

DUCHY COLLEGE

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DUCHY COLLEGE PRE-SCHOOL PREP SENIORS SIXTH FORM

Since 1893

WE, THE PUPILS OF
DUCHY COLLEGE,
KNOW WHO WE ARE.



I AM A DUCHY COLLEGE
PUPIL.

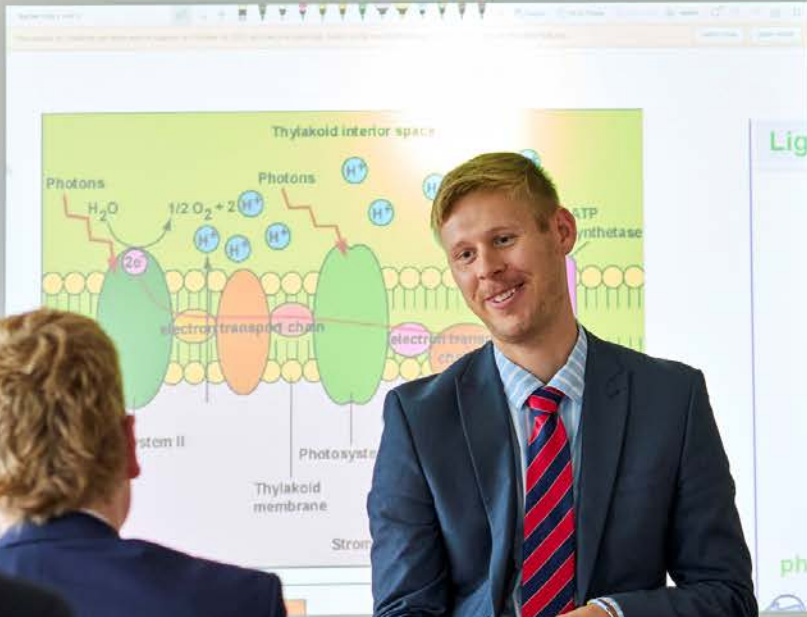


I AM THE DUCHY
COLLEGE
PRINCIPAL.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

**IT MEANS WE ARE LEARNING IN
A SCHOOL WHICH KNOWS US AS
INDIVIDUALS, EACH WITH OUR OWN
STRENGTHS, CHALLENGES AND HOPES.**

Our school's ethos, bolstered by
the boarding spirit, benefits all
our pupils - both day and boarding.



I AM A DUCHY COLLEGE
TEACHER.

WHY?

BECAUSE THE KINDER, SAFER, MORE TRUSTING OUR ENVIRONMENT, THE HARDER WE CAN BE ELEVATED IN ORDER TO BE THE BEST WE CAN BE, BOTH INSIDE THE CLASSROOM AND OUT.

AUTHENTICITY.

WE CAN BE WHO WE ARE, THE
BEST VERSION OF OURSELVES,
WITH CONFIDENCE.



**I AM A DUCHY COLLEGE
PUPIL.**



WE ARE DUCHY
COLLEGE
PUPILS.

OUR SCHOOL
ENCOURAGES
CANDOUR,

conversation and friendships
between age-groups, establishing
the cornerstones of a purposeful life.

THIS MEANS WE
START TO GRASP,
FOR US, NOTHING
IS IMPOSSIBLE
IF WE PUT OUR
MINDS TO IT.

I AM A DUCHY COLLEGE
PUPIL.

WE ARE DETERMINED.

OUR SCHOOL HELPS US
TO MAKE THE BEST OF
OURSELVES, EVERY DAY.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION ABOUT JOINING DUCHY COLLEGE

As we begin our new co-ed era as Duchy College from September 2026, we are delighted to welcome applications for pupils to join us in all year groups.

We believe joining a new school should be exciting and engaging for pupils and stress-free for parents. We do not select pupils based solely on academic attainment, despite our excellent academic achievements. We look for pupils who are passionate about joining us and who have the potential to contribute to our vibrant and diverse community.

Joining Duchy College Pre-School 2-4 years

Children can join us at any point in the year but we normally recommend applying as early as possible to ensure your required sessions are available. We also understand children develop at different rates so we do not set any specific development criteria for joining Pre-School.

We normally recommend parents start their journey with a personal visit as a first step. This will provide an opportunity to view the facilities, meet members of staff and other children and get a feel of day to day life at Pre-School.

Duchy College Pre-School Fees for 2026/2027 Academic Year

Termly fees for Duchy College Pre-School are based on the number of sessions attended each week (our standard sessions are 9am-12pm or 1pm-4pm).

2 sessions per week	£1,180 per term
3 sessions per week	£1,430 per term
4 sessions per week	£1,680 per term
5 sessions per week	£1,955 per term
6 sessions per week	£2,305 per term
7 sessions per week	£2,575 per term
8 sessions per week	£2,835 per term
9 sessions per week	£3,090 per term
10 sessions per week	£3,365 per term

As well as our standard morning and afternoon sessions, we offer a lunchtime session each day between 12-1pm which includes a hot lunch. Lunchtime sessions are available with any combination of standard morning or afternoon sessions.

