

FEES, EXTRAS AND RELATED INFORMATION – 2024/25

Please note that all fees are exclusive of any VAT that we may be obliged to charge from January 2025.

TERMLY FEES

Boarding

Junior Boarding (Years 7 & 8)	£ 10,990
Senior Boarding (Years 9 – 13)	£ 14,490

Day

Junior Day (Years 7 & 8)	£ 7,260
Junior Day + 2 nights	£ 8,490
Junior Day + 3 nights	£ 9,120
Senior Day (Years 9 – 13)	£ 8,790
Senior Day + 2 nights	£ 10,690
Senior Day + 3 nights	£ 11,640

AD HOC BOARDING

One-off boarding nights, subject to availability, will be charged at £60 per night in the Junior School and £75 in the Senior School.

The school remains open for international boarders over Exeat weekends at a fee of £225 per weekend.

We also offer 'late arrival' accommodation in Plunkett House for pupils returning late from half term. This is charged at £50.

EXTRAS

A threshold of £40 has been set for supplemental extras charges. Any items above this level will be notified to parents in advance of charges on the termly fee bill.

Extras automatically added each term are:

- St. Gregory's Society (£20). This is our alumni association, with a strong international network of Old Gregorians and a range of publications, benefits and events. Your termly subscription whilst at school gives lifetime membership thereafter. Further details can be obtained from the Development Office.
- Downside Association (£20). Formerly known as the Parents' Association, the Downside Association organises events and activities to encourage parents and other members of our community to get together, fostering friendships and supporting the school. Any surplus funds at the end of each year are donated to the Bursary Fund.

PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS

Any fees associated with public examinations (i.e. GCSEs in the Fifth Form and 'A' Levels / BTECs in the Sixth Form) will be invoiced as extras for the term in which the exams take place.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR LESSONS

Extra-curricular lessons may be booked on a termly basis and will be invoiced in arrears at the end of each term.

Please note that you are required to give a term's (9 lessons') notice to discontinue any activity charged for as supplemental. Failure to provide the required notice will result in you having to pay the charge regardless. This is because we have to give appropriate notice to the teacher, and continue to pay them throughout the notice period.

There is usually an average of 9 weekly lessons per term, but this varies according to the length of each term. Charges are as follows:

Music, Dance and Drama / LAMDA

Individual lessons:	£36 per lesson (£324/term based on 9 lessons)
Lessons taught as a pair*:	£18 per lesson (£162/term based on 9 lessons)
Lessons taught in groups*:	£12 per lesson (£108/term based on 9 lessons)

*Please note that not all instruments can be offered as pair or group lessons, and any arrangements will be subject to availability and staff agreement.

For pupils learning multiple instruments we will provide discounts on the second and third lessons each week in line with the Learning Support schedule below.

Learning Support

1 lesson / week:	£36 per lesson
2 lessons / week:	£32 per lesson
3 lessons / week:	£28 per lesson

English as an Additional Language (EAL)

EAL lessons are charged at £68 per class (70 minutes). Parents will be advised regarding the recommended number and frequency of lessons.

Additional Languages

We can offer tuition in other languages such as Cantonese, Italian, Mandarin and Russian, subject to teacher availability. This is charged at £55 per 70-minute lesson as follows:

1 lesson / week:	£495 per term
2 lessons / week:	£990 per term
3 lessons / week:	£1,485 per term

DAY PUPIL TRANSPORT

Minibus routes are advertised on the website. Termly fees for use are:

- < 5 Miles £330 per term
- > 5 Miles £380 per term

A 25% discount is applied for 2 siblings, and a 50% discount for 3 or more siblings using the service.

Individual journeys (subject to availability) are charged at a flat rate of £7 per journey.

TIER 4 VISA COMPLIANCE

New pupils who require a Child Student Visa will receive specialist support by Newland Chase, an Immigration Legal Firm, who are retained by the school in all matters relating to visas (www.newlandchase.com). This is to ensure that correct processes are followed to protect families, pupils and the school. A fee of £600 is charged for this service, which is in addition to the cost of the UK visa and any extra costs that a family may incur, for instance, through the use of an agent who may assist with the visa process in your home country.

We will charge an additional £300 to current pupils who need to renew their visas in order to remain at Downside for a further period of study.

COUNSELLING

We provide 3 free 'triage' sessions, after which parents are charged at £55 per session.

FEES REFUND SCHEME

We operate, via an insurance company, an 'opt in' Fees Refund Scheme, whereby you may secure a refund of fees if your child is off school due to illness or injury. The premium is currently 1.04% of the relevant termly fee. Further details can be obtained from the Bursary.

PERSONAL EFFECTS INSURANCE

Parents are advised that the school is unable to obtain insurance cover for pupils' clothing and personal effects. Please arrange for an extension of your household policy if this does not already provide such cover.

PRIVATE MEDICAL INSURANCE

Parents who advise the school of their child's private medical insurance cover, and later cancel it, must ensure that the school is immediately informed. It is not always possible to contact parents before a medical appointment, particularly in an emergency, to confirm such cover and therefore any charges inadvertently incurred will be passed on to parents.

MONEY

Parents must ensure that their child's pocket money for the term is provided. It is not possible for the school to advance cash or cheques on account.

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