



Tormead
SCHOOL

Senior School Information

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Our prospectus and School website describe the broad principles on which the School is presently run, and give an indication of our history and ethos. The Head reserves the right to withdraw curriculum subjects at his discretion. Although believed to be correct at the time of printing, this prospectus is not part of any agreement between parents and the School.

Please refer to our website
www.tormeadschool.org.uk for
more information on:

- Recent examination Results
- Our Policies
- Destinations of Leavers
- Recent ISI Inspection Report



As an independent day school, we deliver impressive academic results alongside outstanding pastoral care for confident and caring girls, aged 4-18, in the greater Guildford area – and their hardworking parents (just like you)...

School Values

- We treat everyone with respect and dignity
- We deliver academic excellence
- We enrich through a broad and varied curriculum
- We celebrate effort and achievement
- We bring out the best in our girls
- We prepare our girls for life beyond school

Admissions

2022 Senior Entry

Choosing the right school for your daughter is a huge decision. We want you to feel comfortable and confident about your choice of school and to support you throughout the admissions process.

11+ Entrance Assessments are held in November and December and entrance interviews are held in January. Entrance Assessments for other occasional Senior places are held in January, for entry the following September.

1. Discovery

The best way to find out more is to visit us. Senior School Open Mornings are held throughout the year. Visits at other times can be arranged by contacting the Registrar, Mrs Melanie Hobdey, on 01483 796040 or registrar@tormeadschool.org.uk.

2. Registration

After you have visited the school, the next step is to complete an online Registration Form, via our website: www.tormeadschool.org.uk/admissions/apply-for-a-place/. Registrations are welcome at any time, although the

deadline for registration is 31 October preceding entry the following September. For late enquiries, please contact the Registrar before registering. Prior to the entrance assessments, girls registered for 11+ entry are invited to an enjoyable Activity Morning that takes place in November. This optional event will give your daughter an opportunity to join in a series of fun sport, creative and academic activities, providing a taster of Senior School life.

3. Assessments

Girls registered for 11+ entry will sit the ISEB Common Pre-Tests at the end of November or start of December. In January they will then be invited to Tormead for an interview with a member of the Senior School staff. This interview will last no more than 30 minutes and will enable us to explore the creativity and curiosity of each candidate.

The ISEB Common Pre-Tests are a well-respected, widely used, age-standardised assessment for pupils applying for selective independent senior schools. They assess potential and aptitude as well as attainment on National Curriculum topics taught up to the end of Year 5. The tests are mainly multiple choice and comprise of four sections: English, Mathematics, Verbal Reasoning and Non-Verbal Reasoning. Further information about the online ISEB

Common Pre-Tests can be found at: www.iseb.co.uk/Parents/Common-Pre-Tests.

The ISEB Common Pre-Test is specifically designed to be sat by multiple students taking the assessments at different times and in different locations. The questions are adaptive; in other words, correctly answered questions will lead to more challenging questions. As a result, each individual student will receive their own individual assessment. Where possible, we would recommend 11+ candidates sit the tests at their current school in late November or early December or, if overseas, at a registered examination centre such as the British Council. For candidates, in particular those from state schools, unable to sit the tests at their current school, there will be an examination sitting at Tormead on Saturday 27 November. Candidates will be asked to specify their desired examination location when they return the 11+ examination entry form included in the examination pack sent to all registered candidates at the end of October.

All girls are automatically considered for an 11+ Academic Scholarship and there is no need to complete a separate application form. Details on how to apply for the 11+ Art, Drama, Music and Sports

Scholarships on offer will be provided in the examination pack.

Occasional Places

For 12+, 13+ and 14+ occasional places, girls are assessed in English and Mathematics, sitting an hour-long paper in each subject. In addition, girls will be invited for an entrance interview.

As part of the assessment process for entry into all year groups, we will contact your daughter's current school to request a brief confidential report about her academic and other achievements.

4. Offers & Acceptance

Offers will be sent in mid-January. To accept a place, parents are asked to pay a deposit and sign the acceptance form confirming their agreement of the school's Terms and Conditions.

5. Joining Tormead

We work to ensure that all girls settle into life at Tormead quickly. Girls entering the Senior School are invited to a New Girls' Afternoon in June, giving them a chance to meet their Head of Year, Form Tutor and other girls in their year group. A comprehensive New Joiners' Information pack is sent to parents, including a wealth of information about the school day, transport, uniform, clubs and other extra-curricular opportunities, to name but a few.

Key Dates

Registration Deadline

Sunday 31 October 2021

11+ Registered Candidates' Activity Morning

Saturday 6 November 2021

11+ ISEB Common Pre-Test (sitting at Tormead)

Saturday 27 November 2021

11+ Entrance Interviews

Tuesday 4 January 2022

11+ Music, Art and Sport Scholarship Assessments (Provisional)

Saturday 8 January 2022

Senior Entrance Examinations (Provisional)

Monday 10 January 2022

Fees

Effective from Autumn Term 2021

Fees are due and payable on or before the first day of the term to which they relate.