As with our standard termly fees, charges for lunchtime sessions are based on the number of sessions attended per week:

1 lunchtime per week	£165 per term
2 lunchtimes per week	£325 per term
3 lunchtimes per week	£485 per term
4 lunchtimes per week	£645 per term
5 lunchtimes per week	£810 per term

Before and After School Care

To help families juggling busy schedules, we run our own Before and After School programme from 7.30am and until 6pm. Before and After School Care is run by our own staff as an extension of the standard school day. Before and After School care is available for Reception to Year 6 pupils. It is charged at a rate of £5 per 30 minutes (not subject to VAT).

Please note a late pick-up charge of £35 will be applied for any child who is not picked up promptly by 6pm.

Early Years Funding

Early Years Funding is available for all eligible 2, 3 and 4 year olds. Please contact the Admissions Team on 01423 537045 or email admissions@duchycollege.org.uk for further details.

EYFS Holiday Care

During the school holidays, Pre-School children have the option to attend our Holiday Camps. These are designed to enable them to play and have fun, while easing the childcare pressures on parents.

We offer a standard day from 9am-4pm charged at £50.00 per day. The options of an early drop off, from 8am, and a late pickup, until 5pm, are each charged at £8.00 per day. Together with our termly provision, the holiday camps cover 48 weeks of the year.

Joining Duchy College Prep 4-11 years

Most children join Prep at the age of 4 into our Reception classes. Children join us from a wide range of nursery and pre-school settings across Harrogate and the surrounding area, as well as from our own Duchy College Pre-School (children from our pre-school and the siblings of current pupils are given priority places in our Reception classes).

We also have children who join us throughout the year in other year groups as families move into the area, or choose to move schools for other reasons. We recommend a personal visit as a first step. This is a great way to understand Duchy College Prep and what makes us unique.

Duchy College Prep School Fees for 2026/2027 Academic Year

Reception Class to Prep 2:

£4,900 per term

Prep 3 to Prep 6:

£5,700 per term

Prep Boarding Fees:

£12,500 per term (Prep 5 and Prep 6)

Prep fees are inclusive of VAT, lunch, tuition, textbooks, personal accident insurance and an extensive extra-curricular programme. Boarding fees also include accommodation (during term time), all meals (breakfast, lunch and supper) and a full laundry service.

Before and After School Care and Holiday Clubs

As with Pre-School, we run our own Before and After School programme to help families juggling busy lives. Many families combine this with our extensive programme of extra-curricular clubs. Before and After School care is available for Reception to Year 6 pupils. It is charged at a rate of £5 per 30 minutes (not subject to VAT).

Please note a late pick-up charge of £35 will be applied for any child who is not picked up promptly by 6pm.

Reception children are welcome to join our EYFS Holiday Camps (see previous Duchy College Pre-School section for further details). For children in Prep 1 upwards, we host on-site activity camps run by the popular holiday club provider, Total Sports – visit www.totalsportslimited.co.uk for further details.

Joining Duchy College Seniors 11-16 years

Our co-ed provision will be phased into our senior school in the following way:

2026/27	Year 7 co-educational	Years 8-11 girls only
2027/28	Years 7 & 8 co-educational	Years 9-11 girls only
2028/29	Years 7-9 co-educational	Years 10 & 11 girls only
2029/30	Years 7-10 co-educational	Year 11 girls only
2030/31	Fully co-educational	

Entry into Year 7

Our biggest intake into Seniors is in Year 7. Pupils 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 Taster Day, November 2026:** Most Year 7 applicants attend our Taster Day in the Autumn Term of Year 6. Year 5 pupils are also encouraged to attend.
- **Entrance Exams and Scholarship Assessment:** Once we have received your application form, your child will be invited to join us for Scholarship Assessments and Entrance Exams in January 2027. Our Entrance Exams include Maths, English and Non-Verbal Reasoning, as well as an interview with either the Principal or one of our senior members of staff.
- **Year 7 Offers:** We aim to send out Year 7 offers by the end of January 2027.
- **Acceptance Deadline:** In line with all independent schools, once you have received an offer you will be asked to confirm your acceptance and return your deposit.

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

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Entry Into Other Year Groups

While our largest intake into Seniors is in Year 7, we also accept applications for entry into all other year groups, subject to availability. The process for application into other year groups roughly follows that of Year 7, however it is undertaken on an individual basis at a time to suit you and your child.

Assessment for entry into other year groups includes entrance papers in Maths and English as well as an interview with our Principal. We will also ask for a copy of your child's most recent school report and, with your permission, we'll request a reference from their current school. Once the assessment process is complete, we will aim to send you an offer as soon as possible; typically within one week.

