

ACCELERATED EDUCATION TUITION



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A man with short, light brown hair and glasses, wearing a grey suit jacket, a white shirt, and a dark blue tie with a small pattern, stands in the lower-left foreground. He is smiling slightly. Behind him is a large, red rectangular sign mounted on a light-colored wall. The sign features the letters 'ae' in a large, white, stylized font. Below the 'ae' logo, the word 'TUITION' is written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font. A red metal railing is visible in the lower foreground, partially obscuring the man's waist.

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Dr Stephen C Curran: Founder and Managing Director
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INTRODUCTION

We are pleased that you are considering AE Tuition to accelerate your child's education. For over 35 years, AE Tuition has been preparing children for success in the classroom, 11+ exams, and beyond. Our approach provides children with the structure and techniques needed to build their knowledge, to expand their thinking skills, and to be creative. We believe that learning precedes doing—you can't do without first learning.

AE Tuition was established by Dr Stephen Curran, who has decades of experience as a qualified teacher, initially teaching at primary and secondary schools in South East England and at university level. Frustrated with the educational system and seeing children lagging behind, Stephen began tutoring children in the early 1990s to bridge the gap between state school education and what was necessary for passing 11+ exams. AE Tuition started with only a few pupils, but now educates between 2,000 and 2,500 pupils annually through three tuition centres (Langley, Slough, and Feltham), and remotely online and through state-of-the-art production and filming, across the UK and globally.

Dr Stephen Curran's dedication to education extends further; Stephen and his teaching team create all the materials for the Tuition Centres. In the late 1990s, Stephen founded another venture, AE Publications, to publish and sell books for children from Year 3 to Year 7 for Key Stage 2 and 11+ preparation.

Beyond AE Tuition and AE Publications, in 2005, the UK Government and opposition invited Stephen to join an educational consortium to share his insights on enhancing the education system. When Nick Gibb became Minister of State for Schools, he asked Stephen to join the panel to discuss revisions to the maths national curriculum. The new maths curriculum, which mandates that all children know their times tables by Year 4, was introduced in 2014.

Stephen's passion and commitment to improving education continues as he collaborates with news broadcasters and other media outlets to advocate for further changes in the educational system.



METHODOLOGY

The AE Tuition methodology for educational success has been developed from experience we have gained over more than 35 years. Our tuition methodology produces significant changes in a child's educational progress, and very high 11+ pass rates.

It doesn't matter if you enrol your child on a classroom or remote course, the same methodology is followed across all our courses.

AE Tuition prepares children for any grammar school exam in England. Our courses will prepare your child to sit 11+ exams for verbal reasoning, non-verbal reasoning, maths, English and critical thinking skills. We also run 11+ English and maths courses for grammar schools that only require these two subject areas.

The preparation covers everything necessary for GL Assessment (Granada Learning) and equivalent 11+ examinations. It is also excellent preparation for verbal reasoning, mathematics and English examinations in the independent sector.

Preparation consists of the following disciplines:

✓ Verbal Reasoning

Verbal reasoning skills are developed using AE Tuition workbooks and testbooks. We also use some selected test materials from other reputable publishers.

✓ Non-verbal Reasoning

Non-verbal reasoning techniques are taught utilising AE tuition workbooks and testbooks and some carefully selected test materials from other established publishers.

✓ Maths

This involves developing a child's mathematical ability above national standard in the National Curriculum. The AE Tuition series of Maths workbooks is highly successful in enabling children to reach their potential. AE Tuition testbooks are used to hone children's skills.

✓ English

Our courses focus on the development of comprehension, grammar, punctuation, syntax, spelling and vocabulary and creative writing skills. This also helps children improve their scores in verbal reasoning as well as English exam papers. English is often an area of weakness for many children, and for this reason we have increased the emphasis on this

work to ensure children build a firm foundation. AE Tuition materials form the basis of everything that is taught. This is supported by other suitable materials from reputable publishers.

✓ **Critical Thinking**

The courses are designed to help children think critically and specific practice in these skills is provided through our specialised workbooks.

✓ **Weekly Test Scores**

AE Tuition class tests are used on a weekly basis as a means of measuring children's progress and reinforcing their understanding and technique.

