



New Joiners' Information 2023

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General Information for New Pupils

Timings of the School Day and Important Events

Day girls must be in school by 8.10am.

Morning Registration is at 8.15am.

Day girls leave school after Prep. The time varies according to your daughter's year group:

- Year 7 and 8 leave at 6.20pm
- Year 9 at 6.35pm
- Year 10 and Year 11 at 6.45pm
- Year 7 and Year 8 may leave after club at 5.20pm and do their prep at home on Tuesday or Wednesday with permission from the Head of Year
- Girls may leave school on Fridays at 4.00pm if they do not have a school commitment.

We hope that day girls will join in evening activities, including Open Mic Nights, concerts, talks and plays, and they may take their supper in school on such occasions, if they have booked in advance.

Please note that official School functions which take place in the evenings are compulsory. These are clearly marked in the School Calendar. The School Calendar of events for the term can be found on our website and on Dragonfly which is our parent portal.

There are regular sports activities and fixtures on Saturdays and sometimes socials for the girls on a Saturday evening alongside boarders activities.

Term Dates 2023/24

Autumn term 2023

New Staff INSET day	Friday 1 September
Staff INSET days	Monday 4 September
	Tuesday 5 September
First day of term	Wednesday 6 September
Half term	From 4pm Friday 20 October to Sunday 5 November
Last day of term	Thursday 14 December (after the Carol Service)
Exeats	Friday 29 September to Sunday 1 October
	Friday 24 November to Sunday 26 November

Spring term 2024

Staff day	Monday 8 January
First day of term	Tuesday 9 January
Half term	From 4pm Friday 9 February to Sunday 18 February
Last day of term	Friday 22 March (12 noon)
Exeats	Friday 26 January to Sunday 28 January
	Friday 8 March to Sunday 10 March

Summer term 2024

Staff day	Monday 15 April
First day of term	Tuesday 16 April
Half term	From 4pm Friday 24 May to Sunday 2 June
Last day of term	Thursday 4 July (after Prize Giving)
Exeats	Friday 3 May to Monday 6 May (includes May Bank Holiday Monday)
	Friday 21 June to Sunday 23 June

All school days begin at 8.10am. The last day of term ends after the Carol Service in the Autumn Term, from 12.00pm at the end of the Spring Term and after Prize Giving in the Summer Term. Exeats and half terms commence from 4.00pm on Fridays. All day girls must be picked up from the main car park.

The day before the first day of term, and on the last day of Exeats and half terms, boarders in Year 7 to Year 11 should return between 6.00pm and 8.00pm and the Sixth Form between 6.00pm and 10.00pm. Any girl wishing to arrive outside of these times should make prior arrangements with their Housemistress.

We have generous holidays and publish our term dates well in advance and do not give permission for girls to be absent from School for holidays. Therefore, if you are planning family holidays or booking flights for girls who live overseas, please do so in accordance with our term dates and the times for the end of exeats, half terms and end of terms.

Reporting and Parents' Meetings

Each pupil's academic progress is carefully monitored and tracked by teachers, Heads of Department, Tutors and Heads of Year and overseen by the Deputy Head (Academic). Each year group has a cycle of reports, grades and parents' meetings during the School Year providing plenty of opportunities for monitoring and feedback, both formal and informal, for both pupils and parents/guardians. Some parents' meetings will be in person at School and others online.

The cycle for each Year group is found on Dragonfly (the parent portal) from the beginning of the year. It is expected that all parents (or guardians where appropriate) attend parents' meetings in order to discuss their daughter's progress with the staff who teach her. Each parents' meeting is usually preceded by a talk (or for online parents' meetings, a video) from the Head and other senior staff relevant to her Year group covering topics such as GCSE and A Level subject choices, trips, careers, university entrance and pastoral issues. Parents are encouraged to contact their daughter's Tutor at any time should they wish to discuss their daughter's progress.

Possessions

The School cannot be held responsible for a girl's possessions in the case of loss, theft or damage while she is at St George's. We discourage girls from bringing expensive items of equipment or jewellery to School and if they do so we would strongly advise parents to have these insured separately on their own policies. Musical instruments should also be insured on a separate policy.

Mobile Phones and Other Mobile Devices

Girls in Year 10 and above are allowed to have mobile phones in school to facilitate communication with home. These should be used discreetly, only at break and lunch times and not in public areas, including the dining room and corridors. Mobile phones are for the girls' personal use rather than sharing/sitting and watching media. Mobile phones must not be in view or be used in lessons or prep unless specifically directed by a member of staff. All pupils in Year 7 to Year 11 have a School Chromebook for all their needs in School.

Parents of girls in Year 7 to Year 9 must request permission from their Head of Year, with a reason, to have their phone at School, and it must be handed in to the office before 8.15am and collected after they have finished prep. Boarders from Year 7 upwards will want a mobile phone or tablet to communicate with home. These are kept securely in the Boarding House and are accessible after the end of the school day.

We cannot be held responsible in the case of loss, theft or damage of these items, which must be insured on parents' own policies.

Security/Visitors

For the safety and security of your daughters, all visitors, including parents, are asked to report to Reception when visiting the School at any time other than for a school event. Parents are always most welcome to watch sports matches and attend all concerts, plays, talks and other school events that are mentioned in the calendar.

Exeats

On Exeat weekends school finishes for all girls at 4.00pm on Friday afternoon when the school closes for the weekend. All boarders are expected to make arrangements to be away from school during the Exeat weekends and may return on Sunday evening from 6.00pm. Year 7 to Year 10 boarders should return to school by 8.00pm on Sunday evening, Year 11 boarders by 8.30pm and the Sixth Form by 10.00pm. If the Exeat in May falls on the bank holiday weekend, which it usually does, the Exeat will include the bank holiday Monday and boarders will return on the Monday evening.

Communications from the School

The school communications system is called Dragonfly and this is where you will find important and current information about School events, trips and other arrangements. You will also find on Dragonfly your daughter's timetable, prep tasks and reports/grades. It is accessible from an icon on the front page of the school website. You and your daughter will receive your log-ins and more information on how Dragonfly works when she starts in September.

Behaviour, Rewards and Sanctions

St George's aims to encourage pupils to adopt the highest standards of behaviour, principles and moral standards and to respect the ethos of the School. Promoting the emotional well being of all our pupils is key to their development. We aim to promote trust and mutual respect for everyone in an inclusive environment. We believe that good relations, good manners and a secure learning environment play a crucial part in the development of intellectually curious pupils, who are motivated to become life-long learners. We develop qualities of teamwork and leadership through our extensive programme of co-curricular activities.

The link below takes you to the Behaviour Policy on the School website which you and your daughter should familiarise yourself with before she starts at St George's.

Please read the Behaviour Policy





School Uniform Information

Please find information regarding school uniform requirements including sportswear, and information on how to order uniform for your daughter on the following pages.

Uniform

Schoolwear and Sportswear for Pupils Year 7 to Year 11

Uniform is available from our uniform supplier:

Stevensons
127 High Street
Eton
Windsor
SL4 6AR.

To book an in store appointment for a uniform fitting for your daughter, please telephone: **01727 815700**.

To shop online, please visit: **www.stevensons.co.uk** and set up an account.

Stevenson's offer a name taping service should you wish to use this and can also deliver uniform directly to St George's marked for your daughter's attention.

Items marked with an asterisk in the table overleaf must be purchased from Stevenson's.

Nearly New Uniform Shop

A nearly new uniform shop is operated by the Parents' Association who can be contacted via email at: **parentassociation@stgeorges-ascot.org.uk**

Name Taping

All items must be name taped/labelled clearly with your daughter's name. For safeguarding reasons related to identifying pupils in photos, name tapes should be on the inside of sports kit not on the outside. Stevensons offer a name taping service should you wish to use this.

