



The Middle School 2023 - 2024

An Introduction

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Welcome to the Middle School

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It is a great pleasure to extend a warm welcome on behalf of the Middle School team to all pupils joining Year 9 in September, and to their families. The purpose of this booklet is to provide an overview of the key areas of College life – academic, pastoral and co-curricular – and to answer some of the questions that you are likely to have ahead of the new academic year.

Life in the Middle School is vibrant and exciting, and the three years during which the boys are with us will be a period of significant personal development, academically and otherwise: at the start of Year 9, they will be learning some fifteen subjects, which, by the end of Year 11, will have been honed to the three they wish to pursue at A level. Pupils are also encouraged to engage readily in the sporting, cultural, charitable and adventurous activities on offer, such that they can explore their interests, discover new talents, and learn about themselves and their peers along the way. This broad educational experience is built on a strong pastoral foundation, where day-to-day support and guidance offered by a range of staff, coupled with a forward-looking Wellbeing programme, help the pupils to cope with the challenges they may face, and to be wise and informed in their own decision-making.

We very much look forward to working with you over the year ahead.

Heads of Year



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There are around 690 pupils in the Middle School, with approximately 230 in each year, who are placed in one of eleven Forms.

In Year 9, we aim to balance the number of pupils from the Lower School with those joining us at 13+ in each Form so that there is a healthy social mix. Other factors are also taken into consideration, such as the first or second language choices.

Pupils choose the subjects with which they wish to continue to GCSE in the Lent Term of Year 9.

In Year 10, Forms are broadly created around GCSE options. The policy in the Middle School is to provide continuity of Form Tutor and teachers between Year 10 and 11 wherever possible.

Your Three Terms in Year 9: An Overview

MICHAELMAS 2023

Thursday 31 August (pm)	Boarders arrive
Friday 1 September	Induction Afternoon
Monday 4 September	Term begins
Monday 11 September	Year 9 Team Building Day
Wednesday 13 September	Year 9 Parents' Social Evening with Form Tutors
Friday 22 (18.00) – Sunday 24 September (16.00)	EXEAT Weekend for Boarders
Saturday 21 – Sunday 5 November *	Half Term
Wednesday 22 & Thursday 23 November	Year 9 Parents' Evenings (online)
October & December	Assessment Grades
Friday 24 (18.00) – Sunday 26 November (16.00)	EXEAT Weekend for Boarders
Friday 8 December	Entrance Examinations – College closed
Friday 15 December (12.00)	End of Term

LENT 2024

Tuesday 9 January	Boarders return
Wednesday 10 January	Term begins
Friday 26 (18.00) – Sunday 28 January 16.00)	EXEAT Weekend for Boarders
February & March	Assessment Grades
Saturday 10 – Sunday 18 February *	Half Term
Wednesday 28 & Thursday 29 February	Year 9 Parents' Evenings – GCSE Choices
Thursday 28 March (12.00)	End of Term

SUMMER 2024

Monday 22 April	Boarders return
Tuesday 23 April	Term begins
May & June	Assessment Grades
Friday 3 May (18.00) – Monday 6 May (16.00)	EXEAT Weekend for Boarders (Bank Holiday weekend)
Saturday 25 May – Sunday 2 June *	Half Term
Monday 3 – Friday 7 June	Internal Examinations Week
Saturday 29 June	Founder's Day
July	Subject Report
Thursday 4 July (12.00)	End of Term

* Half Term : the boarding house closes at 18:00 on the Friday before and opens at 16:00 on the Sunday.

The final day of each term, on which all pupils are expected to attend school, includes an Assembly which is an important reflection on the College as a community.

The School Day:

Monday - Friday

Registration	08.35 – 08.45
Period 1	08.50 – 09.45
Period 2	09.50 – 10.45
Break	10.50 – 11.15
Period 3	11.20 – 12.15
Period 4	12.20 – 13.15
Lunch	13.15 – 14.35
Period 5 and registration	14.40 – 15.45 (14.30 start for games)

Saturday Commitments

There are no formal lessons on a Saturday but that does not mean that education stops. A full sporting programme is available with inter-school fixtures running on each Saturday throughout the year. Pupils are proud to represent the College on Saturdays and this is demonstrated by the number of pupils accessing sport and engaging in the community spirit that Saturday sport generates for pupils, parents and staff.

Should your son be chosen to represent the College on a Saturday, we would ask for your support in ensuring that he prioritises this. If your son is ever concerned about balancing his involvement in College sport, particularly at weekends, with his other commitments, please contact the Director of Sport so that we can approach each case on an individual basis.

Full details of the College's sporting programme can be found at www.dulwichsport.org.uk.

Founder's Day

Each year, the College celebrates the life and spirit of Edward Alleyn, who founded the original College of God's Gift in 1619.

Founder's Day falls on the last Saturday of the Summer Term and the College runs a celebratory concert to mark the occasion.

The concert takes place on a covered stage, against the beautiful main façade; the picturesque Front Lawns are filled with an audience of up to 3,000 people with picnics and hampers. The evening features pupils from across the College's age range creating entertainments for our College community.

More details, including information on how to book tickets, will be sent to parents in the Summer Term.



Middle School: Academic

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Academic Objectives

Year 9 is used as an occasion for preparing pupils for their two-year GCSE courses. It is important that pupils' parents are aware of the two types of subjects pupils follow, sometimes referred to as compound and discrete. Compound subjects include languages, Mathematics and sciences. In the case of these subjects Year 9 work is vital, for, without a firm foundation, work in Year 10 and Year 11 becomes difficult, especially as some GCSE syllabus work is taught in Year 9. Discrete subjects, such as Geography and History, do, of course, teach vital skills and basic information but, in the case of these subjects, they are more topic-based.

One of the most important skills required in both types of subject in Year 9 is 'learning'. Pupils must develop their own techniques for efficient learning: they should be aware of the distinction between short and long-term memory; they should be aware of rote learning and the need to use this technique. These skills and recognitions should be in place by the end of Year 9 to ensure academic success in Years 10 and 11.

A second important area is prep. Pupils will be expected to begin to develop their own skills of organisation in this area. It is vital that they realise the place of prep in the Middle School; it is not an optional extra, but an important extension of work done during lessons. In Year 9, pupils should spend about one-and-a-half hours per night on prep. This must be quality time, when they are concentrating, working quietly without distractions.

Pupils will be offered plenty of support in the Middle School helping them get into good study routines. They will spend time with Form Tutors talking about and planning time for revision along with attending seminars run by a visiting company 'Elevate Education'. Further support from Elevate is available on their website and via Twitter, which pupils are encouraged to use.

In Years 10 and 11, the amount of prep will increase, and pupils will be expected to manage their time to be able to deal with extended preps as they begin to tackle written coursework in a number of subjects. All pupils in Year 9 are issued with an academic prep diary which they are required to use and we encourage parents to check.

The Learning Support Department



The Learning Support Department works with pupils throughout the College and is led by Ms Katie Harding, Head of Learning Support, as well as an Access Arrangement Coordinator and specialist Learning Support teachers. Our primary role is to offer support to pupils with diagnosed learning differences, but we also see many pupils for shorter periods of time to support with revision or a specific element of a subject they are struggling with.

Some pupils with diagnosed learning differences may previously have received support from the department at the College or at their former school. On joining the Middle School, these pupils generally continue to receive regular Learning Support lessons. We liaise closely with teachers and monitor pupils' progress carefully.

Ms Katie Harding, supported by the Access Arrangements Coordinator, Miss Eleanor Walters, are the main points of contact regarding examination access arrangements at the College. They work closely with the Examinations Office to ensure that all examination concessions (including extra time and the use of a word processor) are put in place during school and public examinations for those pupils who qualify for them.

Ms Katie Harding, Head of Learning Support - hardingk@dulwich.org.uk

Daily Report

The College runs an online record system called the 'Daily Report'. The aim of this is to monitor pupils' learning habits and routines around punctuality, organisation and effort. Through this system, parents are notified if a pupil has not completed his prep to a satisfactory standard; where pupils are flagged up on Daily Report three times in a week, in each monitored area, they are required to serve a detention on a Wednesday lunchtime.