✓ **Mock Examinations**

These give children a chance to practise GL Assessment-style practice papers comprising verbal reasoning, English, mathematics and non-verbal reasoning under exam conditions.

Mock exams are marked by an OMR reader just like the real exams. All mock exams include follow up by a teacher and areas of weakness are indicated on reports.



AE TUITION COURSES

Our parents can choose the right course for their child. We have a range of courses from Year 3 to Year 9 covering 11+, Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 3. Parents can choose from classroom-based or remote learning.

ONE YEAR 11+ COURSES

Year 5 Standard 11+ Course

Course Summary:

One Year – VR, NVR, Maths, Technical English and critical thinking skills
Duration: September to August

Year 5 11+ English and Maths Course

Course Summary:
Advanced English (includes creative writing and critical thinking skills) and Advanced Maths
Duration: September to August

Year 4 Pre-plus Course

Course Summary:

One Year – VR, NVR, Maths and Technical English
Duration: September to July

Year 3 Pre-plus Course

Course Summary:

One Year – VR, NVR, Maths and Technical English
Duration – September to July

8-MONTH 11+ COURSES

Year 5 Short 11+ Standard Course

Course Summary:

8 months – VR, NVR, Maths and Technical English
Duration: January to August

Year 4 Short Pre-plus Course

Course Summary:

8 months – VR, NVR, Maths and Technical English
Duration: January to July

Year 3 Short Pre-plus Course

Course Summary:

8 months – VR, NVR, Maths and Technical English
Duration: January to July

5-MONTH 11+ COURSES

5-month Intensive 11+ Course and Essential Maths Summer Course

Course Summary:

5 months – VR, NVR and Technical English
Duration: April to August

*The short 5-month 11+ Course is combined with the **Summer Essential Maths Course** (see summer course programme for details)*

KEY STAGE 2 CORE COURSES

Year 4 Core Subjects Course

Course Summary:

One year – English and Maths
Duration: September to July

Year 5 Core Subjects Course

Course Summary:

One year – English and Maths
Duration: September to July

Year 6 Core Subjects Course

Course Summary:

9 months – English and Maths for SATs
Duration: September to May

KEY STAGE 3 CORE COURSES

Year 7 Core Subjects Course

Course Summary:

One year – English, Maths and Science
Delivery: classroom
Duration: September to July

Year 8 Core Subjects Course

Course Summary:

One year – English, Maths and Science
Delivery: classroom
Duration: September to July

Year 9 Core Subjects Course

Course Summary:

One year – English, Maths and Science
Delivery: classroom
Duration: September to July

SCHOLARSHIP COURSES

Scholarship Course (Year 6, 7 and 8)

Course Summary:

4 months – Advanced English, Advanced Maths and VR for further grammar school preparation, independent schools and late entry to grammar schools
Duration: September to December

SUMMER COURSES

Essential Maths 11+ Course

Course Summary:

Two weeks – Maths for the 11+
Duration: 12 sessions + mock exam over 13 days

VR, NVR and Technical English 11+ Course

Course Summary:

10 days – VR, NVR and Technical English for the 11+
Duration: 9 sessions + mock exam over 10 days

Advanced English 11+ Course

Course Summary:

Two weeks – English (includes creative writing and critical thinking skills for the 11+)

Duration: 12 sessions + mock exam over 13 days

11+ Advanced Maths Course

Course Summary:

7 days – Maths for the 11+ (includes algebra and critical thinking skills)

Duration: 6 sessions + mock exam over 7 days.



OUR TUITION CENTRES

Our tuition centres are located in Langley, Slough and Feltham. Each centre follows the same teaching methodology that has produced success over many years – information is relayed, technique is taught, and material is mastered. This process leads children to become free-thinking, independent learners. This same standard applies whether a course is delivered face-to-face in all our centres, or via remote learning based in our Slough centre.

Each class is taught by an experienced, UK-qualified teacher who has undergone advanced training in delivering AE Tuition specialised programmes. Their one objective is to help every child exceed national standards and achieve exam success. Each teacher is supported by a dedicated team of supervisors and classroom assistants. The number of support team is determined by the pupil ratio. The classroom assistants handle routine administrative tasks and provide one-to-one support to the pupils.

