer in the development and localisation of international education since the 1990s.

In addition to establishing and managing schools with elite Chinese and international partners, Dipont also provides innovative curricular and co-curricular programmes, and has built a strong reputation for its ability to balance eastern and western educational philosophies. The company manages a large network of high school programmes across China in partnership with some of the country's most prestigious schools.

Dipont KCS Chengdu is part of a growing network of independent schools developed by Dipont to represent a new standard of bilingual education in China.







FROM THE FOUNDING HEAD

"Dipont KCS Chengdu aspires to become one of the leading schools of its type in Asia and offers an exceptional career opportunity for outstanding teachers with the highest personal and professional standards. Our teachers are expected to grasp the amazing opportunity of working at a school that carries the KCS name - with all that that entails – and which aspires to develop its own worldwide reputation. In return, they enjoy a range of opportunities for professional development, including bespoke teaching and leadership courses delivered in collaboration with our partners. Together, we are building a world-class school that inspires lives of scholarship, character and service."

Mike Seaton
Executive Principal









LOCATION

Chengdu is the capital of Sichuan Province, in South West China, and is famous for its rich history, fascinating culture, spicy cuisine and relaxed lifestyle. It has been named as one of the happiest cities in China on 12 separate occasions and is home to the Giant Panda research and breeding centre, a wonderful facility that welcomes millions of visitors each year.

Our iconic new campus is located to the north east of the city centre, with open green spaces surrounding it, in a district that is gradually being developed as an area for leisure and tourism.

With an urban population of over 10 million, Chengdu's economy has grown substantially in the last decade and its international airport has direct flights to a wide range of domestic and international destinations. It offers the perfect location for teachers who are seeking to live and work in a dynamic city that stands on the periphery of stunning natural scenery.





Since opening in September 2021, Dipont KCS Chengdu has helped pupils to develop both academic rigour and intellectual curiosity. Our teachers combine the rigour of Chinese schooling with the creative approach to pedagogy that is the hallmark of our partners, King's College School, Wimbledon.

The school consists of three distinct sections with a shared approach to pedagogy, enabling our pupils to benefit from cross-cultural exposure:

- The Primary and Middle Schools for pupils in Grades 1 to 6 and 7 to 8, who study the mandatory Chinese curriculum delivered with a modern pedagogical approach in a bilingual setting
- The Senior School for 16-18 year olds, which provides a wide range of IGCSE and A-level courses, with the option of the IB Diploma Programme being implemented later



"Ambitious and highly professional, our teachers are encouraged to inspire their pupils, to teach them to be independent and to urge them to think, question, lead and innovate. We provide a unique focus on educating the whole child through a rich programme of co-curricular activities that make full use of our exceptional campus."

Mike Seaton Executive Principal

A CULTURE OF CHARACTER

To lead a good life, our pupils first learn the essential habits of what we call The KCS Way: five leadership skills that are vital to thrive in the modern world. Critical thinking, creativity, collaboration, communication and confidence are all developed through an extensive co-curricular programme in which a whole world of sports, music, drama and activities beyond the classroom provides an education that is as individual as each child.

From Grade 1, our pupils attend a broad range of clubs and societies during lunchtimes. Older pupils are also able to participate in a rotation of co-curricular activities, which are built into the school day to enable the children to enjoy new experiences. These are led by those who know the pupils best: our teaching staff. All staff deliver at least two CCA sessions per week and one enrichment or service session on a Monday afternoon. We are continually developing the CCA programme based on the interests and talents of our staff members, thus ensuring high quality provision and a huge range of opportunities for our pupils.

As the school evolves, we will also make use of our own excellent facilities and location to develop elite-level opportunities that will run alongside open, full participation activities, for those who may not consider themselves experts but would like to join in. A broad and well-developed set of academic clubs and societies will supplement adventure, leadership and volunteering opportunities, and a range of inspirational visiting lecturers will visit the school.





THE PRIMARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Our exciting bilingual school education is delivered through a shared approach to pedagogy, reflecting the evidenceinformed teaching methodology of our founding school, King's College School, Wimbledon, and blending creativity and rigour.

Throughout their time in the Primary and Middle Schools, pupils benefit from an innovative approach to the curriculum that is delivered by teaching teams of Chinese and international teachers.

Lessons are delivered in an age-appropriate mix of Chinese and English to develop and continually strengthen pupils' language acquisition and retention. Pupils utilise their strong academic knowledge and are encouraged to think independently and critically to develop their understanding.

Our academic programme is complemented by a nurturing pastoral system, the promotion of The KCS Way and a challenging co-curricular programme, which encourages pupils to develop their personal abilities and leadership skills.





THE SENIOR SCHOOL

The Senior School delivers a British-based curriculum that prepares pupils for entry into work-class universities in the USA, Canada, England, Europe, Australia and elsewhere.

As a result, high-quality university counselling is provided to pupils across the Senior School and those with ambitions to attend Oxford or Cambridge Universities will benefit from bespoke one-to-one support from academic specialists at King's College School, Wimbledon, which typically prepares two thirds of its pupils to attend Oxford or Cambridge.

Like our British partner school, the Senior School offers IGCSE and A-level programmes for its pupils, enabling access to the best international universities. Our delivery of the Senior School curriculum is thus closely modelled on the King's College School, Wimbledon approach to pedagogy.

The Senior School offers a broad range of co-curricular activities to develop each pupil's skills, knowledge, interests and enjoyment of different areas in an environment in which they feel safe, valued and have a strong sense of belonging. There are multiple opportunities available to pupils in the areas of sport, the expressive arts, service and further academic enrichment, with pupil-led clubs offering pupils great opportunities to fulfil their enthusiasm and develop their leadership skills.



WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR IN ACADEMIC STAFF

- We are seeking to appoint highly talented individuals for all areas of the school who share our ethos, enjoy working collaboratively and cross-culturally, and who have the passion to contribute to the development of an outstanding school
- We are building a diverse, enthusiastic and highly supportive community of teachers with a commitment to academic excellence
- We are looking for academic staff who are fully committed to the teaching process and who want to make a real difference to children's lives
- Every teacher has both academic and pastoral responsibilities, and will be expected to contribute actively to the cocurricular programme
- As the school develops, there will be many opportunities for staff to take on responsibility – promotion from within of those who are committed and talented will be a focus