

Claremont School School Fees for 2025/26



In line with government legislation, chargeable VAT has been imposed for all independent schools in the UK, which is reflected in the fees detailed below:

Registration Fees 25/26 (inclusive of VAT)

To register your child at Claremont, a non-refundable registration fee of £150 is required.

Acceptance Deposit 25/26 (inclusive of VAT)

Once accepted, deposits are retained until a pupil leaves, to cover the cost of any extras that are typically charged in arrears. The deposit will be refunded (without interest) after the child has left and once your final account has been reconciled. Deposits are not a contribution towards the first term's bill, nor for payment of the last.

Currently, the deposits are:

Deposit	£
Day Students - Nursery to Year 13	£550
Boarders whose parents are resident in the UK:	£1,000
Boarders whose parents are resident in the EU/Tier 4 Visa holders:	£3,000
Boarders whose parents reside outside the EU/ Tier 4 Visa holders:	£12,800

Admission of a pupil is conditional on accepting the terms of the Parents Contract. Once a place is accepted, the deposit is only refunded if a full terms written notice is given to the Head of Admissions.

Enrolment Fee 25/26 (inclusive of VAT)

An enrolment fee of £770 is payable on acceptance and is credited off the first terms invoice.

Re-enrolment Fee 25/26 (inclusive of VAT)

Each year in March, the following re-enrollment fees will be invoiced, as an advance charge for re-enrolment for the next academic year and will be due for payment in April. This will be credited off your Autumn Term Invoice. If the required notice to withdraw from School is not given, the re-enrolment fee is retained.

	£
Day Pupils	£770
EU/International Pupils	£2,750

UK Tuition & Boarding Fees Per Term 25/26 (inclusive of VAT)

	UK Day Pupil Per Term	UK Tuition & Weekly Boarding Per Term	UK Tuition & Full Boarding Per Term
Reception	£3,300		
Years 1 and 2	£3,960		
Year 3	£5,207		
Years 4 to 6	£6,123		
Years 7 and 8	£6,270	£11,683	£13,423
Year 9	£8,140	£13,553	£15,293
Years 10 to 13	£8,433	£13,847	£15,587

International Tuition & Boarding Fees Per Term 25/26 (inclusive of VAT)

	EU Tuition & Full Boarding Fee Per Term	Non-EU Int Tuition & Full Boarding Per Term
Years 7 and 8	£14,925	£15,351
Year 9	£16,897	£17,284
Years 10 to 13	£17,168	£17,555
Pre High	£16,665	£17,091
Pre A Level	£18,908	£19,295

We aim to make our fees as comprehensive as possible and to incorporate the cost of all the major mandatory expenses incurred by our pupils. Thus, the basic termly fee covers:

- The cost of tuition and all associated costs (including standard issue books and materials)
- School lunch and afternoon snack
- The provision of a laptop from Years 6 to Year 8

Fees are reviewed annually and are shared January of each year with a letter from the Principal.

Notice of Withdraw

A terms notice is required in writing, to the Principal, before the removal of a child from the School. Notice should be given to the Principal before the first day of the term to withdraw at the end of the term. For Nursery, half a terms notice is required. In the absence of such notice, a term's Fees in Lieu of Notice will be charged.

Additional Charges

Additional Tuition charges:

- Most activities are included within the fees charged. Details of any activities charged as extras will be included in the Extra Curricular activities section.
- Additional materials required for GCSE or A Level courses over and above general issues (physical materials e.g. Art, DT & Photography projects).

Additional Boarding charges:

- A single room supplement is charged at £910 per term.
- Activities fund of £2,000 per annum is held for extra-curricular activities, trips and visits, as well as airport transfers.

Football Academy Fees 25/26 (inclusive of VAT)

At the Football Academy we offer an intensive football development programme which includes Coaching, Scouting, Performance Analysis and Research. Full boarders receive an enhanced programme involving evening and weekend activities.

	Per Term	
Football Academy EU/International	£1,615	
Football Academy Day School	£770	

Learning Support (inclusive of VAT)

Learning Enhancement is charged at the following rates and are billed in arrears:

	Per Session
SENCO 1:1	£51.00
Learning Support Group (Max 4)	£12.75
Learning Support Assistant 1:1	£25.50
20 Minute Booster Session (min. 3 per week)	£15.30

EAL

Alongside their respective educational courses, non-native speakers of English are required to study EAL within the timetable as part of their programme. Core EAL teaching is included in the international boarding fee. Parents will be advised individually where extra teaching is recommended.

