

INFORMATION BOOKLET 2020 - 2021

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Luckley
HOUSE SCHOOL

Welcome



Our Core Values

Luckley House School is built on the Christian foundations of love and service. We enable our pupils to thrive in a secure and encouraging environment, thereby equipping each individual to be resourceful and resilient – ready to take on life's many challenges and opportunities.

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Within this booklet is information regarding our admissions process, fees, curriculum, co-curricular activities, staff and governors. I hope you will find it useful and informative, but please do also look at our website;

www.luckleyhouseschool.org to find out more.

At Luckley we aim to embed 21st century learning in all aspects of school life, recognising that learning is not only about academics, but about learning for life. We are nevertheless proud of the academic achievements of each pupil. The results reflect the hard work of pupils, exceptional teaching and the support of their parents and families.

At Luckley, pupils enjoy a learning experience which utilises close academic tracking and which recognises individual strengths to maximise wider learning and academic achievement. We focus on the 'personal best' of each pupil, on making progress and on resulting added value. Our curriculum both stretches and nurtures, so that all pupils reach their potential, both in and out of the classroom. Our added value is a feature of the education provided at Luckley, which is independently verified utilising the baseline tests taken on entry to the school. Year on year we aim to add an average of half a GCSE grade to the overall performance of each pupil. This enables our pupils to begin their A level studies at Luckley in the best possible position to achieve those outstanding grades that will secure them a place at the university of their choice, or in highly regarded employment or apprenticeship opportunities.

We are also proud of our co-curricular programme which is rich and diverse. Pupils are encouraged to enhance their experiences by selecting activities that they will enjoy. There is a range of musical, arts and crafts, drama and sports activities, as well as some more specialised activities such as the Duke of Edinburgh Awards Programme and Combined Cadet Force. Playing a full part in school life is encouraged, helping pupils develop into well-rounded individuals who are equipped for their future in an ever-changing and diverse society.

Most importantly, Luckley is a school that is confident that where there is belief, there is possibility! We recognise each pupil for who they are and value and encourage each of them as individuals, to be happy, compassionate, courageous to have self-belief and to aim high!

We are very happy to answer any questions you have in person, by email, or by telephone, so please do not hesitate to contact us. We look forward to welcoming you and your child to visit us, either for an individual appointment, or at one of our open events scheduled throughout the year.

Mrs Areti Bizior
Head

Admissions

We aim to make admissions as simple and stress-free as possible for every prospective pupil and their parents, with our Registrar keeping families well informed at each step of the process. Ultimately, we are here to help you decide if Luckley is the right school for your child.

Year 7 and Year 9 Entry

We admit pupils at age 11 and 13 through an entrance examination process, where both academic ability and all-round potential are assessed. Entrance examinations are usually sat in January and will test pupils in Mathematics, English and Non-Verbal Reasoning. We consider a report from the current Headteacher and all candidates will have an interview with our Head or senior member of staff. As part of the interview process for Year 7 entry, we invite pupils to complete a personal 'Story Board' to demonstrate their hobbies, achievements and interests. All prospective pupils sitting the examination must ideally be registered by November of the preceding year - online registration is available via the website. A non-refundable registration fee of £100 must be submitted with the registration.

Admission into other year groups

Pupils who wish to join us at other entry points will be assessed through an entrance examination, interview and school report. In instances where the pupil is overseas and unable to sit the examination at Luckley House School, papers can be sent to their current school to be sat under examination conditions. Admission is dependent on vacancies in the relevant year group.

Sixth Form Entry

For entry into Sixth Form, the pupil's predicted examination results, school report and interview are considered in the selection process. International students will be asked to complete an English and Mathematics entrance examination. Our Sixth Form prospectus is available from the Registrar.

Examination dates for 2021 entry

Wednesday 6 January 2021



Admissions

Visiting

There are many opportunities for prospective families to visit Luckley House School.

Open Events

Autumn term - Virtual Open Morning - Saturday 17 October 2020

Summer term - Open Evening - Thursday 3 June 2021

Open House

We hold an Open House most Friday mornings during term time. Visitors can drop in at 9.30am for coffee and a chat with the Head followed by a tour of the school.

