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*August 2017*
Welcome from the Head

Mr S R J Marshall, MA, MPhil

Choosing the right school for your child at 11+ is a huge challenge for all parents. At Bancroft’s we have a tradition of excellence: we are an aspirational school and we strongly value scholarship and intellectual inquiry; we aim to inspire and encourage all our pupils to explore the world of learning during their time here and our ambition is for each child to leave the School with the confidence, self-awareness and knowledge to flourish in the world beyond and to take with them an awareness of others and an abiding curiosity about the world.

We believe that all pupils flourish most when they take full advantage of all the opportunities for learning that we provide: immersed in academic research, playing for one of our many sports’ teams, taking part in some of our many charitable activities, acting on the stage or playing in the orchestra, as well as attending one of the numerous clubs and societies. Our pupils challenge themselves and learn by taking a full part in school life, by making mistakes along the way, as well as experiencing success.

We have the highest expectations of all our pupils and we believe in supporting, encouraging and nurturing each individual. Most of all we want all our pupils to enjoy school life to the full, make enduring friendships and grow up in a friendly, safe but challenging environment.

We were founded on the principle of enabling children from diverse backgrounds to gain an excellent education; we offer a number of academic and other scholarships and the Bancroft’s Foundation provides means-tested awards for ambitious children who might not otherwise be able to afford school fees. There is more information about this in this booklet.

We hope you will come and meet us at one of the Open Days we run during the year, but also please come and visit us during a working day to see us in action.

I look forward to welcoming you to the School.
Admissions Policy

We are committed to ensuring our young people be given the opportunity to have a complete, happy and successful career at Bancroft’s, leaving as confident, well-educated and competent adults, ready for the challenges ahead. We promote enthusiasm, perseverance, tolerance and integrity, the human qualities necessary to flourish within a community.

The purpose of our entrance processes is not to make Bancroft’s more academically selective, but to help us make offers on a controlled basis to candidates we feel will benefit most from the distinctive education we offer. We receive many more applications than we have places. Some candidates may be placed on a waiting list following the examination and interview and may be offered places if vacancies arise.

Our pupils come from an eclectic mix of backgrounds and we greatly value our multi-ethnic and multi-faith community, believing it to be an ideal nurturing ground for our future society, developing understanding and respect for individuality and for those around us.

The School applies the entrance criteria to all potential pupils regardless of any disability, race, gender, ethnicity or sexual orientation of which we are made aware and will make reasonable adjustments where necessary in order not to put a disabled student at a substantial disadvantage compared to their peers.

The School asks parents to inform us at the time of application, of any disability or issues, which may potentially cause concern. In assessing candidates the School may take advice and require assessments that are deemed necessary, but will be sensitive to any requests for confidentiality.

There are two main ages of entry to Bancroft’s: at 7+ (into Year 3) and at 11+ (into Year 7), in addition we admit smaller numbers at 16+ (into Year 12).

Places may occasionally become available at other ages as families move out of the area.

7+ (into Year 3). Entrance is by our own competitive test, held in January of the year of entry. Candidates will be invited into the Preparatory School on two separate occasions. We recruit about 60 pupils at this age, from a very wide range of independent and state schools.

11+ (into Year 7). We recruit approximately a further 60 pupils at this age, from a very wide range of independent and state schools. Entrance is by our own competitive exam, held in January of the year of entry, which involves papers in English and Maths.

16+ (into Year 12). We recruit about 25 pupils at this age, from a wide range of independent and state schools. Entrance is by our own competitive exam, held in November of the year before entry i.e. at the beginning of Year 11; candidates select their papers from a list of subjects Bancroft’s offers at A Level and that they feel they will perform best in; they do not have to choose subjects they will pursue at A Level. We may also offer fee paying places on the basis of GCSE results once these are published in August.

Parents of applicants are informed by an agreed date of the outcome of the application. No specific marks (raw or percentage) or grades will be given. The papers themselves are not released. Examination scripts are exempt from Section 7 of the Data Protection Act. The entrance test results are final and there is no appeal process.

The School awards Drapers’ Scholarships, Francis Bancroft Scholarships, Foundation Scholarships and Music Scholarships. In assessing potential scholars, we look for academic leadership and intellectual curiosity. We try to distinguish the bright from the well drilled, the inspired from the effective and we aim to uncover flair. Considerable time is taken to ensure that the process is fair.

Candidates who are not awarded a Scholarship may be offered a fee-paying place at the School. Those who have applied for scholarships only are not considered for fee-paying places, even if their performance was good enough to have earned them a place in the School.

Candidates who are offered a Scholarship must also fulfil the minimum entry requirements. These awards continue whilst the pupil maintains their educational potential and abides by the School rules and policies.
**Academic (Drapers’) Scholarships** each covering up to one tenth, one quarter, one third or one half of the School fee are normally available on the basis of academic distinction in the entrance exam and at interview at 11+ and 16+, without reference to parental income. Competition for scholarships is high. There is no separate examination for those wishing to be considered for scholarships. School reports and interviews are a vital part of the selection process.

**Means Tested Awards (Francis Bancroft & Foundation Scholarships)** are designed to support pupils of high ability whose parents provide evidence that they might not otherwise be able to afford the full school fee. Bancroft’s has a long tradition of taking pupils from a variety of backgrounds, and participated in the Direct Grant and the Assisted Places Schemes. The School now continues that tradition by offering up to 12 Means Tested Awards. The places are awarded on the results of the entrance examinations at 7+, 11+ and 16+ with school reports and interviews playing an important part. The value of an award depends on a number of factors, including total income and the number of dependent children. The assessment of the level of financial assistance is calculated on a graduated scale after parents/guardians have submitted a comprehensive confidential statement of their income and assets, on a duly completed Financial Disclosure Form (FDF), together with any additional information, confirmations, and supporting documentation, which may be required.