Supervisors and assistants wear colour coded shirts determined by seniority and role for ease of identification.

All AE Tuition staff are DBS checked and adhere to our stringent standards to ensure educational excellence, both in our tuition centres and through remote learning.

SUPPORT STAFF SHIRT COLOUR CODES:

Burgundy – Centre Head Supervisor

Purple – Deputy Head Supervisor

Red – Senior Desk Supervisor

Green – Senior Class Supervisor

Blue – Class Supervisor

Sky Blue – Assistant Supervisor

Black – Classroom Assistant



LANGLEY AE TUITION CENTRE

(7 Classrooms / 7 Breakout rooms)



Address: Waterside Drive, Langley SL3 6EZ

SLOUGH AE TUITION CENTRE

(2 Classrooms / 2 Breakout rooms)



Address: 2 Kingfisher Court, 281 Farnham Road, Slough SL2 1JF

FELTHAM AE TUITION CENTRE

(3 Classrooms / 3 Breakout rooms)



Address: Bridge House, 1a Freddie Mercury Close, Feltham TW13 5DF

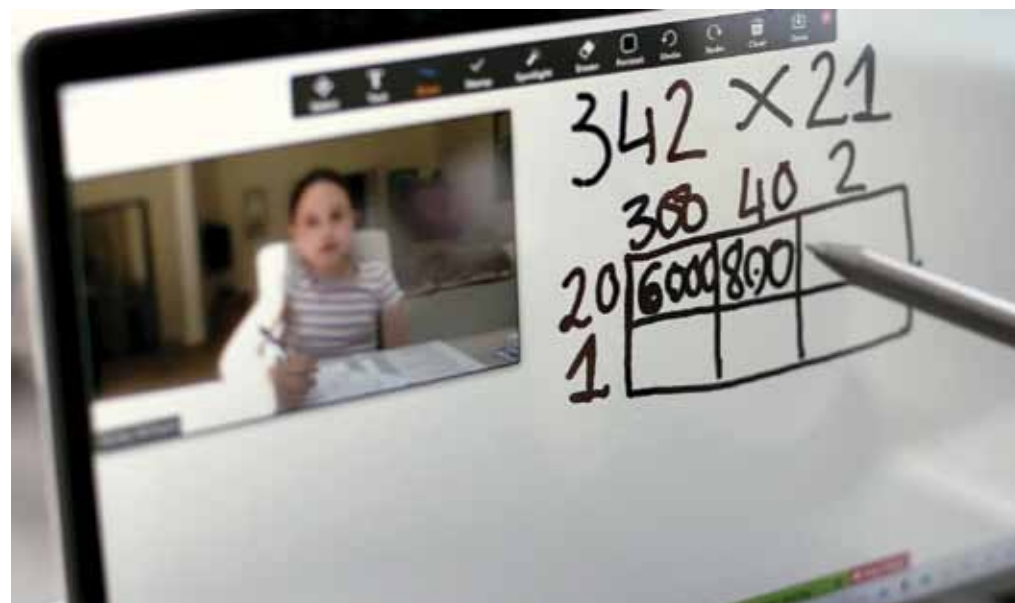
REMOTE LEARNING COURSES

With over 35 years of experience in delivering our courses, our reputation has spread across the UK and internationally. Our tuition is designed not only for those in close vicinity to our tuition centres, but it is also supporting children remotely on a nationwide basis to achieve 11+ success in state grammar schools and the independent sector. We are also working with a growing number of children abroad who are preparing for education in the UK.

