



## GORDON'S SCHOOL Schedule of Boarding Charges 2020-2021

The Trustees of The Gordon Foundation have agreed the following boarding charges for the academic year 2020-21:

Boarding Category	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term	Annual
Day Boarder	£2,665	£2,772	£2,772	£8,209
Weekly Boarder	£5,615	£5,840	£5,840	£17,295
Full Boarder	£5,993	£6,233	£6,233	£18,459

**Please note, For 2021/2022 there will be no difference between the main school and Sixth Form charges.**

All boarding charges are reviewable annually. Changes to boarding charges will usually come into effect at the start of the following academic year; parents will be given one term's notice in writing of any increase to boarding charges.

### Occasional overnight residential boarding charges:

Monday to Friday:	£47.00	per night
Saturday and Sunday nights:	£63.00	per night
Weekly Boarder Weekend Stay:	£78.00	per stay

### What extra charges are there?

Any additional charges are kept to a minimum but may be levied and are not limited to the following;

- Optional School trips / educational visits / school-organised holidays
- Off-site Period 7 activities such as Rowing club, Equestrian, Golf tuition
- Duke of Edinburgh Award Schemes
- Individual/Group instrumental, singing and LAMDA lessons
- Taxis for medical, dental appointments, airport transfers etc.
- Residential Boarders' offsite weekend activities
- Gordon's School Parents' Association annual subscription
- Optional insurances including Private Health and Personal Possessions insurance
- Damage to tablets, lost text books, non-return/damage to 'Blues' ceremonial uniform and breakages.

### 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. The Library is also open until 9pm for Sixth Formers.

**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 6<sup>th</sup> 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 6<sup>th</sup> 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).

## **Bursaries**

The Gordon Foundation operates a means-tested bursary programme to ensure that no family is precluded from applying for a Day or Residential Boarding place for financial reasons. Details are available from the Bursar Mrs Susan Meikle [bursar@gordons.school](mailto:bursar@gordons.school).

## **Invoices and Finance Portal**

Termly invoices are issued at the start of the holiday preceding each term and will be sent from the Gordon's finance portal ([financeportal@gordons.school](mailto:financeportal@gordons.school)). The finance portal is used to issue invoices; this is a secure online system that provides direct access to parent invoices and payments in real time.

Service families will receive this invoice earlier, in time to apply for the CEA (Continuity of Education Allowance) if applicable.

We also accept child care vouchers and some parents may be entitled to the new tax credit for child care.

## **Payment Options**

**Termly payments:** All boarding charges plus any extras (cost incurred on behalf of a student and paid for by Gordon's), are payable termly in advance, in full by the first day of term or by agreed monthly instalments, August to June inclusive. Full details of the methods of payment are listed on the invoice.

**Monthly Payments:** Although all charges are due on the first day of term, Gordon's now offers a monthly payment option for parents. Under this arrangement the termly charges for the year are collected by 11 equal payments commencing on 1<sup>st</sup> August (or thereabouts) and monthly thereafter until 1<sup>st</sup> July following.

There is no additional charge for this arrangement. If you would like to take advantage of this scheme please contact [financeportal@gordons.school](mailto:financeportal@gordons.school); details of how to sign up for the monthly payments will be then sent to you.

Invoices for any extras will be raised separately on a termly basis and are due for payment by the first day of term.

**Credit card payments:** Payment by credit card is available; please contact the Finance Office at [financeportal@gordons.school](mailto:financeportal@gordons.school) and a link for payment via PayPal will be sent to you.

**Please note** that we never offer payment discounts or change our bank account details without written notice.

## 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:** the 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 is no longer available.

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