The system is designed to be supportive rather than punitive; indeed, the Daily Report is also used to notify parents if their son has been awarded a merit for effort in the classroom.

Reports and Progress

Pupils in the Middle School usually receive one full written report each year: in Year 9, at the end of the Summer Term; in Year 10, at the end of the Lent Term; in Year 11, in the second half of the Michaelmas Term. Pupils in Year 11 also receive a valedictory report in the Summer Term.

Pupils are also assessed every half term in all their subjects. Assessments are based upon the subject teacher's view of the pupil's Effort and Attainment.

Pupils also carry out self-assessment and target-setting to help them evaluate their progress by identifying their strengths and thinking critically about areas for development.

Whilst a formal Parents' Evening is held twice a year for Years 9 and 10, and once a year for Year 11, parents are encouraged to contact their son's Form Tutor with their concerns at any point in the academic year.

	Michaelmas Term	Lent Term	Summer Term
Year 9	Parents' Evening	Parents' Evening	Full Written Report
Year 10	Parents' Evening	Full Written Report	Parents' Evening
Year 11	Full Written Report	Parents' Evening	Valedictory Report

Rewards

Throughout the Middle School we seek to reward pupils for their effort and achievement across all aspects of College life. Staff give constructive feedback, offer praise, and encourage good behaviour in lessons, assemblies, and co-curricular activities. In addition to awarding merits, the College recognises pupils' achievements with more formal rewards:

Charity, departmental and co-curricular: A tie may be awarded by the member of staff in charge of any activity in which a pupil is deemed to have made a particularly significant contribution, such as charities, music, drama, sport, a society or for working in a College Library.

Form Commendation: Pupils can be awarded a commendation by a teacher for an outstanding piece of work or for showing good citizenship at College; helping another pupil, teacher or visitor for example. The reason for the award is recorded electronically and notification sent to the Form Tutor, Head of Year, Head of School, School Office and parents.

Prizes: These are awarded termly by Form Tutors in the Middle School and annually for GCSE results and individual subjects.

Assessment Commendations: Pupils are commended by the Master, by the Head of School or the Head of Year depending on the number of excellent effort grades they achieve.

Assemblies: These are used to highlight a range of individual and group achievements in the academic and co-curricular spheres. This also enables the Head of Year to commend examples of leadership, or service to the local community, as well as conspicuous examples of contributions to life at the College and outside it.

House Colours: Housemasters award certificates to pupils for a marked contribution to Day Houses, and this entitles them to a House tie.

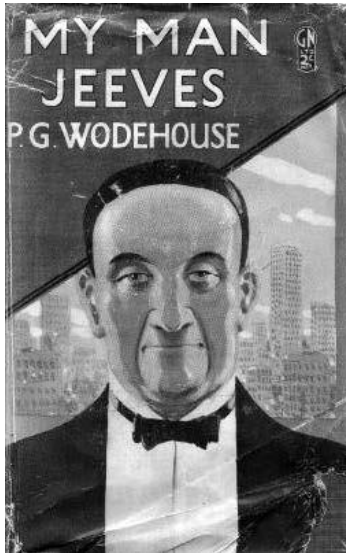
The Examinations Officer

Public examinations in the Middle School are overseen by Dr Andrew Storey, our Examinations Officer, to whom administrative enquiries regarding examinations should be directed.

Dr Storey, Examinations Officer

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The Wodehouse Library



Named after one of the College's most famous old pupils, the Wodehouse Library is central to the academic and cultural life of the whole College.

From his first weeks in the Middle School until he leaves at the end of the Upper School, the Library will play an increasingly important role in every pupil's College life: whether supporting his studies as he approaches GCSE through a comprehensive selection of textbooks and background reading, or as a place of reference to inform a wide range of co-curricular activities, such as debating or politics. We hope that the firm reading habits many pupils will have formed in previous school libraries or in the Lower School will be continued into the Middle School; to that end we offer a stimulating range of classic and contemporary fiction to suit all tastes. The Library adds in the region of 1,000 new items to its stock every year, and recommendations from pupils as well as staff are taken very seriously. The Library publishes a lively booklist called 42, aimed at broadening the recreational reading of Middle School pupils, and all pupils are encouraged to make use of this.

All pupils in Year 9 are welcome to attend the Word of Mouth Book Group which meets each week in the Library. At each meeting members discuss a book and enjoy some refreshments and good company.

As well as a fine book stock, the Library has an impressive selection of audio-visual materials including DVDs of classic and foreign films, and a collection of books on CD - including many of the set texts which pupils will be studying. The Library subscribes to a wide range of newspapers and magazines; these are displayed in the comfortable periodicals room, and we hope all pupils will develop the habit of coming to read and browse there on a daily basis.

The College also subscribes to a substantial selection of online information services, including general encyclopedias, current news services and subject specific resources aimed at GCSE and A Level pupils. All of these will supplement internet research by providing information of considerable depth and authority. The Library staff are happy to give training in their use. All the Library's resources are listed in the online library catalogue, which can be found via the Libraries page of MyDulwich.

The Library has 18 networked computers and 10 laptops which can be used for academic work, alongside a colour printer that can be used for photocopying and scanning. Staff are able to provide help and support for most IT tasks.

The Library is open every weekday during term time from 8.00 until 17.15 to pupils in Year 9 upwards. Early in the Michaelmas Term all Year 9 classes will come for an induction session during one of their English lessons when they will be introduced to the Library and its services. As well as private research and study outside lesson times, all pupils will increasingly be visiting the Library with their subject teachers to carry out research on topics they are studying, and these skills will prove fundamental to each pupil's success as an independent learner.

The rules are relatively few, but in particular we ask that food and drink is not consumed in the Library and that everyone respect those areas which are designated for silent study. Above all the Library aims to be a helpful and welcoming place, supporting every pupil in his academic endeavours over the next five years.

The Wodehouse Librarian: Mr P J Fletcher

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Careers



The Careers team is part of the Higher Education Department based in the Lord George Building, home to the Upper School. During their time in the Middle School, but particularly in Year 11, pupils are encouraged to visit the department to ask questions they may have regarding careers, A level choices and post-18 options.

Towards the end of Year 10, pupils undertake Morrisby career profiling; this activity underpins and leads to the Career Education & Information course taught in Year 11 within Wellbeing. This is an excellent opportunity for pupils to start familiarising themselves with the facilities they will enjoy as Upper School pupils the following academic year.

The course begins with an introduction to the specialist staff who run Careers at Dulwich, and to the BeyondDulwich website, and associated careers software. Pupils are encouraged to establish a realistic understanding of their personal strengths and aptitudes and are shown how to explore related opportunities. In this manner, we aim to:

- open pupils' eyes to the wide and constantly changing range of careers;
- ensure they are well informed and competent at conducting research;
- help them stand out in a sea of graduates.

The course culminates in the Professional Insight Programme through which all pupils in Years 11, 12 and 13 secure opportunities and information from external contacts, for example:

- attendance at a lecture, conference or course;
- a day visit to a professional for a discussion about their field of expertise;
- a work shadowing placement;
- arranging a meeting at Dulwich addressed by an external contact.

The annual Courses and Careers Convention is held in February, which pupils and their parents attend. Representatives from around 35 universities, both UK and international, and from 30 companies are invited and are available to give advice.

Pupils also have access to Unifrog, an online platform which enables them to start researching post-18 options, where that is university in the UK or abroad, or an apprenticeship.

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Middle School: Pastoral

Mr Elliot Read

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Forms and Form Tutors

The size of a Form will vary: the maximum number of pupils in any Form or set is 24, but we do provide some Forms or sets which may be 20 or below.

Every Form in the Middle School has a Form Tutor who is responsible for the leadership and progress of each member of the Form, academically, pastorally, and otherwise. Parents are encouraged to contact the Form Tutor whenever they have a concern, and meetings are held at the beginning of the academic year for Year 9 and 10 parents to enable them to meet their son's Form Tutor.

In addition, each year group has a designated Head of Year who oversees their progress throughout the three years in the Middle School, working in close collaboration with their team of Form Tutors, the Head of Middle School and the Deputy Head of Middle School.

