

Loretto



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Loretto is Scotland's oldest private boarding school. Its ethos promotes enthusiastic participation in all areas of school life, providing a first-class all-round education, and stresses the value of teamwork and community. The School is deliberately small, made up of two parts, the Junior School (0-12) and the Senior School (12-18), allowing a purposeful and caring family atmosphere. Set within 85 acres of beautiful grounds, Loretto is located in the small coastal town of Musselburgh, six miles from the cultural centre of Edinburgh. The School is 30 minutes by car from Edinburgh Airport. There is a strong personal tutor system and much emphasis is placed on the highly regarded Sixth Form programme and competitive university entrance seminars. English for speakers of other languages, and support for stretching gifted and less able pupils are also available. There is a rigorous academic programme and high expectations. GCSEs and A-levels are studied.

'To me being a Lorettonian means I am confident, happy and secure because Loretto is not just a school, it is much more. Loretto strengthens my existing talents and nurtures lesser ones. Perhaps not the highest achiever but not any less valued, I can be the best I can be. I am treated and respected as an individual yet also integrated within the whole school community. Loretto has equipped me with values to last a lifetime, and has reinforced honesty and integrity. What a privilege to be a Lorettonian!'

A sixth-former's view on what it is to be a Lorettonian

Unique features

Acknowledged as a centre of excellence for its music, drama and art, Loretto is an all-Steinway piano school, has its own theatre, Chapel,



recording studio and radio station. Many former pupils now pursue successful careers in this field. 2015 saw the Loretto unveiling of a state-of-the-art indoor golf centre. Combined with the use of the local Championship links golf courses and on-site facilities, our own Academy is a leading European Golf Academy. Former pupil Graeme Simmers, 2001/02 Captain of The Royal and Ancient Golf Club, St Andrews, says: 'Loretto encouraged me to make the most of myself in every aspect of my life, uncovering not only a competitive edge, but a love of sportsmanship that has been a guiding influence in my life ever since.' Loretto continues to invest heavily in its sports coaching by providing professional coaching all-year round. Scottish international, John Blain, heads the cricket, and Neil Allan, Scottish Hockey Coach of the Year 2011, coaches hockey.

Extracurricular activities

Loretto is constantly busy with pupils making a regular commitment to extracurricular activities. LAMDA drama and singing exams are popular as is being a member of the famous Loretto Pipe Band who recently played with Sir Paul McCartney. Daily commitments of activities and sport are supplemented with Community Service, the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme, Arctic expeditions and the Combined Cadet Force.

Scholarships and bursaries

A broad range of scholarships and bursaries (worth up to 105% of the fees) are available, covering academic, all-rounder, music, art, drama and sport.

Loretto gives a lot and simply asks in return that pupils give of their best.

Key facts

Type of school Co-educational boarding 12-18 and day 0-18

Age range 0-18 (Senior 12-18, Prep 0-12)

Number of pupils 617 (Senior 428, Prep 189)

Number of boarders 257 (Senior 255, Prep 2)

Teacher/pupil ratio 1:9

Religious tradition Christian

Fees per term Boarding £6,680-£10,200;

Flexi-boarding (3 nights per week) £5,640-£8,480;

Day £1,672-£6,950

ISC associations HMC, IAPS

Affiliations BSA, ISCO, SLS



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