Equipment

In addition to the usual contents of a pencil case, girls need a cartridge fountain pen with washable ink cartridges and a geometry set which should include:

- a ruler (at least 20cm)
- an HB pencil
- a protractor
- a pair of compasses with pencil
- scissors
- a glue stick
- a USI compatible Chromebook stylus which can be purchased from Amazon or similar suppliers and retails from £35

The Casio fx-85GT PLUS scientific calculator can be bought through the school at a bulk purchase discount price, details of which will be sent to parents via email. Girls may purchase a bookbag or backpack of their choice from any store. There is no SGA branded bookbag on the uniform list.

Chromebooks

Chromebooks will be provided by the School to pupils from Year 7 to Year 11 and will require all parents to pay an annual insurance charge of approximately £30 and this charge will be added to the Autumn Term bill.

While the Chromebooks will be covered by insurance, we would encourage everyone to take care of them. To support this, the School will provide each Chromebook in its own protective St George's branded slip case, the initial issue of which is complimentary.

We expect pupils from Years 7 to 11 to use the Chromebooks for their work at St George's in order to make the most of innovative learning. They are not allowed to have a different laptop for use in School (apart from in the boarding houses). There are several reasons for this but schoolwork oversight, IT support and online safety are the most prevalent.

Terms and Conditions of Chromebook Insurance

To best support you, our IT Department will oversee the management of claims, repairs and a temporary replacement of the Chromebook if this is required.

- No Excess
- Cover includes accidental damage, theft, flood damage, fire damage, malicious damage
- Worldwide cover up to 90 days in a 12 month period
- Automatic reinstatement after a successful claim
- Loss is NOT covered (this includes devices that go missing from an unlocked/unattended classroom)
- Accessories such as cases, power cables, stylus, external keyboards etc are not covered
- Student claims limit: 2 successful claims within the first 12 months, 3 successful claims over the duration of the scheme (if device being used as a 1:1 device)
- School are insurance policy holder, students are 'authorised users'
- Device must be kept in an approved case at all times £10,000 single claim limit

Sixth Form

Experience has shown us that, as pupils enter the Sixth Form, they gravitate towards their own laptops and that often this is in readiness for university. All Sixth Form pupils are required to bring their own laptop/Chromebook to School for their academic work. An entry point machine should be suitable but iPads, especially without keyboards, are not recommended. Only in very exceptional circumstances, for example hardship, would the School be able to provide support to Sixth Form pupils. This will be limited and an approach should be made to the Bursar in the first instance.

Boarders – what to bring with you?

Guidance about casual clothes, toiletries, bed linen, small electrical items etc are detailed in the boarding handbooks found on the New Joiners' webpage.



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Welcome to Stevensons, your local branch is:

ETON

Address: 127/128 High Street, Eton, Windsor. SL4 6AR

Contact: etonbranch@stevensons.co.uk

BOOK AN INSTORE APPOINTMENT

We suggest appointments for all new starters to ensure the perfect fit.

Your schools suggested appointment window is from **Monday 3rd July - Friday 7th July.**

Booking an appointment in this window allows us to maximise the school specific stock at our store and reduces the time taken to serve you.

SHOP INSTORE

Visit your local store throughout the summer on Saturdays or during their "Walk in Weeks" from **17th July**, when all our branches will be extending their opening hours until 5pm.

Your local store will be open for pre-booked appointments and Click & Collect only from **Monday 26th June.**

Please refer to our website for full opening hours.

SHOP ONLINE

Visit our website [Stevensons.co.uk](https://www.stevensons.co.uk) to order online for home delivery or Click & Collect from your local store.



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SCHOOL UNIFORM OUTFITTERS

Schoolwear Uniform Items – Year 7 to Year 11	Suggested Quantity	Guidance Notes
Blazer*	1	
Red Jumper*	1/2	Girls can choose to wear either a jumper or cardigan, and should purchase a total of 1-2 items of knitwear depending on personal preference.
Red Cardigan*	1/2	
Checked Blouses (long sleeve)*	3	Girls can choose to wear either a long sleeve or short sleeve blouse, and should purchase a total of 3 items depending on personal preference.
Checked Blouses (short sleeve)*	3	
Navy Skirts*	2	Length should be on, or just above the knee.
Trousers*		Crew Line (alternative to skirt)
Navy Tights	6 pairs	Girls can choose to wear either tights, knee or ankle length socks. Parents should purchase a combination and quantity to suit personal preference.
Navy Knee Length Socks	6 pairs	
Navy Ankle Length Socks	6 pairs	
Plain Black or Navy Shoes	1 pair	Polishable leather shoes
Sportswear Uniform Items	Quantity	Notes
House Polo Shirt: Alexander, Becket, Churchill or Darwin*	1	You will need to know which House your daughter has been allocated to when purchasing the House Polo Shirt and House Hoodie in House colours.
House Hoodie: Alexander, Becket, Churchill or Darwin*	1	For new boarders, this House name will differ from the name of your daughter's boarding house.
Midlayer (Navy)*	1	
Athletics Shorts (Navy)*	1	
Wet Top (Navy)*	1	
Tracksuit Bottoms (Navy)*	1	
Games Shirt (Red and White)*	2	
Baselayer Top (White)*	1	
Base Leggings (Navy)*	1	
Skort (Red)*	2	
Beanie Hat*	1	Optional
Silicone Swim Hat (Red)*	1	2 sizes available depending on length of hair
Medalist Swimsuit (Navy)*	1	
Swim Goggles	1 pair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SNR Futura Plus Swim Goggles • JNR Futura Plus Swim Goggles
Games Socks (Red)*	3 pairs	
Sports Socks (White)	3 pairs	
SGA Kit Bag (Red & Navy)*	1	
Headband (Navy)*	1	Optional
Lacrosse Goggles	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cascade Polyair • Cascade Polyarc • STX 4 Sight (Pro and +S) • Under Armour Charge 2
Lacrosse Stick	1	Years 7 and 8 Compulsory Year 9 Optional - available to borrow in lessons. Compulsory for Lacrosse Squad members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brine Empress • Under Armour Honor
Shin Guards for Football	1 pair	
Trainers	1 pair	
Football Boots for Lacrosse/ Football	1 pair	
Swimming Towel (non regulation)	1	
Festival Coat (Optional item)		This optional item can be purchased from www.serious-stuff.com The SGA PE Department hold sample sizes and we advise trying these before purchasing. It is not needed for September.
Sports Bra	2	

Sixth Form Dress Code

- Sixth Form pupils do not wear school uniform but the dress code expects a pupil to look smart and tidy at all times during the academic day. We seek to promote a professional, tailored appearance which is practical and presentable.
- During the academic day (8.15am to 4.00pm, unless supervising prep when it is expected that the Sixth Form Dress Code should be adhered to) Sixth Form pupils are required to wear a dress or skirt of reasonable length or trousers. Tight fitting clothing is not allowed. Please avoid leather trousers and skirts.
- A tailored jacket should be worn in the Chapel for assemblies and services, but a Sixth Former may remove the jacket during the day.
- Although smart trainers are allowed, UGGs and crocs are not allowed.
- Strappy tops should be avoided and shoulders should be covered at all times.
- Discreet ear piercings are allowed, but nose piercings are not and other piercings should be covered.
- Hair should be brushed and neat.
- Sixth Form girls may wear discreet make-up and hair should be neat and a natural colour but need not be tied back, except when health and safety requires.
- Sports kit should be worn only during sports activities.
- Girls may dress down on Fridays before Exeat and Half Term Fridays except if they have a School commitment.
- Valuables are the responsibility of the individual pupils who own them and the school cannot take responsibility for such items; nor can it insure them.
- When on school trips, pupils are not required to wear their formal wear and can wear home clothes that are comfortable and appropriate.