Assemblies and Form Tutor Periods

Assemblies are important expressions of the College as a community and of our shared values in their widest sense. They are given by pupils, staff and outside speakers, and take place on most Monday and Wednesday mornings, usually in the Great Hall or the Auditorium. Please ensure that you arrive in the Great Hall on time and properly dressed: blazers must be worn.

Form Tutor periods take place during first period every Monday and every other Wednesday. Their use varies from administrative matters to discussion of current events. It is intended that this relatively informal structure will provide space for reflection on your personal and academic development. Form Tutor periods also represent an opportunity for you to address your peers on a theme which particularly interests you.

Pupil Voice

There are various opportunities for pupils to have their say during their time at the College. There are regular Middle School Council meetings where pupils are given the chance to raise any issues with the Head of Middle School and other senior staff in a formal setting; these meetings are also attended by the Head of Pupil Voice.

Pupils are also invited to contribute to the teaching staff appraisal process, reflecting on their experiences in the classroom and feeding back on these. From time to time, pupils are invited to participate in panels and forums with focus on a particular issue of significance to College life.

Pupils are, of course, encouraged to put forward their ideas and to express any concerns they may have at any point to their Form Tutor, Head of Year or the Head of Middle School.

Peer Mentoring

Peer Mentoring is a form of mentorship that takes place at the College with pupils in the Upper School acting as mentors to pupils in the Middle School. This is a popular scheme where the primary objective is to provide an additional layer of pastoral support for pupils who would benefit from talking through their experiences and concerns with an older member of the pupil body.

Uniform & Appearance Policy

All pupils are expected to respect the College rules on uniform, which can be found online and in prep diaries. Your appearance should do credit to you and to the College throughout the school day, during your journey to and from school, and when representing the College at fixtures and other events. Please note that you must wear black leather shoes – no trainers or sports branded shoes are permitted. No sports clothes (including DC branded) should be worn outside of Games, training and fixtures.

Beards and moustaches are only allowed where there is a well-defined religious reason supported by a letter of application from parents. Similarly, you must not wear jewellery, unless you have permission on religious grounds.

If there are any individual circumstances which lead a pupil to feel uncomfortable about an aspect of the uniform policy, they are encouraged to discuss this with their Head of School.

Attendance and Punctuality

It is important that absence is kept to a minimum. However, we understand some things are unavoidable and we therefore ask that the following procedures relating to absence and lateness are observed by all pupils. The registration of pupils in Years 9 to 13 is managed by the Attendance Officer, Mrs Gunner, and the Attendance Office is located on the ground floor of the Shackleton Building.

- If a pupil is going to be absent from school, his parent/guardian should notify the school before 8am via the Absence Reporting Form <https://forms.office.com/r/Udrqe4JpsH>. This form can also be found via the “Parent” tab (Parent Portal) of the College Website <https://www.dulwich.org.uk/parent-portal>.
- If a pupil is going to be late to school: his parent/guardian should email absence@dulwich.org.uk (including the pupil’s full name and Form in the subject line, copying in the Form Tutor, and providing the reason).
- It is a legal requirement for the College to be informed of all cases of lateness or absence to ensure that, as part of our duty of care, we know the whereabouts of every pupil. If parents/guardians receive a message from the Attendance Officer regarding their son’s absence, they are asked to respond as soon as possible.
- If a pupil arrives late to school (after 0845) or needs to leave early, they must visit the Attendance Office to sign in or out. Pupils should advise teachers in advance of absence and catch up on the work missed as soon as possible. This includes any assignments set during their absence.
- Routine medical and dental appointments should be arranged for outside school hours, where possible. If a pupil needs to attend a medical or dental appointment during the school day, the parent/guardian should submit the Absence Reporting Form <https://forms.office.com/r/Udrqe4JpsH>.
- If a pupil is injured or taken ill during school hours, they should go immediately to the Medical Centre. The Medical centre will contact home, if required. The pupil must not make their own arrangements or go home before the end of the school day without the permission of the Medical Centre.

Leave of Absence

Pupils are expected to be in College during term time. To request permission for absence due to exceptional circumstances, parents/guardians should email the Head of Middle School at least a week in advance and ahead of booking any tickets.

Temporary Absence of Parents

Should parents plan to be away from home during term time, they must make appropriate arrangements for the welfare of their sons, and the Head of School must be informed of these (including necessary contact telephone numbers) in writing beforehand.

The College Code of Conduct

The College is a large community. We urge all its members to make the most of the opportunities afforded them at the College and, thereby, to derive the greatest possible benefit from being here. Our Code of Conduct is designed to promote harmony and efficient functioning of the College community. It applies to pupils and staff alike. It is expected that it will be adhered to and supported by our pupils’ parents.

All are expected to:

- be helpful, tolerant and respectful towards everyone in the Dulwich community
- behave with courtesy and in a manner which reflects well on us and on the College
- avoid behaviour or comments which could lead to any distress
- make sure that our appearance does credit to us and the College
- be punctual
- respect both the property and environment of the College
- show consistency and common sense in observing these expectations

The College Rules

The College Rules can be found on our website in the Behaviour Policy document. Boarders will be given separate rules their Boarding House Masters which apply to life as a boarder.

Mobile Telephones and Laptops

Pupils are allowed to bring mobile 'phones and headphones to school and to have them on their person during the day. However, mobile 'phones and headphones are not allowed to be visible anywhere on the campus from when pupils arrive to when they leave. These restrictions apply unless pupils have been given permission to use their mobile 'phones or headphones by their teacher during a lesson (for educational or administrative purposes), or by a librarian when in the Wodehouse Library. No restrictions on the use of mobile 'phones or headphones apply on Saturdays.

Pupils are not expected to have their own laptop in school. They will, however, need access to a laptop or desktop computer to complete the majority of their homework as this will be set, for the most part, on Microsoft Teams.

The Medical Centre



The Richard Penny Medical Centre is open from 8.00 to 17.30 Monday to Friday term time and Saturdays for sports fixtures. It is staffed by a highly skilled and dedicated health care team supported by the School Medical Officer, Dr Rosemary Leonard.

Primarily, the team provides the triage and treatment of a wide range of minor illness, injuries and accidents and coordinates the immunisation programme. Chronic disease such as anaphylaxis, asthma and diabetes are managed under the direction of Dr Rosemary Leonard, School Medical Officer. Occasionally, secondary care is needed at a hospital, an urgent care centre or GP and the necessary arrangements are made with the parents or guardians.

The Medical Centre has an in-patient facility and 24-hour nursing cover to care for boarders who are unwell. Day pupils who are taken ill will be cared for until they are fit enough to return to class or arrangements are made for them to be collected and taken home.

It is essential for the College to have access to a pupil's medical details in case he is taken ill or is injured at school. Parents are asked to complete the Medical Questionnaire and return it promptly. From time to time, the medical staff may need to share information with other College staff, the College doctor and other medical services in order to safeguard your son's health and wellbeing and to ensure the appropriate medical care and pastoral support is received.

The Medical Centre is always on hand and available to answer any questions or concerns you may have regarding your son's health and wellbeing. We are very much part of the whole school community and take an active role in the pastoral care of all the pupils. If at any time you wish to discuss the health needs of your son, please do contact the Medical Centre.

Medical Officer: Dr Rosemary Leonard MBE MA MB BChir MRCGP

Lead Nurse: Hafsa Adan

Telephone: 020 8299 9269

Email: medical.centre@dulwich.org.uk

Counselling at the College



Counselling is available to all pupils for any emotional or psychological worries and concerns, no matter how big or small. Jo Ray, the Lead Counsellor, will help students connect with support in school and can also help pupils find the right external professional support if needed.

Pupils may attend one session, weekly sessions or ad hoc depending on the support they seek. It always remains their choice to attend, they can end counselling at any time and will always be welcomed back.

Counselling is confidential. This means the counselling team do not talk about the content of sessions with College staff or parents/guardians. As counsellors, they have a duty of care to break confidentiality if concerned someone is at risk. These exceptional and rare circumstances will be explained to pupils fully during their first session.

