



GORDON'S SCHOOL Schedule of Boarding Charges 2019-2020

The Trustees of The Gordon Foundation have agreed the following boarding charges for the academic year 2019-20:

Boarding Category	Years 7-11 Termly Charge	Years 7-11 Annual Charge	Sixth Form Termly	Sixth Form Annual
Day Boarder	£2,665	£7,995	£1,998	£5,994
Weekly Boarder	£5,615	£16,845	£5,566	£16,698
Full Boarder	£5,993	£17,979	£5,946	£17,838

Occasional overnight residential boarding charges:

Monday – Friday: £45.00 per night

Saturday and Sunday nights: £60.00 per night

Weekly Boarder Weekend Stay: £75.00 per stay

All Boarding Charges are payable termly in advance, in full by the first day of term.

Boarding Categories

Day Boarding - Day boarding students must be in school ready for 8.20 am registration and can stay through until 7.30 pm Monday to Thursday and 7.00 pm on Friday.

Weekly Residential Boarding - As a general rule, weekly boarders live at school from Sunday evening to Saturday lunchtime and return to school during the following Sunday evening, depending on exact school term dates. Weekly Boarders are not in residence for exeats and school holidays.

Full Residential Boarding – Full boarders live at school during term time. Full boarders are not in residence for exeats and school holidays.

All Students

- are expected to attend Saturday morning activities from 10am to 12noon (except 6th form)
- are expected to attend Parade Services in ceremonial uniform (which is provided by the school) around 8 times per year mostly held on Sundays at the school (except 6th form)
- have one exeat weekend during each half of the term when school finishes at 3.35pm on Friday and residential boarders return on Sunday evening (with the exception of Annual Inspection and Prize giving)
- Gordon's School is closed to **all** students at exeats, half term and school holidays apart from invited events such as revision clinics, pre-season training etc. (these may include an extra charge).

Deposits

A deposit is required to secure residential boarding places as follows:

- 1) **For UK-domiciled students** – a deposit of **£3,000** is required to secure a residential boarding place, of which £2,000 will be returned on the first term's invoice. This deposit is applicable to both internal and external students.
- 2) **For Overseas-domiciled students** – a deposit is **one term's full residential boarding charge** which will be credited, less **£1,000** to the first term's invoice.
- 3) **For CEA students** – a deposit of **£500** is required per child.

Any remaining deposit becomes refundable at the end of Year 13 (less any outstanding balances). It is only refundable earlier if the student is unable to join Year 12 or 13 because they have not met the entry criteria or if any of the offered courses are no longer available.

Financial Details

Termly invoices are issued at the start of the holiday preceding each term and will be sent from the finance portal (financeportal@gordons.school). Service families will receive this invoice earlier, in time to apply for CEA (Continuity of Education Allowance). The invoices are payable in full before each term starts. Monthly payments can be arranged through SFP (School Fee Plan). This scheme enables you to pay monthly whilst School Fee Plan pay your boarding charges in full before the start of term. We also accept child care vouchers and some parents may be entitled to the new tax credit for child care.

We use a finance portal to send invoices; this is a secure online system that provides parents with direct access to invoices and payments to view exactly how the account stands in "real time". The portal is updated as soon as an invoice is generated or a payment is received, including any childcare vouchers and SFP payments. An invitation to access the portal will be sent via email prior to starting at Gordon's.

Invoices can be paid by electronic transfer or credit/debit card with full details given on the invoice. Please note that we never offer payment discounts or change our bank account details without written notice.

For parents of students in Y7-11; the charges include the cost of the student tablet supplied to each student.

Review of charges

All boarding charges are reviewable annually. Changes to boarding charges will come into effect at the start of the following academic year; parents will be notified in writing of any change to boarding charges by the start of the Summer Term.

Extras

Any additional charges are kept to a minimum but may be levied for the following:

- Gordon's School Parents' Association – per family – annual – £17 (voluntary)
- The Gordonians – per student – £15 per term for two years on entry to Gordon's School - includes 6 years' membership after leaving the school (voluntary) – further information can be found at <http://the-gordonians.org.uk>
- Optional insurances – including Private Health and Personal Possessions' Insurances
- Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme (mainly expedition costs)
- Individual Music and Golf tuition
- Taxis for medical, dental appointments, airport transfers etc.
- Breakages, lost textbooks, non-insurable damages of tablets
- Residential Boarders' weekend activities, costs of which will be advised in advance
- Voluntary theatre, social and holiday trips
- Voluntary off-site activities e.g. Horse Riding
- "Blues": These are the ceremonial uniforms worn for Parade. Blues are loaned to students and we have a system for changing items as students grow. If items are not returned or mislaid, a replacement charge may be levied as the "Blues" uniform costs about £450 per student.

Bursaries

Where a student qualifies for a place at Gordon's School but his/her parents may face difficulties paying the Boarding Charges, day or residential, an application may be made for a means-tested bursary, whereby the charge may be reduced as appropriate to financial circumstances. Initial enquiries should be addressed to the Bursar at Gordon's School (bursar@gordons.school) or please telephone 01276 858084.

See also Gordon's School Policy on Charges and Remissions.