Formal occasions

A smart tailored black suit, a jacket and skirt/trousers of the same matching fabric with a white collared shirt. Examples of formal occasions include:

- The last day of each term
- The Carol Concert
- Prize Giving
- Acting as an Open Morning Tour Guide
- End of Term Awards

The School appreciates the parental support in maintaining these standards.

PE and Sports Kit

All Sixth Formers will need some sportswear for PE lessons. Girls playing for the senior netball or lacrosse teams will be required to order additional team kit.

Schoolwear Uniform Items	Suggested Quantity	Guidance Notes
House Polo Shirt: Alexander, Becket, Churchill or Darwin House	1	You will need to know which House your daughter has been allocated to when purchasing the House Polo Shirt and House Hoodie in House colours. For new boarders, this House name will differ from the name of your daughter's boarding house.
House Hoodie: Alexander, Becket, Churchill or Darwin House	1	
Trainers	1 pair	
Sports Bra	2	



New Joiners' Reference Information

This section gives you more details about the forms you are required to fill in online, in addition to providing further information on a number of areas you may find useful.

Pupil and Parent Details

Parent Contact Details: please complete section one of the [Personal details and Finance form](#)

If you are away during term time it is essential that we are able to contact you and that we have a name, address and phone number of two UK based local emergency contacts for your daughter while you are away.

With your permission, contact details for parents are made available to other parents in your daughter's year group via our secure Parents' Area on the Dragonfly communications platform. Please complete the Parent Contact Details form to let us know whether or not you would be willing for your name and contact details to be included on the year group list, and then issued to others in the same year group.

Health and Wellbeing

An important element of the pastoral care we provide at St George's, centres on the services of our Health Centre.

Day To Day Care

The Health Centre is well-equipped and run by an experienced Healthcare Professional who is available throughout the School day and together with a team of support staff qualified in first aid, advanced first aid and mental health first aid, provides a holistic approach to care needs, aiming to support the pupils in taking part as fully as possible in School life.

The Health Centre staff aim to promote good health and sensible lifestyle choices. First Aid and immediate Health Care are available to day pupils and boarders taken ill or injured during the School day although parents of day pupils will be contacted and should be available to collect their child if they are considered unfit to return to class. An individual with diarrhoea and vomiting should be excluded from School until 48 hours after their last episode.

Day pupils at School are not expected to go home without consulting the member of staff on duty in the Health Centre beforehand. If your daughter contacts home asking to go home as she is unwell, please contact the Health Centre before agreeing to collect her.

GP And Dental Services

Parents of boarders are encouraged to register their daughter with the local GP in order to have access to our Doctors surgery and the local NHS services including Monday to Friday clinics, consultant referrals, travel clinics, asthma clinics and sexual health services via Green Meadows Surgery.

For boarders, private appointments can be organised for local services such as dentistry and orthodontics as appropriate. It is expected that routine dental and optician appointments are scheduled outside of School hours.

Emergency Treatment

Whenever possible, parents are informed before a girl is sent to hospital. Occasionally, however, it is difficult to contact a parent or guardian, and, in such circumstances, a member of the Senior Leadership Team will give consent should emergency treatment or an operation be required, including the administration of anaesthetics.

Throughout the time your daughter remains at St George's, the School Doctor reserves the right to give parents, guardians or the Head any confidential information about her that the Doctor considers to be in her best interest or necessary for the protection of others in the school community.

After a holiday or exeat it is essential that we are notified if your daughter has:

- been having treatment from her own doctor.
- been prescribed tablets or ointment to be continued at school.
- had, or has been, in contact with, an infectious illness.
- had a serious illness, accident or operation while at home.
- any change in personal circumstances.

Medicines

Over the counter medicines are dispensed via the Health Centre staff to all pupils who have returned a completed medical questionnaire and consent form. Parents should inform the Health Centre of any changes to their child's medical information.

All medication for boarders brought from home must be given to the Health Centre staff, including any vitamin tablets or supplements and written parental consent for their use provided, using the parental consent form. Prescribed medication for day pupils should be handed in to the Health Centre, labelled in the original box with name and full instructions with completed parental consent form. Pupils will be expected to report to the Health Centre for their medication at the appropriate times.

Health Promotion And Screening

The East Berkshire Immunisation team attend routinely for administration of HPV in the pupils' Year 7 and Meningitis ACWY, Tetanus, Diphtheria and Polio in Year 9 for all pupils. The Health Centre hosts Specialist Nurse visits for monitoring, training and care as required. The School Health Professional ensures the training needs of teaching staff are met in caring for pupils with specific illnesses and conditions. Routine monitoring and screening of pupils is continued throughout the academic year and parents notified should there be any concerns regarding a pupil's health, development and well-being.

A parent or guardian who does not wish their child to be included in the School screening programme should state this in an email addressed to our Health Professional, Mrs Jones at: [**healthcentre@stgeorges-ascot.org.uk**](mailto:healthcentre@stgeorges-ascot.org.uk)

Wellbeing Services

Two counsellors are available to girls at various times throughout the week. The counsellors help pupils to work through a range of issues, for example, exam stress, School workload, relationship issues at School and at home, identity issues, additional learning needs or anything else that is worrying them. Pupils can self-refer, or be referred, by teachers, Heads of House, Heads of Year, boarding staff, Health Centre staff, peer mentors, parents and the Deputy Head (Pastoral), along with additional support staff. Remote counselling with an outside counsellor can also be arranged if required.

The Peer Mentoring 'PeerPoint' programme is voluntary for Lower Sixth pupils and as part of the programme they learn basic listening skills. The aim is that the pupils can provide a listening ear for their peers and younger pupils to share concerns or worries. They have been trained so they can refer pupils to our counselling service, if need be.

Any Questions?

If you have any questions about how the Health Centre can support your daughter while at St George's School, please contact **01344 629940** or email: **healthcentre@stgeorges-ascot.org.uk**.

Medical Form

Learning Support and the Helen Arkell Dyslexia Centre

If your daughter has special educational needs then you will be contacted separately by Marina Johnston, Head of Learning Support, in the summer term regarding setting up support lessons if this is deemed appropriate. All girls benefit from study skills sessions in the first year. These sessions cover topics such as personal organisation, learning styles, memorisation strategies and revision skills and they are therefore particularly beneficial for those pupils with special educational needs. A Learning Support Pupil Profile (LSPP) will be created for every girl with special educational needs and shared with her teachers.

This document gives an overview of the individual girl's areas of difficulty, strategies for classroom support, as well as her strengths. If your daughter has had an Educational Psychologist's report carried out and you have not yet shared it with the school, or if your daughter has received extra support at her previous school, please contact Marina Johnston at **mjohnston@stgeorges-ascot.org.uk** to discuss further.

Individual support lessons are set up through the Helen Arkell Dyslexia Centre. These lessons are paid extra and payment is arranged through the Helen Arkell Centre. St George's works in conjunction with the centre to provide additional, specialist help for pupils with specific learning difficulties. The benefits of using the Centre are as follows:

- A comprehensive service of highly specialised staff from an organisation well-known for its teacher training expertise and research in the field.
- Flexibility in accommodating the timetable of individual pupils.
- Objectivity is given by using an outside agency.

The Helen Arkell Dyslexia Centre also provides a general advisory service for parents, staff and pupils.

For further information about the centre, please contact:

Helen Arkell Dyslexia Charity
24 West Street
Farnham
Surrey, GU9 7DR

Tel: 01252 792400

Tuition coordinator: Julie Hall **julieh@helenarkell.org.uk**

For further information from the Learning Support Department, please contact: Marina Johnston, Head of Learning Support, **mjohnston@stgeorges-ascot.org.uk**



General Permissions and Agreements

Please complete section two of the [Personal details and Finance form](#)

Photography and Public Domain

We believe that photographs are a special way to share life at St George's with family, friends and the local community and hope that every girl will be proud to be photographed representing her school. No pupil will be photographed against her will.