Individual Appointments

Individual appointments to meet the Head are available every week and can be arranged by contacting the Registrar.

Taster Days

We welcome pupils from schools across a wide area to our Taster Days. Details of these are available on our website.

Accepting a place

Offers will be made to pupils by the end of January of the year of entry. Parents are asked to confirm acceptance of the place offered by early March. The acceptance form should be returned along with a deposit of £600. All deposits are set against the final term's disbursements.

Uniform

Our Uniform Shop is based on site. The Uniform Co-ordinator organises individual appointments with all new starters, so that the necessary items can be purchased. Uniform can also be ordered online at www.thedirectclothing.co.uk



Financial Information

We aim to make our fees as inclusive as possible. The figures below include tuition, text books, lunch and break refreshments and most after-school activities.

2020 – 2021 Fees per Term

Day £5,792 Weekly Boarding £9,394 Full Boarding £10,135 Ad hoc - Single night £46.00

Overnight stay after a trip or event £34.00 per night.

Weekly Boarders staying additional nights £37.50 per night

Flexible before and after-school provision is also available - see opposite page for details.

Additional tuition (based on approximately 10 lessons per term)

Speech and Drama £125

Combined Cadet Forces £80

Personal Tuition (eg EAL) £58.50 (per hour)

Music lessons are available on a wide range of instruments from peripatetic teachers who will submit their own bills.

Scholarships

Year 7 and Year 9 entry— Academic Scholarships are awarded based on the results of the entrance examination.

Minor awards are made for exceptional performance in one area of the examination.

Art, Music, Drama and Sport Scholarships based on performance and interview are also available.

Sixth Form — Additional Academic Scholarships are awarded at Sixth Form, plus awards for Music, Drama, Sport and Art. Applications are welcome from both internal and external candidates.

Bursaries

Means-tested bursaries of up to 80% of fees are available. We also offer a sibling discount of 10% and a generous Forces discount. Applications for bursaries should be made prior to the entrance examination in January. Please contact the Bursar's Department on 0118 974 3201 or by email to bursary_email@luckleyhouseschool.org

Payment Schemes

We offer an in-house monthly instalment scheme and a 'fees in advance' scheme. Details of both can be obtained from the Bursary Office.

Fee Protection Scheme

Parents are able to register with the Fee Protection Scheme. The costs are calculated as a percentage of the termly fee, excluding extras. For boarders this is 1.05% and for day pupils it is 1.37%.

Fees and Notice

All tuition, boarding and transport fees are payable in full, on or before the first day of term. A full term's notice, in writing to the Head, is required before withdrawing a pupil, or changing from boarding to day. Failing such notice, fees in lieu will be charged.

Terms and Conditions and Policies

A full copy of the school's terms and conditions and key policies are available on our website.

Flexibility

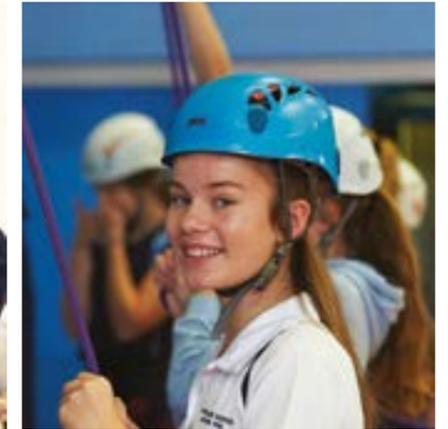
We offer flexible before and after school care provision to meet the demands of modern family life:

- Option 1: Early Start – Drop your child off at 7.45am for breakfast – £2.80 per day
- Option 2: Activities & Supper – Your child can stay for extended day activities and join the boarders for supper until 6.30pm – £4.90 per day
- Option 3: Twilight Care – Your child can stay for extended day activities, then join the boarders for supper and supervised prep up until 8.30pm – £17.50 per day.
- Breakfast and Twilight Care – £18.80 per day.

At least 24 hours notice is required for bookings.

