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During the seventeenth century two of
the Isle of Man's most influential men
shared one vision: to provide an academic education
for the Island's most able young men.

James Stanley, the seventh Earl of Derby, Lord of Man, and Isaac Barrow, Bishop of Sodor and Man, shared a vision that would in time lead to the building of this great school.

King William's College opened on 1st August 1833.

Principal's Welcome



Martin Humphreys

King William's College is a unique school in a very special environment. The Isle of Man is beautiful, healthy and safe – an ideal learning environment. The College is vibrant, friendly and fun. We work hard and play hard. Whether you are a local or from far afield you will bond with this special place.

An Island education for a global future.



Introduction





King William's College is an outstanding, highly successful co-educational school at all levels. Our goal is to nurture in our students a broad range of attributes: natural curiosity, knowledge, critical thinking skills, the ability to express themselves confidently and creatively, integrity, honesty and openmindedness. When our students leave King William's College with their International Baccalaureate

Diploma they are flourishing, well-balanced young men and women ready to make a positive impact on society.

We set out here the essence of our College. There are many different qualities and strengths to be found in our students. These traits echo the IB ethos which strongly influences education and learning throughout the school.





...I wanted to be challenged, not just to fulfill the diploma requirements but also because it would make me grow as a person...

Camille van Neste (USA) My goals would definitely not have been achievable without KWC and the IB which have both challenged me and given me more confidence.

> Lateef Gbajabiamila (Nigeria)





After travelling six thousand miles I arrived in this small island, slightly scared, but the school embraced me with open arms and made me feel at home and I have made some very good friends.

A phenomenal start to a new chapter of my life.

Sayeed Chowdhury (Bangladesh)



I think nothing can compare to admiring the sea whilst sitting at one's desk, and falling asleep to the sound of the waves on the shore.

Fatima Khalil (Sudan)







Curious and Balanced

At KWC, for the first time, I felt stimulated and motivated in my studies ... exciting voyages into the depths of my six subjects.

Daria Holdenried-Chernoff (Italy)

Our students are life-long learners who can think critically and use their abilities creatively. In a world where new skills appear so swiftly and constantly these qualities are a vital asset.





Principled



KWC has taught me how to exceed my own expectations through hard work and perseverance.

Rachel Jarvis (Isle of Man)

We expect our students to act with honesty and to develop a sense of fairness, integrity and authenticity. At all levels, we encourage them to find their own values and to strive for truth and deep conviction. We make sure they are well-mannered, mindful of others and caring. We consider it essential that they show compassion, respect and empathy towards others. We also seek to develop in them a commitment to service. They learn to take

responsibility for their own actions and to be aware of the consequences of what they do.

This contributes directly to the happy atmosphere at college. Students are genuinely supportive and treat each other with respect. This also applies to the rapport between students and teachers: self-respect and respect for others is part of the very fabric of King William's College.









To say the best times of my life have been at KWC is no understatement... some of the best people I've ever had the good fortune to meet have been at this school.

Catriona Cox (Isle of Man)



You will often hear schools promising to give you the best start in life, however I truly believe that College really has given me the best start in life.

Philipp Krivonogov (Russia)



I loved making friends with students from different parts of the world and picking up on their traditions and trying their food!

Carola Kesküla (Estonia)

Knowledgeable



The range of extra-curricular activities on offer here is more than I could have possibly expected.

Louise Coase (Isle of Man)

Our students become keen to explore ideas of world-wide and local relevance. Their understanding covers a broad range of disciplines and skills. They also understand the importance of balance between intellectual, emotional and physical achievements.

From the outset their attitude to learning is positive. The curriculum is coherent, broad and exciting because it encourages understanding. Of course, students know the facts and figures that matter (students achieve excellent academic results throughout the school), but knowledge is always underpinned by a thirst to understand. They remain intellectually curious. They possess the youthful drive to learn more about the world of ideas and people.











Confident





Our students are confident communicators. They learn how to express themselves clearly and work effectively with others. They communicate confidently in diverse ways, from speech to sophisticated computer language. Debating, Youth Parliament, public speaking competitions, ICT challenges, team presentations; these opportunities are happening all the time.

Our students get involved, are focused, appreciate life and get on well with others.

From early on they learn how to organise themselves, how the world works, and how to influence it positively. They are confident without being arrogant. They know what they are doing and why.