The counselling rooms are on the first floor of the Medical Centre and counselling is available during term time by appointment only. To book an appointment, pupils can email Jo directly. Parents and staff may also refer pupils to counselling via email.

Email: rayjo@dulwich.org.uk

The Yelcho Room

As an alternative to counselling, there is The Yelcho Room, which is open during break and lunchtimes, where pupils can talk with the Listening Staff and Counsellors about anything. The Yelcho Room is situated on the first floor of the Medical Centre.

The Chaplain



The College has a full time Chaplain, Reverend Tim Buckler, who is available for the whole community, whatever a person's religious views or faith perspective. The Chaplain leads the support offered to the community on issues relating to all aspects of our individual and collective meaning and purpose. The Chaplain welcomes all manner of conversation, whether just to pass the time of day or to help in matters great and small.

Additionally, the Chaplain leads services and assemblies, teaches in the Religion and Theology department, leads the College's Charity & Community Action initiative and is a listening ear for any who would like to speak to him.

If there are any matters that someone would like to talk through, the Chaplain can be contacted via bucklert@dulwich.org.uk.

The Chaplain's office is on the ground floor of the Science Laboratory building, middle window looking towards the Shackleton (Maths) building.

Religion and Spirituality

Whilst appreciating the centrality of specific religious and faith perspectives that many may hold, we understand 'spirituality' in the broadest of senses, thus reflecting the belief that as humans we are made up of body, mind and spirit. This allows everyone to be included and cared for as such. Questions of meaning and purpose, encounters with moments of awe and wonder and engagement with the sacred space that stillness offers are universally important and relevant.

Dulwich College is a Church of England Foundation; all pupils are expected to play a full role in assemblies, start and end-of-term Chapel services and termly Chapel assemblies. We see this exposure to the Christian tradition as an opportunity for all our community to increase their consciousness of the language of religion, even if individuals might not choose to speak it themselves. Our presentation of religious tradition is offered in a gentle and sensitive way which seeks to engage, educate and inspire but never convert.

We are a community which welcomes pupils from all faiths or none and we pride ourselves in our respect for and interest in the beliefs of others.

Across the different religious traditions there are many opportunities for meeting, worship, and discussion to help pupils develop their own chosen religious conviction. The College community currently includes pupils from a wide variety of religious traditions and cultures. We are delighted to include our visiting Muslim, Jewish and Roman Catholic faith leaders within our Chaplaincy team. Further involvement from other external faith leaders can be arranged as required.

Middle School: Co-Curricular

Mr Elliot Read

Deputy Master Pastoral & Co-Curricular

readej@dulwich.org.uk



Beyond the Classroom

We are proud of the genuine breadth and depth of opportunity for pupil involvement that is offered by our co-curricular provision. Very much at the heart of the Dulwich experience, this allows all pupils – be they novices, amateurs or elite performers – to enjoy a range of sporting, cultural, charitable and adventurous activities.

A thriving House system serves as a framework for friendly loyalty and healthy competition, whilst allowing pupils to identify with a smaller, 'vertical' community, composed of pupils in every Year Group from Years 3 to the Upper Sixth.

Our programme of outings and expeditions enables pupils to broaden their academic, cultural and social horizons in a range of contexts.

Engagement in these wide-ranging aspects of a genuinely holistic education, where a particular emphasis is placed on service, brings significant benefits to the pupils' wellbeing, as they explore their interests, discover new talents, work co-operatively, and learn about themselves and their peers with characteristic enthusiasm and commitment.

The House System



The Middle School provides many opportunities to become involved in College life beyond the classroom and the House system plays a very important role in this regard. Its aim is to provide a structured format that encourages the personal and social development of all pupils through competition in cultural activities and sporting events.

There are eight Houses, all named after eminent figures who were friends and acquaintances of our Founder, Edward Alleyn. Each House has a Housemaster who is responsible for encouraging pupils to get involved in the House competitions. Pupils are required to attend regular timetabled House meetings. A meeting of all College members of each House also takes place once every term.

The Middle School Housemasters are as follows:

DRAKE	Mr J H Fox
GRENVILLE	Mr M J Williams
HOWARD	Mr T E McPhilemy
JONSON	Mr D S Mackintosh
MARLOWE	Miss F Boycott
RALEIGH	Mr M K Davidson
SIDNEY	Mr T Okoroafor
SPENSER	Miss E M Rutter

Each House also has a pupil from each Year Group who is nominated as House Captain. There are Inter-House competitions in the following areas:

Archery	Debating	Rowing
Art	Drama	Rugby
Athletics	FIFA	Squash
Badminton	Football	Swimming
Basketball	Hockey	Table Tennis
Chess	Mathematics	Tennis
Cricket	Music	University Challenge
Cross Country	Photography	Written Poetry
Cycling	Poetry recital	

Through the House competitions, we very much hope that all will enjoy making a full contribution to the sporting and cultural life of the Middle School.

The Union



The Dulwich College Union is an umbrella organisation that coordinates more than 60 societies and clubs. It covers an enormous range of interests from building drones to brewing Dulwich beer. Pupils can take the initiative to start societies on their own, and they then take responsibility for running the weekly meetings for their society. Every pupil at the College is encouraged to get involved. If a particular area is not already covered by the Union then pupils are helped to start their own society, with the College providing advice, support and financial assistance. In this, we are greatly indebted to the Friends of Dulwich College who generously provide grants for societies and special events.

Societies meet regularly and often attract visiting speakers who are eminent in their fields: politicians, historians, artists, architects, poets and musicians are regularly invited to address the pupils. We also host the Union meeting twice every term to discuss Union matters and share valuable experience and good ideas.

The Union provides a platform for pupils to meet new friends, engage in the wider school community and learn new skills that they are interested in outside the classroom, and many pupils go on to win national competitions through their involvement with societies (such as debating, for example). The Union Fair, which is hosted every September, offers an opportunity for pupils who are new to the College and Senior School to learn about our existing societies and talk to their representatives. A list of societies, with their running times and venues, is also be posted on the notice board in the Centre Block, as well as in each form room.

All information for Societies and Clubs will also be available on MyDulwich and the SOCS websites from September 2023.

Please contact Sujaan Kochhar (Year 13), the Union Secretary, for further information about how to get involved.

Sport



The Games and PE programmes are an important part of the curriculum for pupils in the Middle School. Full details of the sports programme can be found at www.dulwichsport.org.uk.

At the centre of our approach is the Games programme. Pupils are able to choose from a number of options, such as cross country, rugby and rowing. The programme is supported by a wide range of fixtures, providing numerous opportunities for pupils of varying abilities to represent the College. We also provide ‘rehab’ for those recovering from injury. Pupils’ options are taken at the start of each term via an online system and followed up by the form tutor.

In addition, pupils have a timetabled PE lesson throughout their time in the Middle School. This underpins their physical literacy skills, giving them an understanding of how their bodies work, setting physical goals to keep them motivated, and improving their knowledge of training methods.

There are also further opportunities for pupils to participate in a wide range of sporting activities as part of the co-curricular programme, such as badminton, cycling and water polo. All those entering into the Middle School are encouraged to get involved.

Parents and pupils should be aware there is a full programme of inter-school fixtures running on Saturdays throughout the school year. Pupils are proud to represent the College, as demonstrated by the number participating and experiencing the community spirit that Saturday sport generates for pupils, parents and staff. Should a pupil be chosen to represent the College on a Saturday we ask for your cooperation in ensuring, where possible, the College takes priority. Please contact Mr Burdekin should you wish to discuss individual cases further as we are keen to try and ensure that pupils find a balance in their co-curricular endeavours.

If a pupil is ill or injured and needs to miss games or PE, please email your son’s Form Tutor and copy in your son’s PE teacher.

Director of Sport:	Mr P C Greenaway	greenawaypc@dulwich.org.uk
	<i>(on sabbatical for Michaelmas term)</i>	
Assistant Director of Sport:	Mr M Burdekin	burdekinm@dulwich.org.uk
Sports Administrator:	Mrs L Groves	grovesl@dulwich.org.uk

Individual Music Tuition



The following instruments are taught: piano, jazz piano, organ, violin, viola, cello, double-bass, flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, horn, trumpet, saxophone, trombone, tuba, euphonium, percussion and guitar (classical, electric and bass). Individual singing lessons, Alexander Technique, music production/composition and conducting lessons are also available. Theory lessons may be individual or shared. In the latter case the cost will be pro rata.

