



## **Gordon's School Years 7 to 13 Schedule of Boarding Charges 2024-2025**

The Trustees of The Gordon Foundation have agreed the following boarding charges for the academic year 2024-25:

<b>Boarding Category</b>	<b>Autumn Term 2024-25 Years 7 to 13</b>	<b>Spring Term 2024-25 Years 7 to 13</b>	<b>Summer Term 2024-25 Years 7 to 13</b>
<b>Day Boarder</b>	£3,498	£3,498	£3,498
<b>Weekly Boarder</b>	£7,370	£7,370	£7,370
<b>Full Boarder</b>	£7,865	£7,865	£7,865

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.

Included within the boarding charges are an IT device for all students, membership of both the GSPA and Gordonians along with membership of Return2Play (see the attachment for additional information on Return2Play).

**Please note: from September 2024, for new students in Year 7, there will be a full residential boarding charge only, with the weekly residential boarding charge being phased out over the next few years (this will not affect current students within the school). Further details of this change are within the joining packs for 2024-25.**

### **Occasional overnight residential boarding charges for 2024-25**

Monday to Friday	£59.00 per night
Saturday and Sunday nights	£77.00 per night
Weekly Boarder Weekend Stay	£95.00 per stay

### **Music Lesson charges for 2023-24: (and LAMDA)**

30-minute lesson	£ 29 .00 per lesson
10 lessons	£290.00 per term
10 shared lessons	£145.00 per term

### **Off-site Period 7 activities charges for 2024-25**

Golf	£125.00 per term
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Full details of what is included in the above activity is available on the Gordon's School website within the 'Co-Curricular guide' in the Co-Curricular section.

### **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
- Other off-site Period 7 activities not mentioned above
- 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
- Optional insurances including Private Health and Personal Possessions insurance
- Damage to tablets, lost textbooks, non-return/damage to 'Blues' ceremonial uniform and breakages.

## **Boarding Categories**

- **Day Boarding** – Day boarding students must be in school ready for 8.20am registration and can stay until 7.30pm Monday to Thursday and 7pm on Friday. The library is also open until 9pm for Sixth Formers.
  - **Weekly Residential Boarding** – As a general rule, weekly boarders stay 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 at school for exeats and school holidays.
  - **Full Residential Boarding** – Full boarders stay at school during term time. Full boarders are not in residence at school for exeats and school holidays
- All students are expected to attend Saturday morning sporting activities from 10am to 12 noon or Team fixtures at a time given. (Sixth Form attendance is not compulsory but encouraged)
  - All students are expected to attend Parade Services in ceremonial uniform (which is provided by the school) around 6 times per year mostly held on Sundays at the school (except Sixth Formers)
  - Gordon's School is closed to **all** students at exeats, half terms and school holidays apart from invited events such as pre-season training etc. (these may include an extra charge)
  - More information is available on the school website within the 'School Day and Key Dates' sections

## **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. Further details of the programme are available by contacting [bursaries@gordons.school](mailto:bursaries@gordons.school)

## **Invoices and Finance Portal**

Termly invoices are issued at the start of the holiday preceding each term and will be sent from Gordon's finance department via the finance portal [financeportal@gordons.school](mailto:financeportal@gordons.school). There is also a monthly payment scheme available.

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

We also accept childcare 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 as below. Full details of the methods of payment are listed on the invoice. Direct debit is being introduced in the coming months.

**Monthly Payments:** Although all charges are due on the first day of term, Gordon's offers a monthly payment option for parents. Under this arrangement the termly charges for the year are collected by 10 equal payments commencing on 1<sup>st</sup> September (or thereabouts) and monthly thereafter until 1<sup>st</sup> June following. There is no additional charge for this arrangement. Full details of the scheme including how to join are issued to parents during the Summer Term each year. Direct debit is being introduced in the coming months.

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

**Please note that we never offer payment discounts, and our bank account details will not change without written notice.**

## **Deposits**

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

- **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.
- **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.

- **For CEA students:** a deposit of **£500** is required per child.

Any remaining deposit becomes refundable at the end of Year 11 if not staying on for Sixth form or at the end of Year 13 if continuing into Gordon's Sixth form (less any outstanding balances). It is only refundable earlier if a 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.

### **Notice Requirements**

Should you wish to withdraw your child from the school, you must either give a clear term's notice or pay to the school a term's boarding charges in lieu of notice, at the rate due for that term.

If you wish to withdraw your child from an activity charged as an extra (e.g. music lessons, golf), you must either give a term's notice to that effect or pay to the school as a debt a term's charges for the activity your child has ceased to participate.

The school's affairs are organised on a termly basis and it is not possible to reduce the amount of the boarding charges or activity costs or to obtain a refund by withdrawing your child from school or by your child ceasing to participate in any activity part-way through a term.