Up to two **Music Scholarships (11+ and 16+)**, each worth either up to one quarter or one half of the School fee, are also offered to children with outstanding musical talent.

For Bancroft’s Preparatory School enquiries, please contact:
telephone 020 8506 6774 or
e-mail: prep.office@bancrofts.org

For all Bancroft’s Senior School enquiries, please contact:
The Admissions Registrar, Mrs Stephanie Wallis,
telephone: 020 8506 6761 or
e-mail: admissions@bancrofts.org
Aims & Ethos

The Background

Bancroft’s School was established in 1737 by the Draper’s Company, honouring the Will of Francis Bancroft. The School moved to its present site at Woodford Wells in 1889. The fine Victorian quad was designed by Sir Arthur Blomfield and provides a dining hall, chapel, library and classrooms. There have been many additions to the original buildings over the years, which have ensured that Bancroft’s has first rate facilities, including a swimming pool and sports’ hall on site. Bancroft’s became fully coeducational in 1979. In 1990 a Preparatory School was opened, providing education for children aged 7-11. The School is committed to providing excellent value for money, as well as offering scholarships and bursaries to those who could not otherwise attend the School.

The Bancroft’s Vision

To be a successful centre of excellence, consistently providing the highest academic standards and an educational experience enriched by a vibrant cultural environment, which prepares pupils successfully to take their place in the next phase of their lives.

To ensure that pupils emerge with confidence, self-motivation, mutual respect and a strong sense of social responsibility to become highly successful adults who will make a difference to the 21\textsuperscript{st} century world and the communities in which they live.

The School’s Objectives

1. To maintain the highest standards of teaching and learning with inclusive systems for individual support, welfare and personalised learning that is never less than outstanding.

2. To provide a broad, balanced, high quality and forward-looking curriculum relevant to the aspirations of the students and their parents together with a wide-ranging programme of opportunities both within and outside the School day.

3. To build a strong and cohesive community and a strong partnership with parents, families and other major stakeholders.

4. To provide first rate facilities, which facilitate learning, both in and out of the classroom.
Admission at 11+ (into Year 7)

Entry Requirements

Entry at 11+ into Year 7 is on the basis of performance in an entrance exam and at interview.

The closing date for registrations is 1st December.

Entrance Exam

All applicants for entry at 11+ sit two papers, in Mathematics and English (Comprehension and Essay) in the January of the year of entry. An 11+ sample paper is available from the School website www.bancrofts.org

Candidates who do well in the written examination will be invited for interview.

Please visit our website www.bancrofts.org for examination dates and closing dates.

Interviews

Successful candidates will be called back for interview following the examination; a report from the candidate’s current school will be taken into account. Offer letters will be sent out by post in mid-February.

Interviews will be conducted by a team of Senior School Staff, with candidates being interviewed in pairs. The interviews will be primarily academic and no special preparation is required, but it is useful if candidates can explain how they enjoy spending their time, and they can describe any particular achievements or interests.

Applications

To apply for a place in Year 7 starting in September, parents must complete and submit an 11+ registration form before 1st December of Year 6.

A single (non-returnable) registration fee of £60 is required, unless you apply for a Means Tested Award (including Francis Bancroft & Foundation Scholarships) only, when a single (non-returnable) registration fee of £20 is required (Box D only on the Registration Form). (Cheques should be made payable to Bancroft’s School.)

A copy of the child’s birth certificate or passport must be sent with your registration form and fee.

Please note that those who apply for scholarships only (including Means Tested Awards) will not be considered for full fee paying places, even if their performance in the examination is good enough to have earned them a place in the School.

A Financial Disclosure Form (FDF) and/or Music Scholarship Application Form will be sent to you separately, if you have indicated on the Registration Form your interest for your child to be considered for these.

Fee-Paying Places

Candidates who are not awarded a Scholarship may be offered a full fee-paying place at the School. For candidates who are offered a full fee paying place, the School fees are payable by direct debit in ten equal instalments starting in August. School fees are reviewed annually; they include tuition, lunch, the use of text and library books, stationery and scientific materials and games. However, fees charged by external examination boards are added to the fee account in the relevant years. For details of our current fees, please visit www.bancrofts.org.
Scholarships & Awards at 11+

At 11+, the School awards Academic Scholarships (including Drapers’ Scholarships), Means Tested Awards (including Francis Bancroft & Foundation Scholarships) and Music Scholarships.

In assessing potential scholars, we look for academic leadership and intellectual curiosity. We try to distinguish the bright from the well drilled, the inspired from the effective and we aim to uncover flair. Considerable time is taken to ensure that the process is fair.

Candidates who are offered a Scholarship must also fulfil the minimum entry requirements. These awards continue whilst the pupil maintains their educational potential and abides by the School rules and policies.

**Academic Scholarships (including Drapers’ Scholarships)**

Academic Scholarships (including Drapers’ Scholarships) each covering up to one tenth, one quarter, one third or one half of the full School fee are awarded on the basis of academic distinction in the entrance exam and at interview, without reference to parental income.

