



Accepting pupils into the school procedure

At Westbury House School, a non-selective preparatory school, we value the education we offer all pupils. We believe that the education all children receive is excellent. This is true both of the academic curriculum as well as the broader experience we offer in every Year at the school.

Children leave Westbury House confident in their abilities, with an appetite for learning. Their transition results are exceptional; most children gain places at highly selective schools.

Whilst they are with us, we give them a rich experience in the Arts, Science, Languages, Outdoor learning and Games that encompasses many trips, visits and events, including an environmental science residential for Year 5s and a foreign trip to Sorrento (France 2018) for Year 6s. We teach them to take responsibility for themselves and others, engaging across all ages, whilst making relevant contributions to the direction of the school.

Given the richness of the education we offer and the excellent standard at which our pupils achieve, we believe that Westbury House School offers an education to children that is second to none.

Therefore, we do not offer places in Nursery to children who have no intention of staying with the school throughout their primary education. The Nursery is an integral part of what we offer, where the extremely high standards set are maintained throughout every other year in the school. Parents who take up a Nursery place are required to express an intention to educate their children with us, barring exceptional circumstances that could not be foreseen, until they are ready to move to their senior schools.

In order to secure a place in Nursery, parents are asked to pay a deposit for a Reception place. Currently, the deposit is £750. This deposit is redeemable when the pupil reaches Year 6. It can either be used to pay for the Year 6 residential trip, with the balance being set against the final term's fees, or the whole amount can be set against the final term's fees. Parents will also be required to sign a declaration that it is their intention to keep their children at Westbury House until Year 6. In very rare circumstances, when both parents and school agree, it may be possible to vary the terms of this agreement.

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