



11+ Information Booklet

Bancroft's

Independent Co-educational Day School 7–18

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Bancroft's

Welcome from the Head

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Welcome to Bancroft's. We are an unashamedly aspirational co-education school, devoted to scholarship, intellectual inquiry and learning of all kinds.

We aim to provide a transformative experience for every child. Central to everything we do is the wellbeing of each pupil and our education here is grounded on our six core values:

- Curiosity
- Integrity
- Kindness
- Courage
- Balance
- Excellence

By encouraging our pupils to develop these qualities and to take advantage of the full range of opportunities we offer, we hope to enable them to become the best possible versions of themselves.

Bancroft's School was founded by the Drapers' Company in 1737 on the Mile End Road as a day-school for local boys from a diverse range of backgrounds; the School has come a long way geographically and institutionally since then but the School remains committed to enabling pupils from a wide range of backgrounds to enjoy our education. Our Assisted Places provide for ambitious children whose families might not otherwise be able to afford school fees. There is more information about this in this booklet.

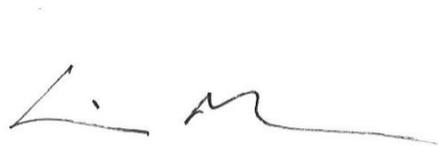
We are now a co-educational independent day school for around a 1000 pupils from 7 to 18 and aim to provide an atmosphere in which each child

can flourish. We believe that children succeed when they take full advantage of the huge range of different opportunities we provide – whether immersed in academic research, being out on the sports fields, taking part in charitable activities, acting on the stage, playing music and attending some of our numerous clubs and societies, our pupils challenge themselves and learn by taking part wholeheartedly in school life.

We have the highest expectations for every child in the School and we support, encourage and nurture each individual; we want our pupils to enjoy life to the full, make enduring friendships and grow up in a friendly, safe but challenging environment.

At Bancroft's we continually strive to ensure that all our pupils leave here with the confidence, self-awareness and knowledge to thrive in the world beyond, as well as taking with them an awareness of others and an abiding curiosity about the world.

I look forward to welcoming you to the School.



Aims & Values

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 financial support through Assisted Places to those who could not otherwise attend the School.

The Bancroft's Aim

To provide a transformative experience for every child.

The School's Values

Our education is based on six core values: Curiosity, Kindness, Integrity, Courage, Balance and Excellence. We think these values are essential to the wellbeing of every child.

- **Curiosity:** We want our pupils to take delight in the possibilities that the world has to offer and to develop an abiding curiosity about the world; to explore their imaginative and creative potential and to take pleasure in self-expression.
- **Kindness:** We want our pupils to be kind, to have integrity and the courage to pursue and protect what is good; to make wise decisions, based on compassion and empathy.
- **Integrity:** We want our pupils to learn to understand themselves and others and develop a clear moral grounding for their lives.
- **Courage:** We want our pupils to show courage and a spirit of adventure in all aspects of their learning; to confront challenges and try to overcome them.
- **Balance:** We want our pupils to learn how to live balanced, healthy, productive and well-regulated lives and to learn to understand the different aspects that combine to create a secure framework for flourishing.
- **Excellence:** We want our pupils to aspire to be the best they might be and to make the most of their talents and abilities; we want our pupils to form realistic and ambitious ideals for the future.

Admissions Policy

We are committed to ensuring our young people are 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 our school values of curiosity, integrity, kindness, balance, courage and excellence: the human qualities necessary to flourish within a community.

We are an academic school and entrance to the School is by means of written tests and an interview, although we are looking for candidates who will take full advantage of the range of opportunities we provide; we receive many more applications than we have places. Some candidates may be placed on a waiting list following the examinations and interview and may be offered places if vacancies arise.

Our pupils come from a diverse mix of backgrounds and we greatly value our multi-ethnic and multi-faith community, believing it to be an ideal nurturing ground for our 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 disadvantage compared to their peers.

The School asks parents and guardians to inform us at the time of application, of any disability, specific learning need or any other issue which may be relevant to their application. In assessing candidates, the School may take advice and require assessments that are deemed necessary, but will be sensitive to any requests for confidentiality. The School welcomes applications from pupils with special educational needs, SEND, or other needs and has an experienced SEND department that provides learning support for all pupils who require it.