**Means Tested Awards (including Francis Bancroft & Foundation Scholarships)**

Means Tested Awards (including Francis Bancroft & Foundation Scholarships, also known as bursaries) are designed to support pupils of high ability whose parents provide evidence that they might not otherwise be able to afford the full school fee. The value of an award depends on a number of factors, including total income and the number of dependent children.

The assessment of the level of financial assistance is calculated on a graduated scale after parents/guardians have submitted a comprehensive confidential statement of their income and assets, on a duly completed Financial Disclosure Form (FDF Form), together with any additional information, confirmations, and supporting documentation, which may be required.

Means Tested Awards (including Francis Bancroft & Foundation Scholarships) are awarded based on the results of the 11+ entrance examination, with school reports and interviews playing an important part.

A Financial Disclosure Form (FDF) will be sent to you, separately, if you have indicated on the Registration Form your interest for your child to be considered for this.
Music Scholarships

Music Scholarships are awarded to children with outstanding musical talent. At 11+ up to two Music Scholarships each worth up to one quarter or one half of the full School fee together with free tuition on one instrument at School, or a contribution towards tuition on one instrument outside School, are available.

A Music Scholar will be expected to make a strong contribution to the music department and the musical life of the School by attending, and performing in, a variety of concerts and musical events, setting a good example to, and encouraging other pupils. They should attend weekly instrumental lessons and ensemble activities and be seen to make good progress on their main instrument. They will also be a member of one of the School choirs.

Music plays a major part in the life of the School and there are many opportunities for pupils to perform. Concerts are held regularly throughout the year, including an annual visit to the Drapers' Hall in London. Weekly musical groups for senior pupils include: Bancroft's Singers, School Choir, First Orchestra, Bancroft's Swingers, Concert Band, Flute Choir, String Ensemble, String Quartet, Saxophone Quartet and Bancroft's Jazz Collective.

Following the academic entrance examination in January, candidates whose reports and references are promising are invited for an audition.

Music Auditions

The Music auditions will take place in January of the year of entry.

During the entrance examination process, in January, candidates with promising Music reports and references will be shortlisted for a Music Audition.

Music Scholarships are awarded on the basis of the School entrance examination, the Music audition, and an interview.

Music Scholarship candidates must pass the School’s entrance examination. It is important that we receive a report from the candidate’s current Head Teacher and references from the candidate’s instrumental teachers.

Candidates are expected to be at least Grade 5 merit or the equivalent on their first instrument but need not be of such a high standard on their second instrument.

For the audition, candidates will be asked to perform two contrasting pieces on their main instrument and one piece on their second instrument, which may include singing, to complete some sight-reading, aural tests and a short interview. Candidates are welcome to provide their own accompanist if they wish, although this is by no means essential. Music that requires an accompaniment must not be performed unaccompanied.

Preference will be given to players of orchestral instruments.

Solos must be properly prepared under the guidance of a teacher. In the case of the recorder and singing, for example, it is not usually sufficient to have played or sung in a large class group. The ability to read from musical notation, vocal quality above the average and intelligent interpretation should all be evident. There is no written examination.

It is not possible to accept the electronic organ; otherwise, there are no constraints on the instruments, which may be offered.

Music Scholarship candidates must also arrange for Mrs Whitbread, Director of Music, to receive by no later than 1 January of the year of entry, a letter of recommendation from the candidate’s music teacher(s) outlining standard and potential together with the completed Music Scholarship Application Form. It would also be helpful if you could list the performances (at school or outside) in which your child has taken part.

A Music Scholarship Application Form will be sent to you if you have indicated on the Registration Form your interest for your child to be considered for this.

For application, examination and audition dates, please visit our website www.bancrofts.org.
2017 GCSE Results

54.4% of all GCSEs taken were awarded the top grade of A*; 89% achieved either an A* or A with 98.2% a B grade or better. Fifteen pupils received 10 A*s.

A full breakdown of results* is as follows:

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*As at 24 August 2017
Bancroft’s pupils achieved 37.9% at A*; 68.6% of all exams taken were awarded either an A* or an A. Twenty nine pupils received 3 or more A*s, with two obtaining 5 A*s.

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*As at 17 August 2017*
99% of Upper Sixth leavers continue to Higher Education; most of them progress to Russell Group universities. Destinations and courses of study are varied, everything from Archaeology through to Zoology. The table below shows the destinations for leavers in 2017 (from data provided by UCAS 29 August 2017)

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Important Information

Fees and Charges

The Registration Fee is £60.

A £400 deposit is payable on acceptance of a place; this sum will be credited to the final account.

School fees are reviewed annually and include tuition, the use of text and library books, stationery and scientific materials and games. Lunches are also included in the fee. Fees charged by external examination boards are added to the fee account in the relevant years. Current information regarding fees are detailed on our website www.bancrofts.org.

All former pupils of Bancroft's School, both senior and preparatory departments are Members of the Old Bancroftians' Association; OBA Membership subscriptions are collected each term via the School fees bill; this is currently £9 per term for the Prep School and £12 per term for the Senior School; this pays for lifetime membership.

Available extras include tuition in instrumental music, DofE, CCF, Scouts, field trips and other optional excursions.

Payment of Fees

School fees are charged in advance at the beginning of each term, or payable by direct debit in ten equal instalments starting in August. Overdue accounts are subject to a late payment charge. Any questions relating to the payment of fees should be addressed to the Bursar.

School fees cannot be refunded for any term or part of a term for which a pupil is absent through illness, accident or other cause.