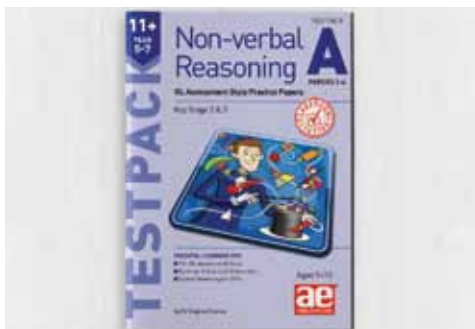
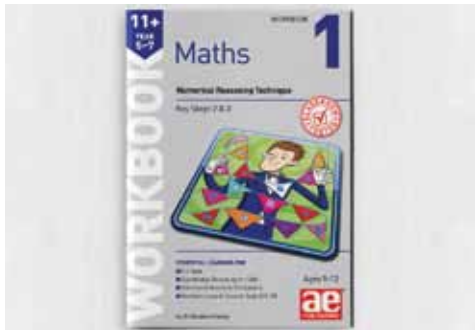
Pupils enrolled in our remote learning courses receive the same quality tuition and support as those in our classrooms. Our courses equip children for GL Assessment and other equivalent 11+ exams set by grammar schools in England and Northern Ireland as well as independent school exams.

Remote learning tuition is delivered via Zoom sessions from our Slough tuition centre by a dedicated and experienced class teacher, supported by supervisors and trained assistants. Tuition is 'live' and involves whole class teaching by the teacher, combined with one-to-one support on areas of difficulty. Professionally pre-recorded sessions for 11+ courses are also provided for additional

support, allowing a review of each week's classwork and homework. All materials necessary for the courses are supplied by post well in advance of sessions (to UK addresses only), so children have everything they need for their sessions.







AE PUBLICATIONS RANGE

Our range of AE Publications material is based on the methodology developed by our founder, Dr Stephen Curran, over 35 years. All AE Publications books are written by Dr Curran with assistance from our dedicated writing team. We now offer over 120 titles that support children on our courses and offer useful learning resources for children across the UK.

AE Publications workbooks are unique in providing detailed 'how-to' instruction on every topic. Our objective is for children to achieve above National Standard in literacy and numeracy, and to pass the 11+ grammar school exams, and 11+ and 13+ exams in the independent sector.

Our range of books are split into four topics:

- ✓ English
- ✓ Maths
- ✓ Verbal Reasoning
- ✓ Non-verbal Reasoning
- ✓ Critical Thinking Skills

OUR RANGE INCLUDES:

Workbooks

Step-by-step 'how to' workbooks guiding your child through:

1. Information to be understood
2. Techniques to be mastered
3. Exercises to reinforce technique

Children should work through every series in sequence starting at Workbook 1.

Our testbooks are of two types:

Testbooks

Short tests are used as diagnostic tools and a measure of a child's progress during the course, and are completed on a weekly basis.

Testpacks

Full-length tests are utilised to highlight weaker areas, and to refine and hone children's technique in the run-up to exams. Each pack contains practice papers that are similar to the real exam, and they can be completed as standard or multiple-choice tests.

WORKBOOKS
TESTBOOKS

TESTPACKS

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OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS AND PUPILS

When a parent enrolls their child on a course, both the parent and child join the AE Tuition family. We believe that a child's educational success is achieved through a unique and strong partnership between teacher, pupil and parent.

This partnership requires commitment, collaboration and communication from all involved. AE Tuition has promoted this approach to learning for over 35 years. Partnership equals success.



PARENT PORTAL

At AE Tuition, we support you and your child every step of the way. Whether your child is in a classroom or taking a remote course, all parents and pupils have access to our Parent Portal for course assistance.

Our Parent Portal is the central hub for parents and pupils to find all the necessary information related to their courses. This includes course details, required materials for upcoming sessions, homework information, parent meetings, and pre-recorded session videos of the enrolled course. We encourage parents and pupils to visit the Parent Portal weekly for relevant updates and information.

The Parent Portal can be accessed from anywhere, so even if you are on holiday, you can still obtain necessary information and view pre-recorded sessions.



Features of the Parent Portal:

- **Book a Course** – Once your child is enrolled, they receive priority booking for future courses one week before public enrolment opens.
- **My Children** – Every child you have added to the Parent Portal will be listed here, where you can also review your child's medical information. For any changes, please contact us directly.
- **My Bookings** – Details of past and current courses booked for all your children.
- **My Profile** – Parents can edit this tab when needed, for example, to update a home address.
- **Parents' Evening** – Information to book a parents' evening slot.
- **Homework and Videos** – The main tab used weekly by parents and pupils for homework assignments and pre-recorded session videos for missed sessions or additional support (for 11+ courses only).
- **Course Materials** – A list of materials needed for the next session. For remote students, this tab also indicates which books will be delivered and when.



