



HARROGATE LADIES' COLLEGE.
ADMISSIONS
INFORMATION
2021/22.

Since 1893

WELCOME TO HARROGATE LADIES' COLLEGE

“A culture of high achievement pervades the school.”

ISI Inspection Report

We believe that joining a new school should be exciting and engaging for pupils and as stress-free as possible for parents. We don't select pupils based solely on academic attainment, despite our excellent GCSE and A Level results, but we do look for girls who are passionate about joining our school and who have the potential to contribute to our vibrant and diverse community.

As a member of the Girls' Schools Association (GSA) our admissions process is in line with the GSA admissions code of conduct.

ETHOS AND AIMS

We aim to develop a deep passion for learning and a love of life in all of our pupils. This ethos underpins everything we do and is at the heart of our school community.

We are a Christian foundation and our pupils are challenged to be the best that they can be, both inside and outside the classroom.

ENTRY INTO YEAR 7 (UPPER 3)

Our biggest intake into College is in Year 7, (or Upper 3 as we know it). Girls join us from a wide range of prep and junior schools across Harrogate, Yorkshire, the UK and the world. Throughout the application process, pupils and parents have the opportunity to get to know the school, the teachers and the other families looking to join our community.

Year 7 Entrance Process:

- > **Registration:** Girls can be registered at any time, however, we recommend registering by the beginning of the Autumn Term in Year 6.
- > **Taster Day:** Most girls attend our Taster Day in the Autumn Term of Year 6. Girls in Year 5 are also welcome to join us. Our 2021 Taster Day is on **Saturday 6 November 2021**. For further information and to book on-line please visit www.hlc.org.uk/tasterday.
- > **Application:** The next step is to complete our Application Form, the deadline for which is **Friday 3 December 2021**.
- > **Assessment:** Once we have received your Application Form, your daughter will be invited to join us for Scholarship Assessments on **Thursday 13 or Friday 14 January 2022** and Entrance Exams are on **Saturday 15 January 2022**. Our Entrance Exams include Maths, English and Non-Verbal Reasoning papers, as well as an interview with either the Principal or one of our senior members of staff – we know that might all sound a bit daunting, but the girls always leave with smiles on their faces and have usually made some new friends along the way. (Sample papers for Maths and English are available on request prior to assessment). We will also ask your daughter's current school to provide a reference at this point.
- > **Offer:** We aim to confirm whether applications have been successful and issue offers in writing by the beginning of February in Year 6.
- > **Acceptance:** Once you have received an offer you will be asked to confirm your acceptance and return your deposit by **Monday 7 March 2022**.
- > **Transition:** We have a whole programme of events, activities and communication that take place once offers have been accepted to ensure that you and your daughter are prepared, excited and part of our school community by the time you join us in September.

We understand that sometimes circumstances change, and so we do also accept applications for entry into Year 7 outside of these timescales, subject to availability of places.

Open Mornings

Friday 24 September 2021

Friday 4 March 2022

Monday 2 May 2022

ENTRY INTO OTHER YEARS

While our largest intake into College is in Year 7, we also accept applications for entry into all other year groups including 13+ and 16+ entry, subject to availability. The process for application into other year groups is as follows:

- > **Registration:** Once you have visited us, we will ask you to complete a Registration Form to confirm that you would like to proceed with an application.
- > **Assessment:** Applicants will typically be asked to complete entrance papers in Maths and English appropriate for their age group. These can be completed at College or at your daughter's current school. We also like to see copies of your most recent school report at this stage.
- > **Interview:** Once papers have been completed your daughter will be invited for an interview with our Principal. (This can be conducted via Skype where appropriate). We will also request a reference from your daughter's current school at this point.
- > **Offer:** If successful, we will aim to issue an offer as soon as possible after interview, typically within a week.
- > **Acceptance:** Once you have received an offer, we will ask you to complete an Acceptance Form and pay a deposit to confirm that you would like to accept the place.