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 are in a fortunate position to 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 a computer-based reasoning test and maths and English papers. Following the exam, some children are invited for interview.

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 should choose the two main subjects they are intending to pursue at A Level. We also offer a Thinking Skills paper, testing problem solving and other thinking skills. Places are awarded conditionally, and candidates are usually expected to achieve a minimum level of achievement at GCSE (usually 5 or more subjects at Grade 8 or 9).

Parents and guardians 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 also offers a number of Assisted Places; these are designed to support pupils of high ability whose parents /guardians 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 a number of Assisted Places. 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 confidential statement of their financial circumstances, on a duly completed Financial Disclosure Form (FDF), together with any additional information, confirmations, and supporting documentation, which may be required.

There are no separate examinations for Assisted Places; these are awarded on the basis of performance in the Entrance Exams, school reports and an interview.

Admission at 11+ into Year 7

Entry Requirements

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

The purpose of our entrance processes is not to make Bancroft's more academically selective, but to help us make offers to children we feel will benefit most from the 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.

The closing date for registrations is 1 December.

Entrance Tests

Children will sit three papers in the January before joining us: an online reasoning test; a short English paper and a short maths test. Sample maths and English papers are available on the 11+ Admissions page of our website.

Please visit our website www.bancrofts.org for testing dates.

Interviews

Children who perform well in the tests are called back for interview; reports from current schools are considered.

Members of our Senior School staff interview children. These interviews are primarily academic, and do not need any special preparation. It may be useful if children are able to talk about how they

enjoy spending their time, and can describe any particular achievements or interests. We only interview children who have shown in the tests that they have the potential to thrive at Bancroft's.

Applications

Registrations are made online and must be accompanied by a non-returnable registration fee of £125.

Please note that if you are applying for an Assisted Place you must first complete an Initial Assessment of Income Form (IAIF). We will then review the financial criteria and either invite you to register for an Assisted Place with a reduced fee, or invite you to register for a fee-paying place.

A copy of your child's birth certificate must be uploaded together with your registration form for all applications.

Upon acceptance of a place, we require a £1000 deposit. Please note that this deposit should be paid on-line. We are unable to accept cash deposits. If in receipt of an Assisted Place, this deposit will also be means tested.

Fee-Paying Places

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. Fees include tuition, lunch, the use of text and library books, stationery and scientific materials and games. 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

Admission at 11+ (continued)

The 11+ Admissions Journey

June, October or November	Visit Bancroft's for a tour or an Open Event
November	Closing date for Bancroft's to receive Initial Assessment of Income Form (IAIF) for Assisted Place
1 December	Closing date for completed application forms and registration fees to be received
January of year of entry	Testing Day
Late January	11+ interviews (by invitation only)
February	11+ offers sent out by email and post
Late February	11+ Offer Holders Event for parents and pupils (by invitation only)
March	Closing date for acceptance of places
June	All new Thirds (Year 7s) invited to spend a day at Bancroft's

Assisted Places at 11+

Bancroft's is committed to broadening access to the School by offering to eligible parents/guardians financial support with the payment of school fees through the provision of Assisted Places. These Assisted Places are designed to enable boys and girls of high ability from all backgrounds to enjoy a Bancroft's education, where their parents might not otherwise be able to afford the full school fee.

An Assisted Place is a means-tested award and candidates are required to pass the entrance exam to be eligible. Assisted Places continue whilst the pupil maintains their educational potential and abides by the School's rules and policies.

Assisted Places are awarded following a confidential financial assessment of household income which is reassessed every year. Candidates must also fulfil the minimum entry requirements.

If you would like your child to be considered for an Assisted Place, you should complete the Initial

Assessment of Income Form (IAIF) online. If it is likely that you will meet the criteria for an assisted place from the information supplied on the IAIF, you will be asked to complete the online registration form and pay a reduced registration fee of £20. You will then be asked to submit a detailed Financial Disclosure Form (FDF). This is a comprehensive confidential statement of your income and assets. At this point you will need to supply copies of any additional information, confirmations, and supporting documentation, which may be required.