CASE STUDIES



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WHY I CAME TO AE TUITION

I attended AE Tuition in Years 4 and 5 to prepare for the 11+ exams. Initially, I lacked confidence in maths and verbal reasoning, and struggled with time management and maintaining focus. This made me anxious about the exams and grammar school.

My parents also had their struggles of being unfamiliar with the complex 11+ process. They knew that AE Tuition could provide the necessary support and guidance that was very much needed.

WHAT I EXPERIENCED AS A PUPIL AT AE TUITION

The weekly sessions were structured and very engaging. The teachers were approachable and made time to explain difficult concepts. Classroom assistants were always on hand to offer guidance, ensuring no one felt left behind. Their encouragement motivated me to push through any struggles I faced.

I particularly enjoyed the timed exercises with tests every week, which helped me manage my exam anxiety. A minor downside was the intensity of the sessions and homework, as it sometimes felt a lot to balance with school work, but I devised a routine to keep me on track.

My teacher was great at motivating us. A fond memory I have is of a game we played of who could earn the most stickers for good work. This was so much fun to play with the other children in my group and helped me to get to know them.

WHAT I FOUND CHALLENGING

The homework was challenging but effective. It reinforced what I had learned in class and allowed me to identify and address my weaker areas. My parents found the homework structure clear and appreciated the progress reports provided by the tuition centre, which kept them updated on my development.

MY EXPERIENCE OF TAKING THE 11+ EXAMS

When it was time for the exams, the initial feeling was anxiety, but with AE Tuition I felt prepared and confident. The practice mock exams at the tuition centre closely resembled the actual exams, which helped reduce my anxiety on the day. I successfully passed my 11+ exams and obtained a place at my first-choice grammar school.

WHERE AM I NOW

I am currently pursuing higher education in Psychology at the University of West London, consistently achieving first-class grades. Additionally, I received the award for Psychology Student Representative of the Year. I am on track to achieve my long-term objective of establishing a career in the field of psychology. My aspiration is to become a clinical psychologist following the completion of a master's degree in Clinical Psychology.

LOOKING BACK AT MY AE TUITION DAYS

I wouldn't have passed my 11+ exams or been ready for grammar school without AE Tuition. The structured sessions, regular feedback and targeted homework were crucial. Besides academic skills, I gained time management and organisational skills and learned how to stay calm under pressure (this was vital for me). These skills have been invaluable in grammar school and university and will continue to be so in my career.



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WHY MY CHILD CAME TO AE TUITION

Before my daughter started the Year 5 One Year 11+ course, she was doing very well academically, but we wanted her to get into a super-selective school to give the right support for her future. After a careful consideration, we selected AE Tuition from the many options that were available to us.

WHAT MY CHILD EXPERIENCED AS A PUPIL

My daughter enjoyed her weekly sessions at AE Tuition. Her teacher, Claire, was excellent and encouraged active participation from all the children. AE Tuition has a good system; it believes that the teacher, parent, teaching team and child all play a part to achieve 11+ success. The teacher teaches the topics, classroom assistants report to the teacher any doubts or issues, and parents are invited to participate by attending the last 30 minutes of the session. I found this useful to understand what was happening in the sessions and understand the methodology used to support my daughter at home.

WHAT MY CHILD FOUND CHALLENGING

My child didn't find the work challenging, but our friends felt that the homework may have been excessive. However, we believe it was about the right level. We understood that a wide range of scenarios needed to be covered to make sure our daughter was confident to answer any type of question. The optional exercises were also useful to do, as these concepts helped later on.

MY CHILD'S EXPERIENCE OF TAKING THE 11+ EXAMS

Through our experience of my daughter's time at primary school, the preparation for the 11+ exams is often the first step change in a child's life. The exams for the Tiffin and HBS schools were challenging and, for Slough schools, they were time sensitive. However, through AE Tuition's mock exams and practice papers, my daughter found it relatively easier than going into the exam without the AE Tuition support.

