



King's Group

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## King's College Latvia inaugurates a new Admissions Office in Riga

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- While the school is under construction, an Admissions Office has been opened in Riga to receive enquires, provide information and process all the applications for the new school. Additionally, all the information about the school and the application process, including the school fees, are available on the website <http://latvia.kingscollegeschools.org/admissions/information>
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The first British school in Latvia, currently under construction in the municipality of Babites (Riga), will initially offer places to children between the ages of 2 and 9 years (Nursery to Year 5), although it will eventually hold approximately **580** from **3 years (Nursery) to 18 years old (Year 13)**.

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### **About the new school**

**King's College, the British School of Latvia** will be **the first British Curriculum School in the country**. It will be located in a plot of **approximately 20.000 m<sup>2</sup>**. The **building area will be 7.000 m<sup>2</sup>**, of which 3.000 m<sup>2</sup> will be built in a first stage construction project and the remaining section will be constructed in a second phase development. The **outdoor areas (sports, playgrounds and parking)** will occupy around **15.000 m<sup>2</sup>**.

In regards to the onsite facilities, the main building will consist of **two floors offering a total of 32 classrooms**, fully-equipped Art Studio, Music Rooms, a Science Laboratory, an ICT Suite and a Dining room.

**The school will grow organically**: from its opening in September 2017, it will initially offer places to children between the ages of 2 and 7 years old (Infant Department). As these pupils get older, they will progress through the school until eventually all Year Groups will be open, catering up to Age 18. Concurrently, the administrative and academic staff will expand: **from 20 native British teachers for the first year to approximately 70 when the school reaches full capacity**.

### **A British Education in an international setting**

Students at **King's College, The British School of Latvia** will follow the **British National Curriculum**, with a wide range of subjects available, leading to IGCSE, AS and A Level examinations. This programme of study will allow pupils **access to the top universities in the world** such as Cambridge, Oxford, Berkeley or Georgetown, **in which King's College Schools has, historically, been able to send its' graduates**.

Students at **King's College, The British School of Latvia** will receive **exactly the same curriculum as if they were studying at one of the best schools in Great Britain** and will learn from **native British and British trained teachers**. In addition, they will also have **subjects covering the Latvian Language, History and Geography**.

Like its sister schools in King's Group, **The British School of Latvia will strive for educational excellence both inside and outside of the classroom**. King's College pupils are encouraged to achieve their academic best both inside and outside of the classroom, they are encouraged to participate in an array of extra-curricular activities

and to understand, appreciate and contribute to other **British values such as “Honesty, Faith and Courage”** – which are the key values that feature on the King’s College crest.

### **About King’s College Schools and King’s Group**

Sir Roger Fry, knighted in 2012 by Queen Elizabeth II for promoting British education internationally, founded the first King's College school in Madrid in 1969 and ever since **the prestigious educational institution has grown to a total of seven schools in UK, Spain and Panama, with more than 4,000 students in total.** King’s College, The British School of Latvia will be the Group’s eighth addition to its expanding school network.

Thanks to the success of the institution and the excellent academic results achieved each year by its students, **King's Group has become one of the most important and prestigious international educational institutions in the world.**

The main goals of the Group are to **provide students with a rigorous, broad and comprehensive quality British education and to live the Group’s Vision “to be at the forefront of British education internationally.”**

In addition to the schools, **the Group also owns other educational and non-educational entities, those being: King's International** (summer camps and academic year abroad programmes), **King's Training** (language training and coaching for professionals) **and Nexalia Services** (catering services).

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