We hope that the process of applying to join Harrogate Ladies' College is as straight forward as possible, however, if you have any questions please do contact our Admissions Team on 01423 537045 or email admissions@hlc.org.uk.

Fees for 2021/22

Day Fees: £5,840 per term

Our Day Fees include the following:

- > Tuition.
- > Access to school from 7.30am to 9.00pm.
- > Breakfast, lunch and supper, plus mid-morning and afternoon snacks.
- > Supervised after school homework sessions until 6.30pm.
- > 2 nights free boarding per term (subject to availability).
- > Most text books.
- > Medical services provided by our dedicated Health Centre.
- > An extensive extra-curricular programme.

Full Boarding Fees: £11,000 per term

Our boarding fees include the following:

- > Tuition.
- > Accommodation (during term time).
- > All meals including breakfast, lunch, supper plus mid-morning and afternoon snacks.
- > Full laundry service.
- > Supervised after school homework.
- > Most text books.
- > Medical provision from the College Health Centre.
- > Extensive extra-curricular programme.

Weekly, Flexi and Occasional Boarding

We adopt a flexible approach to boarding to meet a wide range of individual family and student needs. As well as the standard termly boarding we also offer Weekly, Flexi and Occasional boarding.

All boarders have full access to the same facilities, share the same houses and receive the same levels of support from the whole family of boarding staff.

These boarding options are charged as an addition to the standard day fees as follows:

- › Weekly Boarding (4 or 5 nights a week) **£175 per week**
- › Flexi-Boarding (3 nights a week) **£125 per week**
- › Occasional Boarding **£50 per night**

Fees listed are applicable to EU domiciled families. For details of Non-EU fees please contact our Admissions Team on 01423 537045. Fees are invoiced termly and are payable before the start of each term or in 9 monthly instalments if paying by direct debit.

Fee Discounts

- › 15% discount on all College fees is applied for the children of serving members of the regular UK Armed Forces.
- › Daughters and grand-daughters of former pupils are eligible for a 10% fee reduction.
- › A discount of 5% is available for any girl who has a younger sibling in College.

Parents are entitled to benefit from one of the above concessions only. This will be the highest percentage concession.

Scholarships

Each year we award a small number of scholarships to girls joining College who demonstrate an exceptional talent or potential in a particular field including Academics, Sport, Music, Drama, Textiles, Choral and Art. Scholarships carry a 5% discount on standard College Day fees.

In addition to standard scholarships, the College Scholar Programme is a means tested scholarship for pupils with exceptional academic potential and is worth up to 110% of day fees.

For entry in September 2022, Scholarship Applications should be submitted by **Friday 3 December 2021**. Scholarship Assessments for entry into Year 7 will take place on **Thursday 13 January and Friday 14 January 2022**. Scholarship Assessments for other year groups will be arranged on an individual basis.

Financial Assistance

We are committed to widening access to our schools to families who might not otherwise be able to fund a place. In line with this, we can provide financial assistance to a small number of families each year in the form of means tested bursaries up to 100%. We also offer a direct debit scheme enabling families to spread the cost of fees over 9 monthly instalments.

For a confidential discussion about means tested financial assistance, please contact our Director of Finance, Rebecca Henriksen, in the first instance on 01423 504543 or email rebecca.henriksen@hlc.org.uk.

Registration Fee and Deposit

There is a non-refundable Registration Fee of £75 for all applications. Once you receive an offer from College, you'll also be asked to pay a deposit of £500 for day pupils and £1,000 for boarding pupils in order to secure your place.

Music Lessons

Pre-arranged instrument and singing lessons are available on a weekly basis. Individual lessons lasting 35 minutes cost £27 per lesson.

For beginners in string, woodwind or brass, a school instrument is available for hire for the first year at a cost of £50 per term.

