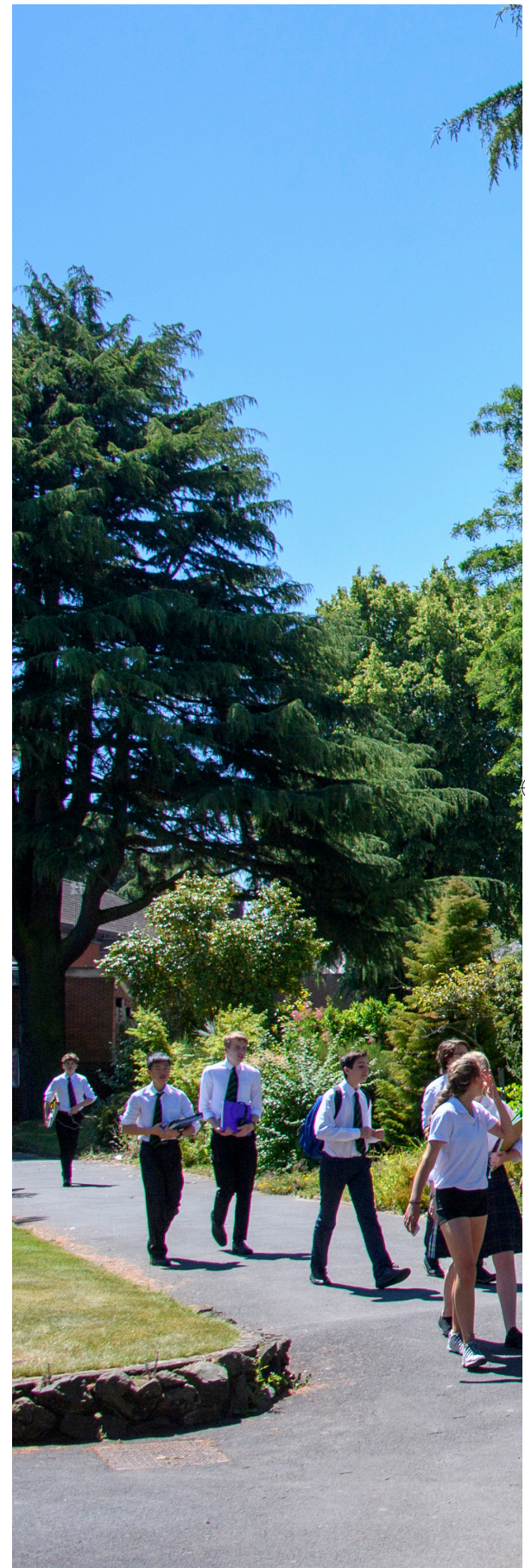


# INFORMATION



WREKIN

**Wrekin grows confident,  
capable individuals,  
ready to make a success  
of the future.** We believe  
passionately in all-round  
education and ensuring  
our leavers are fit for life.





NOW YOU'RE  
THINKING WREKIN

# JOINING WREKIN

The best way to get a true flavour of Wrekin's special atmosphere is to visit us. We would be delighted to welcome you here at any time, to meet the Headmaster and tour the school and, most importantly, meet some of our pupils.

Wrekin College is not academically selective but securing a place is increasingly competitive. Our aim is to attract motivated pupils who will benefit from the wide range of opportunities we offer. Normal entry points to the school are at 11+, 13+ and 16+.





# ENTRY AT 11+

All pupils are tested for entry to ensure that they will be comfortable in the academic environment we offer. It also ensures that pupils are placed in appropriate sets at the start of the school year. Prospective pupils sit the Wrekin College entrance test in November prior to the year of entry. Children are tested in English, Mathematics and non-verbal reasoning. The academic scholarship is a separate examination by invitation following the entrance test. We do not recommend any tutoring in preparation for these papers, which are designed to look for potential rather than attainment. Exemplar papers are available from the Admissions Department.

# ENTRY AT 13+

Entry into Third Form (Year 9) is by examination, either Wrekin's own entry tests or scholarship papers and a non-verbal reasoning paper or Common Entrance. Scholarship candidates will also have an interview. The Third Form examinations take place in November prior to the year of entry. Exemplar papers are available from the Admissions Department.



