

A Typical Day in the Boarding House

7:10am	Wake up
7:10 – 7:35am	Washroom time
7:15am	You may choose to do your music practice at this time of the day.
7:35 – 7:45am	Time to make sure your dorms are tidy, your bed made and that you look smart for the day ahead. There is a 'dorm tidiness' competition to be won!
7:45am	Breakfast. Once your rooms have been checked you may go downstairs to breakfast. Staff will be looking out for shirts hanging out, shoes that need polishing and untidy hair!
8:10am	Time to go upstairs and brush your teeth. You should only go upstairs after this if you have forgotten to do something. It's now time to get your things ready for school (pencil cases, books etc).

During the Day:

There is no-one upstairs in the boarding house to supervise you during the day and so everyone should remain downstairs until 5:30pm.

Junior (Years 3 and 4) after school activities run from 4.15 to 5.15pm and the majority of senior (Years 5 to 8) after school activities run from 5.45 to 6.45pm.

5:30pm	Snack Time! At tea you should see the member of boarding staff on duty to confirm what you are doing during the evening. If you do not have an activity you can get changed and use the games room and television room at this time. When it is still light outside in the evening you can play on the field if there is a gappie or member of duty staff outside as well.
6:45pm	Dinner Time! Dinner is served in the dining room. If you have an activity you should make sure that you arrive for dinner on time.

Evening Routines:

7pm	Everybody goes back to the boarding house at this time unless you are in an activity which runs later than normal or if you have been given permission to be downstairs by the house staff with a Gappie to supervise.
7.10pm	You may collect mobile phones, laptops etc., from the house staff but these should be handed back at lights out.

Showers/Washroom times: Yr 3 to 6 7:45 pm
Yr 7 8:00pm
Yr 8 8:15 pm
(All children to shower every evening)

Quiet/Reading times: Yr 3/4 8:15 pm
Yr 5/6 8:30 pm
Yr 7/8 8:45 pm

Lights Out: Yr 3/4 8:30 pm
Yr 5/6 8:45 pm
Yr 7/8 9:00 pm

General information for parents and children:

Boarders are allowed pocket money each week and this should be left with the Houseparents upon arrival. £100 is usually enough for half a term. Any further monies can be paid directly into our boarding bank account and the Housemaster can draw cash as and when required.

There is a school shop on site and all children can visit the shop to purchase items they may require, such as school uniform, stationery, etc. For any expensive items, permission from the Houseparents should be sought first. Please see the uniform list for details on clothes required.

Boarders may bring their own items for their leisure time such as iPods, computer games etc, but these items should be handed to the house staff for safe keeping and are not allowed during the school day.

Snacks are available for the children but boarders may bring in their own snacks which should be left with the houseparents. Tuck (sweets) is available to buy from the house staff on a Wednesday and at weekends.

There are always weekend activities arranged and boarders will visit local attractions as well as trips further afield such as Brighton, London or Thorpe Park Amusement Centre. Local trips are subsidised but a charge is made to cover costs for trips further a field and the amount is added to the termly bill.

Boarders will also spend leisure time on site and with use of the wide range of facilities on offer. For example the swimming pool, gymnasium and tennis courts. The children are supervised by duty staff and gappies. Gappies are young students who have taken a year out of their studies and generally come from New Zealand or Australia and sometimes they are former pupils of the school. The gappies spend a lot of time with the children and form close relationships similar to that of an older brother or sister.