School Transport

We welcome day pupils from a wide range of locations across Yorkshire. To help parents juggle busy family lives, we operate 5 daily bus services to and from our school. Our bus services are operated by our own members of staff and are available on a flexible basis (subject to availability). Our current routes include:

- › **South of Harrogate to Leeds (route 1)**
Burn Bridge, Harewood, Moortown, Weetwood and Headingley.
- › **South of Harrogate to Leeds (route 2)**
Beckwithshaw, Pool-in-Wharfedale, Leeds Bradford Airport, Bramhope, Adel, Weetwood, Moortown and Kirkstall.
- › **West of Harrogate towards Skipton**
Pool-in-Wharfedale, Otley, Burley in Wharfedale, Ilkley, Addingham and Bolton Abbey.
- › **North of Harrogate to Ripon**
Hampsthwaite, Kettleasing, Darley, Summerbridge, Shaw Mills, Markington, Burton Leonard, Bishop Monkton and Ripon.
- › **South East of Harrogate to Wetherby**
Pannal, Follifoot, Spofforth, Linton, Sicklinghall, Wetherby, Boston Spa, Clifford, Bramham and Thorer.

Our school transport routes are designed to meet the needs of our pupils and their families and we are always happy to consider new or customised routes where possible.

Bank Transfer Information

Fees, deposits and registration fees can be paid directly to Harrogate Ladies' College by electronic bank transfer. Please quote your daughter's full name as a reference when making a payment.

Bank Details:

Barclays Bank plc
Banbury
Oxfordshire
OX16 8PS

Account Details:

Sort Code: **20-03-50**
Account: **Harrogate Ladies' College fees a/c**
Account No: **30489506**
IBAN code: **GB63 BARC 2003 5030 4895 06**
BIC code: **BARCGB22**

Curriculum*

Key Stage 3 - Years 7, 8 and 9	GCSE - Years 10 and 11	A LEVEL - Years 12 and 13
Art	Advanced Mathematics	Art and Design
Biology (Years 8&9)	Art and Design	Art and Design - Textiles
Chemistry (Years 8&9)	Art and Design - Textiles	Biology
Computing	Biology	Business Studies
Drama	Chemistry	Chemistry
English	Computer Science	Economics
French	Double Award Science	English Literature
Games	Drama	Food Sciences and Nutrition
German	Economics	French
Geography	English Literature	Further Mathematics
History	English Language	German
Food Technology	Food and Nutrition	Geography
Latin	French	History
Mathematics	German	Latin
Music	Geography	Mathematics
PE	History	Music
Philosophy (Year 9)	Latin	Photography
Physics (Years 8&9)	Mathematics	Physics
PSHE (Personal, Social and Health Education)	Music	Psychology
Religious Studies	Physical Education	Spanish
Science (Year 7)	Physics	Theatre Studies
Spanish (Years 8&9)	Religious Studies	
Swimming	Spanish	
Textiles		

*Subjects in a particular year may differ to those cited above.

In Year 8 the girls choose to study two Modern Foreign Languages and will continue to study these subjects in Year 9.

Other Examination Options

LAMDA (Speech and Drama)

Music Examinations - Associated Board of the Royal School of Music (ABRSM)

Music Diplomas - ABRSM and Trinity Guildhall

IELTS

EPQ

Curriculum 2021/22

SPORTS		
Aerobics Athletics Ballet Badminton Basketball Cricket Dance Fitness Training Football	Golf Gymnastics Horse Riding Indoor Hockey Lacrosse Netball Outdoor Pursuits Rounders Running	Self Defence Squash Street Dance Swimming Tennis Trampolining Volley Ball
CLUBS & ACTIVITIES		
Art Astronomy Baking Club Book Clubs Business Breakfast Charity Committee Chemistry Olympiad Chess Club Creative Writing Debating and Public Speaking Diction Digital Leaders Club	Duke of Edinburgh Eco Committee Junior Drama Group Speaking HLC Apprentice HLC Magazine House Drama Italian Club Language Olympiad Latin Myths LEAP (Young Enterprise) Mathematics Club	Mural Workshop Order of Athena Overseas University Club Oxbridge Preparation Prep Support Recreational Swimming School Productions Sisterhood of Freedom Writers STEM Club So you want to be a Vet or Doctor? Target 2.0 - Economics in Action
MUSIC - Individual Music (lessons in all Instruments and Voice)		
Band Skills Chapel Choir Gallery Choir House Music	Lower School Music Theory Club Music Theory Club Orchestra Recorder Ensemble	String Ensemble Vocal Ensemble Wind Ensemble

