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HRH The Duchess of Cambridge
HRH Princess Eugenie of York
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QUICK FACTS

- **FULL BOARDING, INDEPENDENT SCHOOL**
1015 pupils; 56% male, 44% female
- **5 YEAR GROUPS**
(8th-12th grade equivalent)
- **150 MEMBERS OF TEACHING STAFF**
- **25 STUDENT PREFECTS**
- **OUR PUPILS** reside in 42 countries, represent 36 nationalities, with 15 languages spoken at home.
- **GRADUATING CLASS SIZE c.200**
98% go on to attend 3 - 4 year university courses.

2021 SCHOOL PROFILE (CLASS OF 2021)

THE SCHOOL

Marlborough College, founded in 1843, is a highly regarded, nationally and internationally sought-after co-educational, full boarding school. We are situated 75 miles west of London in the charming market town of Marlborough. The 1015 students who are currently enrolled, grades 8-12, live in 16 boarding houses situated on an extensive campus. Marlborough offers the GCSE and GCE A level curriculum.

OUR MISSION

To deliver the best independent, co-educational, full boarding education in the UK and to be recognised for this globally. Set in a beautiful environment steeped in history, it is a welcoming community where ambition and scholarship are highly valued, creativity is celebrated, diversity is embraced and where each pupil is encouraged and challenged to be the best that they can be.

OUR VALUES

Ambition, community, service and initiative: these are the values that form the strong foundation of our boarding school and enable everyone to contribute, to feel valued and to fulfil their potential.

CURRICULUM ROUTES

Lower School (Grades 8,9 & 10)

Shell (8) – Broad based curriculum, which includes Mathematics, Science, Form (an innovative integrated Humanities course), Languages and Geography.

Remove (9) & Hundred (10) – A core of compulsory subjects plus a choice of up to five more from a wide range of options. A typical pupil will take 9 (I)GCSEs with the option of additional subjects such as Astronomy (we have an Observatory on-site), Latin, Greek and additional Languages and Arts subjects. (I)GCSE exams are completed at the end of the Summer Term of the Hundred (10) year.

Upper School (Grades 11 & 12)

Lower Sixth (11) and Upper Sixth (12) – Marlborough is a single-track system where all pupils now take A level. Pupils can choose to study 3 or 4 subjects. 15% graduated in 2021 with 4 subjects (UK universities require just 3 subjects are taken). In addition, pupils can undertake the highly prized Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) and additional courses such as Creative Writing.

CURRICULUM CALENDAR

The College runs on a Trimester system with courses rotating on a two-week block cycle, with 55-minute periods, six days a week.

GRADING SYSTEM

Pupils take public examinations at the end of their sophomore year ((I)GCSEs). They take senior year (GCE A level) public examinations at the end of the Upper Sixth (12).

INFORMATION PROVIDED IN TRANSCRIPTS

Final (I)GCSE exam grades. Almost all pupils will have a mixture of numbers (1-9) or letter grades (A*-E) for their GCSEs. We choose a mix of (I)GCSEs and GCSEs so pupils will present letters and numbers on transcripts. A grid is shown on each transcript to assist readers.

Predicted A level grades (and EPQ if taken). A level courses will show a letter grade (A*-E) achieved for that exam.

MIDYEAR grades are used at the end of January to indicate current progress or any change to the Predicted Grade. **FINAL** grades are not available until August after the pupil graduates.

STATEMENT ON CLASS RANK

Marlborough College does not calculate class rank or grade point average; instead academic achievement is reported through the public examination results. We do not 'rate' our students on the Common Application.

GRADUATION

This depends upon the completion of 3 A level examinations. Examination results become available circa. 15th August in 2022.

MARLBOROUGH COLLEGE MALAYSIA

In the Johor Peninsula; a genuine expansion of Marlborough College UK with management and governance directly linked. Pupils and staff take part in regular exchanges to enhance teaching and learning.