The fee for individual tuition on any of the above instruments is £232.20 (from September 2023) for 10 weekly lessons of 30 minutes. Music fees are charged in advance by the visiting music teacher who will send parents a termly invoice.

Individual music lessons are normally given during school hours, with pupils missing academic subjects on a rotational basis, and we encourage pupils to proactively catch up on any work that they have missed. Teachers are under no obligation to make up lessons missed through a pupil's absence. Lessons will continue until notice is given in writing to the Teacher and copied to music@dulwich.org.uk, as per the terms and conditions.

Music Lesson Application Forms can be obtained by emailing music@dulwich.org.uk, or can be picked up from the Music Office. These should be completed and returned to the Music Department as soon as possible. Weekly timetables will be available on pupils' individual SOCS calendars. Written progress reports are sent to parents twice yearly. A pupil who is not making satisfactory progress may be advised to discontinue lessons.

Pupils are encouraged to prepare for the examinations of the Associated Board of the Royal School of Music or Trinity College, London - the examinations being held towards the end of each term (Trinity in the Michaelmas and Summer Terms only). The College will provide an official accompanist who will arrange a single rehearsal before the exam. Additional rehearsals if required, should be negotiated with the Head of Keyboard and a standard fee will be charged.

All pupils who play an orchestral instrument are strongly encouraged to join one of the College orchestras or ensembles. Singers are encouraged to join one or more of the Choral ensembles. Opportunities for classical, jazz and pop music are all available.

Although the College has a number of wind, brass and stringed instruments available for hire, it is obviously much to the advantage of the pupil that they obtain their own instrument as quickly as possible. The period of hiring is normally limited to one year, and parents are required to indemnify the College against damage to or loss of instruments on hire. The hire charge is £50 per term, including the holidays.

Parents are strongly advised to arrange appropriate insurance for their own musical instruments – specialist musical instrument insurance is recommended. Secure rooms are provided in the Music School for instrument storage and pupils should use these at all times.

All enquiries about music lessons should be made to the Music Office.

Tel: 020 8299 9258

email: music@dulwich.org.uk.

Regular Music Activities



Provisional Timetable for weekly rehearsals:

Monday

08.00	Chamber Groups
08:00	Sax Quartet
13.40	Chamber Orchestra
13.40	Junior Wind Band
13:50	Barrios Guitar Ensemble
16.00	Symphony Orchestra

Tuesday

08.00	Chamber Groups
08.00	Jazz Group
13.30	Music Tech Club
13.40	Madrigal Choir
16.00	Chapel Choir

Wednesday

08.00	Chamber Groups
08.00	Brass Consort
13.30	Music Tech Club
13.35	Black 'n' Blues
13.40	Purcell String Orchestra (Junior Strings)
16.00	Alan Morgan Orchestra
16.00	Symphonic Wind Band

Thursday

08.00	Chamber Groups
08.00	Segovia Guitar Ensemble (Senior)
08:10	Senior Percussion Ensemble
10:45	Lower School Percussion Club
13.40	Chapel Choir
13.45	Junior Percussion Ensemble
16.00	Alleynian Blues
16.00	Big Band
16.00	Chamber Groups

Friday

08.00	Chamber Groups
08.00	Other Big Band
13.40	Bream Guitar Ensemble (Junior)
13.50	Drum Line Percussion Ensemble

LAMDA

The London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art

We offer a range of performance lessons and exams where learners develop their vocal, physical and interpretive skills while they delve into characters and explore the background of dramatic texts. Alongside producing authentic performances of their chosen scenes, they also gain an understanding of the context and characters within them.

We also offer communication exams where students develop skills enabling them to present themselves publicly. Students develop a whole host of techniques from speaking clearly and using voice projection, to improving memorisation. With this, they build an understanding of public speaking and learn how to structure a presentation.

Further information about LAMDA will be sent via a Dulwich Post in June for you to respond to by the end of the Summer term.

Dulwich College Combined Cadet Force

The CCF

The Combined Cadet Force is a youth organisation sponsored by the Ministry of Defense. There are approximately 500 school Contingents throughout the UK, the majority of which are within independent schools. The Contingent at Dulwich is one of the oldest in the country, it has its roots in the Rifle Volunteer Corps founded in 1877.

Our Aims

- The broad function of a CCF is to provide the framework of a disciplined organisation, through which students develop qualities of endurance, resourcefulness, self-reliance, leadership, responsibility and a sense of public service.
- The specific function of training in the CCF is not only to contribute to the development of the attributes already described but also to assist and encourage pupils who have a special interest in a Service career.

Age of Entry

Membership of the CCF is optional and students normally join on entering Year 9. Older entrants are given an accelerated training to enable them to catch up with other members of their year group.

Training

There is a weekly parade for the whole Contingent after school on Tuesdays during term time. Attendance at this parade is compulsory and is a necessary requirement in order for cadets to climb the rank structure.

There are also opportunities for senior pupils to attend special courses organised by the Regular Forces during the holidays and weekends. Much of the training we do involves cadets from each section (Army, Navy and RAF) working together.

Annual camps, of about one week's duration, are held for all three Sections during the school holidays. Cadets wishing to obtain maximum benefit from their membership of the CCF should try to attend as often as possible.

All cadets have the opportunity to shoot on both a laser trainer and target range during their training.

Uniform, Equipment and Subscription

A one-off joining fee of £100 is required to join the CCF. For this, each cadet will receive a new pair of boots and they will be provided with all the necessary uniforms.

There are nominal additional charges for camps and courses.

In cases of financial hardship, the Contingent may be able to defray some of the cost.

Applications

If your son wishes to join the CCF, you are asked to complete the application form, that will be sent separately to you by Dulwich Post, as soon as possible.

Alternatively, please email SSI Scott Swalwell (swalwells@dulwich.org.uk).



The Royal Air Force Section

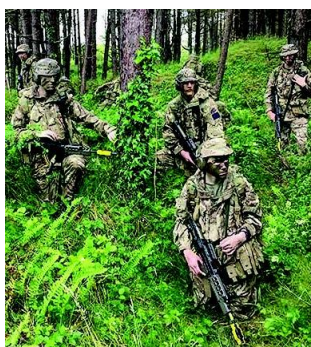


The Royal Air Force Section is concerned with Field, Proficiency and General Training but its main focus is Flying. Flying takes place in two-seater 'Grob Trainer' aircraft with dual controls from RAF Benson. We attempt to take RAF cadets flying every month during term time.

Field Training takes the form of fieldcraft weekends at MOD Training areas, and camps at RAF stations. Training in the first year covers shooting and learning to handle and fire the cadet rifle. Basic training in map reading, field craft, and first aid is also provided. All cadets will be able to achieve a St John's Ambulance Youth First Aid Award.

Leadership qualities are developed throughout, but especially during the NCO selection process when cadets are taught to take charge of others. Individuals are regularly awarded places on RAF Leadership Courses and Flying Scholarships have been awarded in the past.

The Army Section



The Army Section provides cadets with a challenging range of activities and an insight into Army life. During their first year in the Section cadets are introduced to weapons training, field craft, map reading and first aid. All cadets will be able to achieve a St John's Ambulance Youth First Aid Award.

During their second year the training is continued, with an emphasis on battle-craft and self-reliance. Battle-craft weekends are used for all aspects of the training. In addition, the Section spends one week during the summer holiday at an army camp, where extra facilities are available.

Promising cadets are trained as instructors by a Regular Army Cadet Training Team and, if successful, are made up to NCOs. Many courses are available to NCOs, all of which are designed to develop an individual as a leader.

The Army Section make regular visits to see events such as Changing the Guard, The Keys Ceremony at the Tower of London, and visits to the Royal Hospital Chelsea are also organised.

The Royal Naval Section



The Royal Naval Section provides training in leadership and seamanship. This includes navigation, sailing, the role of the Navy and other subjects of naval interest. The Section also provides the usual CCF training in shooting and outdoor survival (including map reading). Navy cadets also have the opportunity to earn a PADI scuba diving qualification. As far as possible, recruits will undertake all the above activities in the first year.