The assessment of the level of Financial Assistance is calculated on a graduated scale based on information given on the FDF and supporting documents. Assisted Places will only be awarded once the School's financial assessment criteria has been met; Assisted Places are awarded based on performance in the entrance exam, school reports and an interview.

Awards at 11+

Bancroft's offers a range of Award to children who join us at 11+. Academic Awards are based on performance in our entrance tests and interview, Music Awards are given at 11+ during their first Spring Term at Bancroft's. Sport, Art, Drama and Community Awards will be awarded internally to pupils already studying at Bancroft's at the end of their first year. We do not offer fee remission for pupils who receive Awards; fee remission is only applicable to Assisted Places.

Awards will be based on the performance and commitment shown in the relevant area. As with other awards, Sport, Art, Drama and Community Awards are given every two years and can be re-awarded.

Academic Awards

In assessing potential Academic Award holders, 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. Although awards do not carry monetary values, they are a prestigious offer extended to only the best candidates – both internal and external.

Academic Award holders are among the most talented pupils here, and are often leading lights in their chosen subjects, making a wide and valuable contribution to the life of the School.

Music Awards

11+ Music Awards are made during the Thirds' school year once pupils have had a chance to settle in and enjoy some of the extensive music co-curriculum we offer.

Pupils can make their application in January by completing an application form, copies of which are available in the music office or from music staff.

The assessments take place before the end of the Spring Term with the awards starting in the Summer Term. Award holders receive free music lessons on one instrument to the end of the Lower Fourth year when the award will be reviewed by the music staff together with the individual music teacher. For exceptional pupils there might be the possibility of more than one award, particularly where someone is keen to learn a new instrument.

Music award holders are expected to make a significant contribution to the music co-curriculum at Bancroft's and to inspire others by the setting the best example to younger pupils. The music department will give award holders every opportunity to perform at award holders' concerts and provide enrichment opportunities through masterclasses, composing, music technology and conducting.

2021 GCSE Results

Due to the continuing Covid-19 pandemic, the cohort were unable to sit their GCSE examinations in June 2021. Instead they received Teacher Assessed Grades which were awarded after a rigorous review of various evidence including tests and course work. 82.2% of all GCSEs at Bancroft's in 2021 were awarded the top grades of 9 or 8; 99.1% achieved either grades 9/8/7 with 99.8% graded as a 5 or better. Twenty-five pupils from a cohort of 133 received ten grade 9s.

Subject	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	Nos of Candidates
Art	18	6	5	0	0	0	0	0	29
Biology	74	31	18	2	1	0	0	0	126
Chemistry	79	28	14	3	0	2	0	0	126
Classical Civilisation	7	10	3	2	0	0	0	0	22
Computer Science	17	7	2	0	0	0	0	0	26
Design & Technology	6	6	4	1	0	0	0	0	17
Drama	8	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
Electronics	6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
English Language	60	29	35	7	1	0	0	0	132
English Literature	63	22	35	8	2	0	0	0	130
French	20	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	23
Geography	46	16	4	1	0	0	0	0	67
German	29	6	5	0	0	0	0	0	40
Greek	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
History	72	17	2	0	1	0	0	0	92
Latin	9	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	13
Maths	88	22	20	1	2	0	0	0	133
Music	9	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	14
PE	5	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	7
Physics	80	24	18	4	0	0	0	0	126
Religious Studies	48	12	4	0	1	1	0	0	66
Russian	12	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	18
Science Trilogy (2 GCSEs per candidate)	8	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	14
Spanish	45	12	10	0	0	0	0	0	67
TOTAL	810	268	191	30	9	3	0	0	1311
Percentage at each grade	61.8	20.4	14.6	2.3	0.7	0.2	0.0	0.0	
Cumulative percentage	61.8	82.2	96.8	99.1	99.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	

5ths	A	B	C	D	E	Total
Additional Maths (FSMQ)	34	9	4	0	0	47
U4 Accelerated	9	8	7	6	5	
Maths	51	1	0	0	0	52

2021 A Level Results

For the second year running due to Covid-19, pupils did not sit A Level examinations in June 2021 but were awarded Teacher Assessed Grades which were decided after careful analysis of a range of evidence. In common with the pattern across the country, the number of top grades which were awarded to Bancroft's pupils increased. Bancroft's pupils achieved 63.9% at A*; 98.1% of exams were awarded grades A* - B. Fifty-eight pupils in a cohort of 131 received 3 or more A*s.