WHERE MY CHILD IS NOW

My daughter passed all of her 11+ exams which meant we could select which grammar school for her to attend. My daughter is currently in Year 11 at The Tiffin Girls school in

Kingston upon Thames. Her goal is to get into a top university and gain a degree in her interest of STEM, computing or cyber security.

LOOKING BACK AT MY CHILD'S AE TUITION DAYS

AE Tuition was very useful in improving my daughter's capabilities and nurtured her to qualify for super selective schools. My daughter gained more than just the knowledge of passing exams; she gained tools such as problem solving which she uses to study for her GCSEs today to understand concepts.

A strong foundation is critical. AE Tuition has supported this foundation which has led my daughter to win competitions such as OUCC (Oxford University Computing Challenge), Bebras, Cyberfirst, junior and intermediate maths challenge, Kings maths entrance exam and first round of Arkwright competition.



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WHY I CAME TO AE TUITION

My parents didn't know where to start to get me into a grammar school. My parents found the process overwhelming. The workbooks I was using to prepare for 11+ were very difficult because topics weren't explained in detail. To gain support through the 11+ process and tuition support for me, my parents enrolled me on the One Year, Year 4 Pre-Plus course, and then I completed the Year 5 11+ One Year course.

WHAT I EXPERIENCED AS A PUPIL AT AE TUITION

Experiencing the same structure of each session, classroom tests and feedback were very helpful for me to advance. My teachers and the classroom assistants went above and beyond to support me and my parents, especially during lockdown when we went online. They made sure books were delivered for each session and we benefited from pre-recorded video sessions, as well as my live weekly session I was attending. These videos were valuable later in the course to refer back to. When we were back to in-person sessions after lockdown, I enjoyed catching up with the AE friends I made in class each weekend.

WHAT I FOUND CHALLENGING

The amount of work could be challenging. After a school day, I also attended an Arabic school and attended my AE Tuition session at the weekend, so I had a busy a few years. However, we followed our schedule, and all became manageable.

MY EXPERIENCE OF TAKING THE 11+ EXAMS

Taking the 11+ exams can be stressful, however I felt well prepared for the questions on the exam papers.

WHERE AM I NOW

I got into the grammar school I wanted (my parents and I debating which grammar school), and I have been happy there. I'm now in year 10 and enjoy studying sociology, geography, computer science and business studies. I have won two sociology awards.

I'm excited about my future; I'm not sure what I want to do yet, however I'm keen to pursue computer science.

LOOKING BACK AT MY AE TUITION DAYS

I believe that I would not have been able to pass my 11+ exams without the assistance of AE Tuition.

Attending grammar school has been highly beneficial for me, as it has provided the opportunity to study a wide range of subjects.

Hard work and consistency are skills I gained at AE Tuition. I'm sure these skills will continue to aid me throughout my life.



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WHY I CAME TO AE TUITION

Before starting the Year 5 11+ course in 2019/20, I was achieving at school academically, however I experienced trouble with time management during tests and exams, and organisation skills.

WHAT I EXPERIENCED AS A PUPIL AT AE TUITION

In my opinion, I do strongly believe that I got the support from teachers, supervisors and the classroom assistants, as they helped me deal with most of my work and helped me work through the questions that I found challenging. In each session we would have the chance to go through the results of our weekly test. This was a great opportunity to understand where we went wrong and allowed us to correct our mistakes instead of skimming over them.

WHAT I FOUND CHALLENGING

At times, I efficiently handled topics that I was familiar with and understood well. However, there were some challenging subjects that I struggled to comprehend fully. Nevertheless, I persevered and asked for help by the AE Tuition teaching team. My parents could also help me because they understood my homework through reading the workbooks, and attended the last part of my weekly sessions to find out about homework.

MY EXPERIENCE OF TAKING THE 11+ EXAMS

I think I would have passed my 11+ exams without AE Tuition; however, I wouldn't have gained the higher marks which put me into the top percentile without AE Tuition.

WHERE AM I NOW

I am in Year 10 at my first-choice grammar school. My goal is to continue to excel academically and gain a place at a top university to study medicine, with the ultimate aim of becoming a surgeon.

LOOKING BACK AT MY AE TUITION DAYS

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I always felt the teaching team were extremely friendly which helped to foster a supporting environment for my education and preparation towards my 11+.



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