



MARLBOROUGH COLLEGE

New Admissions Procedures

13+ ENTRY 2022

For children wishing to join Marlborough College from 2022 onwards our Admissions process has changed. The main alterations will allow the majority of Applicants to gain a secure place at the College in Year 6 rather than, as previously, in Year 7. A smaller intake will still be admitted from late Applicants taking the Assessment in Year 7 and a handful of selected late applicants may also have an opportunity to be assessed for a Place in Year 8. Additionally, House preferences will now be requested and allocated after a College A List Place has been offered rather than prior to Assessment. This will result in a majority of the Year 6 assessed Applicants gaining a first choice House place.

Please note that during the procedural changeover period, some of the Admissions events will be shared with other Years of Entry, namely 2021 and 2023 Entry.

Key Dates

For Assessment in Year 6 (approximately 70% of places)

Enquiry & Prospectus Request	Welcome at any time
Individual Visit	Please contact the Admissions Department
Registration	Year 4 From 5 years prior to Year of Entry
Visit Day 1 (<i>families with a child for 2021 or 2022 Entry</i>)	Year 5 2018 Michaelmas Term
Open Day (<i>families with a child for 2022 or 2023 Entry</i>)	Year 5 2019 Summer Term
Visit Day 2 (<i>families with a Registered child for 2021 or 2022 Entry</i>)	Year 5 2019 Summer Term
Bursarial Support Application deadline	Year 6 2019 Michaelmas Term – 5 th Nov
Enrolment deadline/Closing date for Entry	Year 6 2019 Michaelmas Term – 5th Nov
ISEB Pre-Test at current school	Year 6 2019 December/2020 January
Assessment & Interview (<i>Enrolled children only</i>)	Year 6 2020 Lent Term
College Place Offers	Year 6 2020 Lent Term
House Choice Visit Day (<i>For children with a Place Offer</i>)	Year 6 2020 Summer Term
House Preference deadline	Year 6 2020 End of Summer Term
House Place Offer	Year 7 2020 Early Michaelmas Term
College & House Place Acceptance deadline	Year 7 2020 Michaelmas Half Term
Scholarship Application & Assessments	Year 8 2022 Lent Term
Common Entrance	Year 8 2022 Summer Term
Boarding House Visit Day	Year 8 2022 Summer Term
13+ Shell Year commences	Year 9 2022 Michaelmas Term

For Assessment in Year 7 (approximately 25% of places)

Registration & Enrolment deadline	Year 7 2020 Michaelmas Term
ISEB Pre-Test at current school (with 2023 Entry)	Year 7 2020 Michaelmas Term
Assessment & Interview	Year 7 2021 Lent Term
College Place Offer	Year 7 2021 Lent Term
House Choice Visit Day*	Year 7 2021 Early Summer Term
House Preference deadline	Year 7 2021 Summer Half Term
House Place Offer	Year 7 2021 Late Summer Term
College & House Place Acceptance deadline	Year 7 2021 Late Summer Term
13+ Shell Year commences	Year 9 2022 Michaelmas Term

**With many House Places secured from the intake of Applicants assessed in Year 6, those who are assessed in Year 7 may have a slightly decreased chance of a first choice House place.*

For Assessment in Year 8 (approximately 5% of places)

Registration & Enrolment deadline	Year 8 2021 Michaelmas Term
Assessment, Interview & House Visit	Year 8 2022 Lent Term
College & House Place Offer	Year 8 2022 Lent Term
College & House Place Acceptance deadline	Year 8 2022 Lent Term
13+ Shell Year commences	Year 9 2022 Michaelmas Term

Admissions Procedures

Enquiry & Prospectus Requests

Welcomed at any stage up to the closing date for Entry.

Registration

Families who wish to take the next step in the Admissions Procedures are welcome to Register their child up to five years prior to Entry. Registrations are currently open for 2022 Entry. It is advisable to Register your child in good time to benefit from an invitation to further Admissions events for Registered children. To progress your child's Admissions status from Enquiry to that of Registered, completion of a Registration Form is required along with the non-returnable Registration fee, currently £250. Please contact the Admissions Department if you would like to be sent a copy of the Registration Form.

Visit Day 1

Families who have made an Enquiry or have Registered their child for 2022 Entry can choose one from a selection of dates when they can tour the College and view two boarding houses in **Year 5, Michaelmas Term, 2018**.

Open Day

Families who have made an Enquiry or have Registered their child will receive an invitation to the Open Day which takes place in **Year 5, Summer Term, 2019**. The event will include introductory talks by the Master and the Director of Admissions, followed by a tour of the school with senior pupils and an informal visit to a boarding house. During a buffet lunch, parents can meet with Senior Management, Housemasters, Housemistresses and Heads of Department.

Visit Day 2

Families who have Registered their child will be invited to this event and can choose one from a selection of dates in **Year 5, Summer Term, 2019**. The afternoon focuses on small group visits to two boarding houses and meeting with respective Housemasters and Housemistresses. An optional morning tour of the College will also be available.