## ENTRY AT 16+

Entry into the Sixth Form is conditional on GCSE grades, reports from the pupil's current school, a non-verbal reasoning paper and an interview. Those applying for an academic scholarship will also be given a task to complete in one or more of the subjects they intend to study for A level or BTEC. 16+ scholarships are taken in November prior to year of entry.

## ENTRY AT OTHER POINTS

We will accept children into all year groups at any time during the academic year subject to places being available, satisfactory entrance tests and references. Entrance exams can be taken at any time; scholarships are competitive examinations that can only be taken on the published dates.

# INTERNATIONAL ADMISSIONS

We welcome international pupils from all over the world. Wrekin has extensive experience of teaching international pupils and many go on to study at the top English universities.

We have many different nationalities in the school, giving all our pupils the opportunity to broaden their horizons and learn about other cultures and languages. We work hard to make sure our international pupils are fully integrated into life here at Wrekin.

We welcome international pupils from the age of 11 and work with families and agents to ensure a smooth admissions process to Wrekin. In the first instance a copy of your child's recent school report and a registration form should be completed and sent to the

Admissions Department. Once reviewed, we will arrange for entrance tests to be taken. The tests can be carried out at the child's current school, at an agent's office, at the local British Council Office or here at Wrekin. We are delighted to meet families in person but understand this is not always possible so online interviews can be arranged.

For those who may be considering British boarding and wish to experience school life at Wrekin we offer a 'Study Anytime' programme when pupils can stay during term time, improving their language skills and living as a boarder.

Please contact the Admissions Department for further information.

# PRE-A LEVEL COURSE

The Pre-A level Course is a one-year GCSE level course, with intensive English tuition, designed specifically for international pupils aged between 15 and 17 who wish to study for A levels but who need another year to be ready for its challenges. It concentrates upon courses in which international pupils can excel in one year. At the same time, it provides comprehensive preparation for all of the school's A level and BTEC courses.

Pupils take part in the games programme and the full range of optional activities. There is also a full programme of activities and excursions at the weekend. Wrekin is an active school; there is genuinely something for everyone. For international pupils this means that they are fully immersed in the life of the school, which benefits their friendship groups and also enhances their English.

# FEES

A non-refundable fee of £100 is payable when a pupil is registered for a place at Wrekin College. All prospective pupils must be registered with the school prior to taking the entrance examinations.

For UK pupils a deposit of £600 is payable on acceptance of a place. A deposit of up to £2600 is required from parents not resident in the UK. This deposit is retained until the pupil leaves school and will be repaid by means of a credit without interest to the final payment of fees. Parents may wish to donate the deposit to the Foundation.

School fees and charges for the current academic year are published on our website, [www.wrekincollege.com](http://www.wrekincollege.com), and are paid termly in advance or monthly using School Fee Plan.

We offer a 10% discount to serving members of the Armed Forces and to children of Old Wrekinians. There is a sibling discount scheme available for three or more siblings; please ask for more details. The fees cover most of what we provide (including lunch), but music lessons, learning support, minibuses charges, external examination fees and school trips are charged as extras. We make every effort to keep fees, and particularly extras, to a minimum.




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# SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

Wrekin College offers a number of scholarships at 11+, 13+ and 16+ in a range of categories: academic, art, drama, design, music and sport. The number and size of awards in any particular year are at the discretion of the Headmaster. The maximum total that can be offered as awards is a 25% reduction in the fees.

As well as being a financial reward, a scholarship or exhibition is considered a great accolade and carries with it privileges and responsibilities. Every award-holder is expected to set an example to other pupils in their approach to academic study and participation in the wider life of the school. Awards are usually for the duration of a pupil’s education at Wrekin, provided they continue enthusiastically to fulfil the obligations associated with the award. All awards and bursaries are reviewed annually.

Assessments for these awards take place in November prior to the year of entry. Detailed information about the scholarships available can be found on our website, and a booklet may be obtained from the Admissions Office.



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vision for the future”



# THE WREKIN COLLEGE FOUNDATION

The Wrekin College Foundation, founded in 2005, offers life-changing bursaries up to full fees for talented and deserving pupils who would not otherwise be able to access Wrekin due to limited financial means.