Duchy College Seniors Fees for 2026/2027

Day Fees:

£8,570 per term

Boarding Fees (Years 7 & 8):

£15,125 per term

Boarding Fees (Year 9-11):

£16,270 per term

Weekly Boarding (based on 4 nights a week):

£13,275 per term

Flexi-Boarding (3 nights a week):

£330 per week

Occasional Boarding:

£110 per night (in addition to standard day fees)

Duchy College Seniors day fees are inclusive of VAT, tuition, access to school from 7.30am to 9.00pm, lunch (plus breakfast and supper if required), supervised after school homework sessions until 6.30pm, most textbooks, personal accident insurance, medical services provided by our dedicated Wellness Centre team and an extensive extra-curricular programme. One night of free boarding per term is also included in day fees. Boarding fees also include accommodation during term time, all meals (breakfast, lunch and supper) and a full laundry service.

Joining Duchy College Sixth Form 16-18 years

Our co-ed provision will be phased into our Sixth Form in the following way:

2026/27	Year 12 co-educational	Year 13 – girls only
2027/28	Fully co-educational	

Like other areas of school, we aim to make the process of applying and joining Sixth Form as simple as possible, particularly as pupils are typically in the midst of their GCSE studies.

We recommend a personal visit on a normal teaching day as a first step to give you a real feel for our Sixth Form community.

As part of the Sixth Form application process, we ask pupils to sit entrance papers in Maths and English as well as an interview with our Principal. We will also ask for copies of your child's most recent school report and, with your permission, we will request a reference from their current school.

Once assessment is complete, we will aim to send you an offer as soon as possible, typically within one week.

Duchy College Sixth Form Fees for 2026/2027

Day Fees:

£8,570 per term

Boarding Fees:

£16,270 per term

Weekly Boarding (based on 4 nights a week):

£13,275 per term

Flexi-Boarding (3 nights a week):

£330 per week

Occasional Boarding:

£110 per night

Duchy College Sixth Form day fees are inclusive of VAT, tuition, access to school from 7.30am to 9.00pm, lunch (plus breakfast and supper if required), supervised after school homework sessions until 6.30pm, most textbooks, personal accident insurance, medical services provided by our dedicated Wellness Centre team and an extensive extra-curricular programme. One night of free boarding per term is also included in day fees. Boarding fees also include accommodation during term time, all meals (breakfast, lunch and supper) and a full laundry service.

Please Note:

All fees outlined in this document are for the 2026/2027 academic year and are subject to review.

Information For All Applicants

2-18 years

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.

Financial Assistance

We are committed to widening access to our school to families who might not otherwise be able to fund a place. In line with this, we provide financial assistance to a small number of families each year in the form of means tested bursaries up to 100%.

Fee Discounts for All Duchy College Applicants

- 15% discount on all fees is applied for the children of serving members of the regular UK Armed Forces.
- Children of former pupils are eligible for a 10% fee reduction.
- A discount of 5% is available for any pupil who has a younger sibling in school.

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

Registration Fee and Deposit

There is a non-refundable Registration Fee of £120 for all applications. To accept an offer of a place, we will also ask you to pay a deposit of £360 for Pre-School and Prep, £600 for Seniors and Sixth Form and £1200 for boarding places.

School Transport

We welcome day pupils from a wide range of locations across Yorkshire. To help parents juggle busy family lives, we operate five 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:

Ilkley/Addingham

Bolton Abbey Bridge, Addingham, Ilkley, Burley-in-Wharfedale, Otley and Pool-in-Wharfedale.

Leeds – Route 1

Moortown, Harewood, Shadwell, Alwoodley, Gledhow, Roundhay and Moor Allerton.

Leeds – Route 2

Headingley, West Park, Kirkstall, Moortown, Weetwood, Adel, Bramhope, Pool-in-Wharfedale and Beckwithshaw.

Wetherby

Scholes, Barwick in Elmet, Thorner, Bramham, Clifford, East Keswick, Boston Spa, Wetherby, Sicklinghall, Linton and Spofforth.

Ripon/Nidderdale

Ripon, Littlethorpe, Bishop Monkton, Burton Leonard, Markington, Shaw Mills, Pateley Bridge, Summerbridge, Darley, Kettlesing, Hampsthwaite, Birstwith, Tang and Scotton.

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.

CONTACT US TO FIND OUT MORE

If you are interested in applying for a place at Duchy 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.

Email admissions@duchycollege.org.uk or call **01423 537045**

Governance

Our Chair of Governors, Francine Holroyd, and our Principal, Joanna Fox, can be contacted via Duchy College, Clarence Drive, Harrogate HG1 2QG.



**I, AND MY FRIENDS, WILL LEAVE HERE ABLE TO SAY:
“I AM GOING TO TAKE ON THE
WORLD ON MY OWN TERMS.”**



I AM
ME



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