In order to record school events and celebrate successes we often photograph memorable moments and/or girls who have achieved something of significance. These photos tend to be used for School social media, eNews (our newsletter) and on the school website. They may also be sent to the press or used in wider marketing materials and adverts to publicise the school. These images may also be used after your daughter has left the school.

Safeguarding our pupils in the public domain is very important to the school. Any publications that have a photo of a child will use first names only and Year Group when referencing a photo. In the Parent and Pupils form, we request blanket permission from you to photograph your daughter whilst she is at St George's. If there is an important reason why your daughter cannot be photographed, please indicate this on the form.

If you have any concerns or queries, please contact the Marketing Department on **01344 629994**.

Parents Photographing and Filming School Events

We welcome parents to our concerts, plays and sporting events, as well as to more formal occasions during the School year, and this is an important part of our School community and it is lovely to see so many of you at these events.

It is important that children and young people feel happy with their achievements and have photographs and films of their special moments. We also understand that family and friends also want to be able to share the successes of their children when they have been part of a special event or activity.

However, some children, parents or carers may not be comfortable with images of them or their children being shared. It is important to be aware of child protection and safeguarding issues when taking photos or filming children and young people and the potential for misuse of images can be reduced if we are aware of the potential dangers and put in place appropriate measures.

The School's Flickr account is updated regularly with professional photographs, as are our social media channels and there is also coverage in our regular Newsletters which help keep parents fully abreast with the news and images of our active community. The images that we use for public displays and communications purposes never identify an individual pupil. We only use images of School activities, such as plays, concerts, sporting fixtures, prize-giving and trips in their proper context. Pupils are always properly supervised when professional photographers visit the School.

Parents are welcome to take photographs of their own children taking part in sporting and other School events, however we ask parents not to take photographs of other pupils on their own, without the prior agreement of that child and/or the child's parents. We also ask that parents do not place images of other children onto social media accounts.

We have specific regulations in relation to use of photography in the swimming pool which follows guidance from Swim England's Wave Power Safeguarding document.

These guidelines state that all photographs for publication must observe generally accepted standards of decency, particularly:

- Action shots should be a celebration of the sporting activity and not a sexualised image in a sporting context.
- Action shots should not be taken or retained where the photograph reveals a torn or displaced swimming costume.
- Poolside shots of children should be above the waist only in a swimming costume. Full length shots are permitted if the children are fully clothed.
- Photographs should not be taken from behind the starting blocks or that show children climbing in and out of the pool.

Swim England does not wish to stop parents/guardians photographing their child if they wish, but we must ensure that we do all we can to safeguard every child's wellbeing, so helping parents/guardians understand why they should refrain from including other individual children in such shots is important.

The guidance applies to all images and videos, taken on any type of camera or recording device (including mobile/smart phones). It applies to all training sessions, activities and events.

- It should be acknowledged that although the majority of images taken are appropriate and in good faith, images can be misused and children can be put at risk if common sense procedures are not observed.

This guidance aims to help organisations avoid the often unintended and unforeseen potential sources of child abuse:

- The use, adaptation, sharing or copying of images for child abuse purposes, either electronically or in print.
- The possible identification of a child when an image is accompanied by significant personal information, which can lead to the child being 'groomed'.

We hope that sharing this guidance will reassure parents of the measures we take to safeguard their children and also support parents with understanding our policy in relation to photographs and videos being taken at school events. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact our Deputy Head Pastoral, Mrs Simpson.

School Tuck Shop

Please complete section two of the [Personal details and Finance form](#)

St George's operates its own small shop, which is open at various points during the week for the sale of such items as stationery, magazines, toiletries and tuck. Each girl may have her own account to the amount stipulated by her parents. The total spent is then added to your Fees Account at the end of each term.

Please confirm whether you would like your daughter to have such an account by completing the School Tuck Shop form. We recommend a limit of around £25 per term for day girls and £35 per term for boarders.

ICT Guidelines

Please refer to section two of the online form and read the [ICT Acceptable Use Policy for Pupils](#) on the website.

The school's Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) for Information Communication Technology (ICT) has been prepared so that pupils use the school ICT systems in a responsible way, to ensure there is no risk to their safety or the safety and security of other users and the school ICT systems. Parents and pupils will be expected to sign the form before having access to the school's ICT systems or being issued with a school Chromebook.

Pupils will be expected to abide by the school's AUP. Pupils are educated on how to stay safe online, the school's ICT AUP and on the negative impact of excessive screen time. The presence of personal mobile electronic devices and their use in school is a privilege and not a right. Any use of these devices that undermines the school's policies on good behaviour will be taken very seriously.

For pupils' own safety the school will monitor the use of all ICT systems and any electronic device connected to the School Wi-Fi.

ICT Acceptable Use Policy for Pupils

School Trips and Other Off-Site Activities

Please complete section two of the [Personal details and Finance form](#)

School visits are a vital part of your daughter's education at St George's and she will be able to enjoy a variety of exciting, fun and informative trips during her time at the School.

In order to give permission for your daughter to attend any school trip, rather than have to return a separate signed consent form for all individual visits, please give permission by signing the online form. This will enable your daughter to go on all non-residential trips and to participate in all off-site activities as organised by the School. Most educational trips are part of the curriculum and usually take place during the normal school day. Details of visits will be shared with parents in advance and are accessible on the Dragonfly communications platform. You can, if you wish, inform the School that you do not want your daughter to take part in any particular trip or activity.

Please note the following important information before signing the form. The trips and activities covered by this consent include:

- all educational trips
- all visits (excluding residential trips) which take place during the holidays or a weekend
- all off-site sporting fixtures outside the school day, including at weekends.
- all adventure activities
- boarders' outings

During School visits

- School rules must always be obeyed.
- Last minute changes may have to be made for circumstances beyond the School's control.
- This form, or any consequent updated versions, will apply throughout your daughter's time at St George's, including the Sixth Form, unless the School receives written information to the contrary.

- You consent to any charge for the trip being added to your next fee bill. Details of extra costs will be included in the information shared with parents before the visit.
- If subsequently your circumstances change, and your daughter is no longer able to go on the trip, charges may still be incurred up to and including the full amount of the visit.

Fees and Finance

Please complete section three of the online [Personal details and Finance form](#)

Fees from 1 September 2023

Please find below the details of the fees for boarding and day pupils.

Full boarding pupils	7 nights - £14,285 per term
Tailored Boarding	6 nights - £13,990 per term
	5 nights - £13,670 per term
	4 nights - £13,260 per term
Day pupils	£8,980 per term

Monthly Direct Debit Scheme

The School operates a monthly direct debit scheme. Direct debits are collected on a monthly basis from a UK bank, with the first payment to be collected in July. Payments will be collected in 12 monthly instalments of the amount shown below (any scholarships/awards will reduce this amount).

Status	Monthly payment
Day girls	£2,245.00
Full boarders (7 nights)	£3,571.25
Tailored Boarding (6 nights)	£3,497.50
Tailored Boarding (5 nights)	£3,417.50
Tailored Boarding (4 nights)	£3,315.00

Additional nights for boarders and occasional boarding nights for day pupils (including occasional regular nights e.g. 1 or 2 nights per week) may be booked at an extra charge of £69.50 per night subject to review and availability.

Details of any extras are provided in your termly bill. It is a condition of the scheme that they are collected together with the regular instalments in January, May and September, as appropriate.

This service is offered free of charge, but in the event of the direct debit being rejected due to insufficient funds, the instruction being cancelled etc, we will apply an administrative charge of £25 to your account. This scheme is operated at the complete discretion of the School.

We reserve the right to withdraw this service at any time or if there are more than three unsuccessful direct debit collections in any year (July 2023 to June 2024).