By the end of their first year they should have passed their first test and become Able Seamen. From this point they can rise to leadership of the Section through a variety of courses. Most courses take place in the holidays at a nominal charge.

The RN supports the Section in a number of ways, including regular visits by serving personnel - a Royal Navy Chief Petty Officer visits several times a term to provide backup training, and officers from the affiliated establishment and the Schools' Liaison Team make termly visits.

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award is a very popular scheme at the College with over 300 pupils from Years 10 to 13 involved every year.

The Award is a highly regarded youth programme and participation is voluntary. It is not competitive since individuals are assessed on their own progress, determination and achievement. As such, the Awards are within the reach of all. In undertaking the Awards, young people learn by experience the importance of sustained commitment, enterprise and effort. They discover a great deal about themselves and come to know the enjoyment of working with and for other people. They also enjoy prolonged periods of time learning in an outdoor environment.

Silver and Gold level Awards are offered at the College. To gain either one of these levels, an entrant must complete four Sections: Expedition, Skill, Physical Recreation and Volunteering. For Gold, participants must also complete a Residential Section, spending a minimum of five days away from home, engaged on a shared endeavour with people they haven't met before.

Pupils can start the Silver Award at the start of the Year 10. The Award takes a minimum of 12 months to complete so it is expected that all pupils will finish by the end of Michaelmas Term in Year 11. Participants are then able to start the Gold Award in the Remove. For those who hold the Silver Award, it is possible to finish Gold in 12 months. Direct entrants (those who have not done the Silver Award) will need 18 months to complete their Gold Award.

A Training and Practice Expedition for the Silver Award takes place in either October half term or the Easter holidays in Year 10. Participants must attend one of these. The Assessed Expedition takes place towards the end of the Summer Term. Recent destinations have included the Meon Valley and the New Forest.

Pupils are supported towards completing the programme by members of staff who provide assistance with *eDofE* and regularly check on progress.

For more information about the scheme please contact Mr McPhilemy.

Mr T E McPhilemy

mcphilemyt@dulwich.org.uk



History

Scouting was introduced to the College in 1929 by the late H V Styler, for many years Head of Mathematics. Leadership has continued to be provided from both within the teaching staff of the College and from Old Alleynians and other volunteer helpers. The Scout section provides activities for pupils in Years 6 to 9 and the Explorer Scouts from Year 10 until pupils leave the College. Departing pupils are encouraged to join the Scout Network which supports the Group.

Aims

The aim of the Scout Association is to encourage the mental, physical and spiritual development of its members through an enjoyable and adventurous progressive training programme involving outdoor activities, adventure, teamwork and service to the community.

Meetings & Activities

Scout Troop 2 meets on Fridays	18.30 – 20.30	(Year 6 – Year 9)
Explorers meet on Tuesdays	18.30 – 20.30	(Year 10+)

Meetings are held at the Trevor Bailey Sports Ground.

We organise frequent weekend activities which include camping, canoeing, mountain walking, cycling, caving, rock-climbing and more.

The main Summer Expedition for Explorer Scouts is normally held during July. Dates and venues are published in the New Year.

Entry

Places are normally made available to all pupils joining the College in older years. Pupils are welcome in the College Group regardless of whether they have had previous Scouting experience.

Subscription

An annual subscription (currently £140.00) is payable to help cover week to week running expenses and membership fees to the Scout Association for insurance purposes. Details are sent to parents once a Scout has become a member of the group.

Applications

If your son wishes to join the College Scout Group, you are asked to sign up through the website as soon as possible - www.25thcamberwell.org.uk

Applications can also be made via email to scouts@dulwich.org.uk



Middle School: External

Dr Cameron Pyke

Deputy Master External
pykecsbd@dulwich.org.uk



Community Action & Partnerships

We believe that mutual benefit comes from engaging in partnerships. Across the College pupils and staff voluntarily contribute their time and expertise to a wide range of community activities which are carried out under the umbrella of the College's whole-school strategic development plan.

The College has a particular educational partnership with City Heights E-ACT Academy in nearby Tulse Hill, which caters for pupils from Years 7 to 11. Pupils will have opportunities to get involved in activities with the Academy.

In addition, the College is a member of the Southwark Schools' Learning Partnership, which brings together pupils from the state and independent sector in a wider variety of academic and co-curricular activities. The College also runs a Science and Creative Saturday School Scheme for Year 5 pupils from local primaries under the aegis of the Southwark Community Education Council (SCEC).

For further details of these partnerships, please contact Mrs Stanley on partnerships@dulwich.org.uk.

In pre-Covid times, over 200 pupils in Years 10-13 volunteered in their lunch breaks or after school at over 25 educational, social, and environmental projects beyond the school gates. We look forward to returning to, and hopefully surpassing, these numbers in the academic year 2023-24.

Volunteers find the activities hugely rewarding; they play an important role in the personal development and wider education of the boys and forge important links with our wider community. Whilst the educational element underlying the importance of community engagement is conveyed across all age ranges of the school, the practical projects are available to boys in Year 10 upwards; the boys volunteer for approximately an hour each week during the first 2 school terms – either at lunchtimes, after school or on Saturday mornings.

Dulwich College International (DCI)

The College is the founding school of the family of schools known as Dulwich College International. These schools are in East Asia and share our commitment to academic and co-curricular excellence. There are close ties between staff and pupils across this network and senior members of staff regularly meet to share educational ideas and current best practice. We were delighted that over 600 pupils visited the College in 2019 for the second Dulwich Olympiad.

For more information about the Dulwich family of schools please contact Dr Pyke on pykecsb@dulwich.org.uk.

Middle School: General

The College On-line

The College website

The Dulwich College website offers general information about the school and its various aspects, including news, a list of forthcoming events and activities, contact details, campus plans, information about Governors, Dulwich College International, Old Alleynians, and vacancies. Additionally, the website provides links to the College's social media accounts on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram from its homepage.

The College website: <http://www.dulwich.org.uk>

MyDulwich

MyDulwich 365: <https://dulwichcollege.sharepoint.com>

MyDulwich 365 is the College intranet. Pupils can find documents and notices about coursework, revision resources and school activities, etc. There are links to College email, the sports site, academic sites and online questionnaires. Pupils are required to log in to access this site using their own individual College login details. These will be supplied to pupils when they join.

All pupils are issued with an email account on joining the College and this should be checked regularly.

Pupils are reminded that the use of College computers and network is governed by an Acceptable Use Policy. Acceptance of this is given every time pupils log on. The full policy is available on the College website.

Parent Portal

The Parent Portal can be found on MyDulwich 365. Parents will be given a username and password when their son joins the College.

WisePay

WisePay is the College's secure online payment system for making payments for trips and expeditions, as they may arise throughout the year. Parents will be sent a password at the start of the school year. The link can be found via the Parent Portal.

Dulwich Post

Dulwich Post is the College's email communications system for parents. Messages are sent by email or text message. Messages may have an attached document or an electronic response form to fill out. Parents have a personal online mailbox where past messages are stored. Parents can access Dulwich Post by logging into the system using their personal password.

Dulwich Post: <https://post.dulwich.org.uk/login>

SOCS

SOCS is the online platform used by the College to communicate information regarding co-curricular activities, sports fixtures and the College calendar. This can be accessed by both parents and pupils when your son joins the College. More details on how to access SOCS will be sent out at the beginning of the Michaelmas Term.

School Fees

from September 2023

Tuition Fee: £8,231 per term

Boarding Fee: £17,182 per term (£16,108 for weekly boarders) including tuition.

Fees are due and are payable in full on the day before the first day of Term. They can be paid in the following ways:

- a) by Direct Debit in one full instalment on the day before the first day of term (for all parents with a UK bank account)
- b) by bank transfer to the Fees bank account in full on the day before the first day of Term (for overseas parents who do not have account in a bank or building society within the UK.
- c) there is a facility available through a third-party credit provider, regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority, to enable fee payment by monthly direct debit.