Subject	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U	Total
Art	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Biology	25	10	2	2	0	0	0	39
Business Studies	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	6
Chemistry	27	10	8	1	1	0	0	47
Classical Civilisation	4	2	1	0	0	0	0	7
Drama	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	6
Economics	22	16	5	0	0	0	0	43
Electronics	4	2	1	0	0	0	0	7
English Lit	15	0	1	0	0	0	0	16
French	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Geography	7	9	2	0	0	0	0	18
German	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Greek	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3
History	22	4	4	0	0	0	0	30
Latin	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
Maths	56	21	9	3	1	0	0	90
Further Maths	17	5	0	0	0	0	0	22
Music	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Physics	24	5	6	0	0	0	0	35
Politics	5	5	2	0	0	0	0	12
Religious Studies	10	3	0	0	0	0	0	13
Spanish	10	1	0	0	0	0	0	11
Total	269	102	42	6	2	0	0	421
Percentage at each grade	63.9	24.2	10.0	1.4	0.5	0	0	
Cumulative Percentage	63.9	88.1	98.1	99.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	

U6th Results Other Qualifications: 2021

	A*	A	B	C	D	E	TOTAL
EPQ	23	6	2	2	1	0	34
AS - all subjects	n/a	5	1	5	2	0	6

2021 University Destinations

99% of our Upper Sixth leavers continue to Higher Education; most of them progress to Russell Group universities (over 75% per annum). Destinations and courses of study are varied, everything from Archaeology through to Zoology. The following tables shows destinations for 2021 according to data from UCAS, September 2021

University	Number of students
University College London	17
King's College, London	10
Nottingham	9
Queen Mary University of London	9
Cambridge	7
Birmingham	6
Durham	6
Imperial College, London	6
Edinburgh	5
Warwick	5
Exeter	4
Leeds	4
London School of Economics & Political Science (LSE)	4
Bath	3
Bristol	3
Loughborough	3
Manchester	3
Oxford	3
St Andrew's	3
Cardiff	2
City, University of London	2
Southampton	2
York	2
Art Foundation Course	2
Bath Spa	1
Birmingham City	1
East Anglia	1
Greenwich	1
Keele	1
Kent	1
Lancaster	1
Leicester	1
Lincoln	1
Nottingham Trent	1
St George's University of London	1
Swansea	1

Trips and Visits

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 pupils 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 and the Olympic Park are the destinations for Geography field trips. Our new Thirds (Year 7s) spend a couple of days away early in their Bancroft's career as a chance to get to know each other.

Further afield, young Geographers have had the chance to experience the "restless earth" during trips to the volcanoes of Sicily and our Removes have travelled to north Wales for non-curriculum Geography Field Trips. At A Level, Geographers have travelled further widely, for example to Barcelona, Ecuador and Iceland. 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.

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.

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.

Volunteering trips are also popular. In recent years, these have included two visits to Costa Rica, during which senior students built a classroom for a village school and a subsequent group worked on other community projects. In summer 2018, three groups of students visited Peru, each spending time constructing new shower and toilet facilities for a rural community.

Our junior hockey players have been offered the opportunity to travel to France, Spain and the Netherlands for training and tournaments. Junior netballers and footballers have also visited the Netherlands. Our junior netballers and cricketers have had "mini" tours to Suffolk, Manchester and Essex in which they played variety of different schools. Regular sports tours also take place for senior teams. The major sports of Hockey, Netball, Cricket, and Rugby all tour regularly to long-haul destinations. These have included South Africa, Canada, Malaysia and Singapore, and Barbados.

The Bancroft's Players have performed several times at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival, allowing pupils to experience performing to a wider public and also to explore and enjoy the diverse offerings of this major cultural festival.

Members of our CCF are offered a week's adventurous training every Easter in The Lake District; both the Army and the RAF section run annual summer camps. The Sea Scouts run an annual summer camp as well as offering other opportunities for camps throughout the year.