Residence

Pupils must normally reside with their parents or legal guardian. We ask that all pupils live close enough to the School to ensure that their welfare is, in the Head’s opinion, not put in jeopardy and also to allow them to participate fully in Bancroft’s extensive after-school and weekend co-curricular and sporting programmes. Any change in place of residence must be notified immediately to the Head.

Dress

All pupils are required to wear the School uniform.

Policies and Procedures

Our policies and procedures are available on the school website www.bancrofts.org these include:

- Child Protection policy
- Curriculum Policy
- Behaviour Policy
- Complaints Procedure

Chairman – the current Chairman of our Governors is Prof P Ogden, BA, DPhil, AcSS. Should you wish to contact him at any stage, please write care of Bancroft’s School, 611-627 High Road, Woodford Green, Essex, IG8 ORF or e-mail chairman@bancrofts.org
Breakfast

Breakfast is served in the dining servery from 7.45 am to 8.15 am every morning. A range of breakfast items is on sale.

The Library

For those who arrive early, leave late or who simply wish to make use of the facilities, the Library is open and supervised from 8.00 am to 6.00 pm.

Bus Service

We operate a minibus service from Loughton Station to Bancroft’s School; this is for the younger year groups and there is, at present, no charge for this

Matron

We have a full time Matron who attends to the needs of pupils. Minor injuries/problems are dealt within the surgery. If pupils need to go home Matron will contact parents directly. It is therefore vital that details of changes in contact numbers are passed to the School without delay. Matron is willing to supervise the administration of medication during the School day should parents wish. Parents must send a written request to Matron if any prescribed medicines need to be administered at School and complete the consent form. However, unless it is necessary, we do not encourage individuals to bring medication to School.
Bancroft's School Staff & Governors

Senior Leadership Team

Head
S R J Marshall, MA, MPhil

Senior Tutor
R B de Renzy Channer, MA

Acting Assistant Head (Academic)
Mrs A M Scurfield, BSc

Assistant Head (Pastoral)
Mrs E F de Renzy Channer, MA

Assistant Head (Co-Curricular, Outreach & Partnerships)
C A F Butler, BSc

Headmaster, Preparatory School
J Layburn, MA

Governors
Prof P Ogden, BA, DPhil, AcSS (Chairman)
R Bhumbra, BSc, PhD, MBBS, MRCS, FRCS (Old Bancroftian)
Mrs B Conroy, MA, MBA (Old Bancroftian)
R Gooding, IEng, ACIBSE
Prof P Kopelman, MD, FRCP, FFPH
Dr A V Philp, MA, MB, BChir (Deputy Chair)
J Rose
E Sautter, MA (Old Bancroftian)
Mrs S Siddiqui, BA, TEP
P Southern, MA, PhD
M J Stark
R Williamson, BA, FRGS

Housemasters/Housemistresses
North House: Miss H J Prescott-Morrin, BSc
East House: Mrs A K Fryer-Green, BSc
West House: Mrs L J Coyne, BA
School House: R M Hitching, BA

Head of Sixth Form
N E Lee, BSc

Head of Section (Middle School)
Mrs P R Tindall, BA

Junior Housemistresses
North House: Miss C G Edwards, BA
East House: Miss K A Hughes, MA
West House: Miss J K Robbins, BA
School House: Miss A M H Wainwright, MA

Head of Section (Junior School)
J P Dickinson, MEng

Assistant Director of Studies
C J Atkinson, MA
Teaching Staff

Art
A D Ford, MA (Head of Art)
Mrs S O'Sullivan, MA
Mrs N Vetta, BA
Ms I Ward, MA

Biology
Mrs A C Carter, BSc
Mrs F M Graham, BSc (Head of Biology)
Miss A Grimwood, BSc
Mrs S C Hampson, BSc
J H Raw, BA

Chemistry
S Ahmed, MSci, PhD
J Choy, MSci (Head of Medics)
N Goalby, MEng (Head of Chemistry)
G M Ismail, BSc, PhD (Head of Junior Science)
Miss H Korcz, BSc, MEd
Miss H J Prescott-Morrin, BSc

Classics
Mrs M J Baker, BA (Head of Classics)
Mrs L J Coyne, BA
A J Smethurst, MA
Miss H E Stewart, BA

Drama
Mrs C Foinette, BA
K P Gallagher, BA
Miss H C Gartland, MA (Head of English)
J D Kelsall, BA, MMus
Ms E M Middleton, BA (Head of Drama)
A J Mill, PhD
S J Sugarman, BA
R E Young, BA

Economics and Business Studies
Mrs L R Anthony, BSc (Head of Economics)
Miss S L Brand, BA
Mrs K J Dean, BA, ACA (Head of Business Studies)
H N Jones, BA
Mrs S Strnad, MA

English
Miss C G Edwards, BA
Miss N Evans, MEd (Head of Junior English)
K P Gallagher, BA
Miss H C Gartland, MA (Head of English)

English (cont)
T R C Jones, MA (Second in Department)
S R J Marshall, MA, MPhil (Head)
Ms E M Middleton, BA (Head of Drama)
A J Mill, PhD
R E Young, BA

Geography
T Barwood, MA
Miss S L Brand, BA
C A F Butler, BSc (Assistant Head, Co-curricular)
J S Foley, BSc
R M Hitching, BA
N E Lee, BSc (Head of Sixth Form)
Mrs V Talbot, BA (Head of Geography)

Government and Politics
Mrs K J Dean, BA, ACA, (Head of Business Studies)
R M Hitching, BA
S A Hunn, BA, MSt, DPhil (Head of Government and Politics)