Due to the requirements of the Consumer Credit Act legislation, we cannot accept instalment payments in any other format. If you have any questions about this, please contact the Finance Department by emailing: finance@stgeorges-ascot.org.uk

Membership schemes

The school offers membership to the following schemes:

AXA PPP Healthcare Scheme

All international boarding pupils enrolled at the school will be automatically covered by the National Health Service (NHS) for their health care, as will all UK based day and boarding pupils. Should you wish your daughter to have private medical treatment, the AXA PPP Healthcare scheme provides private medical insurance for pupils.



Fees Protection Scheme

Membership of the Fees Protection Scheme gives you the opportunity to apply for a refund of fees that you have already paid if your daughter cannot be in school because they are ill, or injured, provided your application for a refund satisfies certain conditions.

Costs from September 2023 are as follows: Boarders 0.95% of termly fee / Day 0.82% of termly fee.

For more detailed information about either of these schemes please email:
finance@stgeorges-ascot.org.uk

Boarding

If your daughter will be boarding, please complete the [Boarding form](#)

Terms and Conditions of Boarding

When both parents reside outside the United Kingdom, parental responsibility must be delegated to a suitable adult who is resident in the United Kingdom and has agreed to take full responsibility for the pupil when not at school and who can, if necessary, come to school at short notice.

Whichever boarding option is chosen will be applied for the whole academic year. Should you wish to change, a term's notice will be required.

Should your child's circumstances change due to the requirement of the school we will endeavour to accommodate this.

Additional nights for boarders and occasional boarding nights for day pupils (including occasional regular nights e.g. 1 or 2 nights per week) may be booked at an extra charge of £69.50 per night subject to review and availability.

Pocket Money

We recommend that this should not be more than £25.00 - £30.00 per half-term for boarders. This should be brought back in a purse clearly marked with your daughter's name, and on arrival it should be handed for safekeeping to her Housemistress. Pupils from overseas will wish to bring a little extra pocket money to cover additional expenses when travelling.

Tuck

Boarders are allowed to bring back a limited amount of tuck (we are a nut free school, so no nut products please). It is advisable that girls have a lockable tuck/valuables box, available from Stevensons, who supply the school uniform.

Toiletries

These can be replaced at School and charged to the girl's account. Each girl should bring a reasonable supply of any toiletries she uses regularly. Aerosols are not allowed as these can activate the fire alarm.



International Pupils

If you normally reside overseas, please complete the [International Pupil form](#)

Guardian Agreement

ALL pupils at St George's Ascot are legally classified as children and, therefore, if parents normally reside overseas, they MUST have an appointed Guardian in place at all times whilst they are on the school roll.

The Guardian must be UK based and it is preferable if they live within an hours drive of the school so they can attend school for any reason at short notice.

When appointing a guardian please ensure that they undertake the following as part of your agreement:

- Act on behalf of the parents.
- Provide a point of contact on a daily basis throughout the school term and be ready to accommodate the pupil at short notice in case of an emergency or crisis. This includes incidents of illness or disciplinary measures.
- Maintain effective communication between St George's and the parents.
- Provide and maintain suitable accommodation for the pupil and an appropriate degree of care and supervision during exeat weekends, half term breaks and longer holidays.
- Make suitable, alternative arrangements to cover these responsibilities if unable to fulfil obligations as Guardian due to unforeseen or planned absence and to inform the Housemistress of any such arrangements.
- Liaise with the Housemistress over all matters relating to the pupil's welfare, pastoral, academic and medical care.
- Inform the school about all travel arrangements and provide all the necessary details prior to leaving the school for an exeat weekend or longer holiday.
- Be ready to attend important parent/teacher meetings or any other special meeting at the school on the parents' behalf.
- Ensure that pupils have full school uniform before the beginning of each term and the correct equipment appropriate for each subject.
- Facilitate transfer to and from airports of the guardian's choice when arriving at and departing from St George's, ensuring the girls arrive at the times advised.

Please note that a copy of the Guardian Agreement will be sent to your nominated Guardian for their agreement and electronic signature.

English as an Additional Language (EAL)

St George's has a very strong EAL department which supports pupils to access the school curriculum and develop their English-language skills. All EAL lessons are conducted on a one-to-one basis, and our EAL teachers work closely with academic subject teachers and form tutors to ensure that EAL pupils are receiving the specific language support they need. Your daughter's offer letter specifies how many extra EAL lessons she will require upon entrance to the school and these lessons will be charged at an additional cost. Each term we review your daughter's progress using a proficiency scale. The number of lessons your daughter receives per week may be adjusted with the aim of reducing them in line with her progress.

The EAL department also helps our pupils prepare for any external English-language examinations such as IELTS, the English Language proficiency test accepted by British Universities, and offers courses in the internationally-recognised Cambridge suite of examinations (PET, FCE and CAE) with

the final exam taken at a certified test centre. Our aim is to ensure all our pupils achieve IELTS 7.5 by the time they leave St George's as part of their university offer.