We also make use of the School's close proximity and easy transport 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, basketball, soccer and badminton. School teams are run for all major sports at all levels and teams have a busy programme of fixtures against local schools. Our teams have also enjoyed many successes in regional and national tournaments.

Music

A wide range of orchestra, choirs and 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 we hold a House Performing Arts competition, for which all Houses submit choirs, musical pieces and a dramatic performance 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. A-ll 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 nearby 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 (DofE) is a very popular activity with all L4th (Year 9) pupils taking part in the DofE Scheme at Bronze level. 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.

Pastoral Care

Bancroft's pastoral system is a tremendous strength of the School. It underpins all that we do, enabling pupils to flourish and make the most of their opportunities. We endeavour to foster a friendly, supportive and caring environment in which each pupil is cherished and nurtured and their individual needs addressed. We aim to make our pastoral care proactive with a focus on wellbeing and the individual.

The House system lies at the heart of our pastoral care with tutors and house staff being key points of contact for pupils and parents throughout their time at School. On a daily basis, the tutor is the first port of call, fostering the academic, extra-curricular and pastoral welfare of each pupil and our Learning for Life programme is delivered in house groups. The house staff are supported in their role by the Deputy Head, Pastoral, who is also the Designated Lead for Safeguarding and Child Protection matters. The Assistant Head Pastoral supports her and has specific responsibility for pastoral matters for the Third Form and Removes (Years 7 and 8).

We recognise that adolescence can be a turbulent time and sometimes a pupil may experience difficulties which require specialist and professional help. Counselling is available in School from three counsellors for those who feel they need it and we will always source help from outside if necessary.

The senior house staff oversee all house activities and junior house staff have specific responsibility for Thirds to Lower Fourths (Years 7-9); together they lead weekly house assemblies during which teachers and pupils share thoughts, celebrate achievements and perform. Sport and performing arts competitions between the four Houses promote a friendly rivalry. Each House celebrates its own identity with events such as their family evenings which help bond parents, pupils and staff.

Throughout the school year we run several pastoral evenings to which all parents are invited. The format of such evenings may vary to include talks, workshops and discussion groups. Subjects covered have included: academic pressures; digital technology and teens; striking the balance between the academic and the co-curricular; mental wellbeing.

Important Information

Fees and Charges

The Registration Fee is £125.

A £1000 deposit is payable on acceptance of a place; this sum is credited to your final account. If in receipt of an Assisted Place, the deposit will also be means tested.

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, participation in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Combined Cadet Force, Sea 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.

The current Chair of our Governors is Mr E Sautter. 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 Email chairman@bancrofts.org.

Breakfast

Breakfast is served in the dining hall servery from 7.45am to 8.15am 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 8.00am to 6.00pm.

Minibus 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.

School Nurse

We have a full time Nurse who attends to the needs of pupils. Minor injuries/problems are dealt within the surgery. If pupils need to go home the School Nurse will contact parents directly. It is therefore vital that any changes in contact numbers are passed to the School without delay.

The School Nurse is willing to supervise the administration of medication during the School day should parents wish. Parents must send a written request to the School Nurse if any prescribed medicines need to be administered at School and complete the consent form. Unless it is necessary, we do not encourage individuals to bring medication to School

Bancroft's School Staff & Governors

SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

Head

Mr S R J Marshall, MA, MA, MPhil

Senior Deputy Head

Ms D Picton, MA

Deputy Head Academic

Dr M Lim, PhD

Deputy Head Pastoral and Safeguarding Lead

Mrs E F de Renzy Channer, MA

Senior Tutor

Mr R B de Renzy Channer, MA

Assistant Heads

Mr A Gocoldas, (BSc Academic)

Mr J TM Barr, (MEng, Pastoral)

Miss E C Burnside, MA, (Activities and the Co-Curriculum)

Mr J P Dickinson, MEng (Lower School & Projects)

Governors

Mr D Abbot, LLB, ACA

Mrs B Conroy, MA, MBA (Old Bancroftian)

Sir A Ford, GCVO

Mrs C Jones, LLB

Mr B Laden, MBE

HHJ B Mensah

Mr J Rose, BA

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Mr R van Maanen, BSc, FRICS, ACIARB, ACIOB (Old Bancroftian)