History
L J Brennand, BA (Head of History)
Miss G M Carnell, BA
R B de Renzy Channer, MA (Senior Tutor)
Miss K A Hughes, MA
S A Hunn, BA, MSt, DPhil (Head of Govt & Politics)
Miss A M H Wainwright, MA

Learning Support
Mrs A K Fryer-Green, BSc (Head of Learning Support)
Mrs J Collins
Mrs A Hubbard

Mathematics
C J Atkinson, MA (Assistant Director of Studies)
P A Cairns, BSc
A M Conington, BSc
J P Dickinson, MEng (Head of Section, Lower School)
M J Flaherty, MA (Head of Mathematics)
J P Forster, BSc
J D Larwood, BSc, PhD
A P Macleod, BEd
P A McGuigan, BSc (Head of Junior Mathematics)
Mrs A M Scuffield, BSc (Acting Assistant Head, Academic)
S P Taylor, BEng (Head of Sixth Form Mathematics)
R Tse, MSc
Mrs E J Tynan, MEng (Head of KS4 Mathematics)
Teaching Staff (continued)

Modern Foreign Languages
Mrs A Abbott-Imboden, BA (Head of German)
Mrs E F de Renzy Channer, MA (Assistant Head, Pastoral)
Miss S Gadhvi, BA
Miss J Grossman, Staatsexamen (Head of French)
Ms S Hancock, MA (Head of Modern Foreign Languages)
Mrs M A Harrington, PgD
R M A Hay, BA
Miss C Obispo MA (Spanish Language Assistant)
Ms M I J Perquis, BA (French Language Assistant)
Mrs P Rasmussen, MA
Miss J K Robbins, BA
Mrs P R Tindall, BA (Head of Section Middle School)
I Urreaga Gorostidi, BA (Head of Spanish)
Miss G M Wolter, BA (German Language Assistant)
Mrs L Whalley, BA
Miss L G Williams, BA

Music
Mrs C Foinette, BA
J D Kelsall, BA, MMus
Mrs J Whibread, MA (Director of Music)

Physical Education
Mrs C Ablitt (Swimming Coach)
Y Aksoy UEFA B (Head of Football)
D J Argyle, BEd (Director of DofE)
Mrs S Cheshire (Swimming Coach)
R Faiers, BA (Head of Academic PE and Rugby)
Mrs J Fryer-Green, BA (Examinations Officer)
C Greenidge, UKCC Level 4 (Head of Cricket)
R M A Hay, BA (Head of Boys’ Hockey)
J K Lever, MBE, Essex CCC and England
A P MacLeod, BEd
Mrs H E Marchant, BSc (Maternity Leave)
Miss D L Mugridge, BA (Director of Sport)
Ms K I E Nelson, BSc (Head of Netball)
J C Pollard, BEd (Head of PE)
Miss A M H Wainwright, MA (Head of Tennis)

Physics
A N Busch, MSci (Head of US University Applications)
J Ceeraz, BSc
N A Jaques, MA (Head of Science)
L J Pollock, BSc
J Prole, BSc (Head of Physics)

Religious Studies
A Berg, BA (Head of RS)
Miss L Jones, BA
Miss H C Mead, BA
Rev I Moore, MA, BTh (School Chaplain and Head of PSHE)

Technology
S Burton, BA
T Peddle, BEng (Head of Electronics)
M I Salam, BA (Head of Technology)
A Whitbread, DipEd
S P Woolley, BSc

University Liaison
S A Hunn, BA, MSt, DPhil

LAMDA Speech Tutors
G Oliver, RSC, RNT
Mrs L Oliver, BA

Visiting Music Teachers
S Aitken (trombone)
M Allaway (saxophone/clarinet)
D P Bacon (trumpet)
Mrs C Davies (piano)
T End (violin/chamber)
Ms S Fitzgerald (Flute)
Mrs O Jennings (viola)
Ms R Kilmach (horn)
J M Light (piano/organ)
Miss R McElvanney (voice)
I F McGee (flute)
Miss H S McKean (oboe)
A McVey (percussion)
Miss D L Mittell (clarinet/saxophone)
Ms I Nygaard (voice)
Mrs R Raw (cello)
Miss F Ricaldone (piano)
S J A Russell (bassoon)
P A Spence (guitar)
S Stear (piano)
Mrs J Tarrant (piano)
Ms Y Thompson (voice)
Miss K B Williamson (voice)
Support Staff

Administrative Support Staff

Bursar
L Green

Deputy Bursar
G Wicks

Head’s Office
Ms L Hague  (Head’s PA)
Mrs S Wallis  (Admissions Registrar)

Assistant Heads’ Office
Mrs B Ingleton  (Deputy & Assistant Heads’ PA)

Bursar’s Office
Mrs L Fellows  (Bursar’s PA)
Mrs K Clark  (Bursary Manager)
Ms A Blasziewicz  (Bursary Assistant)
Mrs D Cole  (Bursary Assistant)
Mrs S Wood  (HR Administrator)
Mrs A Felix  (HR Assistant)

Reception
Mrs K Kennedy  (Administrator/Receptionist)
Mrs K Maddock  (Administrator/Receptionist)
Mrs T Cole   (After School Administrator)

ABRSM Administrator
Mrs E Weaver

Archivist
J G Bromfield, MBE

Development Office
K Gunatunga  (Bancroft’s Foundation Director)
Mrs S Day   (Foundation & OBA Administrator)

Exams and UCAS
Mrs S Brough  (Administrator)

Marketing
Mrs K Rogers  (Marketing Manager)