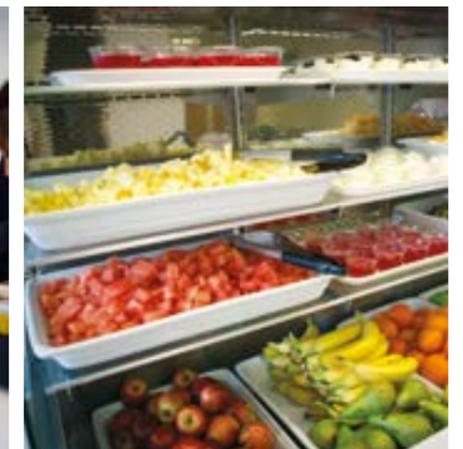
The Extended Day

In addition to supervised prep, a wide range of activities is available after school on Monday to Thursday, including sports clubs and fixtures, art and crafts, music, drama, fun cooking, gardening, Combined Cadets Force* and the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme. *additional costs apply. To ensure variety, the programme of activities is changed on a termly basis.



Catering

Healthy eating is on the menu at Luckley. Our catering team provides nutritious, varied and tasty meals for pupils and staff throughout the year. All pupils have school lunches which are included within the school fees. Vegetarian and vegan options are always available and special dietary requirements are easily catered for. Copies of the menus are available on our website.



Academic Curriculum

The curriculum at Luckley ensures continuity and progression in the important years leading to GCSE and A level.

Years 7 - 9 (Key Stage 3)

Pupils follow a broad, balanced programme of study including: English, Drama, Mathematics, Science, Modern Languages (French, German, Spanish), Engineering, Geography, History, Religious Studies, Art, Food & Nutrition, ICT, Music, Physical Education, Textiles Technology and 4U (our Personal and Social Education programme).

Years 10 - 11 (GCSE)

In Year 9, pupils receive guidance in their choice of GCSE options. All pupils follow a common core of English, English Literature, Mathematics, Science & Additional Science or Triple Award Science and a Modern Foreign Language. Three further options are chosen from Art, Business, Computer Science, Design & Technology, Drama, Food Preparation & Nutrition, French, German, Latin, Spanish, Geography, History, Music, Photography, Physical Education and Religious Studies. The curriculum is planned to ensure maximum flexibility of choice. In addition, all pupils continue with 4U and PE.

Years 12 - 13 Sixth Form (A level)

We offer over 20 subjects, providing a challenging and exciting variety of study options. Students study between two and four A level subjects; choosing from Art, Biology, Business, 3D Design Technology, Economics, Chemistry, Computer Science, Drama and Theatre Studies, English Literature, French, Geography, German, Graphics, History, ICT, Mathematics, Further Mathematics, Music, Photography, Physics, Psychology, Philosophy & Ethics, Physical Education, Spanish and Textiles. In addition Sixth Formers take an Extended Project Qualification and follow an enrichment course which includes lectures, practical sessions, careers, ICT and PE

Empowering Pupils with Technology

Part of our vision is that every pupil leaving Luckley must be proficient in widely-used information systems in such a way that their work and other activities are enhanced. All pupils and teachers have their own Notebook tablet to use within lessons and at home for prep and further studies.



Leavers' Destinations

We are proud of the achievements of all our pupils. Over the past five years, 90% of our pupils have left us to study at their first choice university, with others choosing further education courses, gap years, or employment.

Recent Destinations

- Bath University - Architecture and Accounting
- Birmingham University - English Literature & History
- Bournemouth University - Computer Animation and Events, Fine Art & Leisure Marketing
- Brighton University - Engineering
- Bristol University - History and Engineering and Mathematics
- Cardiff - History and English
- Durham University - Music, Mathematics and Natural Sciences and Physics
- Exeter University - Physics
- Glasgow University - Business Management
- Kingston University - Architecture
- London Institute of Banking and Finance – Banking & Finance
- Oxford University - Medicine
- Reading - Architecture and Accounting
- Royal Holloway - English and Artificial Intelligence
- Royal Veterinary College, London - Veterinary Medicine
- Southampton University - Politics and International Relations
- Sussex University - Law
- University of St Andrews - Medicine
- St. Martins, London - Art Foundation
- Surrey University - Midwifery
- Swansea University - Law and Egyptology & Classical Civilisation
- Texas University - History
- University College, London - History & Philosophy and Maths with Economics
- Warwick University - Philosophy and Psychology
- York University - Sociology & Criminology



Boarding at Luckley

We offer flexible boarding options to suit modern family life, including full boarding, weekly or ad hoc arrangements. Boarding at Luckley helps to develop valuable life skills, teaching our pupils to be tolerant and considerate team players. Additionally they learn responsibility for themselves, their study, their belongings and their relationships with others.