Mr R Williamson, BA, FRGS

Ms L Wingham, MA

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: Mr R M Hitching, BA

Junior Housemistresses

North House: Miss A E Grimwood, BSc

East House: Miss H E Stewart, BA

West House: Mrs H C Nadasan-Mead, BA

School House: Miss A M H Wainwright, MA

Head of Sixth Form

Mr P J Harrison, MA

Deputy Head of Sixth Form

Miss H R Korcz, MEd

Heads of Section

Miss S Hancock, MA, (Middle School)

Mr J P Dickinson, MEng (Lower School)

Assistant Heads of Section

Mr B Sawlatly, MA (Sixth Form)

Mr J Foley, BSc (Middle School & Head of L4)

Miss M Stone, MA (Lower School)

Mr J Smith, BSc (Lower School)

Director of Teaching & Learning

Mrs V Talbot, BA

Head of Careers, Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Ms M Dean, BCom, MBA

Director of Learning Strategy

Mrs A F Fryer-Green, BSc

Head of Learning for Life

Mrs J Whitbread, MA

Outreach and Partnership

Mrs M Sparkes, MA

Mr M Willingham, MA

Ms L Waters-Rudge, BA (Assistant)

Teaching Staff

Art

Mr 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
Miss A E Grimwood, BSc
Mrs S C Hampson, BSc (Head of Biology)
Mr J A Smith, BSc

Chemistry

Dr S Ahmed, MSci
Mr J Choy, MSci (Head of Medics)
Mr N Goalby, MEng (Head of Chemistry)
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Miss H R Korcz, MEd
Miss H J Prescott-Morrin, BSc

Classics

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

Computer Science & ICT

Mr A D Shaw, BSc (Head of Computer Science & ICT)

Drama

Ms G Entwistle, BA
Ms E M Middleton, BA (Head of Drama)
Mrs J Whitbread, MA

Economics and Business Studies

Mrs L R Anthony, BSc (Head of Economics)
Mr J S Chapman, BA
Mrs K J Dean, BA, ACA (Head of Business & Studies)
Mr A Gocoldas, BSc
Ms R Wiseman, BSc

English

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Miss N Evans, MEd (Head of Junior English)
Mr K P Gallagher, BA
Mrs S Khera Lye, MA
Dr A J Mill, BA, BSc
Miss O Oni, BA
Mr B Ward, BA (Head of English)
Mr R E Young, BA

Geography

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Mr P J Harrison, MA
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Mrs V Talbot, BA

History

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Mr R B de Renzy Channer, MA
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Dr S A Hunn, BA, MSt
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Ms M S Stone, MA
Miss A M H Wainwright, MA
Mr A Whibley, BA

Learning Support

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Mrs R Sheikh

Mathematics

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Mr J Ceeraz, BSc
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Mr A M Conington, BSc (Acting Head of KS4 Maths)
Mr J P Dickinson, MEng
Mr M J Flaherty, MA
Dr J D Larwood, BSc
Mr J E Osborne, BSc
Mr L Pollock, BSc
Mr M H Salamut, BA
Mr S P Taylor, BEng (Head of Maths)
Mr R Tse, MSc
Mrs E J Tynan, MEng (Head of KS4 Maths)
Ms L Waters-Rudge, BA

Modern Foreign Languages

Mrs A Abbott-Imboden, BA (Head of MFL)
Mr C Bequignon, MA (Head of French)
Mrs E F de Renzy Channer, MA
Ms S Cooper-James, MA
Mr B Dawlatly, MA
Miss M Fleet, MA
Miss P Gourin (French Language Assistant)
Miss M Goralski (German Language Assistant)

Teaching Staff (continued)

Modern Foreign Languages (cont)

Miss J Grossman, Staatsexamen
Miss S Hancock, MA
Mrs V Howell, BA (Russian Language Assistant)
Ms M Maroto Bueno, MA
Miss N Perez-Ruis (Spanish Language Assistant |)
Miss J K Robbins, BA
Mrs P R Tindall, BA
Mr I Urreaga Gorostidi, BA (Head of Spanish)
Mrs L Whalley, BA (Head of Russian)