Matron
Mrs B Sharma, SRN, RGN

Head of Maintenance
D Bish

Head Groundsman
S Letch

Shop/Lost Property
Mrs T Cole   (After School Administrator)

CCF, SSI
D Pascal

Caretaker
M Cunningham

Catering
M Stephan  (Catering Manager)
J Barnard  (Deputy Catering Manager)

Cleaning Manager
Mrs T Gray

Sixth Form Common Room Café
Mrs P Bish
Miss S Rowland

Academic Support Staff

Art and Stationery Store
Mrs L Teece

Library
Mrs K Squire  (Chief Librarian)
Ms K Houghton  (Assistant Librarian)
Miss C Schroder  (Assistant Librarian)

ICT
D Farrugia  (Reprographics & Audio Visual)
S Munch-Petersen  (Helpdesk)
Miss J C O’Donovan  (Data Manager)
T S Rawe  (Head of E-Learning)
A Sebyala  (Helpdesk Manager)
D Siggins  (IT Manager)
S Young  (Infrastructure Manager)

Technology
S E F Newbury  (Electronics Technician)
A Toomey  (DT Technician)

Laboratory Technicians
Mrs L Dawkins  (Biology)
Miss J Dockery  (Junior Science)
Mrs H Fullilove  (Chemistry)
A Kerr  (Physics)
Mrs V Tillier  (Chemistry)
All Bancroft's pupils have the chance to participate in an extensive range of school trips; some of these form an integral part of the School curriculum, while others offer the opportunity to develop new skills.

Our younger pupils are offered a variety of trips. History trips have taken place to Rochester Castle, Dover Castle and Sutton Hoo. For students who are studying the First World War as part of their GCSE curriculum, the History Department organises an annual Battlefields Tour to northern France. Neighbouring Epping Forest is the destination for Geography field trips, both as part of the curriculum and also for the Junior Geography Club.

Further afield, young Geographers have had the chance to experience the “restless earth” during trips to the volcanoes of Sicily. At A Level, Geographers have travelled further widely, for example to Barcelona, Ecuador and Iceland. In the L4th (Year 9) pupils visit a Buddhist Monastery with the RS department and A Level RS students have visited Lourdes. Classics tours are always popular and Remove and L4th (Years 8 and 9) pupils have the opportunity to visit Pompeii; trips to other sites of classical interest have included Greece and Rome.

One of the most popular overseas trips for our younger pupils, is the annual Junior Ski Trip. This is designed for beginners and experienced skiers alike. Even those who have never skied before find that they make good progress on these trips. There is also an annual Senior Ski Trip for older pupils.

The best way to get to grips with a foreign language is to visit the country and hear it spoken and to speak it yourself. There are several regular trips to Spain for those studying Spanish and in the U4th (Year 10) pupils are given the chance to take part in an exchange visit. GCSE pupils studying German have the opportunity to take part in an exchange with a German school in Haßfurt. Later on, Sixth Form French students can take part in a language trip to Nice. The emphasis on oral work makes these language trips invaluable.

Our junior hockey players have been offered the opportunity to travel to France, Spain and the Netherlands for training and tournaments. Our U13 cricketers have an annual “mini” tour of Essex playing a variety of different schools around the county. Regular sports tours also take place for senior teams. In summer 2017, our senior rugby squad toured South Africa and autumn 2015 saw our first U14 rugby tour to Edinburgh. Cricketers have recently toured South Africa and, in 2016, Barbados. Senior girls hockey and netball players toured in South Africa (2013) and more recently in Malaysia and Singapore during summer 2016. Our senior boys’ hockey squad toured Malaysia and Singapore in summer 2015.

We also make use of the School's close proximity to London with regular trips to museums, galleries and theatres organised by many departments.
Co-curricular Activities

Bancroft’s offers its pupils a very wide range of exciting co-curricular activities. We hope that there is something for everyone and we encourage all Bancroftians to get involved in a variety of activities to balance the demands and pressures of academic work.

Sports

All pupils participate in a regular weekly programme of PE and games. In addition to our curricular sports, we run a wide co-curricular sporting programme which includes fencing and badminton. School teams are run for all major sports at all levels and teams have a busy programme of fixtures against local schools. They also have enjoyed many successes in regional and national tournaments.

Music

A wide range of orchestra, choirs & ensembles covering all musical genres takes place on a regular basis and we hope that all new pupils will take advantage of the musical opportunities available in the School. In addition, many pupils receive individual lessons from our visiting music staff.

Drama

There are plenty of opportunities to get involved in drama, both on and back stage. Apart from an ambitious annual School production, there is also a Junior School production for Thirds to L4th (Years 7 to 9). Each year there is a House Drama competition, for which all houses produce a short play involving all year groups. In addition, pupils may take LAMDA examinations in the Speaking of Verse and Prose up to Grade 8 (Gold Medal) with lessons given by visiting staff.

Scouting

The School Sea Scout group meets every Thursday evening at School during the autumn and spring terms; all Third Formers (Year 7 pupils) are eligible to join. Sea Scouts do all the activities we associate with Scouts, but also experience a wide range of water-based activities. In the summer term Scouts have the chance to get on the water at Fairlop Waters. The activities are run by a highly qualified group of leaders whose qualifications allow a wide range of activities to be run safely including: dinghy and yacht sailing, kayaking, rowing, power boating, climbing and swimming.

The highlight of the year is the week-long summer camp. Held in the summer holidays, camp includes many exciting land and water activities and challenges. A number of other camps occur throughout the year, such as stays on HMS Bristol in Portsmouth for water activities and a Christmas camp for land activities such as hiking, fire lighting and cooking.