I feel like a much more rounded person having done the IB and feel as though I can take on challenges with confidence. It definitely taught me that meeting deadlines makes life much easier!

Vanessa Simpson (Isle of Man)

...the college really helped me in my application to Oxford... my actual interviews were less stressful than my practise ones!

Jessica Andrews (Isle of Man)











International



Our students' attitude to the world and other people is generous, tolerant and informed. They understand that there are many possible approaches to life. They are sensitive to contrasting cultures and attitudes. As they grow older they acquire a sound knowledge of international literature, art, history and social attitudes. They are prepared to play a positive role in the international society which will be their natural environment.

KWC students come from all around the world. The active and successful alumni network covers most of our planet. International awareness and concerns inform our students' education. Many cultural, sporting and community service trips take place throughout the year. Many of our leavers go to university abroad. Wherever in the world their career takes them, our students are successful; they integrate swiftly and efficiently into their social and professional environment.

The IB Diploma, in particular, was intellectually challenging and rewarding to study. King William's College and the Isle of Man are very special places to me.

Daniel YC Chan (Hong Kong)



The boarding house is a tight-knit and supportive community full of movie nights and outings, I have made many friendships that will last a lifetime.

Jayil Mambetaliev (Kyrgyzstan)

Successful





The sport at King William's College was amazing for me... with trips as far as Australia it gave me great experience in teamwork, leadership and general social connections.

Frederick Bentler (Germany)

All these qualities help make our students successful.

Success can, of course, be measured in terms of university placements (almost all our students go on to university either in the UK, US or Europe), academic results (GCSEs, IGCSEs and IB Diploma results are strong), sporting achievements (King William's College teams are competitive in a wide array of sports including football, hockey, golf, rugby, swimming, sailing,

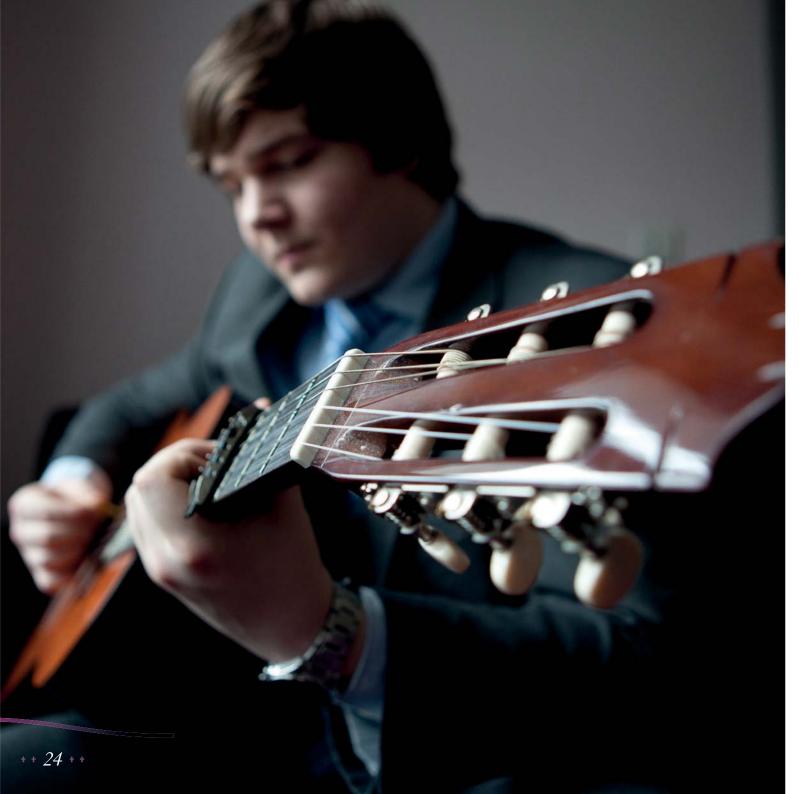
netball, basketball) and artistic performance (drama, visual arts and music) thrive throughout the school.

We believe success goes beyond 'results' in all fields. We aim to develop in our students the ability to approach new and unfamiliar situations with foresight and excitement. They do not shy away from challenges, but face up to them intelligently. They have the courage to stand by their beliefs and friends. They

are open-minded and appreciate different points of view. They are fun to be with and enrich those who know them. As young people and students they often impress and enchant; as young men and women they will lead, create and contribute directly to making a better world.