Music

Mr R Aitken, BSc
Mrs C Foinette, BA
Mrs J Whitbread, MA (Director of Music)

Physical Education

Mr D J Argyle, BEd (Director of DofE)
Mrs S Cheshire (Swimming Coach)
Ms J Cresswell
Mr A Eghoyan, BSc (Strength & Conditioning Coach)
Mr R Faiers, BA (Head of Department, Games Co-ordinator -Boys)
Mrs J Fryer-Green, BA (Head of Department, Games Co-ordinator -Girls)
Mr C Greenidge, UKCC Level 4 (Head of Cricket)
Mrs H E Marchant, BSc (Head of Netball)
Mrs K Osman (Netball Coach)
Mr J C Pollard, BEd (Head of PE)
Miss L C Poulter, BSc
Miss A M H Wainwright, MA (Head of Tennis)
Mr M W Wardley, (Head of Football)
Mr D Webster (Head of Boys' Hockey, Hockey Coach)

Physics

Mr J T M Barr, MEng
Mr A N Busch, MSci
Mr J Ceeraz, BSc
Mr N A Jaques, MA (Head of Science)
Mr L J Pollock, BSc
Mr J Prole, BSc (Head of Physics)

Politics

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Mrs K J Dean, BA, ACA,
Mr R M Hitching, BA
Dr S A Hunn, BA, MSt (Head of Politics)

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Mrs H C Nadasan-Mead, BA
Mr M Willingham, MA

Technology

Mr T Peddle, BEng
Mr M J Rogers, MA (Head of DT & Electronics)
Mr A Whitbread, DipEd
Mr S P Woolley, BSc

University Liaison

Dr S A Hunn, BA, MSt

LAMDA Speech Tutors

Mr G Oliver, RSC, RNT
Mrs L Oliver, BA

Trips Co-ordinator

Mr R Hay, BA

Visiting Music Teachers

Mr S Aitken (trombone)
Mr D P Bacon (trumpet)
Mrs S Brammeld (guitar)
Ms K Brown (pop vocals)
Mr J Crook (drums & percussion)
Mrs C Davies (piano)
Mr T End (violin/chamber)
Ms S Fitzgerald (flute)
Mr M Hanson (guitar)
Mrs O Jennings (viola)
Mr B Kerlake (singing)
Ms R Klimach (horn)
Mr R MacManus (violin)
Mr I F McGee (flute)
Miss H S McKean (oboe)
Mr A McVey (percussion)
Ms P Manser (voice)
Ms Z Mather (piano)
Miss D L Mittell (clarinet/saxophone)
Ms I Nygaard (voice)
Miss M Raja (cello)
Miss F Ricaldone (piano)
Mr S J A Russell (bassoon)
Ms C Saumarez (cello)
Mr P A Spence (guitar)
Mr S Stear (piano)
Mr J Stout (clarinet/saxophone)
Mrs J Tarrant (piano)
Mr L Taylor (drums & percussion)
Mrs Y Thompson (voice)

Dance Teacher

Ms M Hawkes

Administrative & Support Staff

Head's Office

Mrs Y Farquharson (PA to the Head)
Miss C Randall-Peltier (PA to SLT)

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Academic Office

Mrs T Lincoln (PA to the Academic Office & Assistant Head Co-Curriculum and Activities)

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Mrs L Hague (Admissions Registrar)
Ms Z Robertson (Admissions Assistant)

Bursar

Mr L Green

Bursar's Office

Mrs L Fellows (PA to the Bursar)
Mrs K Clark (Bursary Manager)
Ms A Blasiewicz (Bursary Assistant)
Mr D Clark (Payroll Manager)
Mrs D Cole (Bursary Assistant)

Human Resources

Mrs S Wood (HR Manager)
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Miss F Mears (HR Assistant)

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Mrs K Maddock (Administrator/Receptionist)

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Foundation Office

Mrs S Day (Foundation & OBA Administrator)

Examinations Officer

Mrs C Everett-Ellis

Marketing

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Sixth Form, Higher Education & Careers

