



Heathfield Boarding Camp Information Sheet

Arrivals

Please arrive between **5.30 p.m. and 6.00 p.m.** on **SUNDAY**. If you need to arrive earlier, please telephone in advance to make special arrangements. Enter the school from the London Road, A329 (directions and map are on the website). Please park in front of the main white building and go to the front door for Summer Camp reception. Please bring pocket money and up-to-date medical information with the Medical Form and any **medication** your child may be taking.

You and your daughter will then have a tour of the school with one of our Student Helpers. Supper is at 6.30 p.m. and this is followed by a full orientation session for the girls at 7.00 p.m. with the Summer Camp Director and Assistants.

Please collect your daughter between **9.00 a.m. and 10.00 a.m.** on the **SATURDAY** morning and sign her out in the main school office which you will be shown to you on your tour.

Accommodation And Welfare

Younger girls will be placed in multi-bedded rooms (3-8 beds) with overseas and British girls; older girls will be in single rooms near each other. Please inform us as soon as possible in writing if you have any requests for your daughter to share with a friend and we will do our best to accommodate them. The Housemother and her Assistants oversee bed times and will keep an eye on your daughter's welfare. Staff bedrooms are located near to girls' rooms for supervision and the school nurse is always on call.

What To Bring

Please bring casual clothing plus an outfit for a smarter evening. Swimming costume and swimming towel (room towels are provided), waterproofs, a warm jumper, sun tan lotion, a sun cap, toiletries and soap. **Non-marking trainers or gym shoes** are required for the Sports Hall and sports shoes must be worn for all sporting activities; sandals and flip-flops are not suitable. Your daughter may wish to bring her own tennis racquet, **and riding boots (or a pair of shoes with a heel) and trousers if riding has been booked.** A disposable camera is preferable to a proper one. Please name all items.

Girls should bring pocket money for phone cards, stamps, spending money on the weekly trip. Please note all meals are provided, water is always available and drinks and snacks are served at breaks so any spending money for the Tuck Shop is at your discretion. A locking suitcase is advisable but small safes are available. Pocket money can also be kept in the office.

Mobile phones are not necessary as they are easily lost, mislaid or misused; girls can phone from the office if necessary. Mobile phones are not allowed during activities, in the dining room or after bedtime and will be collected in as appropriate to ensure the smooth running of the course. We reserve the right to keep phones in the office if they are being misused. Please do not bring lap tops jewellery, and any electrical items other than a hairdryer. We cannot be responsible for such items.

Laundry

Laundry is done on a daily basis; if you require your daughter to use this facility her clothes should be named and a named net laundry bag provided for underwear. If not, please pack sufficient clothing as hand washing is not permitted in rooms.

Homesickness

Surprisingly, this has sometimes proved to be more of a problem with a few of our British girls than our overseas students. Please prepare your daughter for the fact that she probably will miss home, especially at first, but that she will get over it. She should try and keep busy and most importantly not keep phoning home - having a mobile often makes homesickness worse. We would be very grateful for your support on this - hard though it is for you. Please contact us at once if you get calls so we can discuss how to help.

Shows

There will be events during the course on Thursdays after 4 o'clock, which we invite parents or relatives to attend: these include shows of art, crafts, photography, floristry, fashion and cookery with afternoon tea and the big Summer Camp Show (dance, music and drama). A Highlights programme will be on-line in May under Activities

Insurance

The School has public liability insurance as required by British Law. However, this does not cover girls' private property which should be separately insured. This may be adequately covered under existing house contents.

Office And Telephoning

The office is open from 8.45 a.m. daily, and from 9.30 a.m. on Sunday, until 9.00 p.m. The best time to ring is from 5.30 p.m.- 6.30 p.m.; if possible, ring in advance and make an arrangement for your daughter to wait for your call.

N.B. Office numbers for Summer Camp dates only are: 01344 894295 and 894296