Combined Cadet Force/Duke of Edinburgh’s Award Scheme

These activities are available further up the School. Membership of the thriving CCF, which includes both Army Section and Air Force Flight, is an option for L4th (Year 9); new members of the Sixth Form may also join the CCF. The Duke of Edinburgh’s Scheme is available to pupils in the U4th (Year 10) upwards. Bancroft’s pupils enjoy great success at Bronze, Silver and Gold levels.

Please see our website www.bancrofts.org for more details of all our co-curricular activities.
Activities for Parents

Bancroft’s School Parents’ Association

The Parents’ Association arranges a variety of activities designed to give parents, families, and friends the opportunity to meet socially outside School in addition to raising money for projects within the School. All PA events are publicised in a weekly School Bulletin sent to parents via email and in the School Calendar.

The generosity of parents has enabled the PA to invest in many items over the past few years. Such items include a Senior School public address system, sports gazebos, a telescope, books for the Sixth Form library, play equipment and table tennis tables for the Prep School. Recently the PA has sponsored two new minibuses for the School. Newer purchases by the PA include a waterproof large-screen TV for the School swimming pool, visibility jackets for the Prep and two new benches for the Quad.

Annual events include a Summer Ball, Christmas Fayre, Parents v Staff Cricket Match and a Supper Quiz. Other events have included Bollywood Nights, Burns Nights and Comedy Nights. The PA also supports events such as Sports Day and the Carol Service.

Further information about the PA, is available on the School website: www.bancrofts.org/about-us/our-community/parents-association.

The Arts Society, Woodford Green (Bancroft’s)

The Arts Society, Woodford Green (Bancroft’s) aims to promote an interest in and increased knowledge of decorative and fine arts. They enjoy lectures from well-qualified speakers on a wide variety of topics. Lectures are held on the second Tuesday of the month in the Prep School, during term time; lectures commence at 8.00 pm with coffee and wine available from 7.30 pm.

Further information about The Arts Society, Woodford Green (Bancroft’s), including how to join, is available on the School website at: www.bancrofts.org/about-us/our-community/theartssociety.

The Crofton Singers

New members of all ages are welcome to join the Crofton Singers. The choir has a long association with the School, and meets in the Music Department on Thursday evenings during term time. Their repertoire is varied, including sacred and secular, modern and classical music. They perform locally three or four times a year and have raised thousands of pounds for charity.

For more information, see: www.bancrofts.org/about-us/our-community/the-crofton-singers.
Bancroft's Foundation & The OBA

Bancroft's Foundation

Bancroft’s Foundation has been established to provide means tested scholarship support to enable talented pupils to study at Bancroft’s regardless of their financial situation.

The School is built on a legacy of philanthropic support. Francis Bancroft’s legacy founded a school for boys in 1737 in Mile End as a charitable institution providing a high quality education open to all, and the tradition of supporting talented pupils regardless of capacity at the School has continued since, through the support of government initiatives, the Francis Bancroft Trust and The Drapers’ Company.

However, the sharp decline in government funding with the withdrawal of the Grant Aided and Assisted Places schemes has meant that it is now vital that the School substantially expands its scholarship programme.

Therefore, when the School celebrated its 275th anniversary, the Bancroft’s Foundation was established to help the School significantly increase its portfolio of means tested scholarships to enable talented children of all backgrounds to have the opportunity to attend the School and reach their full potential.

To find out more about this exciting initiative, or to make a gift to the Bancroft’s Foundation please contact Krish Gunatunga, Bancroft’s Foundation Director, on 0208 506 5711.

The Old Bancroftians’ Association (OBA)

A strong Old Bancroftians’ Association keeps former pupils in touch with one another and the School. Activities include: an Annual Dinner at the School, various regional dinners and Old Bancroftians’ Day. Other Old Bancroftian organisations include: the Cricket Club, Golf Society and Dramatic Society. The Bancroft Rugby Club, many of whose members are former pupils, has a first class ground not far from the School with facilities for rugby football, squash and social entertainment. The OBA publishes regular newsletters, which are available on the OBA website.

Membership of the OBA is open to all former pupils of Bancroft's School. The OBA encourages members worldwide to keep in touch with each other, and to participate in OBA organised events and initiatives.

Parents pay a small termly subscription to the OBA during their son/daughter’s career at Bancroft’s. As a consequence all former pupils of the School now become members for life of the Old Bancroftians’ Association when they leave School.

The Association maintains a strong relationship with Bancroft's School and, where appropriate, provides financial support to pupils and ex-pupils through its associated charities. Old Bancroftians are often involved with the School's extra-curricular activities, in particular in giving career guidance and advice about further education.

The Association runs two charities:

- **The Old Bancroftians’ Educational Development Fund**, financed almost entirely by contributions from Old Bancroftians, provides financial support for pupils and Old Bancroftians towards educational opportunities which they might otherwise be unable to afford.

- **The OB Sixth Form Scholarship Fund** provides part scholarships to the School for pupils in the Sixth Form, whose families might not otherwise be able to afford the fees.
How to Find Us

From M25
Leave M25 at Junction 26. Follow signs to Loughton (A121).

At roundabout (Miller & Carter restaurant) take fourth exit to Woodford.

Straight over next roundabout (Robin Hood pub).

Traffic lights - straight on.

Keep travelling along Epping New Road (A104) for several miles until road turns into dual carriageway (High Road, Woodford Green).

At traffic lights turn right, then immediately right.