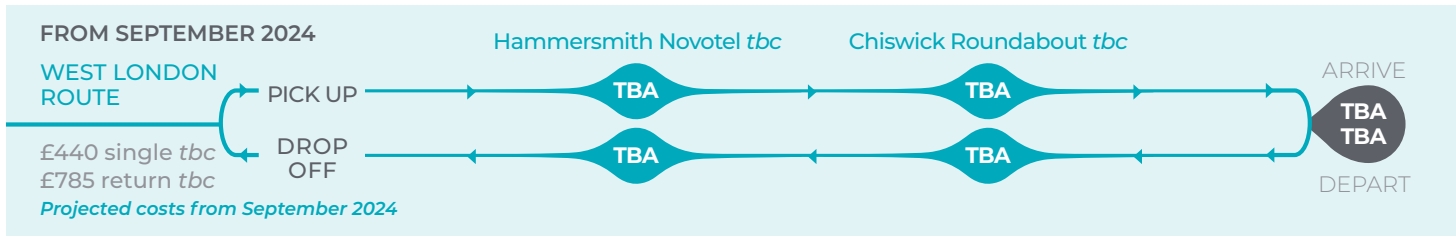
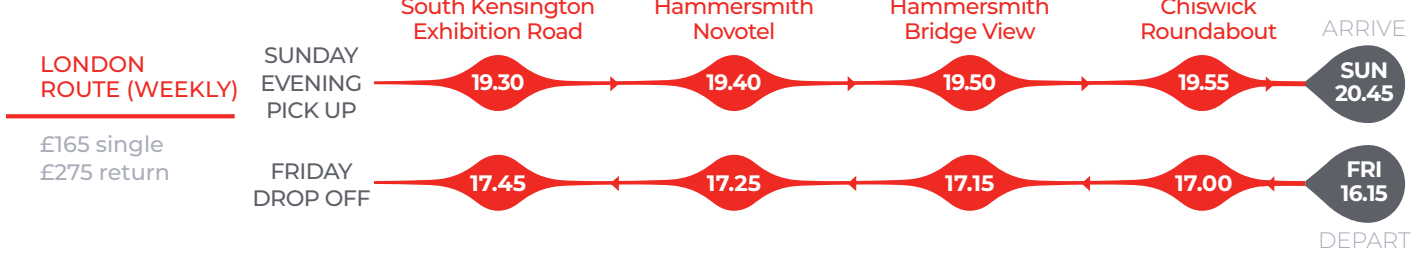
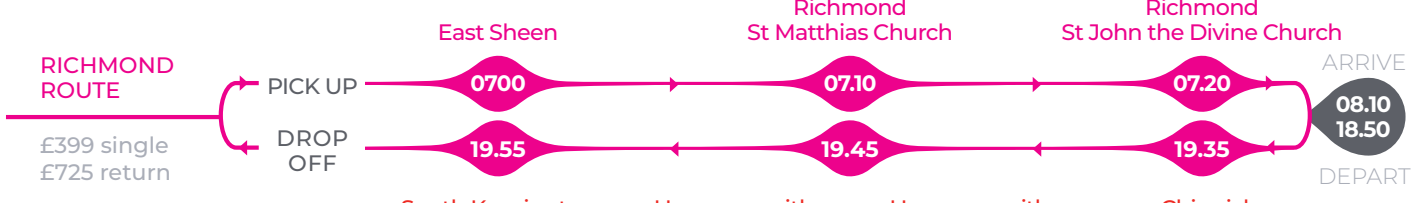
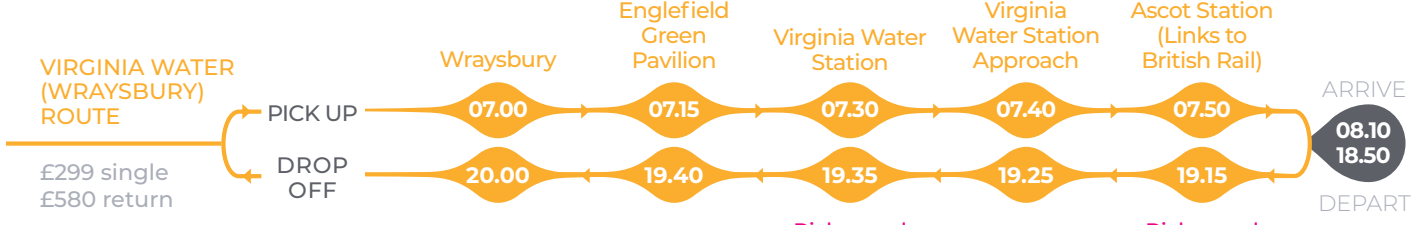
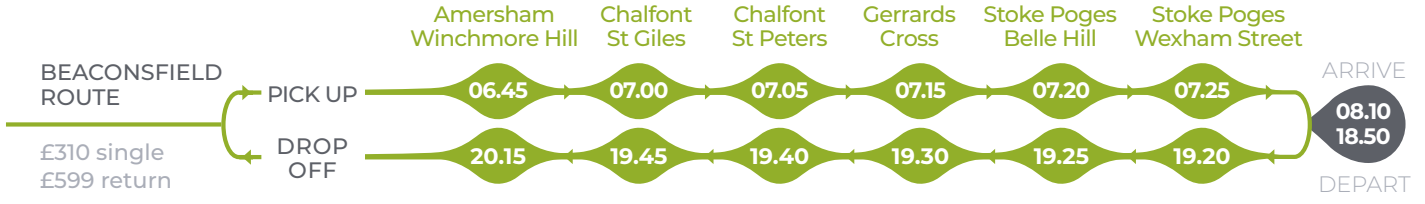
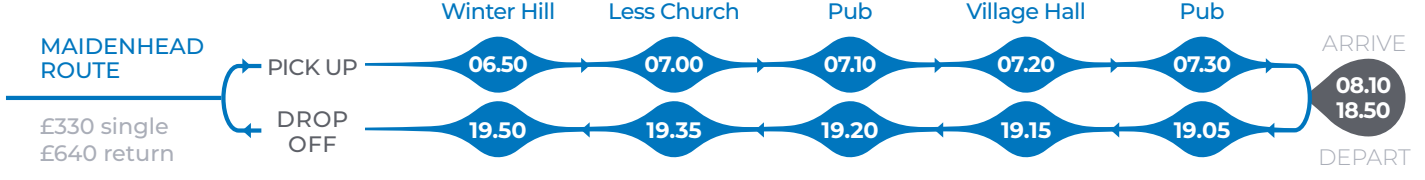
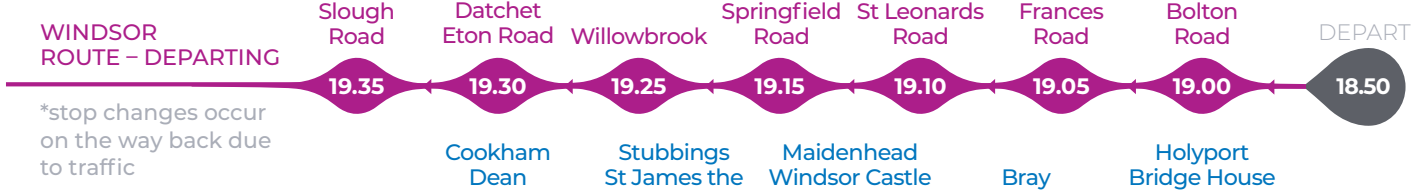
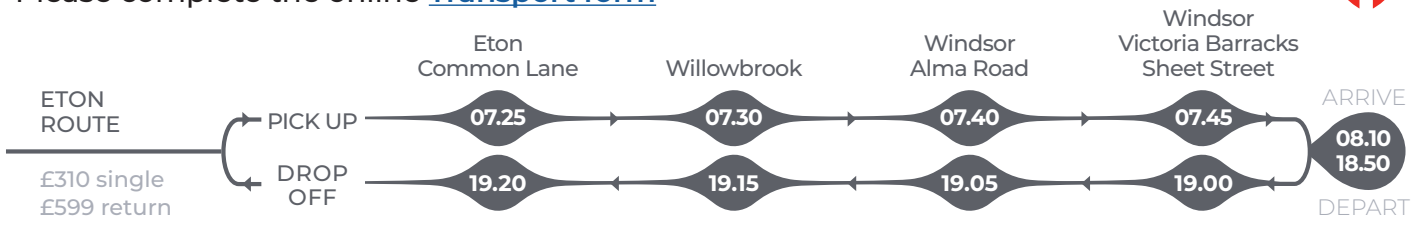
There is a specific EAL centre within the school, run by two specialist members of staff. It is equipped with workstations and a library which the pupils are both encouraged and welcome to use up at any time to work independently on their English as well as during their allocated EAL lesson time. Prep (homework) is given every week to help reinforce the pupils' learning, to help the pupils improve their writing skills and prepare them for examinations. There is also an optional weekly session for pupils from Year 9 upwards wishing to work on timed exam-style tasks.

The current cost of tuition is £67.50 per lesson (60 minutes) for the 2023/24 academic year. Lessons will be billed termly in arrears.



Local and London Private Bus Routes

Please complete the online [Transport form](#)



Occasional use per journey £15.75 (all local transport routes) where space allows. London bus ad hoc (per journey) £24.50. Costs are per person per term. Please note timings are approximate and subject to traffic. We are always happy to discuss alternative or additional routes with parents who would like their daughter to travel to school by bus. *Bus times and stops may change during the academic year based on pupil demand.

Local Transport

Terms and Conditions of Transport

- Any booking for local transport will apply for a whole term.
- A term's notice is required to alter the arrangement.
- Girls are expected to be at their stop five minutes before the displayed departure time to allow for variation in traffic conditions.
- The buses will depart from the pick-up point no later than 2 minutes after the allotted pick up time.
- The buses will depart after prep each evening at 6.50pm (apart from Fridays when they will leave at 4.15pm). Any delay by girls at the end of the day will mean that parents are kept waiting at the bus pick up points.
- The bus drivers will report any behaviour that causes concern to the school.
- Three written warnings for poor behaviour will result in exclusion from the bus service.
- The cost of the bus charges will be added to the School bill at the end of each term.
- This agreement is for a full term's travel and no discounts will be given for sickness, holidays or any other absence, including any out of hours school activities.
- Alterations to timings or changes to the bus route can only be made by a member of staff.
- The driver of the vehicle is not authorised to make changes to the route or pick up additional girls without the authorisation of the Bursary.
- Any such requests need to be made to the School Office or Bursary during normal School hours.

Costs per term

As displayed on the previous page.

Occasional use per journey £15.75 (all local transport routes) where space allows, London transport is £24.50 ad hoc per journey.

Timetable

As displayed on the previous page.