Tuition Fees

Years 7 – 13

£5,570.00 per term

School Lunches

£305.00 per term

Third Daughter Discount

Two thirds of the term's tuition fees will be charged for the third and subsequent daughters of a family, all of whom are in attendance at one and the same time.

Registration Fee and Deposits

A non-returnable Registration Fee of £100.00 is payable on completion of the Registration Form.

Senior School Deposit

£700.00

Coach Services

Full Time Pass

10 journeys per week: £415.00 per term

Part Time Passes

9 journeys per week: £390.00 per term

8 journeys per week: £370.00 per term

7 journeys per week: £350.00 per term

6 journeys per week: £325.00 per term

5 journeys per week: £295.00 per term

Ad-hoc Single Tickets

(subject to space being available) £5.30

Scholarships and Bursaries

11+ Scholarships

Tormead offers a range of scholarships, available at different stages of your daughter's academic career, to acknowledge and celebrate your daughter's achievements and talents.

Scholarships are designed to recognise and develop the girls' talents, interests and aptitudes, whilst providing them with both enrichment and support.

Available scholarships include Academic, Art, Drama, Music and Sport, and are worth up to 10% of the current tuition fees. Each year, the number of scholarships awarded is at the discretion of the Head. All scholarships, which can be held for the whole of a girl's time at Tormead, are reviewed annually. We look forward to award-holders remaining at Tormead until they have completed their A Level examinations, thus making a significant contribution to school life.

Further details on scholarships are available on our website.

“Being an all girls school means you can be open and honest which helps form incredible friendships”

—Sixth Former

Bursaries

Entrance Bursaries

The Governors of Tormead are committed to broadening access to the school by offering to eligible parents/guardians means-tested financial support with the payment of school fees. Entrance Bursaries are available for new applicants to the school at 11+ and 16+, where a place has been offered but parents/guardians are unable to fund the tuition fees.

Entrance Bursaries may be awarded in the form of a discount of up to 100% of the tuition fees and may include assistance with additional expenses such as school uniform and residential trips, depending on the financial, compassionate or other pertinent circumstances of applicants. In some cases, assistance with lunches and transport to/from school will also be available.

Hardship Bursaries

A limited number of Hardship Bursaries are available for existing pupils where a change in the parents'/guardians' circumstances has resulted in difficulty meeting tuition fees and which could result in the pupil being withdrawn part-way through a key stage of her education.

Bursary Applications

For further information on how to apply for a bursary, please email bursaries@tormeadschool.org.uk.

The number of bursaries available each year is limited and, unfortunately, we are unable to consider applications made after the published deadline. Interest must be registered by Monday 1 November 2021 and completed paperwork must be received by Monday 22 November 2021.

ISI Report

It's Official: Tormead is 'Excellent'

In May 2017, the Independent Schools Inspectorate (ISI) reports confirmed the school's high standards of education and adherence to regulatory standards.

During the visits from a team of six inspectors, the ISI conducted two thorough reviews of the school: an Educational Quality Inspection (EQI) and a Focused Compliance Inspection (FCI) which measured adherence to ISI regulations.

“Pupils expect to work hard, take responsibility for their own learning and are ambitious for academic success”

Tormead was evaluated on its educational standards - including attainment, learning and behaviour - as well as the quality of teaching, curriculum, resources, assessment, staffing, premises, links with parents and the community, pupils' personal development and pastoral care, overall management, efficiency, aims and ethos. Highlights from the reports,

which examined all three areas of the school - Prep (Junior), Senior and Sixth Form, are below:

- Pupils' academic and other achievements are excellent.
- Pupils are supported by expert and dedicated teaching.
- Attitudes to learning are exemplary throughout the school.

Tormead has long prided itself on its pastoral care being a great strength of the school. This is clear in the report and supported by extremely good feedback: the inspection team noted that the staff create an environment within which the girls thrive.

The ISI is the organisation approved by the Department for Education for the purpose of inspecting schools belonging to the Independent Schools Council (ISC) and reporting on compliance with independent school regulations. Tormead has 'met' all regulations - the highest ratings possible for the compliance inspection.

The full report is available on our website.

Results

Tormead girls consistently achieve excellent results in both GCSE and A Level examinations.

Independent assessors confirm that their results reflect considerable 'value added', compared to results achieved nationally, by students of equivalent ability. The vast majority of girls go to their first choice university to study a diverse range of courses.

Year	GCSE % 9-7 Grades	A Level A*/A Grades
2021	89%	79%
2020	86%	69%
2019	75%	67%

We're also delighted that approximately 10% of each Upper Sixth year group apply for Oxbridge places. With less than 1% of the UK population having attended either Oxford or Cambridge, this is a remarkable achievement.

