

Frequently asked  
**QUESTIONS**

## **HOW MANY PUPILS ARE THERE CURRENTLY AT WREKIN COLLEGE?**

Wrekin College currently has 456 pupils, with an even ratio of boys to girls. About 100 of our students are full time boarders and we have many more 'flexi - boarders' - students who stay at school on an ad hoc basis or a fixed night every week.

## **WHAT ABOUT RESULTS?**

Results are very good: in 2007 we have three Cambridge entrants, each with 4 A's at AS level already. In 2004 and 2005 our Value Added Score, which measures improvement as well achievement, was the best in Telford and Wrekin.

But behind every statistic there is an individual, and league tables overlook that. We don't. We want each and every student to realise their full potential, whether 'A\*' or 'C' - they are of equal value, if they are the best that can be achieved.

## **WHERE DO PUPILS COME FROM ?**

As a boarding school, Wrekin College does take pupils from far and wide but principally pupils are day students and some travel up to an hour to get to school. Boarders tend to be from the Midlands, Cheshire and Wales. A small number of pupils come from Europe, and from the rest of the world. Wrekin College remains a traditional school offering boarding and day facilities.

At 11+ about a quarter of our pupils join us from The Old Hall. The rest join us from a wide range of primary and preparatory schools including:

Prestfelde	St Dominic's
St Winefred's	Cressage CPS
Vernon Lodge	White House
Winterfold House	Yarlet Hall
High Ercall	Redhill CPS, Priorslee
St Lucia's CPS	St Peter's, Bratton
St Peter's, Edgmond	St Patrick's, Wellington
Birchfield	Castle House
Dower House	Kingsland Grange
Newbridge	Tibberton CE Primary
Crudgington CPS	Packwood Haugh

## **CAN PUPILS JOIN WREKIN COLLEGE AT ANY OTHER AGE?**

Pupils join us typically at 11+ or 13+ but we also offer entry at any age provided the student passes our entrance examination and has a satisfactory reference.

Wrekin has an annual intake at 16+ (Year 12). Students often opt to board at this stage. Entry into the Sixth Form is conditional on GCSE results and a satisfactory Headmaster's reference.

## WHAT IS THE MAXIMUM CLASS SIZE AT WREKIN COLLEGE?

Classes contain an average of 15 - 18 pupils.

## WHAT ARE THE SCHOOL FEES?

Fees, payable termly and in advance or by a direct debit arrangement. Fees for the academic year 2006/2007 are as follows:

Years 7 and 8	Day £3,840	Boarding £5,995
Senior School	Day £4,200	Boarding £6,935

## DOES WREKIN OFFER SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS?

Yes. The School offers a variety of scholarships and awards for pupils joining at 11+ and 13+ and the Sixth Form at 16+ ( Year 12 ) . Detailed information is available from the Headmaster's Office.

## WHAT REMISSIONS ARE AVAILABLE?

Concessions are available for the children of Old Wrekinians - 10% for each child.

Sibling concessions are available for three or more children - 20% for each child. This arrangement is reciprocated by The Old Hall.

Forces concessions - 10% for each child in addition to the Boarding School Allowance. For information on means tested bursaries please contact the Headmaster's Office.

## WHAT IS THE DAILY TIMETABLE?

A typical school day would be:

7.45am	Breakfast in the Dining Room
8.30am	Registration in House for Day Pupils and Boarders
8.45am	Assembly in Chapel
9.05am - 11.00am	Lessons
11.00am - 11.30am	Break ( fruit/toast/drinks in Houses or Tuck Shop )
11.30am - 12.45pm	Lessons
12.50pm	Lunch in Dining Room
1.15pm - 2.15pm	Middle Hour/Tutor period
2.25pm - 4.20pm	Lessons
4.25pm - 6.10pm	Games or Activities
6.15pm	Tea in Dining Room
7.10pm - 8.30pm	Prep ( Homework)
8.30pm - 10.30pm	Activities/free time
9.45pm - 11.00pm	Lights out - depending on age

## **WHAT SPORT DO YOU PLAY?**

Wrekin is known for its outstanding sports facilities and the excellence of our teams and sporting individuals. Our main sports are cricket, hockey, netball and rugby. We compete in many other disciplines from athletics to volleyball.

## **WHAT EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES ARE ON OFFER?**

Many. They include:

- Athletics
- Badminton
- Combined Cadet Force
- Chess
- Debating
- Drama
- Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme
- Fencing
- Golf
- Indoor Rowing
- Life Drawing
- Photography
- Stage Design
- Squash
- Swimming and Life Saving
- Table Tennis
- Tennis
- Volleyball
- Various clubs including film, art, cookery, mosaics. Clubs vary termly and reflect the particular requirements of different year groups.

## **CAN I LEARN TO PLAY A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT?**

Yes. We have superb music facilities and over half of our students are currently learning to play a musical instrument. We have concert bands, quartets, an orchestra a chamber choir, various pop and rock bands, jazz groups, concerts every term, a fully staffed music school and 15 visiting musicians - Wrekin College has music for everyone.

## **DO YOU OPERATE A SCHOOL BUS SERVICE?**

Yes. The transport service currently offers 8 bus routes covering a wide area around Shropshire. Further details are available from the Bursar's Office.

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