Return journeys leave school after Prep at 6.50pm unless notified otherwise (e.g. at the end of term).

For more information on Local and London bus routes, please contact the Operations Manager: opsmanager@stgeorges-ascot.org.uk

Co-Curricular

There are a wealth of co-curricular opportunities for girls at St George's. New girls can get involved in many of these from their first days at the School, and each pupil's tutor will help them to plan their activities and clubs. Each girl will take part in a club or sporting activity from 4.15pm to 5.15pm Monday to Thursday and these cover an enormous range of co-curricular areas and interests. Although most day girls decide to take the Flexi-Friday option of leaving School at 4.00pm on Fridays, there is a range of clubs on that evening and day pupils can choose to attend.

In the first term at St George's, the Year 7 girls' evening clubs will be organised centrally with the pupils enjoying a programme of Drama, Sport and Art. There are often clubs, society meetings and sports skills practices at lunch time too with swimming occurring before the normal School day has even started!

There are lots of opportunities to be involved in music, drama and sport at St George's. New girls have the chance to audition for the Chapel Choir in the autumn term, as well as other music groups such as the Jazz Band. Further details about paid extra co-curricular activities can be found on pages 34-36.

Physical Education and Sport

Sport and physical activity is an integral part of life at St George's and we want pupils to make the most of all we have on offer throughout their time with us. This information will help parents and new girls understand how PE lessons and sport works at St George's and will hopefully answer any questions.

There are three curriculum PE lessons a week, each lasting for 55 minutes. During these lessons, the girls will participate in lacrosse, netball, swimming, football, invent a game (involving paralympic sports), fundamental movement skills and fitness, gymnastics, badminton, tennis, athletics and cricket. Sports in the curriculum will differ as girls move through the school and will branch out to activities such as boxercise, yoga and volleyball.

If a girl is unable to participate in a PE lesson due to an injury/illness, they should bring in a note from their parent or guardian to give to the PE teacher at the start of the lesson. They will still have to get changed into PE kit for the lessons for reasons of warmth, health and safety, as well as to enable them to assist within the lesson if appropriate.



Practices at Lunch Time and After School Clubs

Practices and clubs are open to everyone. A schedule of practices will be on display in the Sports Hall, on the PE noticeboard by the Dining Room, and on Dragonfly. The normal routine of clubs and practices will begin in the first full week of term. If girls wish to be considered for the school teams, the relevant club and practices are compulsory.

If a girl is unable to make a practice at lunchtime, she should inform her coach as soon as she can. Lunchtime practices will be scheduled to ensure that girls are able to change, eat and return to lessons in school uniform.

After school clubs/practices start at 4.15pm and finish at 5.15pm. Girls get changed during tea break into PE kit and then get changed back into uniform to go to Prep. All after school clubs are compulsory for those who have signed up for them and registers are taken. If, for any reason a girl is unable to attend, she must inform the teacher taking the activity as soon as possible. If a girl is unable to participate due to injury/illness, her attendance in PE kit is still required (as per PE lessons).

PE Kit and Equipment

Each girl will be given her own locker in the Sports Hall locker room where she will keep all of her PE kit. Lacrosse sticks are kept in the Pavilion where there is a box labelled for each year group. Please ensure lacrosse sticks are clearly labelled in at least two places and always returned to the correct box. Each locker has a number and a personal locker code. Lockers should be kept locked at all times and codes should not be shared with others in order to ensure the security of all sports kit. If any girl has a problem with opening/closing the locker they should please ask a member of the PE Department for help.

All kit is kept in the sports locker and we would recommend girls have an extra set of what they need so they can take items home (day girls) or put them in the laundry (boarders) for washing on a regular basis. Please make sure all items are clearly labelled with a name tape on the inside of the garment. It is important that girls keep their own belongings organised and if any items of kit are left outside the lockers, or if a girl's locker is not locked, she will receive a kit mark. If two kit marks are accumulated, this will result in a Schoolbase Sanction.

Lacrosse Information

As well as a full set of PE clothing and footwear, girls also need to have a lacrosse stick, lacrosse goggles and a mouthguard.

Mouthguards

Please complete the [Co-curricular and Sport online form](#)

It is mandatory for all lacrosse players to wear mouthguards in training and in matches. Girls will not be allowed to play if they do not have a mouthguard. All girls are advised to have a named, dentally-fitted mouthguard and to purchase a spare 'boil and bite' mouthguard for the first weeks of term before the OPRO mouthguards arrive. The separate letter about mouthguards outlines the order procedure for these.

Spare mouthguards can be obtained from the PE Department for matches (if a mouthguard has been misplaced) and the cost of this will be charged to the school bill. The pupil will also receive a kit mark for this. Girls are responsible for ensuring they have their mouthguard with them for all lacrosse practices and matches.

Lacrosse Goggles/Protective Eyewear

New girls joining the school will be required to wear protective eyewear (goggles) for lacrosse.

Goggles are highly recommended by the English Lacrosse Association and mandatory equipment for women's lacrosse in America. As the game increases in speed and intensity, eyewear becomes an essential item of kit for the sport and we require the girls to wear goggles at St George's. Along with lacrosse sticks, goggles will be required for the first lacrosse lessons in September.

Examples of goggles that girls might consider purchasing include the following options:

- Cascade Polyair
- Cascade Polyarc
- STX 4 Sight (Pro and +S)
- Under Armour Charge 2

Lacrosse sticks will be required for girls joining Year 7 and Year 8. Year 9 new girls will have sticks available to borrow in lessons and these should be purchased later if they become a member of the school Lacrosse Squad. Year 10 and above do not require any lacrosse equipment, unless they play in the school lacrosse team.



Examples of sticks that girls might consider purchasing include the following options:

- Brine Empress
- Under Armour Honor

In both cases, girls will prefer different options depending on personal taste so it is important to try a few examples before making a purchase.

Swimming Kit

Girls in Year 7 to Year 9 will have curriculum swimming lessons in our indoor swimming pool and are, therefore, required to have a swimsuit and swim hat from the uniform list, and a towel and swimming goggles which they may choose themselves. Team swimmers in Year 10 and above must also have school swimming kit.

Extra Kit

Pupils are required to have a pair of shin pads for football. The Football Association note that this is compulsory equipment for players to prevent injury. These will be required in lessons and for team practices and matches.

It is strongly recommended that pupils purchase their own tennis racket for PE lessons and practice sessions, as the Department only have a small stock of spare rackets.

Ear Piercing/Jewellery

Please complete the [Co-curricular and and Sport online form](#)

In PE lessons, no jewellery is to be worn at any time; this includes earrings, necklaces, rings, bracelets and watches (including Fitbits). Medical alert bracelets can be worn, but should be taped down. Taping newly pierced ears is permitted for lacrosse but not for netball, and girls will be asked to remove their earrings before netball matches, lessons and practices, as stipulated by England Netball rules. Therefore, it is important that ear piercing is organised at the start of the summer holidays to allow time for healing and for the earrings to be removed for PE and school sport.

Sports Fixtures

Fixtures against other schools take place after school during the week as well as at the weekend.

Fixtures are listed on SOCS - our sports website - and should be accessed for the latest information by girls and parents: www.stgeorges-ascotSPORT.org.uk. There is also a link on the School website.

On the website is all the information needed for fixtures including team sheets, times and venue and it is updated throughout the week with new details, and should be checked if there is a chance a fixture may be cancelled (eg due to poor weather). This website is also available as a mobile app for convenience. Team sheets on the website are password protected, and can be accessed using the password: **dragonsports**

We like as many girls as possible to participate in sports fixtures and girls should be encouraged to come to practices regularly if they would like to be selected for a sports team. If girls attend practices, the coach will presume they are available for all matches unless told in advance that they are unable to play. Team sheets for fixtures are put up for the girls and parents and guardians to see on SOCS.

