

Information for Parents

School Information 2016–17



Basic information, factsheets

Welcome

Dear Parent

We are delighted that you have shown an interest in Hampshire Collegiate School as a potential school for your son or daughter. We see school as the beginning of a journey for every child to start them on the road to adulthood, in order that they may leave us ready to go out into the wider world, to lead happy and fulfilling lives and to contribute positively and generously.

Whether potential boarding or day parents, this booklet aims to provide you with some basic facts and information you need to know to begin making your decision. If you have any additional queries, please check the website, email or telephone us and we will be delighted to assist you. Please do come and visit us on one of our Open Days or contact the school to arrange a personal tour and visit.

I am very proud to lead this vibrant, successful and happy school. We are in the enviable position of being able to offer all families a school that will be academically ambitious for their children but will prepare them for life beyond school in a supportive, dynamic and extraordinary way. We offer an education beyond expectations.

Kind regards,



Emma-Kate Henry
Principal



OUR SCHOOL AIMS:

The school aims to create an environment in which we work collaboratively to encourage academic ambition, creativity, enthusiasm and resilience, where all are valued as individuals; one which also provides the opportunity for participation in a rich and diverse co-curricular programme, all of which is underpinned by a culture of respect for ourselves and others.

“Pupils are able to recognise their own strengths and weaknesses and can build on these in order to develop their potential fully” ...

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Our Grounds, Sports Facilities



Our grounds cover 130 acres and we endeavour to use this space for the benefit of all HCS students, from sports pitches to outside woodland and green spaces – to learn, as well as to play and compete.

HCS hosts regular sports tournaments with regional schools and many of our facilities regularly host high profile events like the 'Oxbridge Destinations' Conference.

An Introduction to Boarding at HCS

Boarding at HCS is fun and exciting, providing a home from home environment in the magnificent setting of The Manor House, once home to Florence Nightingale. Set in 130 acres of beautiful parkland and woodland the accommodation offers idyllic conditions for our boys and girls (aged between 11 and 18) to work, play and relax in a supportive and caring family atmosphere.

Staff

We have a large team of staff living on the school site who provide a boarding programme that is as varied as it is enriching. The Head of Boarding resides in the house so there is always someone to address any specific issues or needs the boarders may have throughout the day or night. The house team includes dedicated nurses and matrons who specialise in the welfare and medical needs of all boarders.

Weekday Routine

During the school week the boarders have full and busy days alongside the pupils in the day school. Their weekly schedule includes:

7.55	House registration – compulsory for all boarders
8.00 – 8.25	Breakfast
8.30	School day
4.00 – 5.00	Sign in - in house
6.00	Supper
6.30 – 6.40	House registration and assembly
6.45 – 7.45	Prep for Years 7-11 – Embley Library.
6.45 – 8.15	Prep for Years 12 – 13 – Studies.
7.45 – 8.45	Junior Activities
8.30 – 9.00	House parties with tutor – food and a chat
9.15	Bedtimes staggered in age groups.

Weekends

After a full and busy week it is important that the boarders should enjoy some rest and relaxation, although we always endeavour to offer opportunities for them to get out and about on organised excursions. Paint-balling, swimming, concerts, plays, cinemas and shopping, as well as visiting places of historical interest, are examples of the weekend activities on offer. Our aim is to provide a mixture of relaxation time and enjoyable activities, to contrast with the busy and structured weekly routine. It is all quite relaxed, informal and flexible-aiming where possible, to fit around individual needs and preferences.



On Fridays a few local boarders return home for the weekend and return on Sunday evening ready for the week ahead. Boarders are sometimes invited out by day students and their families at weekends. With parental approval this is encouraged, since it helps to maintain the excellent interaction that exists between day pupils and boarders.

The Boarding Environment

Pupils have regular supervised prep times during the week to complete their work, and they benefit from immediate access to resources such as the library and the internet. When they need help, staff, older pupils and peers are on hand to support and assist. Obviously, the social aspect of boarding is enticing for many pupils; school facilities are at their disposal and optional activities are on offer each night for the boarders. These include swimming, self-defence, football, basketball, running club, fitness to a name a few.

Boarders are well fed in the school's spacious modern dining room, where they enjoy a variety of healthy hot dishes, salads, puddings and fresh fruit. Healthy snacks and tuck are available in the boarding house at certain times through the food shop that we run.

Boarding Options

We offer a variety of boarding options, the two main ones being full or flexi boarding.

Flexi boarding can either be:

- a regular arrangement for the same night each week or
- boarding on an ad hoc basis as and when the family needs the flexibility of staying at school.

Both options are extremely popular amongst our current families' providing support when needed.

If you would like to visit, or wish to discuss the boarding options for your child in greater detail, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mrs Kate Cuff
Head of Boarding



Extra-Curricular Activities

Activities take place during lunchtimes and after school. Most are provided by members of the teaching staff, a few are supplied by external suppliers for which fees are payable. The list below gives a general idea of the activities on offer at HCS: some are offered every term, others are seasonal. This list is not exhaustive, and is subject to change.