## BURSARIES

Widening access to Wrekin is at the heart of the Governors' vision for the future. All bursaries are means-tested (details from the Admissions Department). The Foundation's aim is to provide support to children from families who would not ordinarily consider Wrekin due to their financial circumstances. Bursary funds are limited, so the contribution a pupil makes, or is likely to make, to the school is taken into account, as well as the parents' financial circumstances. Bursary applications should be submitted with the exams application form by the closing date.

The information provided on a bursary form is confidential to the Bursar, the Headmaster and the Governors.

# AFTER WREKIN

## UNIVERSITY AND BEYOND

We are proud of the academic achievements of all our pupils. Many choose to go on to university. Pupils (and parents) are given expert UCAS advice with guidance about every part of the process, from writing personal statements to choosing suitable universities and courses. Information about results is available on our website.

## THE EMPLOYMENT ROUTE

We recognise that university is not the only option and that for some school leavers' schemes and apprenticeships are preferable. Pupils benefit from the many connections Wrekin has made through its unique Business School. Wrekinians are well-placed to enter the world of employment. Our pupils learn about businesses and how they work and our life skills programme ensures that all our pupils leave school equipped and ready for the outside world.

# SUPPORT FOR LEARNING

Support for Learning at Wrekin covers many aspects of learning acquisition: specific targeted support for those with additional needs; study skills (particularly for senior pupils); assistance in developing organisational skills; providing opportunity for pupils with particular talent through the Franklin Society, our Gifted and Talented programme, and booster sessions for pupils experiencing a temporary difficulty in a subject area.

“providing opportunity for  
pupils with particular talent...”



# A TYPICAL WEEK AT WREKIN

	Monday		Tuesday	
7.45am - 8.15am	Breakfast		Breakfast	
8.25am	Registration in house		Registration in house	
8.35am	Assembly		Chapel	
9 - 9.55am	Period 1		Period 1	
10 - 10.55am	Period 2		Period 2	
10.55 - 11.05am	Break		Break	
11.25am - 12.20pm	Period 3		Period 3	
12.25 - 12.55pm	Tutor Period / Sixth Form Wellbeing	Lancaster Lunch	Period 4 / Prep	Lancaster Lunch
12.55 - 2pm	Senior Lunch/Saxophone Group/ Strings Group		Senior Lunch/Chapel Choir	
1.30 - 2pm	Lunch	Tutor Period	Lunch	Period 5 / Prep
2.05 - 3pm	Period 6		Period 6	
3.05 - 4pm	Period 7		Period 7	
4 - 4.20pm	Afternoon break		Afternoon break	
4.20 - 5:45pm	Third Form games / Lancaster activities / Fourth Form Bronze DofE / Fifth and Sixth Forms games / Drama /Prep		Games / Third Form CCF / Prep	
6 - 6.40pm	Buses End of school day for day pupils		Buses End of school day for day pupils	
6pm	Tea Orchestra 6.30 - 7.30pm		Tea	
7pm	Prep		Prep	

- > Wednesday afternoon Games alternates for different year groups on the two-week timetable
- > Lunch sittings are rotated regularly between the Houses
- > See website for full list of activities

Wednesday	Thursday		Friday	
Breakfast	Breakfast		Breakfast	
Registration in house	Registration in house		Registration in house	
Chapel	Congregational Hymn Practice		Chapel	
Period 1	Period 1		Period 1	
Period 2	Period 2		Period 2	
Break	Break		Break	
Period 3	Period 3		Period 3	
Lunch	Period 4 / Prep	Lancaster Lunch	Period 4 / Tutor Period	Lancaster Lunch
Lunch	Senior Lunch/Chapel Choir		Senior Lunch/Concert Band/ Lunchtime lecture series	
Lunch	Lunch	Period 5 / Prep	Lunch	Period 5 / Tutor Period
Games	Period 6		Period 6	
Games	Period 7		Period 7	
Afternoon break	Afternoon break		Afternoon break	
Games / Sailing / Shooting / Tickwood Community Service / Prep	Games /Activities / Prep / Music Scholars		Friday Activities and Games all year groups. Cricket by invitation / Green Team / CCF	
Buses End of school day for day pupils	Buses End of school day for day pupils		Buses End of school day for day pupils	
Tea	Tea		Tea	
Prep	Prep		Prep	

# WHY NOT STAY WITH US?

All pupils are actively involved with life at Wrekin but boarding opens up a whole new experience. On Saturdays boarders follow a full programme of activities and academic sessions. There are also boarders' trips every weekend. Wrekin offers full, weekly and flexi-boarding options, with many pupils opting to board full-time in Sixth Form.