Mrs S Brough

School Nurse

Mrs Hancock, RGN, RM

Counselling

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Mrs F Yonish
Ms S Wilson

Maintenance Manager

Mr L Chudzik

Head of Maintenance

Mr D Bish

Head Groundsman

Mr T Dallenger
Mr D Cameron-Mowat

Lost Property / After School Administrator

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Mr M Cunningham

Catering

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

Cleaning Manager

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CCF, SSI

Mr D Pascal

Art and Stationery Store

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Library

Ms K Houghton (Assistant Librarian)
Mrs S Kucsova (Library Assistant)
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Mrs J C Manners (Data Manager)
Mr T S Rawe (Head of E-Learning)
Mrs L Robertson (Assistant Data Manager)
Mr A Sebyala (Helpdesk Manager)
Mr D Siggins (IT Manager)
Mr B Taite (First Line IT Support)
Mr S Young (Infrastructure Manager)

Drama Production Manager

Mr R Nadal

Technology

Mr D Fernandez Menendez (DT Technician)

Laboratory Technicians

Mrs J Dockery (Junior Science)
Mrs K Fidler (Biology)
Mr A Kerr (Physics)
Miss S Phillips (Chemistry)

Activities for Parents

The 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 via email and SOCS, our online 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. Newer purchases by the PA include a waterproof large-screen TV for the swimming pool, visibility jackets for the Prep, new benches for the Quad and a new Yamaha grand piano.

Annual events may 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 Bancroft's Society

The Bancroft's Society aims to bring together all the groups of the Bancroft's community: staff, Old Bancroftians, governors, past and present parents. The Society encourages members to share information, advice and expertise from various walks of life. It aims to develop a culture of giving back to the community. The Bancroft's Society will allow for networking, mentorship and sharing of ideas. As a body, past and present parents possess an enormous wealth of diverse experience – the Bancroft's Society will give opportunities for them to share this expertise.

All parents are offered the opportunity to join the Bancroft's Society through Bancroft's Connect an engagement platform for all members of the community, to connect with one another.

The Arts Society, Woodford Green

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 8.00pm with coffee and wine available from 7.30pm.

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/theartsociety

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

The Evening Chorus

The Evening Chorus Choir has been rehearsing at Bancroft's School for approximately 8 years. It is a friendly, female choir rehearsing every Wednesday evening from 7.30 to 9.00pm during term time in the Prep School Hall, With a wide ranging repertoire from show tunes to Mozart, they perform several times a year to raise funds for charities.

For more information, see: www.bancrofts.org/about-us/our-community/evening-chorus-choir

Bancroft's Foundation & The OBA

Bancroft's Foundation



The Bancroft's Foundation was established to provide assisted places 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 Mile End as a charitable institution providing a high quality education open to all. This tradition of the School supporting talented pupils regardless of financial capacity 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 local authority Assisted Places schemes has meant that it is now vital that the School expands its own Assisted Place programme.

When the School celebrated its 275th anniversary, the Bancroft's Foundation was established to help the School significantly increase its portfolio of Assisted Places 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, the Bancroft's Foundation or to make a gift, please contact Susan Day in the Development Office on 0208 506 5714 or via the School.

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, year groups reunions and Old Bancroftians' Day. There is also an active Golf Society. The OBA retains strong links with Bancroft Rugby Club, which has facilities for rugby, football, and social entertainment.

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 child's career at Bancroft's. All former pupils automatically become members for life of the OBA when they leave School.

The OBA maintains a strong relationship with Bancroft's School. Old Bancroftians are often involved with the School's activities, in particular in giving career guidance and advice about further education.

The Association is associated with two charities and is an active supporter of the Bancroft's Foundation:

- **The Old Bancroftians' Educational Development Fund**, which makes grants to current and former pupils towards the cost of educational projects which they are unable to fund completely themselves
- **The OB Sixth Form Scholarship Fund** which provides support to the School for pupils in the Sixth Form, whose families might not otherwise be able to afford the fees.
- **The Bancroft's Foundation** which provides Assisted Places at the School for promising children whose financial circumstances would not otherwise allow them to attend Bancroft's

School Contact Information

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All information contained in this booklet 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 Office, on 020 8506 6761 or email admissions@bancrofts.org.

Further information may also be found on our website: www.bancrofts.org

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