



DWIGHT LONDON

FEES UPDATE

As part of the Autumn Budget on October 30th, the Government formally confirmed that VAT will be added to Independent School fees and this is a tax that we are legally obliged to charge. While we are adding 20% of VAT to our published tuition fees effective 1st Jan 2025, we want to let you know that we will be reducing tuition fees by 2.5% for the remainder of this school year. This reflects that we will be able to claim back VAT which we incur on some taxable expenses. We are passing these savings on to our parents by way of the reduction in fees.

Please find a full breakdown of the fee changes below:

YEAR GROUP	AUTUMN 24/25	SPRING & SUMMER 24/25	VAT	TOTAL
Reception - Year 2	£6,780	£6,613	£1,323	£7,935
Year 3 - Year 6	£7,200	£7,021	£1,404	£8,425
Year 7 - Year 11	£8,450	£8,242	£1,648	£9,890
Year 12 - Year 13	£10,100	£9,850	£1,970	£11,820

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT IS VAT?

VAT (Value Added Tax) is a tax added to most products and services sold by VAT-registered businesses.

WHEN WILL THIS COME INTO EFFECT?

The standard 20% VAT rate will be added to private school fees from 1 January 2025. Any fees paid from 29th July 2024 relating to the term starting in January 2025 and onwards will be subject to VAT.

WHEN WILL I GET MY FIRST INVOICE THAT INCLUDES VAT?

Our Spring Term invoices will be processed a month later this year due to the delay in the government providing

adequate VAT on fees guidance to schools. The date of the invoice will be December 1st and this will be payable by December 14th. The VAT-adjusted fees are published on [our website](#).

WILL FEES THAT HAVE BEEN PAID IN ADVANCE ALSO BE TAXED?

Any private school fees paid after 29th July 2024 for tuition and boarding fees covering a period on or after 1st January 2025 will be subject to 20% VAT.

Any fees pre-paid before 29th July 2024 for tuition and boarding from 1st January 2025 may also be subject to 20% VAT depending on the arrangements that the pre-payment scheme made. The school will be able to provide more information on its pre-payment arrangements.

IS THERE VAT ON LITTLE LIONS NURSERY FEES?

No, there is no additional tax payable Nursery fees at the current time.

HOW WILL INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS DECIDE ON HOW MUCH VAT TO PASS ON TO PARENTS?

Schools have to pass on this tax to the government, however they can claim back some VAT on taxable supplies that they were previously not able to. This varies from school to school depending on a number of factors, in particular the amount of taxable supplies. Along with our tax advisors, the school's business team has carried out a comprehensive assessment of our school's net VAT position and this enables us to claim back the 2.5% which will be reflected in a fee reduction.

WILL THIS IMPACT SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES?

VAT on school fees will not impact the percentage amount of fee remissions as it relates to scholarships and bursaries.

HOW CAN DWIGHT SCHOOL SUPPORT FAMILIES IF FEES ARE NOT MANAGEABLE?

If the VAT on our school fees results in a family struggling to pay then our team is happy to look at financial assistance where possible. We are always available to discuss possible ways to support families. Please note that our 2025/2026 student [scholarship window](#) is currently open until December 1st as a way to provide further support.