If this sounds idealistic it is because we and they are committed to the ideals of King William's College.







I will never forget the school that was well worth travelling 5000 miles for.

> Camille van Neste (USA)

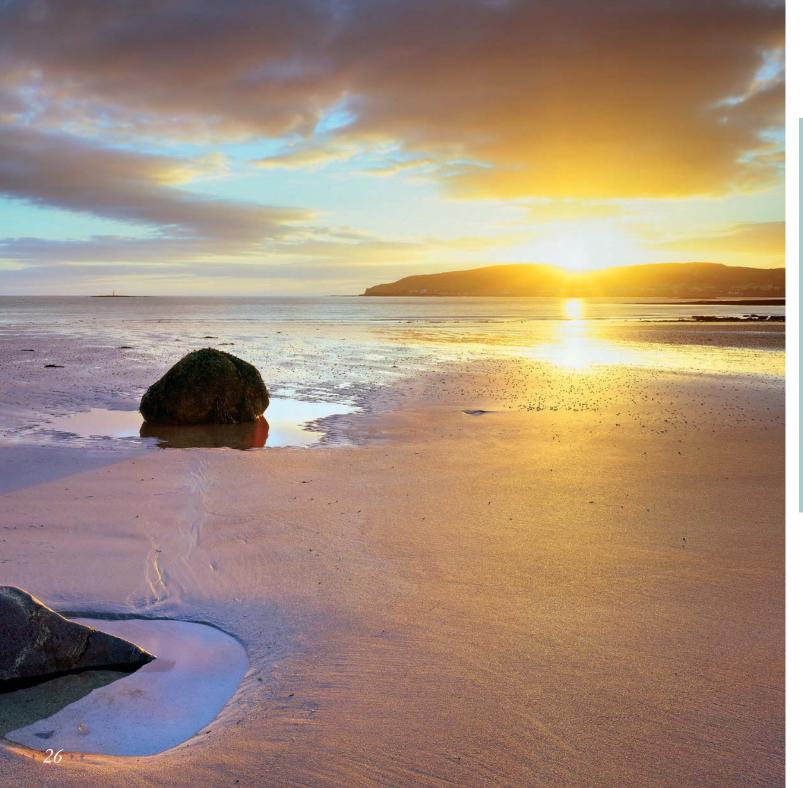
...in six short weeks I feel like I've climbed Mount Everest. I felt all alone at the beginning but now I'm part of a big new school family.

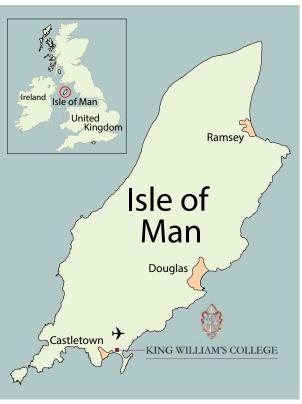
Charles Kenny (Isle of Man)





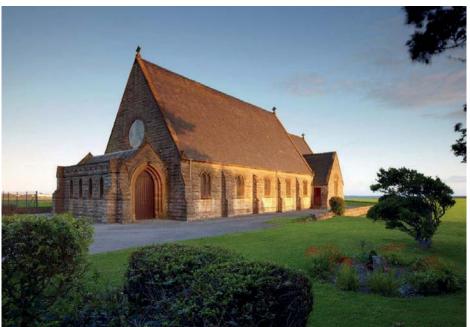






Facts and Figures ...





Academic Excellence

Outstanding IGCSE and GCSE results. One of the largest IB schools in the UK and one of the few which only offers the IB in the Sixth Form.

Sporting Achievements

The school tradition is to 'work hard' and 'play hard' and we have excellent results at national level in rugby, hockey, netball, sailing, athletics and many more.

Numbers

There are some 380 pupils at King William's College. The teacher/pupil ratio is 1:8.

Boarding

Houseparents look after boarding in separate girls' and boys' boarding houses on campus. The boarding environment is supportive and caring.

Creativity

Strong and vibrant in the Performing Arts. Drama, Visual Arts and Music operate at a very high level of creativity and imagination.

Environment

Situated on a beautiful island, the College and the Isle of Man provide a safe environment and stunning scenery.

Access

Daily flights to most UK cities, with easy connections to European and world cities.

Pastoral Care

Our comprehensive tutorial system aided by small classes and dedicated staff. Support for students is individual, thoughtful, professional and efficient.

















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