Our boarding staff, supported by current boarders, is skilled at ensuring that new boarders are absorbed into the boarding family with ease, and soon become settled and happy. The friendships created in our boarding environment are long standing. Pupils and staff are like a second family, where close and supportive relationships are the norm. Boarders are encouraged to keep in regular contact with their families and have access to a pay phone within the boarding house. Wifi is available, enabling students to email and SKYPE.

Our pupils thrive within the routines set by the boarding houses. They have designated study periods to work either in their own rooms, or communal study areas. Full boarders are offered an exciting programme of weekend activities, including cultural trips and fun activities.

Structure of the day and evening

7.45 - 8.15	Breakfast
8.20 - 8.35	Personal time
8.35 - 8.40	Boarders leave the House
8.40 - 16.00	School Day
16.00 - 16.20	Afternoon Tea
16.20 - 17.30	Activities or Prep

17.30 - 18.00	Free time
18.00 - 18.30	Supper
18:30 - 19:45*	Prep
20:45*	Prepare for bed
21.00*	Lights out

* Prep and bed times shown are for Year 7 & 8 - times differ for older pupils
Routines for Friday evening and the weekend vary.



What our Pupils Say

“Since the day I started at Luckley I have felt part of a community. The support, encouragement and close relationships I had with the staff and students has helped me to become independent, develop my confidence and pushed me to explore a whole range of activities including CCF and DofE. I love the arts and being at Luckley has allowed me to pursue my passion for music through competitions, grades, orchestra and choir. Perhaps most importantly I have had many opportunities to build on my leadership skills which resulted in me being voted Head Student. Luckley was the perfect school for me and I am so grateful that it has given me the skills that I need for the next steps in my post-18 education.” *Sacha (Head Girl 2019-20)*



“Luckley is an amazing school. There is just so much going on and so much that you can get involved with. I always wanted to go to a school where I could do much more than just the academic lessons. I have absolutely loved performing in all the plays and musicals in the wonderful Whitty Theatre on site. The sport is also so much fun with an emphasis on participation and improving our skills. I will always remember our trip to Ethiopia to help out in an orphanage, building beds and helping out at their sports day. But perhaps what makes Luckley stand out for me is the amazing friendships I have made over the past three years. I have felt supported, encouraged and looked after through good times and the sad by all of them. Not only by my friends but also by the teachers who support each and every child as an individual within the school.” *Poppy (Year 13)*

“I think it’s fair to say that I’ve had a unique experience at Luckley over the past five years. Being one of the first seven boys to join the school was certainly daunting, but the support from both pupils and teachers made the transition easy and natural. One of the things I love most about Luckley is that the staff will do all they can to support you, no matter how crazy the idea. I’ll never forget the look of surprise on Mrs Ellwood’s face when I told her about my idea to accompany my performance at the school’s Christmas Concert with a full set of coordinated lights flashing around me. Nevertheless, over the following weeks she and the theatre team helped me with all they could, including many tests and tweaks on the days beforehand. Working together we managed to pull off an amazing piece that I would never have had the ability to do on my own. But the reason Luckley is so special to me is that this is one of just my many stories of the community going above and beyond to help you achieve your dream. Ask anyone you see and there’ll be hundreds more because that’s what Luckley is about; not just doing what is necessary but pushing the limits of what a school can do and re-imagining the new normal to the highest standard we can.” *Michael (Year 12)*



“Luckley for me, was a free and vibrant environment. I was always a shy and anxious child when I first came in Year 7 and found it hard to fit in, but I’ll always remember my teachers’ encouraging attitudes and involvement in my growing development as a young person as well as an academic student. Luckley transformed me into a confident and independent young adult by pushing me to the best of my ability in every field, whilst also treating me as an individual and recognising the skills I have to offer. I am pursuing a career in Music and I truly feel that I have been given the opportunity to flourish as a performer, through Luckley’s immense support and encouragement. I have benefitted from many performance opportunities at Luckley due to The Whitty Theatre and the Music department which have prepared me for musicianship.” *Lis (2012-2019)*