Parents who pay termly fees after the due date will incur a 1% late payment surcharge billed one term in arrears.

The College reserves the right to suspend pupils whose fees are not paid by giving the parents not less than two days' written notice.

The fee for a pupil attending the College for any part of a term must be paid for the whole of that term. The withdrawal of a pupil requires one full term's notice, given in writing to the Master, or payment of one full term's fees in lieu of notice.

Advance Payment of Fees

The College runs its own scheme for advance payment of school fees. Under this arrangement parents are able to pay a lump sum in advance to purchase credits against future tuition fees, and receive a discount on the amount of credits purchased. Such sums can be paid prior to entry (once a pupil has been offered a place), on entry, or at any time during a boy's career at the College.

Further details of the scheme are available from:

Bryron Hoo, Chief Financial Officer - HooBK@dulwich.org.uk

Public Examination Fees

The cost of entry for public examinations is not included in the fees and will be billed separately.

Insurance of Personal Property

Parents should note that the Governors cannot accept liability for pupils' personal property while at the College. Householders' personal insurance policies are usually extendable to cover property in a school or 'second residence'.

Parents are therefore asked to check that their own policy gives adequate cover for whatever possessions their son(s) may have at the College at any time.

Insurance Schemes

All pupils are included in a Personal Accident Insurance Scheme which offers cover for permanent disability resulting from an accident. This includes dental injury and emergency dental treatment. In addition, parents can opt-in to a Pupils' Absence Insurance Scheme (at their own expense) to cover absence through personal illness or injury. Full details of both schemes will be supplied on entry or are available at any time from the Fees Administrator – feesadministrator@dulwich.org.uk.

The Commissariat

The College shop for clothing, sports kit and stationery, is known as the Commissariat (The Comm).

The Comm has been part of the College for over 90 years and is situated on the main campus adjacent to the Science Laboratory building.

Opening Hours: 08.15 – 14.15 Monday to Friday

Telephone: 020 8299 5343

Email: the.commissariat@dulwich.org.uk

Uniform

College uniform can be bought through the Commissariat online shop at:

<https://shop.dulwich.org.uk/store/department/96/UNIFORM/>

The Commissariat is open Monday to Friday 08:15 – 14:00 (term time only). The Summer holiday is managed by appointments. We strongly urge you to book an appointment to save having to wait in queues.

Please call 020 8299 5343 or Text/WhatsApp: 07568 230 097.

You will be required to know your son's Day House when ordering his PE Shirt and House socks. Details of his Day House are in the Welcome Letter from Mr Tanna.

Uniform List

Uniform
DC blazer *
DC crested pullover *
Charcoal grey tailored trousers
College tie 54'' *
College Boarders' tie 54'' * (Boarding House-specific)
White shirts
Dark socks
Black, leather shoes
PE and Games
PE shirt (House colours) *
PE shorts *
DC PE socks *
Trainers
Games shirt *
Games shorts *
House colour socks *
Squad socks *
DC tracksuit top *
DC tracksuit bottoms *
Speedo black jammers
Mouthguards (boil-and-bite) <i>see below for more information on mouthguards</i>

*can only be bought from the Dulwich College Commissariat

All uniform and sports kit, including the blazer, is machine washable at 30 degrees

All pupils will require a mouthguard to take part in rugby and hockey.

Mouthguards

The Commissariat sells boil-and-bite mouthguards.

In addition, IMPACT Gumshields will visit the College on Thursday 31 August to do a fitting for those who wish to purchase a dental-fit mouthguard. Details on how to book an appointment has been sent by the PE Department by Dulwich Post.

Lost Property at the Commissariat

We must stress the need to name all property.

Named Lost Property: we will email the pupil, including Form Tutor or parents if we have details, to collect their lost property from the Commissariat.

Lost Property no name: these items are tagged and kept for four weeks. A pupil can come in any time within our opening hours to look for an item of lost property. Any items not retrieved after four weeks, will be donated to charity or the Nearly New Shop.

Valuable Lost Property: such as watches, wallets, iPods, androids and jewellery, will be logged on Lost and Found on MyDulwich. Any items not retrieved after four weeks, will be donated to charity.

Debit/Credit cards: will be destroyed after 24 hours if not claimed.

College Swipe Cards

Pupils joining the Middle School from the Lower School will continue to use their existing swipe cards.

All new pupils are issued with a swipe card. If a lunch fee has been paid in advance, this will be added to the card to allow access to the lunch hall once a day.

Please note that these arrangements do not apply to boarders, whose swipe cards are pre-programmed.

If lost, a replacement swipe card costs £5 and can be ordered from the Commissariat.

School Meals

The College aims to provide fresh, healthy, varied, tasty lunch and dinner menus, stimulating an interest in food and nutrition. We know that eating well is important to function at our best during each day and for our wellbeing throughout life.

Our dining halls serve a good range of healthy food — something for all tastes and needs. Pupils have large appetites and we aim to give them choices they enjoy which also satisfy. We are committed to a healthy food culture; all our catering takes place in-house so we know what is on our plates.

Before school, breakfast is available (£4.25 per day) in the Christison Hall from 08.00–08.30 providing a full English or continental option, with freshly cut fruit, porridge, hot beverages, homemade yogurts, cold sliced meats and cheese, and fresh fruit juices. This can be paid for in advance on an ad hoc basis using the following link: <https://shop.dulwich.org.uk/store/department/170/SCHOOL-MEALS/>

Lunch Payments

Lunch is optional and is provided daily in the Christison Hall from 13.15 until 14.15 for Middle School pupils. Our extensive lunchtime menu offers several hot options, with traditional and international dishes, along with a salad bar selection, a choice of hot and cold desserts and an abundance of fresh fruits. The cost of lunch varies from term to term according to the number of school days.

Lunch Payments can be made in two ways

- **Fee Billing:** Email the.commissariat@dulwich.org.uk, stating your son's name and Form (if known) using 'Add lunch to my fee bill' as the subject. This option will mean your son's lunch payment will automatically be added to your termly fee bill for the duration of your son's time at the College, unless otherwise advised by email. The deadline for this option is **Friday 14 July**.
- **Web payment:** Pay for your lunch termly online. Once the deadline for the fee billing option has passed, a link will be sent out to enable you to pay for lunch on a termly basis. You can, of course, change this arrangement for the following term by emailing the Comm asking for lunch to be added to your Fee bill.

The Commissariat also sells daily lunch tickets (£6.65 per day) to enable your son to have lunch on an ad hoc basis. This can be paid for in advance using the following link: <https://shop.dulwich.org.uk/store/department/170/SCHOOL-MEALS/>

Foundation Coach Service

Parents who wish their sons to travel to the College by coach are asked to apply for a place online as soon as possible via

<https://www.dulwich.org.uk/foundation-schools-coach-service>.

Foundation Coach Service office: 020 8299 9262.

There are late coaches every day *except Fridays* for pupils who have after-school activities.

Please note that spaces are allocated on a first-come first-serve basis and spaces are not guaranteed. We do, however, always do our best to accommodate as many as we can via alternative routes.

Travel

Pupils should always behave well and dress smartly when travelling to and from the College. Pupils who need to wait for their parents to collect them may do so in the Lower Hall (in the Centre Block) or the Wodehouse Library until 17.15. Pupils who travel by train are not allowed to use Sydenham Hill Station, nor take the rear route to and from West Dulwich Station via Acacia Grove.

Pupils' Bicycles

If cycling to or from the College, pupils must wear a safety helmet and a reflective outer garment, even when cycling within College grounds. Pupils may not cycle for recreational purposes within College grounds. Cycles should have front and rear lights and should also be fitted with a red rear reflector and amber pedal reflectors. Pupils will need to make a note of the frame number of their cycle in case of loss or damage. Cycles should have a robust lock, for example a D-lock or equivalent (any other lock is quickly cut by thieves) and should be locked in cycle storage bays when left unaccompanied on the College grounds. Any theft should be reported to the Facilities Manager.

Parents' Cars

Parents who bring their sons to school in the morning or collect them in the afternoon by car may set their sons down or pick them up from the North Gravel, the car parking area closest to the South Circular. For safety reasons, and to minimise traffic, they are not permitted to drive their cars further into the College grounds. There is a **5mph speed limit** in operation at all times on College premises.