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Transport

The transport service, which is subsidised by the School, is available to all pupils from Year 3 to Year 13. The school may consider exceptions to this on a case-by-case basis.

The charges for the Claremont School Transport Service are based on a banding system, (see Appendix A) and are billed in advance.

In addition to the extensive bus routes, we also provide a convenient shuttle/link service exclusively for our students, giving parents the option to drop at their nearest school site and use the bus service to travel onwards to the Prep or Senior School.

Requests for the Link/shuttle bus between St Leonards and Bodiam must be booked in advance to secure a place.

Return Journey (AM & PM)	Return Per Term
Band A Per Term (includes the shuttle/link service)	£480
Band B Per Term (includes the shuttle/link service)	£510
Band C Per Term (includes the shuttle/link service)	£560
Band D Per Term (includes the shuttle/link service)	£600
2nd/3rd Sibling rate on any Band	£350
Shuttle/Link Service (where not purchasing a band ticket)	£250

Single journey on any route (AM or PM)	Single Per Term
Band A Per Term (includes the shuttle/link service AM or PM)	£255
Band B Per Term (includes the shuttle/link service AM or PM)	£270
Band C Per Term (includes the shuttle/link service AM or PM)	£295
Band D Per Term (includes the shuttle/link service AM or PM)	£315

Once your child's place is confirmed on the bus service, it will automatically be renewed each academic year **unless cancelled with a terms notice**. For further information Please contact transport@claremontschool.co.uk

Music Lessons/LAMDA

The School offers a wide range of Music, Dance (Rambert) and LAMDA opportunities. These are offered by third party providers. For further information, including costs and booking please contact:

LAMDA

Senior - Claire Waller (<u>claire.waller@claremontschool.co.uk</u>), Prep - Kate West (<u>kate.west@claremontschool.co.uk</u>)

MUSIC

Senior - Natasha Smith (<u>natasha.smith@claremontschool.co.uk</u>, Prep - Susan Fulford (<u>susan.fulford@claremontschool.co.uk</u>)

DANCE

Beth Eckhoff (beth.eckhoff@claremontschool.co.uk)

Extras are billed termly and are paid by bank transfer.

Notice of Withdrawal from Co-curricular Activities

A terms notice is required in writing, before the removal of a child from a charged co-curricular activity. Notice should be given to finance@claremontschool.co.uk before the first day of the term, to withdraw at the end of the term.

Extra-Curricular Trips and Visits

Parents are contacted in advance by the School with details of the trip and estimated cost to sign up. Once a parent has signed up, the cost of the trip will be added to the next term's bill. Residential trips may require a bank transfer to pay a deposit and secure a place, with the balance being added to the termly invoice. Whilst the School recognises the important role that school trips play in the broader education of pupils; payment of fees takes priority.

Other Charges

Other extra charges may be incurred by using such services as listed below:

Applicable to Day and Boarding students:

- Sporting equipment/kit
- Disbursements for after-school activities or sports coaching as required by parents. The cost of these activities is notified to parents at the beginning of each term.
- Replacement textbooks

- Additional physical materials for GCSE or A Level courses/projects over and above general issues:
 - GCSE Art & Photography £250 per annum
 - A Level Art & Photography £300 per annum
 - Design & Technology £60 per annum
- Examination costs (e.g., GCSE, BTECH & A 'Level entry) are charged to parents and are confirmed in January of each year. The charge to parents will include invigilation costs and administration entry fees.
- GCSE exams (approx. £55.00-£95.00 per exam depending on Subject/board/ specification).
- A Level exams (approx. £90.00-£185.00 depending on subject/board/specification).
- BTEC (Business and Technology Education Council) registration & first exam sitting (approx. £220 depending on specification).
- Examination support required is charged.

Boarding Students

- School Nurse charges above general daily care.
- Medical and dental treatment provided by third parties
- Taxi fares connected with medical appointments, activities, airport transfers, transport to and from School

This is not an exhaustive list. Depending on these items, they are charged in advance (where known about prior to the pre-term billing) or in arrears.

A Terms notice in writing is required for withdrawal from Extras, notice should be given in writing to finance@claremontschool.co.uk before the first day of a term to withdraw at the end of the term. The school reserves the right to charge in lieu of such notice.