What Luckley Parents Say

“Luckley House School is a community where the wellbeing of the whole child is paramount within the loving boundaries of Christian faith. The school is small enough to feel like extended family and big enough to offer a wide range of academic options and extra curricula activities. High School is a transition for parents as much as for the children and I always feel welcome on the Luckley House School campus. Communication from teachers is excellent and they consistently show a personal interest in my children’s development both academically, socially and spiritually. There is recognition of achievement outside the school and I’ve found them particularly supportive of my boys sporting endeavours. I’ve loved seeing my boys have opportunities to flourish in areas they are already gifted in, challenged to participate in activities they wouldn’t ordinarily chose, allowed to be themselves but always inspired to bring their best to every endeavour.”

Mrs P Lucas (Parent of Caleb, Yr11 and Isaac, Yr9)



“I would highly recommend Luckley as a parent of two children at the school. The dedicated staff work hard to achieve the perfect balance of encouragement, fun, creativity, and high academic and discipline standards. The atmosphere always feels positive and happy, staff are approachable and supportive, pupils have freedom to explore new avenues and excel maybe where they least expected. One very important point to consider for any child (and we took this seriously) is the food, which is excellent and highly rated by any student or staff member you ask. Luckley, in every aspect, is a great all-round place for your child to learn, make friends, try new skills and perform to their best ability during their school life.”

Mrs Foster (Parent of Katie, Yr10 and Emily Yr8)

“Summer came to Luckley as a shy, quiet girl with a lack of confidence and in the year she has been here she has grown far more than we could ever expect. She now has the confidence to stand up on stage and perform in school plays and music concerts as well as excelling academically. She hugely benefits from the amount of individual nurturing and encouraging attention she receives from all the staff and her peers. The great variety of activities is excellent and means Summer has the ability to excel in areas which come naturally to her as well as trying new things.”

Mrs Thompson (Parent of Summer Yr8)