“Our commitment to academic excellence is evident in a strong track record in public examinations: a testament to our girls, our teaching staff and the whole school community.”

— David Boyd, Head

Destinations

Every year, virtually all our Upper Sixth achieve their first-choice university places.

Approximately 10% of our students apply to Oxford/Cambridge, with others choosing a range of Russell Group universities, as well as specialist colleges for Art, Music and Drama. Others have chosen apprenticeships, such as one in engineering, helping to design ejector seats for fighter-jets.

We are extremely proud of the fact that for the past five years, Tormeadians have been awarded national Arkwright Engineering Scholarships and old-Tormeadians are currently working at McLaren, Dyson, Mercedes, helping to design the London Underground, one who is firmly committed to joining a future Martian expedition, and the list could go on.

A full list of destinations is available on our website.

“We wanted to give our daughters a better atmosphere to learn in and Tormead was our first choice.”

— Tormead parent

Wrap-around care

Arrival

School is open from 7.30am onwards. Girls should arrive at school between 8.15-8.20am, to allow them time to organise their books for the morning lessons. The first lesson starts at 8.25am and the teacher takes registration at the start of this lesson.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast is available from 7.45-8.20am in the Atrium dining room, where girls may buy hot chocolate, croissants, etc., for a small charge.

Late Stay 4.10-6.00pm

All girls in the Senior School are welcome to remain in school until 6.00pm.

Held in two upper floor classrooms from 4.10-6.00pm, Late Stay provides an opportunity for girls to work quietly under the supervision of a member of the teaching staff. It is free of charge and girls may attend for as long or as short a time as they wish, before and/or after extra-curricular activities, either because they cannot be collected at the end of the school day or because they want to complete their homework in school before going home.

Please note that, unless they are participating in a supervised extra-curricular activity, all girls must attend Late Stay if they need to stay at school for any period of time in-between 4.10-6.00pm. We do not provide supervision after 6.00pm, except in the case of a scheduled extra-curricular activity, where the teacher in charge will make arrangements for the girls in his/her care.

Travel

Train

Many girls use the train to commute to school, as the nearest station – Guildford London Road – is only a short walk from school. There are numerous connecting trains from the main Guildford Station, both during the rush hour and after school.

Buses

A number of public buses stop close to school: Routes 25, 36, 37, 463 and 479.

Driving

There is a drop-off facility in front of the Senior School for parents who wish to drive their daughter to school.

Cycling

Both the Senior and Prep School sites offer bike racks to store bicycles safely for those girls wishing to cycle to school.

Coach Services

The Tormead Coach Service offers pupils and parents a convenient, safe, reliable and environmentally friendly means of transport to and from school. Booking is easy via an app, which is available online via the booking website. The school actively encourages participation in its broad and varied range of after school activities. As we do not currently offer a late coach, discounts are available to allow girls to participate, along with the flexibility to use the coach service on an adhoc basis. Coaches arrive at school before 8.15am each morning (traffic dependent) and depart at 4.12pm each afternoon.

Our Coach Stewards (Senior School girls) work closely with the Coach Coordinator, promoting the on-board safety and wellbeing of the girls and monitoring routes and timings. The Coach Service is open to pupils of all ages once they have settled into school life.

Timetable and Bookings

We currently operate eight routes, using well regarded local coach operators, transporting over 125 girls each day. Areas covered include Camberley, Cobham, Esher, Ewhurst, Farnham, Haslemere, Peaslake and Weybridge.

The latest routes, timetables, fare information and online booking form are accessed via this link: www.ridekura.com/tormead-school. The timetable is subject to slight change on an annual basis to reflect changes in demand and school requirements.

We require a termly commitment and payment is added to your fees invoice. The cost of the service is divided evenly into three termly instalments and added to the school fees invoice.

Coach Passes

Each girl is issued with a personalised coach pass and there are a range of pass options available, enabling girls to take differing numbers of journeys each week. There are also sibling and study leave discounts. Demand for places can be high and we endeavour to accommodate all requests. However, where spaces are limited, priority will be given to those requiring full time tickets and those travelling the furthest.

Coach Service Routes

Camberley

Camberley—West End—Brookwood—Worplesdon

Weybridge

Weybridge—Brooklands—West Byfleet—Pyrford—Woking—Mayford

Walton

Walton—Walton Station—Esher—Claygate

Oxshott

Oxshott—Leigh Hill Road—Cobham—Downside—Effingham Junction—Horsely—West Horsley

Peaslake

Peaslake—Gomshall—Shere—Merrrow

Ewhurst

Ewhurst—Sherrydon—New Park Road—Shamley Green—Wonersh—Bramley—Shalford

Haslemere

Haslemere—Milford—Godalming—Peasmarsh

Farnham

Farnham 1—Farnham2



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