

Whitgift School



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Boarding at Whitgift

Whitgift is already one of Britain's leading independent schools for boys, and offers an all-round education of the highest quality. In the biggest development of recent years, our first state-of-the-art boarding house opened in September 2013, seeing the start of a new chapter in the School's history, with the option of full and weekly boarding, open to boys aged 13 and above. Whitgift boarding enhances every aspect of school life, providing diverse activities and experiences for students, and inspiring them to develop their individual strengths and passions. Whitgift promotes confidence and independence, within a caring and mutually supportive community, and develops positive relationships between students, their families and the School.

Academic

A Whitgift education is unique and exceptionally tailor-made, offering a variety of pathways to qualifications, which include International Baccalaureate, A Level and BTEC. We also have a bilingual section for native French speakers. Exchanges, visits and scholarship programmes are in place with more than 25 countries worldwide. Whitgift is regularly ranked amongst the country's top schools for achievement; new records are regularly set.

Sport

Whitgift's record in sport is superb and at the forefront of achievement nationally, with more than 100 national sports titles won in the past five years. Over 40 sports are available at Whitgift, including modern pentathlon, golf, judo and cycling. Many boys represent their country in a wide variety of sports, or go on to careers at the highest level.

The arts

An exciting performing arts programme is offered at the School, with first-class musicals and plays performed regularly. Orchestras and choirs tour internationally, and perform at major venues, including the Royal Albert Hall, Royal Festival Hall, Cadogan Hall, and the Royal Pavilion, Brighton. The School enjoys a close link with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, enabling pupils to learn side-by-side with professional musicians.

Co-curricular activities

Whitgift features more than 80 clubs and societies, as diverse as the Investment Society, Animal Club, Astronomy, French Drama, Green Team and the Sequential Art Club. In addition, Outdoor Education – offering sailing, wakeboarding, skiing, mountain biking and more – introduces boys to new and exciting activities. The



School also gives boys the chance to enter into the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme. Furthermore, Whitgift has a well-established Combined Cadet Force, containing elements of all three services – Army, RAF and Royal Navy – and one of the oldest Corps of Drums in the country.

Summer School

Whitgift introduced its new Summer School in 2015, allowing boys and girls from around the world to learn English through the innovative syllabus. The School's location on London's doorstep, and its superb facilities, are ideal.

Entry requirements

Applications for full and weekly boarding places are welcome for 13+ and 16+ entry, in the September/October of the year before candidates are due to enter the School. 13+ candidates are expected to sit the Entrance Examinations in Maths, English and Science, at Whitgift. However, in exceptional circumstances, these examinations may be sat abroad. 16+ candidates will be tested in two of the three of the subjects that they will study at A Level or Higher Level IB. Those whose first language is not English may also be required to sit an examination in English as an Additional Language (EAL).

For those boys currently in Year 6 or Year 7 (10+ or 11+) who wish to apply to board in Year 9 (13+), there is an annual Pre-Test in May. Boarders, though not eligible to apply for a Bursary, may apply for Scholarships and be considered for a Boarding Award (remission of fees) at the Headmaster's discretion.

Some might say it's just bricks and mortar. Others may say it's just a school. But Whitgift is so much more than that.

Old Whitgiftian (2006–14)

Key facts

Type of school Boys boarding 13–18 and day 10–18

Age range 10–18

Number of pupils 1,450

Number of boarders 105

Teacher/pupil ratio 1:8

Religious tradition Church of England

Fees per term Full boarding £11,552;

Weekly boarding £9,660; Day £5,996

ISC association HMC

Affiliations BAISIS, BSA, IBO



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