# Farlington School



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At Farlington we educate for confidence. Our girls are happy, successful individuals. We are an outstanding independent girls' day and boarding school located just outside Horsham, on the West Sussex/Surrey border, 20 minutes from Gatwick, one hour from Heathrow and 30 minutes from Brighton. We provide an excellent all-round education for girls aged 3–18; our Nursery is co-educational.

Each girl is valued; her personal development, whether in Prep School, Senior School or Sixth Form, is paramount. Farlington offers so much more than just academic success – we provide an all-round education. Girls are offered an extensive variety of activities as part of, and in addition to, the curriculum. Music, art, drama and sport are all an important part of Farlington life and provide every opportunity for success. Farlington has a strong sense of community and each girl's cultural, spiritual and emotional education is viewed with equal importance.

Girls leave us as well-educated young women with highly developed interpersonal skills and a broad range of interests. They have the confidence and self-belief to pursue their personal goals and make a positive contribution to the immediate and wider community.

### **Entry requirements**

Entry is by our own examination and interview. Farlington offers means-tested bursaries of up to 90% of tuition fees for UK residents from Year 5. Members of the UK diplomatic corps and members of the regular UK Armed Forces are considered as UK residents. In addition, regular members of the UK Armed Forces are also eligible for a 10% discount on tuition fees. Academic, Art, Drama, Music and Sport Scholarships are available at Year 7, Year 9 and Sixth Form.

#### Academic

Farlington provides an outstanding all-round education for girls aged 3–18; our Nursery is co-educational. Academic results are excellent, but the emphasis is on educating the whole child. We nurture the self-esteem and confidence of each individual, ensuring her talents are fully developed. The philosophy of the School is broadly based on Christian principles, but we welcome girls from a wide range of religious and cultural backgrounds.

#### Curriculum

The Prep School offers an enhanced National Curriculum, with specialist teachers for languages, art, drama, music and PE. Transition from Prep to Senior School is automatic for those girls for whom the curriculum is suitable.

Years 7–9 are based on the National Curriculum, but with more challenge and a broader range of subjects. Most teaching takes place in tutor groups, though







some subjects are set, as appropriate. All girls study French, Spanish and Latin during Years 7 and 8. German and Italian are available further up the school.

In Year 10, girls complete the Short Course GCSE in Philosophy and Ethics. At GCSE, girls study the core subjects and can choose from a further 12 subjects. IGCSE Science is offered as either a double or triple award and we also follow the IGCSE syllabus for Mathematics.

A wide range of AS and A2 courses is offered at Sixth Form. Most girls follow four AS courses in the Lower Sixth and three A2 courses in the Upper Sixth, although the programme is flexible. The Extended Project Qualification is popular and our acceptance rate at top universities is high.

There are many avenues for self-expression in art, drama, music and sport, through a wide range of extracurricular activities. An extensive programme of enrichment opportunities is available. All Lower Sixth girls take part in Young Enterprise and Voluntary Service; pupils regularly achieve the Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award.

We offer an EAL (English as an additional language) programme for foreign students, leading to all levels of examination.

## Boarding

Farlington Boarding offers two comfortable and friendly houses: 'Fishponds' caters for girls aged from 8–13 and the 'Mansion House' accommodates more senior boarders. In both, there is a genuine family feel due, in part, to the age range of our boarders which allows girls to mix across the ages. Staff are friendly, and girls help each other with their work and with life's stresses; there is always a supportive ear available for anyone who needs it!

Girls who stay for weekends are treated to an immensely varied and adventurous programme of outings and activities. Creative trips such as ceramic painting are interspersed with more active pursuits like kayaking, climbing and abseiling

It feels as if Farlington has become my second home.



**Key facts** 

Type of school Girls boarding 8–18 and day 3–18 Age range 3–18 Number of pupils 350 Number of boarders 60

Religious tradition Christian Fees per term Full boarding £7,595–£9,170;

Weekly boarding £7,195–£8,770; Day: Senior £5,490, Prep £2,350–£4,605

ISC associations GSA, IAPS Affiliation BSA

Teacher/pupil ratio 1:7





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