A Warm Welcome from the Friends of Dulwich College



As your son/s join the student body of Dulwich College, you will automatically become a member of the Friends of Dulwich College (FDC), so we wanted to take this opportunity to let you know what the FDC does and how to get involved.

The FDC has two key objectives: to bring the College Community together through a number of social and fundraising events and to benefit current and future Alumnians and local charities.

The FDC organises various social events throughout the year including the International Evening in September, the Junior and Senior School Quiz nights in February and March, pupil/s socials and many informal parent get-togethers.

We also run the College Nearly New Shop and two major fundraising events; typically, there is a Dulwich College Christmas Fair held at the end of November, and a summer event in May. The majority of our fundraising supports projects designed to enhance the curriculum and further the opportunities available for the pupils, now and in the future. The FDC supports the Grant System and many other initiatives which enhance the pupils' experience and help provide huge opportunities and benefits for many.

Our activities and events are designed to enable those who want to help out and get involved. We are always looking for volunteers, and there are many different ways you can do this. You might wish to join the Committee, be a Class Rep or Year Group Coordinator, be involved in the organisation of events or to just spend a few hours helping out. Every little bit helps!

So that we can keep you up to date with FDC initiatives through our Class Rep cascade system and communications, please ensure you sign up to the Parent-to-Parent contact lists the College will invite you to join in due course.

Please join us at the [Friends of Dulwich Meet and Greet Welcome Coffee on Friday 1 September 2023 at 12.00 to 13.30 in the Pavilion Salle](#) to meet other parents and hear more about the FDC. This coincides with your son's Induction Afternoon.

To find out more, or get in touch, please visit the 'College Life' section of the main www.dulwich.org.uk website and click on 'Friends of Dulwich College' or email us at friends@dulwich.org.uk.

We look forward to getting to know you.

The Nearly New Shop



The Nearly New Shop was started in 1997 – it is a joint project between the Friends of Dulwich College (FDC) and the Commissariat. The shop, located behind the Commissariat, sells second-hand items of current College uniform and the funds go to the curriculum and opportunity enhancement projects which the Friends of Dulwich College support.

The Nearly New Shop is opening on Saturday 17 June from 09.00 – 13.30 for both current and new parents.

Information about future opening dates and times are communicated to parents via Dulwich Post and are also on the College website.

[The Nearly New Shop - Friends - About - Dulwich College](#)

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Where is the Middle School Office?

The Middle School Office is located on the first floor of the South Block.

2. Where is the Attendance Office?

The Attendance Office is located on the ground floor of the Shackleton Building.

3. Am I allowed off the premises during the school day?

No. Middle School pupils should remain on the College campus during the school day. If you have a reason to leave the College grounds at any time, you should visit the Head of Year or the Middle School Office to gain permission and sign out at the Attendance Office.

4. What if I am taken ill during the school day?

If you are taken ill during the school day you should go to the Medical Centre. If you are discharged from the Medical Centre, you should return to lessons immediately. **You must not go home or return to your boarding house without the permission of the nurse on duty.** Pupils with minor ailments should visit the Medical Centre at break. Pupils should not contact their parents prior to going to the Medical Centre.

5. Are there detentions for Middle School pupils?

For persistent academic transgressions, a pupil is placed in a lunchtime detention from 13.45 to 14.15 on a Wednesday.

For disciplinary matters, a pupil is detained on Thursdays evening until either 16.45 or 17.30. Parents receive notification of this from their son's Head of Year via email giving the time and reason for the detention. As there are no late coaches on Fridays, arrangements need to be made by parents for their son's journey home.

For serious disciplinary matters, such as truanting a lesson, pupils serve a Saturday detention from 09.00 to 12:00. An email is sent home by the Head of Year or by the Head of Middle School outlining the procedure.

6. Is there a grade requirement for the Upper School?

In order to progress to the Upper School, pupils need 14 points in their GCSEs where:

Grade 9/8 = 3 points

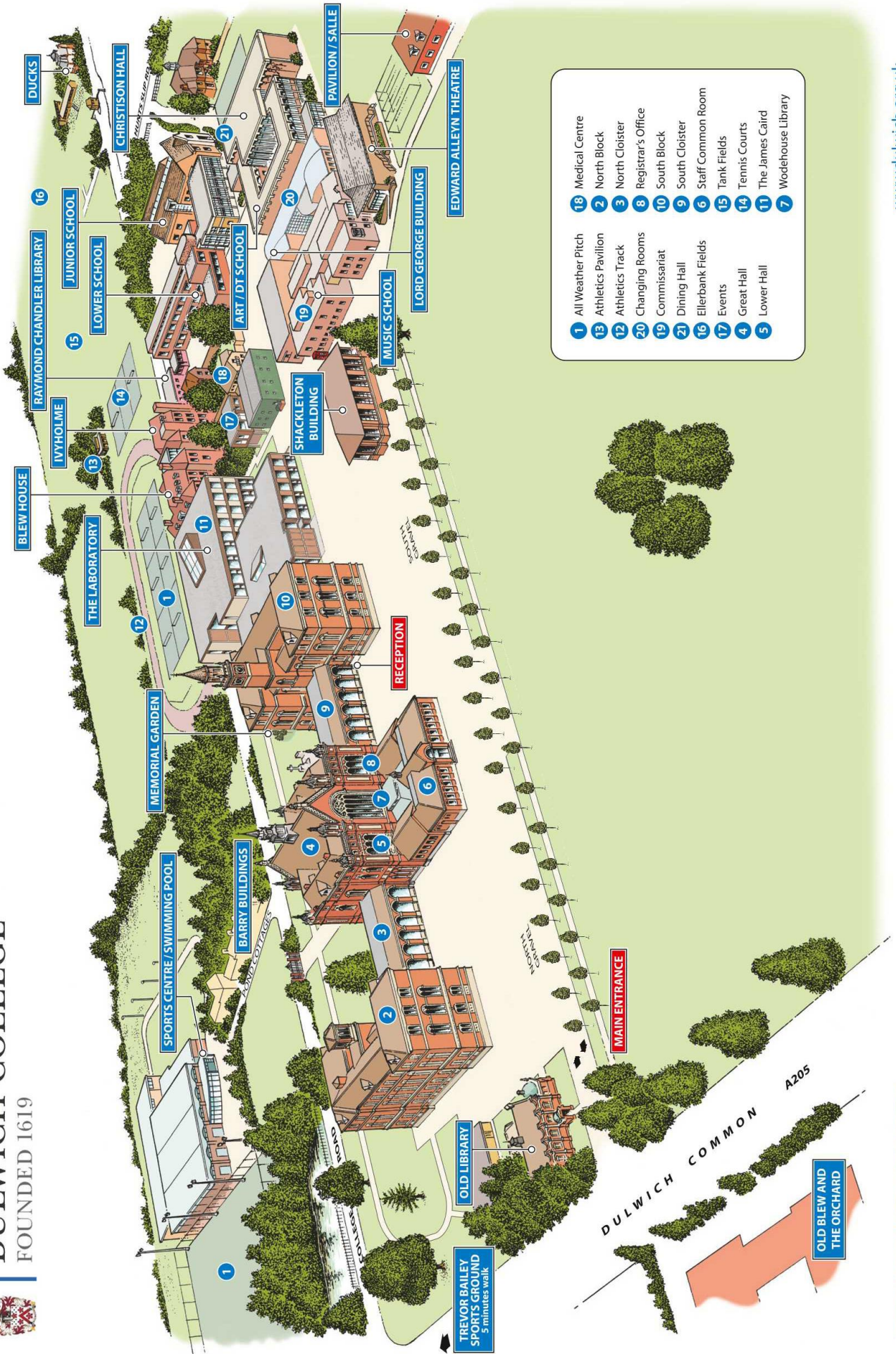
Grade 7 = 2 points

Grade 6 = 1 point



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| 6 | Tennis Courts | 7 | Wodehouse Library |
| 7 | The James Caird | 8 | Registrar's Office |
| 8 | South Cloister | 9 | South Cloister |
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