Issy

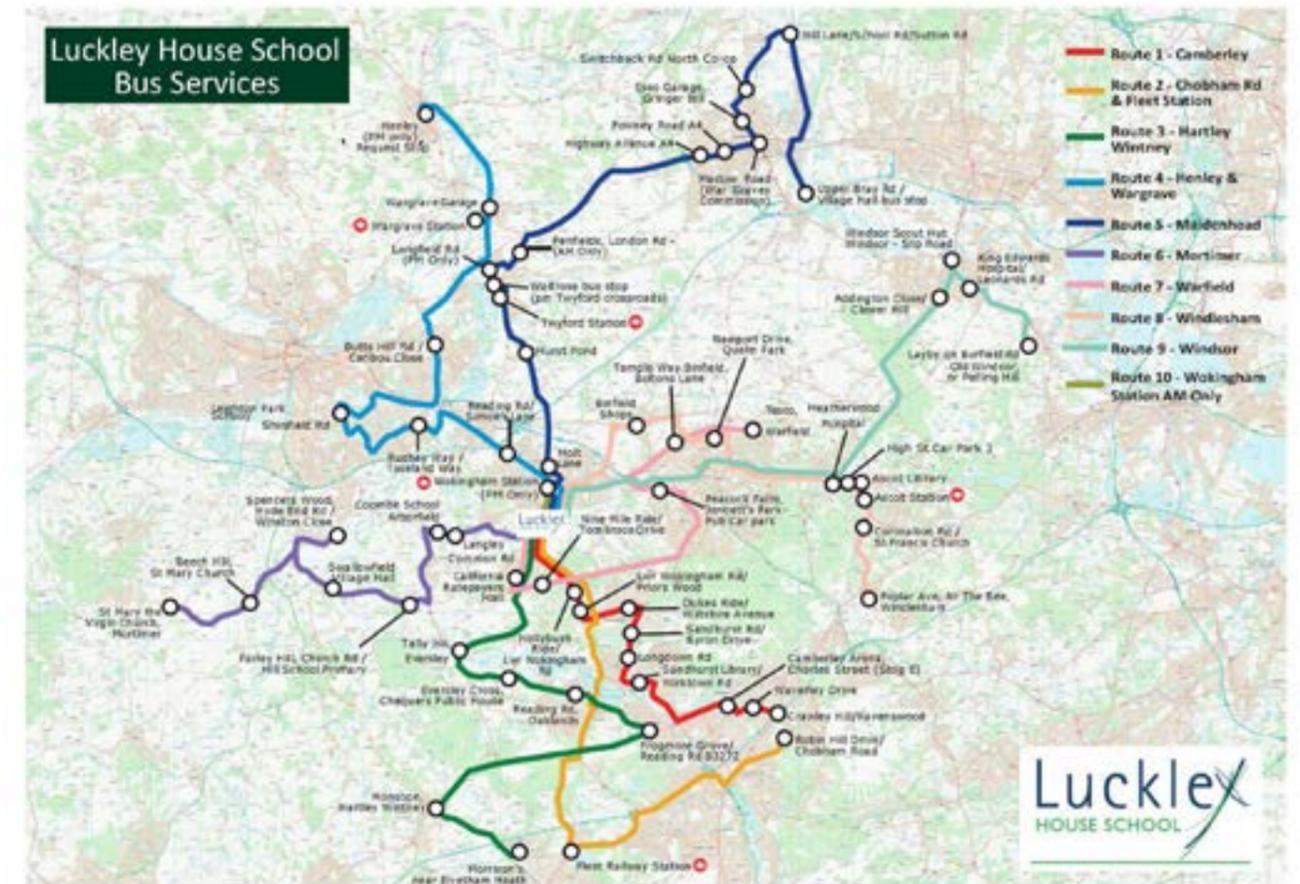
“The moment we visited Luckley we loved it. Our eldest has been there 7 years and has now just completed her A levels. She’s off to University to study Sports Science Psychology. Our youngest has just finished GCSEs and will return to Luckley for A Levels. Both girls have loved Luckley and to us that says it all! The teachers have always found time to help when it’s been needed outside the classroom. They have both had the opportunity to go on an amazing life changing trip, working for example in Ethiopia in an orphanage. Luckley provides a wonderful environment in which to learn, not just in achieving results, which are amazing, but in values and friendships. After all, relationships are key to life’s enjoyment.”

Mrs C Sellers (Parent of Issy (Yr13 Sports Captain 2018-19 and Rosie Yr12)

School Transport

We have partnered with Vectare, a specialist school transport management company, to provide a dedicated booking website for school transport. This offers a host of other benefits, including tracking the school bus and receiving email notifications when your child has boarded the service.

The school transport service represents an enjoyable, economical and environmentally friendly way to travel to and from school. A double service operates in the evening, at both 4.10pm and *5.40pm, to provide the option for students to enjoy our wide range of after school activities. *Please note that there is no late bus on Fridays. The cost is £8.30 return, per day for any route. The minibus service from Wokingham Station is £3.95. The charge is determined each term and payable in advance. One term’s notice is required before cancellation of this service. Ad hoc school transport is available (if there is space) at a cost of £6 per trip. Transport is also available for weekly boarders from the West London area.



<https://luckleyhouseschool.vectare.co.uk/>

How to find us

By Road

From the M4

- Exit Junction 10
- Take A329M to Wokingham
- Exit A329 to Wokingham Town Centre
- Through town centre, take A321 signposted Camberley and Sandhurst
- Pass under bridge, straight over the roundabout with Tesco on your left, pass under second bridge
- Second turning on the left is Luckley Road
- School entrance is 100 metres on the right

From the M3

- Exit Junction 4
- Follow A321 northward for Sandhurst and Wokingham
- Inside town boundary, at Ford Garage, bear right at roundabout
- Turn right into Luckley Road
- School entrance 100 metres on the right

By Rail

- London Waterloo to Wokingham direct
- London Paddington to Reading InterCity, change at Reading for frequent rail service to Wokingham
- Taxis are readily available at Wokingham Station

By Plane

- The School is a 45 minute drive from Heathrow Airport
- The School is a 60 minute drive from Gatwick Airport

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