Art	Hockey
A Level revision & coursework (all subjects)	Horsriding (fee payable)
Athletics	Karate
Badminton	Knitting
Basketball	Make-up and Styling
Bee-keeping	Maths Club
Blush	Mural Creators
Brainteasers puzzle club	Music: Choir
Chess	Jazz band
Craft Club	Flute Choir
Cricket	Orchestra/string group
Cricket Academy (fee payable)	Rehearsals
Cricket (Girls)	Theory
Creative Writing	Vocals/singing
Cross Country	Netball: Shooting and Skills
Dance	Photography
Drama	Rounders
Drama: LAMDA (fee payable)	Rugby
Drawing and Photography in the Grounds	Rugby 'Touch'
Duke of Edinburgh: Bronze, Silver Gold	Sailing
ECDL (Year 10)	Scrabble
'English Matters' Club	Softball
Falconry	Swimming
Fashion	Table tennis
Fencing (fee payable)	Tennis
Fishing	Tennis Academy (individual/pairs)
Flower Arranging	Tennis Squad
Football	Trampoline
French Club	Volleyball
Gardening	Warhammer
German Club	
GCSE Revision & Coursework	
Golf	
Gymnastics	



Recent University Destinations

Durham 2016

Plymouth 2016

Winchester 2016

Worcester 2016

Munich Technical University 2016

Manchester 2016

Bath Spa 2016

Essex 2016

Lincoln 2016

Exeter 2016

Buckingham 2016

Royal Holloway 2016

Oxford Brookes 2016

University College London 2016

Bristol UWE 2016

Bournemouth 2016

Also in 2016

Royal Marines

ALRA Drama School, London

University of the Arts, Bournemouth

King's College, London 2015

Keele 2015

Chichester 2015

Portsmouth 2015

Reading 2015

Brunel 2015

Leeds 2015

Birmingham 2015

Cardiff 2014

Southampton 2014

Cambridge 2014

Warwick 2014

Loughborough 2014



Directions to Hampshire Collegiate School

Hampshire Collegiate School is situated within an hour's drive of London (Heathrow) Airport. Southampton International Airport can be reached in under 30 minutes, Bournemouth International Airport is approximately 40 minutes away. Local rail stations are: Romsey (15 mins), Southampton Airport Parkway (30 mins) and Southampton Central (30 mins)

If travelling from London, or from Southampton (eastern) direction:

Exit the M3 at Junction 13, following the sign to Bournemouth. This takes you onto the M27 WESTBOUND towards Bournemouth.

Exit the M27 at Junction 2. Turn right (going back over the motorway) and take the dual carriageway to a big roundabout. There are MacDonalDs and services (petrol) here. Take the last exit (which is signposted to Romsey).

Carry on for about 2 miles, then, just as the dual carriageway ends, turn left onto the A27, signposted Whiteparish and Sherfield English. Continue for a mile or so, then just after Gardeners Lane on the left, turn left into the school drive.

If travelling from the Bournemouth direction:

On the A31, continue until it becomes the M27. Exit at Junction 2. Take the first left onto the dual carriageway to a big roundabout. There is a service station here. Take the last exit (which is signposted to Romsey).

Carry on for about 2 miles, then just as the dual carriageway ends, before 'The Cromwell Arms' restaurant, turn left onto the A27, signed posted Whiteparish and Sherfield English. Go straight on for approximately one mile and the school drive is on the left. Go 100 yards then turn right at the T junction, and follow the drive down.

If travelling from the Salisbury direction:

Head south from Salisbury on the A36. Turn left at the major traffic lights onto the A27, signposted Romsey. About two miles from Romsey, a mile or so after passing the village of Sherfield English and climbing a hill, turn right into the main school gates. There is a central area of the main road for right-turning into the school. There are two lodge houses clearly visible. Go 100 yards then turn right at the T junction, and follow the drive down.

Visiting the Prep School

The Prep School is the first building on the right hand side. Please use the marked parking spaces directly in front of the building. On arrival please report to the Prep School Reception on the left inside the main doors.

Visiting the Senior School

For the Senior School, follow the drive all the way to the old manor house. The entrance to Reception can be found at the far end of the manor house. Please park opposite this entrance.

On arrival please report to the Senior School Reception.

Note for Sat Nav Users

We are advised that some brands of SAT Nav (particularly Garmin) may direct drivers to enter the school at Embley Lane. Please note that this is not a right of way to the school. The main entrance to the school is located approximately 450 metres further along the A27 towards Romsey.



Summary of Bus Routes

The following descriptions are the 'core' routes. Any request for a stop not directly on the core route may be considered.

Blue Route:

Andover, Chilbolton, Stockbridge, King's Somborne, Michelmersh, Timsbury, Cupernham, Romsey Bus Station, HCS.
(From Andover to Romsey via A3057)

Cream Route:

Dibden Purlieu, Hythe, Marchwood, Ashurst Bridge, Woodlands, Netley Marsh, Totton, HCS.
(From Dibden Purlieu to Ower via A326)

Gold Route:

Burrige, Whiteley, Park Gate, Sarisbury Green, Lower Swanwick, Bursledon, HCS.
(Burrige to Park Gate, and then the A27 to Bursledon)

Green Route:

Salisbury, Alderbury, Brickworth, Whiteparish, Landford, Nomansland, West Wellow, Sherfield English, HCS.
(From Salisbury to Ower via A36)

Orange Route:

Barton-on-Sea, Milford-on-Sea, Pennington, Lymington, Battramsley Cross, Brockenhurst, Lyndhurst, Minstead, Cadnam, HCS.
(From Barton-on-Sea to Cadnam via A337)

Pink Route:

Colden Common, Twyford, Shawford, Otterbourne, Chandler's Ford, Valley Park, HCS.

Purple Route:

Southampton Central Station, Hill Lane, Raymond Road, Winchester Road, The Avenue, Chilworth, North Baddesley, Rownhams, HCS.

Red Route:

Kings Worthy, Weeke, Winchester, Hursley, Ampfield, Romsey, HCS.
(From Winchester to Romsey via A3090)

Violet Route:

Mottisfont, Broughton, Lockerley, Awbridge, Shootash, HCS.

White Route:

Bishop's Waltham, Wickham, Curdrige, Botley, Hedge End, West End, HCS.

**If you require further information regarding this service then please contact the Transport Manager
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