If selected, unless they contact their coach to inform them they cannot attend, it will be presumed that they can play. For Saturday fixtures, pupils will be contacted by their coach in order to ascertain transport arrangements for the fixture. Fixtures are very rarely cancelled but on the odd occasion when this happens we will update SOCS to reflect this and - only for large scale fixtures or late cancellations - inform parents/guardians via text. A member of the Department will also send an email to pupils and their Head of Year.

For all fixtures and events, parents and guardians are very welcome to attend to support their daughters in their sporting endeavours. Day pupils are able to sign out from Reception and return home with their parents if they have been supporting rather than parents having to wait until after prep for weekday matches.

Additional Sporting Activities

Please complete the [Co-curricular and Sport Online form](#)

There are a number of paid additional sporting activities in which girls may participate throughout the year. These usually take place after school from 4.15pm. Polo and Equestrian fees will be charged to your school bill, however, all other lesson charges are paid in advance and directly to the external teachers/coaches listed below via an invoice that will be sent out directly to you. Please be aware that once your daughter has started an activity a full term's written notice is required in order to discontinue any of the sporting extras as per the school's policy.

Tennis lessons are available with our professional coach Mr Ingham. These lessons take place during the school day and are timed to limit the impact on learning through rotating the



scheduling. If your daughter would like to take Tennis lessons, which are 20 sessions of individual or paired coaching please indicate this on the form.

Strength and Conditioning training sessions are offered by our Strength & Conditioning Coach, Mr Watson, in our new state-of-the-art gym facilities. These are designed to help pupils improve their general fitness and overall health, and he can also provide programmes for pupils working on sport specific plans, such as for strength, power and plyometrics.

Strength & Conditioning Training is available to individuals, pairs or groups (maximum of 3 students). All sessions must be purchased in blocks of 10 Sessions.

Owing to the increasing popularity of some of the activities it may not be possible for a pupil to begin tuition immediately and in such cases her name will be placed on a waiting list.

Costs per term

	Tennis Coaching	Polo	Equestrian Club	Strength and Conditioning
Individual	£190	£77.50 per lesson	£50 per lesson	£400 per 10 x 1 hour lessons
Joint	£140			£350 per 10 x 1 hour lessons
Group of Three Girls				£300 per 10 x 1 hour lessons

Dance at St George's

Dance is extremely popular at the School and the girls complete grades as well as performing in the annual Jazz and Dance Show in May in the Sue Cormack Hall. Dance lessons at St George's are provided by Envy Performing Arts in association with NSVDD (Natalie Vinson School of Dance and Drama), which has won five prestigious Dance School of the Year Awards in the past seven years.

Please note that group classes are three or more pupils. The scheduling of classes on Monday to Thursday evenings is completed in September and reviewed each term in the light of pupil demand. Day girls will have most lessons organised after the completion of lessons between 4.15pm and 6.45pm whilst boarding pupils may have classes in the early evening. Classes will begin in the first full week of term.

Classical Ballet: Students follow the RAD syllabus (Royal Academy of Dance) and have the opportunity to take Graded & Vocational examinations. Lessons can also be taken as a recreational activity. Group Classes Grade 3-5 £110.00 | Group Classes Grade 6-8 £120.00 | Vocational Group Classes £159.00 Private Individual Classes £298.00 (30 mins) or £420.00 (45mins) or £520.00 (60mins)

Pointework & Conditioning: This class is suitable for pupils in Grade 4 Ballet & above who wish to be considered for a RAD Ballet examination. Pupils will improve their strength and flexibility through stretching and Pilates based exercises. Additionally, pupils will do pointe-work or pointe preparation. Group Classes - £110.00.

Contemporary Dance: Contemporary dance is a style of expressive dance that combines elements of several dance genres including modern, jazz, lyrical and classical ballet. Contemporary dancers strive to connect the mind and the body through fluid dance movements. Group Classes - £110.00.

Pilates: Pilates is a popular form of exercise that focuses on the core postural muscles. These help to keep the body balanced and are essential for providing support for the spine. Pilates improves flexibility and teaches awareness of breath control. It requires focus and concentration. Group Classes - £110.00. Private Individual Classes £229.00 (30mins) or £420.00 (45mins) or £520.00 (60mins).



Zumba®: Zumba is a popular aerobics/ fitness class. Zumba combines Latin and International music with a fun and effective workout system. Group Classes - £110.00.

Tap Dance: Tap has its roots in Harlem, USA. It involves the use of the ankles and feet incorporating different beats and rhythms to music. Not only is it a very popular form of dance but it's good fun too! Private Individual Classes: £298.00 (30 mins). Lessons can be shared by girls of a similar standard.

Modern/Street Dance: Pupils have the opportunity to learn some of the best dance moves as seen on TV and Film. These classes are a great way to learn dance, keep to and have fun at the same time. Group Classes - £110.00.

Acro Club: Acro is a form of movement which combines dance with gymnastics. While all dance is physical, Acro is particularly athletic and has unique choreography due to its use of acrobatics in a dance environment. It seamlessly fuses elements of lyrical gymnastics, tricks, balancing, tumbling, ballet and jazz. Group Classes - £110.

All prices are per term. To sign up, please complete the [online form](#)

If you have any queries about dance lessons, please email: nvsd@stgeorges-ascot.org.uk

Languages at St George's

- All Year 7 girls start French in September.
- All Year 8 girls continue to study French and start to study Spanish.
- In Year 9 girls have the option of studying both Spanish and French or studying just one of these languages.
- All pupils take French or Spanish at GCSE and they can also choose to study both.
- At A Level, pupils can opt to study French and/or Spanish.

Extra Language Tuition

Please complete the Co-curricular [Extra Language Lessons form](#)

Pupils may have tuition in an extra language, as listed below.

- Arabic
- Chinese
- German
- Italian
- Japanese
- Russian

Other languages may be available on request.

Owing to the requirements of the timetable and the tutor's availability, it is not always possible to start language tuition immediately. In this case, your daughter's name will be placed on a waiting list.

The cost of this extra tuition will vary according to the language. For the academic year 2023, the cost varies from £43.20 to £87.74 a lesson. Lessons will be billed termly in arrears.



Arts

Extra Speech and Drama Tuition

Many girls' ambitions in drama and performance are supported by Speech and Drama lessons which can be taken at St George's with our specialist Speech and Drama teachers. The cost of tuition for ten lessons of twenty minutes is £169.00 per term for the 2023/24 academic year. They will bill parents directly, termly in advance. If you have any questions about Speech and Drama, please contact the Director of Drama after the start of the new term.

Please complete the [Extra Speech & Drama Lessons form](#), if you would like your daughter to have Extra Speech and Drama lessons.

Extra Instrumental Tuition

Music is a passion for many girls and members of staff at St George's and we are able to offer a huge variety of individual instrumental tuition options. Although the Director of Music has been able to organise lessons for a number of instruments, there may be some instruments which are not possible to accommodate. Also, owing to the popularity of some instruments, it is not always possible to start tuition immediately. In this case, your daughter's name will be placed on a waiting list.

The cost of tuition for ten lessons of thirty minutes is £325.00 per term. Most lessons begin in the first full week of term with timings found on the Music School noticeboard as well as on Dragonfly. Instrumental tuition is scheduled to try and lessen the impact on a girl's learning with times rotated during the term. However, it must be noted that teacher availability, usually on a single day in the week as the School, will limit the options in this regard.

Lessons will be billed termly **in advance** and a decision to cease taking instrumental lessons must be made, in writing, to the Director of Music. To do this, you must send an email to music.lessons@stgeorges-ascot.org.uk to advise us of your intent. Please keep a record of your email. You are required to give a term's notice of cancellation if charges are to be avoided.

If you are interested in your daughter having extra instrumental lessons, please complete the [Extra Instrumental Tuition online form](#)







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