Scholarships & Means Tested Bursaries

A limited number of scholarships and means tested bursaries are awarded each year and are applied to tuition fees only. Scholarships for Year 7,9 and Sixth Form entry are assessed and awarded in a range of areas in the year before entry. The assessments are suitable for students from any educational background. Scholars' performance is reviewed annually. Bursaries are means tested and, where awarded, will require parents/guardians to resubmit bursary applications annually.

The Scholarship application fee is £50, which is non-refundable.

Sibling Discount

Where there are siblings attending the School at the same time then a discount of 10% is given to the second child and 15% to the third. The discount applies to tuition fees only.

Forces Families

Members of HM Armed Forces, who are eligible for the Military Continuity of Education Allowance (CEA) will receive a discount such that they pay the mandatory parental contribution of 15% of the tuition fee, with the balance being covered by the CEA.

NHS Discount

NHS staff will be eligible to receive a 2% discount on tuition fees only.

Parent Referral Scheme

A one-off £750 deduction will be applied to the referring parent and to the joining families invoice, once the referred pupil is admitted to the school. Please contact finance for eligibility and the full scheme details finance@claremontschool.co.uk

Fee Assistance

Families may be eligible for grants under the <u>Educational Trusts Forum</u>. Claremont School supports suitable applications for assistance under the IAPS iTrust scheme. For more information and eligibility please visit https://iaps.uk/about/itrust

Fees in Advance Scheme

We offer a Fees in Advance Scheme to enable families to reduce the cost of independent education by making a lump sum payment in advance (minimum a full year in advance).

A discount of 3% will be applied to tuition fees only in respect of funds paid in advance under the scheme.

Our Finance team will work with you to show the forward coverage of fees achievable with a lump sum payment. Once agreed, the School will invoice for those specific term costs.

For further details or a personalised illustration including a copy of the terms and conditions which will need to be signed, please contact finance@claremontschool.co.uk

Late payment of fees will result in a charge of 2% per month.

Grants for 3- & 4-Year Old's (EYEE)

Working in partnership with East Sussex County Council (ESCC), Claremont School currently offers the Universal 15 and 30 hours of Early Years Funding Entitlement (EYFE) for pupils in our Nursery classes. You will be eligible to claim the funding in the term after your child's 3rd birthday.

Methods of Payment

In March each year, parents will receive a form to complete to confirm how they would like to pay fees. The options are:

- Fees in Advance Annually
- Direct Debit Termly
- Direct Debit Monthly

Our method of payment is by Direct Debit. Please note, we no longer accept cheques as a method of payment.

It is School policy that any monies paid to the School are first used to clear outstanding tuition/boarding fee balances on the billing account.

Fees in Advance – Annually

Fees in advance are billed annually on 1st June. To qualify for the 3% discount, fees must be paid by 30th June.

Direct Debit - Termly

Fees are billed	Fees Due For Payment	School Term
1 st August	1 st September	Autumn Term
1 st December	l st January	Spring Term
1 st March	1 st April	Summer Term

Direct Debit - Monthly

The School operates a monthly direct debit payment scheme for UK bank account holders. The direct debit scheme is set up to collect 10 equal installments over 10 months with payments collected on 6th of the month; the first payment starting in September and the last in June.

Any direct debits returned to the School unpaid or any payment not honored will attract an administrative charge of £25. This will be added to the next bill.

The School appreciates that there occasionally may be difficulties in meeting fee payments. If financial difficulties are foreseen, the fee payer must contact the finance team as soon as possible. This allows the School to review the situation in a timely manner, avoiding unnecessary disruption to education. Please call +44 (0) 1424 751555 or email finance@claremontschool.co.uk

Credit or Debit Card

Most credit cards and debit cards are accepted. If you wish to pay by credit or debit card, please contact the finance office. Some credit cards may attract a service fee.

Although the Childcare Voucher Scheme is closed to new applicants (since October 2018), parents may be eligible for Tax-Free Childcare instead.

Some of the childcare providers we have accounts with include:

- Edenred
- Computershare
- Sodexo
- Widerplan

Childcare Vouchers

Childcare Vouchers may be used to pay for childcare that covers After School Clubs, Breakfasts, Suppers, Holiday Clubs, Nursery Education and Boarding. They cannot be used to cover School Fees.

Appendix A

Bus Zones