ISI Inspection - Excellent in All Areas (2-18 years)

The independent ISI inspectors spent 3 days undertaking a detailed inspection of Harrogate Ladies' College and our associated prep school and pre-school. The inspectors awarded us the highest possible rating of Excellent in All Areas from 2 to 18 years. Here are some of the key findings of our Education Quality Inspection:

The quality of the pupils' academic and other achievements is EXCELLENT.

- › A culture of high achievement pervades the school.
- › Academic Standards across the school are high.
- › Results at GCSE and iGCSE are above the national average for maintained schools and demonstrate consistent progress in relation to the pupils' starting points.
- › Senior school pupils are articulate and confident speakers.
- › Those in the senior school who are more able have opportunities to excel.
- › Pupils achieve excellent standards and successes in group activities and individually in music, public speaking and sports.

The quality of the pupils' personal development is EXCELLENT.

- › All members of the school community respect different faiths and cultures.
- › Pupils develop excellent personal skills and enjoy working collaboratively.
- › Pupils learn to mix with all age groups relishing the many opportunities to work together in both house and school activities.
- › Pupils contribute very strongly to the school and wider community and are sensitive to the needs of others.

2021/22 Term Dates:

Autumn Term 2021

New Boarders' Travel Day	Thursday 2 September
Induction Day for All New Pupils	Friday 3 September
Boarders' Return to School	Saturday 4 September (all boarders to return 09:00-20:00)
First Teaching Day	Monday 6 September
Half Term Begins	Friday 15 October at 16:30
Boarders' Travel Day	Saturday 16 October (all boarders to depart by 12:00)
Boarders' Travel Day	Sunday 31 October (all boarders to return by 20:00)
School Resumes	Monday 1 November (all pupils to school for 08:30)
Term Ends	Friday 10 December at 16:00
Boarders' Travel Day	Saturday 11 December (all boarders to depart by 12:00)

Spring Term 2022

Boarders' Travel Day	Tuesday 4 January (all boarders to return by 20:00)
First Teaching Day	Wednesday 5 January (all pupils to school for 08:30)
Half Term Begins	Friday 18 February at 16:30
Boarders' Travel Day	Saturday 19 February (all boarders to depart by 12:00)
Boarders' Travel Day	Sunday 27 February (all boarders to return by 20:00)
School Resumes	Monday 28 February (all pupils to school for 08:30)
Term Ends	Friday 1 April at 16:00
Boarders' Travel Day	Saturday 2 April (all boarders to depart by 12:00)

Summer Term 2022

Boarders' Travel Day	Sunday 24 April (all boarders to return by 20:00)
First Teaching Day	Monday 25 April (all pupils to school for 08:30)
Bank Holiday (open for College)	Monday 2 May
Half Term Begins	Friday 27 May at 16:30
Boarders' Travel Day	Saturday 28 May (all boarders to depart by 12:00)
Boarders' Travel Day	Sunday 5 June (all boarders to return by 20:00)
School Resumes	Monday 6 June (all pupils to school for 08:30)
Term Ends	Saturday 9 July at 13:00
Boarders' Travel Day	Saturday 9 July (boarders to depart after 13:00)
Boarders' Travel Day	Sunday 10 July (Lower 6 & Upper 6 boarders to depart by 12:00)

Contact Us Today:

If you are interested in applying for a place at Harrogate Ladies' College, please contact our Admissions Team in the first instance. The Admissions Team work closely with families to help make the process as smooth and as simple as possible.

Contact:

Admissions Team

Email: admissions@hlc.org.uk

Tel: 01423 537045

Governance

Our Chair of Governors, Francine Holroyd, and our Principal, Sylvia Brett, can be contacted via Harrogate Ladies' College, Clarence Drive, Harrogate, HG1 2QG.

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