Limited parking is available in the front drive in the visitors’ spaces.

From M11
Leave M11 at Junction 7.

Motorway splits - take right fork to Woodford.

M11 joins the A405 (North Circular). Turn left off A406 and, at roundabout, join road signed Epping A104, to Woodford.

Follow road to angular roundabout, go straight ahead to traffic lights (Castle pub on left).

Go straight on at traffic lights where the road becomes a dual carriageway (High Road, Woodford Green).

At traffic lights at bottom of hill turn left then immediately right.

Limited parking is available in the front drive in the visitors’ spaces.
School Contact Information

Telephones: 020 8505 4821 School Office
            8505 4826 Bursar’s Office
            8506 6760 Head’s Office
            8506 6761 Admissions’ Office
            8506 6751 Preparatory School

E-mail: office@bancrofts.org

Internet: www.bancrofts.org

Address: 611-627 High Road, Woodford Green, Essex, IG8 0RF

All information contained herein is correct at the time of publication.

If you have any queries or would like any further information on joining Bancroft’s School, please contact our Admissions registrar, Mrs S Wallis, on 020 8506 6761 or email admissions@bancrofts.org.

Further information may also be found on our website: www.bancrofts.org
**11+ REGISTRATION FORM**

Please complete form in **BLOCK CAPITALS**

**Child’s Surname/Last/Family Name:**
This must be the name on their birth certificate or passport.

**Child’s First Name(s):**
This must be the name(s) on their birth certificate or passport.

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**Present School:**
Name and Address

**Name of Parents:**

**Postal Address:**

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**ALL PUPILS ATTENDING BANCROFT’S SCHOOL MUST BE UK RESIDENTS AND LIVE WITH THEIR PARENT(S) OR A LEGAL GUARDIAN**

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**Occupation of Parents:**

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Please indicate in which categories you wish your child to be considered (You may tick more than one box). Please read carefully the information on Means Tested Awards (including Francis Bancroft & Foundation Scholarships also known as Bursaries) and Drapers’ Music Scholarships.

If you wish your son/daughter to be considered for a fee-paying place in the event that he/she is not awarded a Scholarship or Award, you should also place a tick in the fee-paying box; £60 total registration fee required.

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| **C** DRAPERS’ MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP (A Music Scholarship Application Form will be sent you) |
| (The standard on the first instrument should be Grade 5 merit or the equivalent). |
| **D** MEANS TESTED AWARD (A Financial Disclosure Form (FDF) will be sent to you) |
| (Including Francis Bancroft & Foundation Scholarships also known as Bursaries). |

A single non-returnable registration fee of £20 is required (Box D only ticked).

**SPECIFIC LEARNING DIFFICULTIES (SpLD)**

Will your child require any special arrangements to attend the entrance exam?

Please provide us with details of any learning difficulty, disability, or special educational need of your child with a written report from an educational psychologist, medical practitioner or independent SpLD assessor, undertaken less than 2 years before the entrance examination date, which specifies such a need.

Information provided to us on this form will be used to assist in administering entrance procedures and may be used for other School purposes. Any personal data provided on the form will be processed in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998.

**PLEASE TURN OVER TO COMPLETE THE BACK OF THE FORM**
Declaration:
*Please delete as appropriate.

*I/We hereby apply for the admission of *my/our son/daughter to Bancroft’s School subject to passing an Entrance Examination. In the event of the child’s admission to the School *I/we agree for *myself/ourselves and on behalf of the child to conform to all the Rules laid down by the Head from time to time and in addition, the Terms and Conditions set out at the time of accepting a place and to pay all fees for the time being in force as they become due.

*I/We enclose a copy of *my/our child’s birth certificate or passport.

*I/We enclose a single non-returnable registration fee of £60; *I/We enclose a single non-returnable registration fee of £20 and have ticked Box D only. (Cheques should be made payable to Bancroft’s School).

Parent signature:........................................................................................................................................................................

Name in full (please print): ........................................................................................................................................................................

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PLEASE RETURN BEFORE 1 DECEMBER TO: -
MRS S WALLIS, ADMISSIONS REGISTRAR, BANCROFT’S SCHOOL, 611-627 HIGH ROAD, WOODFORD GREEN, ESSEX, IG8 0RF

• YOUR COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM
• THE REGISTRATION FEE (This should be £60 or £20)
• A COPY OF YOUR CHILD’S BIRTH CERTIFICATE OR PASSPORT

SCHOLARSHIPS

Competition for scholarships is high. There is no separate examination for those candidates wishing to be considered for scholarships. School reports and interviews are a vital part of the selection process.

Please note that those who apply for scholarships only (including Means Tested Awards) will not be considered for full fee paying places, even if their performance in the examination is good enough to have earned them a place in the School.

DRAPERS’ SCHOLARSHIPS

The Drapers’ Scholarships are awarded on the results of the entrance examination held in January each year. They are awarded for academic distinction, without reference to parental income. The Scholarships will cover up to one-tenth, one-quarter, one-third or one-half of the cost of the School fee. The total value of all Scholarships awarded will be six times the full fee. Two Scholarships may be awarded as Music Scholarships.

MEANS TESTED AWARDS

Means Tested Awards (including Francis Bancroft & Foundation Scholarships also known as Bursaries) will be awarded to candidates who perform well in the entrance examination in January, and where parents show financial need. Parents will be asked each year to complete a confidential statement of income form (FDF) from which the value of the Means Tested Award will be assessed. The value of a Means Tested Award may be up to the full School fee.