Enrolment

Enrolment is offered to all Registered children at the end of **Year 5, 2019**. Completion of the Enrolment Form is parental confirmation for their child to be included in the Independent Schools Examinations Board (ISEB) Pre-Test and the Marlborough College Assessment Interview process in Year 6. Enrolment documents must be returned by the strict deadline date of **5th November, 2019**.

Bursarial Support

The Council of Marlborough College is committed to broadening access to the school by offering means tested financial support with the payment of school fees to eligible parents. Candidates qualify by achieving success in the Scholarship examinations. Application for Bursarial Support is to be made no later than the deadline date for Enrolment – **5th November, 2019, Michaelmas Term, Year 6**. Further details of the application process and Bursary Policy can be found on the College website.

Learning Support and Special Needs

If parents require feedback from the College Learning Support Department prior to their child's Assessment, an Educational Psychologist or learning support report must be sent with the Enrolment Form at the latest. Requests for extra time for Common Entrance examinations have to be supported by a recently conducted EP report.

ISEB Pre-Test and Assessment Day, Year 6

All Enrolled children will be required to sit the ISEB Pre-Test at their current school in the **December, Year 6, 2019** or **January, Year 6, 2020**. A date will also be made for Applicants to come to Marlborough College for an Assessment Day in the **Lent Term, Year 6, 2020**. Criteria for Assessment:

- Reference from the Applicant's current school Head
- An interview with a Housemaster or Housemistress and group Assessment
- A short writing task (no preparation required)
- Results from ISEB Pre-Test

College Place Offers

As a result of Assessment, approximately 70% of College Places will be offered in **Lent Term, Year 6, 2020**, as follows:

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| A List Offer | An offer of a place at the College. Those receiving an A List place will be invited to the College for a House Choice Visit Day in the Summer Term 2020 . |
| B List Offer | A place on the waiting list. Parents will be asked to accept or decline their waiting list place by the end of Lent Term, 2020 . If an A List Place does not become available, B List children will be reconsidered alongside Year 7 Assessment children. |

It may not be possible in all cases to offer either an A or B List place.

House Choice Visit Day

Families who have a child with an A List College Place will be invited to the House Choice Visit Day during the **Summer Term, Year 6, 2020**. The event focuses on small group visits to boarding houses and meeting with respective Housemasters and Housemistresses. After the event, parents will be asked to submit their preferred three choices of House to the College. House Place Offers will then be offered in **Michaelmas Term, Year 7, 2020**.

College & House Place Acceptances

Parents will be asked to accept or decline the offers of a College Place and a House Place by half term of **Michaelmas Term, Year 7, 2020**. In order to secure the offers, a deposit of £1,950 is payable on acceptance. Overseas residents are, in addition, required to pay a term's fees at this time and, if applicable, will be subject to a Tier 4 visa administration fee.

Assessment in Year 7 (*approximately 25% of places*)

For children who decide to make an application a little later and who apply by **30th June 2020**, there will be an opportunity to sit the ISEB Pre-Test in the **Michaelmas Term, Year 7, 2020**. Then children will come for Assessment and interview at Marlborough College in the **Lent Term, Year 7, 2021**, following the same format as Assessment Day, Year 6 above. College Places are offered in **Lent Term, Year 7, 2021**, House Choice Visit Day follows. Due to the majority of House Places secured from the A List intake from Year 6, the Applicants assessed in Year 7 may have a slightly decreased chance of a first choice House Place, however for the successful Year 7 Applicants, the College will do its very best to accommodate as many preferred House Choice requests as possible. The deadline date for acceptance of a College and House Place will be the **end of the Summer Term, Year 7, 2021**.

Assessment in Year 8 (*approximately 5% of places*)

Latest school reports will be requested for any enquiries arriving after the Summer Term of Year 7. A handful of selected Late Entry Applicants who have Registered and Enrolled by the **Michaelmas Term, Year 8, 2021** will be invited to sit an Assessment and be interviewed at Marlborough College during the **Lent Term, Year 8, 2022**. Offers of any available College and House Places and consequent Acceptance deposits will be made that same term.

Common Entrance

Common Entrance results are used for initial setting purposes on arrival. Children who gain an A List place are expected to achieve success in either the Common Entrance or Academic Scholarship Examinations. Expected Common Entrance results would be 60% average overall. The Admissions Department will send information for candidates attending schools that do not prepare for Common Entrance.

Scholarships

Scholarships are available in the following categories: Music, Academic, Art, Design Technology, Sport and William Morris All Rounder. Only children holding an A List place can apply. Scholarship examinations and assessments take place at Marlborough College during the **Lent Term, Year 8, 2022**. Further details of Scholarships, the procedures and the various application deadlines can be found in the Scholarship Prospectus, available to view on the College website.

For any further information about any aspect of admission to the College, please do not hesitate to be in contact with the Admissions Department either by telephone on +44 (0)1672 892 300 or by email to admissions@marlboroughcollege.org.

Admissions procedures, fees and key dates are subject to change at the discretion of Marlborough College.