



RADLETT
PREPARATORY SCHOOL

PROSPECTUS



Welcome

Radlett Preparatory School is an independent day school for girls and boys aged 4 to 11 years, offering a caring and stimulating environment where children will make enduring friendships, discover and develop their talents, and begin to realise their potential.

Established in the 1930's, the main school occupies a Georgian Grade II listed building set within extensive grounds encompassing lawns, ancient woodland and impressive playing fields. The school's founding principles of hard work, integrity and respect remain today, and the approach to teaching is supported, but not limited, by those traditions.

Our aim is to provide an excellent, broad and balanced curriculum, where children are encouraged to learn to respect each other, to be well mannered, morally upright and be active members of our happy supportive community.

Children benefit from a structured progression through Lower, Middle and Upper School. Each provides a nurturing environment, appropriate academic and personal challenges, and the opportunity to achieve excellence in all aspects of school life including; music, modern foreign languages, drama and sport.

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Mr G White BEd (Hons)
PRINCIPAL

Early Years Provision – “Outstanding”
Personal Development – “Outstanding”
Behaviour and Attitudes – “Outstanding”

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Lower School

RECEPTION, YEAR 1, YEAR 2

The Lower School provides a friendly atmosphere where our Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils can feel secure, happy and valued. This promotes a positive attitude to learning and helps children to grow in confidence so that they can build effective relationships, both with their peers and their teachers.

Every child is encouraged to do their best, whether it be in the classroom, in sport or in activities in the Outside Learning Area.

In Year 2, children build on their achievements and further develop their natural abilities, enabling them to adapt to the increasing demands and challenges of the Middle School.

“This school has a real ‘family feel’, where pupils are known as individuals. It’s caring and supportive ethos is at the heart of everything the school does, which helps pupils to thrive”

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Middle School

YEAR 3, YEAR 4

In Middle School, children continue to develop the skills that will be necessary to maintain progress and add to their depth of knowledge. Pupils are encouraged to be more independent, and to take greater responsibility for their actions and commitment to school life.

Our broad, well-balanced curriculum builds a sound academic foundation, complemented by participation in a variety of activities including sports. This encourages teamwork and fosters a competitive spirit that is valuable in so many aspects of school and in life.

We recognise that all children develop in different ways, and every pupil at Radlett benefits from a mix of support, encouragement and stimulation, tailored to their individual needs and abilities.

“Teachers make sure that tasks build carefully upon what pupils already know, understand and remember”

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Upper School

YEAR 5, YEAR 6

Pupils in Years 5 and 6 experience challenges aimed not only at increasing academic skills, but also in preparation for their transfer to Senior School. The three-day residential trip at the end of Year 5 is a high point and presents further opportunity for personal and social development.

In Year 6, preparation for Secondary Transfer is a major focus, with the curriculum designed to enable children to approach the examinations and their varied demands with confidence. This includes preparation for written exams and interviews.

Our annual musical theatre production is a highlight of the final year, as is the week long residential trip to France. After many years of education, these events give our senior pupils a memorable finish to their time at Radlett Prep.

"We found that the school has high expectations of what each pupil can achieve, both academically and personally. Pupils enjoy the full and rich curriculum on offer"

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Physical Education / Sport

At Radlett Prep we are passionate about sport, and this is reflected both in our curriculum and in the variety of extra-curricular activities. We aim to strike a healthy balance between sport-for-all and sporting excellence, ensuring that all children are able to discover and develop their natural talents, and have the opportunity to fulfil their potential.

By developing each child's basic skills within a fun and happy environment, we seek to instil a love of sport from an early age. This approach supports overall health and wellbeing and promotes sport as a lifelong source of enjoyment and camaraderie.

As children grow older, competitive sport builds character and helps to develop important personal values such as respect and a sense of fair play. We have an extensive programme of competitive fixtures at all levels which enables many of our children to represent the school.



"Pupils show absolute delight when participating in the wide range of clubs and activities available. These include netball, cricket, football, fencing and ballet"

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MUSIC

YEAR 3 UPWARDS

Music is a critical element of a well-rounded education, and our Music Department offers the children formal lessons in choral and instrumental disciplines.

We have three choirs, and children from Year 3 upwards can take extra tuition in violin, piano, acoustic guitar, electric guitar, drums, flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone and singing. Musicians can join our String Group, Jazz Band or Rock Band who give performances throughout the year to pupils and parents.

For many, music is a lifelong source of enjoyment and fulfilment. For some, music becomes a valuable creative outlet that allows them to express themselves, while for others it can be a pathway to a rewarding career. For all children, music provides another opportunity to develop the confidence that comes from performing in class lessons and concerts.

“Children are polite, respectful and kind to others. They behave exceptionally well”

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Drama

Drama is an important and hugely enjoyable part of life at Radlett Prep. Children from Reception through to Year 5 participate in formal Drama classes, while extra-curricular activities explore everything from mime and improvisation to script work and physical theatre. We also offer one-to-one coaching for LAMDA (The London Academy of Music and Dramatic Arts) examinations.

Live performance is a major focus of Drama throughout the school, helping to build confidence and creativity in both vocal and physical expression. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 3 perform in Year Group productions.

Our children's enthusiasm for drama culminates in the Year 6 play, performed at the Radlett Centre. This special event sees the entire Year Group work together to deliver a show of professional quality for parents and invited guests.

These shows are vehicles for all levels of performance, whether it be the 'star', the supporting actors or the technical backstage 'crew'.



"We saw stimulating activities with enthusiastic children eagerly participating in learning. The interactions between adults and children are delightful"

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Clubs & Activities

Children at Radlett Prep can choose from an extensive range of clubs and activities held at lunchtimes and after school. These provide children with opportunities to extend their learning, enhance their sporting abilities and grow friendships beyond their peer group. Chess Club, which is a particular favourite, has produced many County players over the years, but the choice is wide and varied from Art to Fencing, Football to Judo!

Pupils are encouraged to participate in as many activities and clubs as they wish, and it is certainly an opportunity for them to establish friendships with children from other age groups and add to the breadth of their experience at Radlett Prep. The Early Birds Club, which commences at 8.00am, helps parents who have to leave their children without supervision before the start of the school day, and our Homework Club is available after school.



"Pupils' excellent attitudes enable them to make the most of what the school has to offer. Pupils show absolute delight when participating in the wide range of clubs and activities available"

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We hope this has given you an insight into life at Radlett Prep. School and the opportunities your child will enjoy here.

The positive partnership between home and school is the cornerstone of every child's education, and your initial visit to the school is the first step in this relationship.

If you would like to arrange a tour, or you have any questions about any aspect of Radlett Prep, please telephone the School Office on **01923 856812**. We would be delighted to hear from you.

For more information and to download a registration form, please visit www.radlettprep.co.uk or email admin@radlettprep.co.uk

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for pupils’ personal development”*

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