# OR HERE AS A DAY PUPIL?

Day pupils are fully integrated in the House system and are encouraged to take part in the Saturday activities programme. Sports fixtures often take place on a Saturday and all pupils are expected to attend if selected for a team. Our day pupils benefit enormously from the School's boarding ethos and from belonging to a school which offers round-the-clock care. They are welcome at school long after lessons and activities finish, and also at weekends. Indeed, we expect day pupils to take an active part in every aspect of school life and we encourage them to board either occasionally or regularly, as they get older.

## STRUCTURE OF THE DAY FOR DAY PUPILS:

<b>8.25am</b>	Registration in House
<b>8.40am</b>	Chapel
<b>9am – 5.45pm</b>	Lessons and activities
<b>6pm</b>	Day pupils free to go home or stay for tea and Prep
<b>7pm – 8.30pm</b>	Prep (9pm for Sixth Form during Summer term)

# WHERE ARE WE?

Wrekin is very fortunate in its location. It occupies a splendid 100-acre site in the leafy outskirts of Wellington, where the school buildings are surrounded by mature trees and well-maintained gardens and games fields. But it is less than ten minutes from the M54 motorway and the shopping centre of Telford. There is also easy access by rail to Wolverhampton, Birmingham and beyond from Wellington station, a stone's throw from the school. Birmingham airport is less than an hour's drive away; Manchester and Liverpool airports are about 90 minutes and Heathrow is also well within reach.

The area is rich in history and cultural interest, including the Ironbridge Gorge, Shrewsbury and the Shropshire Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty – which includes Wenlock Edge, the Long Mynd and, of course, the Wrekin itself. Telford and South Shropshire are areas of growing inward investment and the school has good links with the local business community.



**Liverpool** ○  
(90 minutes)

**Chester** ○

**Shrewsbury** ○  
(20 minutes)

**Wolverh**  
(30 minutes)





**Manchester**  
(90 minutes)

# BUSES

A fleet of buses brings pupils to and from school morning and evening, providing transport for many day pupils. The buses travel in a variety of directions covering Shrewsbury, Tettenhall, Bridgnorth, Eccleshall and Market Drayton. The routes are tailored to demand each year. The buses will usually pick up and drop pupils at convenient and secure locations and this can be negotiated with the Transport Manager. A full list of current routes and times is available on the school website.



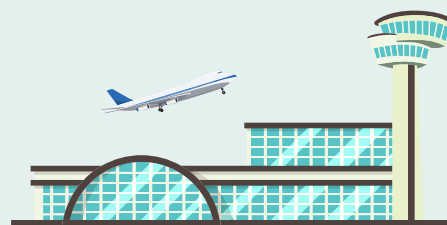
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**Shropshire**

**Derby**

**Birmingham**  
(40 minutes)



**Birmingham Airport**  
(50 minutes)

**Heathrow Airport**  
(140 minutes)

# WHO ARE WE?

Wrekin College is run by The Wrekin Old Hall Trust, a registered charity, and the governance of the school rests in a Board of Governors. The Board meets every term and there are also subcommittees which deal with particular aspects of school life. The Board also has responsibility for Old Hall School, which is a separate prep school within our campus. Old Hall is a member of IAPS, with its own Headmaster. The two schools share many facilities and pupils progress from Old Hall to Wrekin College.

Wrekin College is a member of the Allied Schools Group, which includes Stowe and Canford Schools and the Headmaster is a member of HMC (the Headmasters' and Headmistresses' Conference).

**Wrekin has a diverse and inclusive community of around 500 pupils between the ages of 11 to 18**

## POLICIES

There is a wealth of information about how Wrekin operates on our website. Particularly important is the policies section which includes our policies on admissions and safeguarding as well as the school development plan and our mission statement.

## NEXT STEPS...

- Contact the Admissions Department; they will be delighted to hear from you
- Book your visit to Wrekin College, tour the school with pupils and meet the Headmaster
- Register your child for entry
- Sit the Entrance/Scholarship exams in the November prior to year of entry
- Confirm acceptance of an offer of a place
- Join us for Induction Day

## START YOUR WREKIN JOURNEY



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