We welcome email or telephone communication from Universities should any details – whether general or specific to an applicant – need clarification. Please contact Alys Langdale (details above).

COURSES OF STUDY

SIXTH FORM CURRICULUM 2022-23

The web page below contains a pdf brochure of our latest Sixth Form Curriculum Handbook which outlines each subject in greater detail.

<https://www.marlbroughcollege.org/academic/curriculum-overview/>

CLASSICS

Classical Greek: OCR (H444)
Latin: OCR (H443)

ENGLISH

Creative Writing: WEB (AFA)
English Literature: Eduqas 601/4870/6

EXTENDED PROJECT QUALIFICATION

Extended Project (EP) Level 3: Edexcel (ZPJ3)

MATHEMATICS

Mathematics: Edexcel (9MA0)
Further Mathematics: Edexcel (9FM0)
Mathematics in Context: Edexcel (7MC0)

MODERN LANGUAGES

French: Edexcel (9FR0)
German: Edexcel (9GN0)
Italian: Edexcel (9IN0)
Mandarin Chinese: Marlborough Sixth Form
Chinese Studies (HSK level 3 and 4)
Spanish: Edexcel (9SP0)
Russian: Edexcel (9RU0)
French: DELF (B1)
German: Goethe Zertifikat (B1)
Spanish: DELE (A2/B1)

Marlborough certificate in Arabic
Marlborough certificate in Hebrew
Marlborough certificate in Japanese
Mandarin Chinese GCSE
Russian GCSE
Italian (I)GCSE

MUSIC

Music: Edexcel (9MU0)
Music Technology: Edexcel (9MT0)

PERFORMING/VISUAL ARTS

Art and Design (Fine Art): OCR (H601)
Art and Design (Photography): OCR (H603)
Design & Technology: Product Design: OCR (H406)
Drama & Theatre Studies: Edexcel (9DR0)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Exercise and Sport Sciences: OCR H555

SCIENCE

Biology: OCR 'A' (H420)
Chemistry: OCR 'A' (H432)
Physics: EDUQAS (A420QS)
Psychology: AQA (7182)
Computer Science AQA (7517)

SOCIAL SCIENCE

Business: Edexcel (9BS0)
Economics: Edexcel (9ECO)
Geography: AQA (7037)

HUMANITIES

History of Art: Edexcel (9HT0)
Classical Civilisation: OCR (H408)
History: OCR (H505)
Philosophy and Theology: OCR (H573)
Politics: Edexcel 9PLO

ACADEMIC EXTENSION – COMPLEMENTARY COURSES

At Lower Sixth, beyond the three or four main A level subjects, pupils have the option to study one 'extra', as part of our commitment to helping pupils discover new passions or feed existing ones. These include the Extended Project Qualification, Creative Writing AFA, and a number of (I)GCSE language options.

EXTENDED PROJECT QUALIFICATION (EPQ)

Now entering its tenth full year, it is offered to both Upper and Lower Sixth pupils as an extra qualification. The EPQ is 100% coursework, internally marked and externally moderated. It is A level standard (graded up to A*) but worth the UCAS points of an AS level.

In 2020/21, 65 pupils in the Upper Sixth carried out the EPQ with 33 A*, 19 A, 10 B, 1 C and 2 D grades awarded.

(I)GCSEs

A two-year course examined at the end of Hundred (10). Pupils normally take 9 or more subjects including English Language and Literature, a foreign language, Mathematics and two or three sciences.

| Grades | Percentage achieving Marlborough College | Cumulative % achieving Marlborough College |
|-----------|--|--|
| A* (8-9) | 57.4 | 57.4 |
| A (7) | 21.6 | 79 |
| B (6) | 13.1 | 92.1 |
| C (4-5) | 7.3 | 99.4 |
| D-E (3-1) | 0.6 | 100 |

The Marlborough College **Class of 2021** achieved 100% 9-3 grades with 79% 9-7.

| Grades | Cumulative % achieving Nationally | Cumulative % achieving Marlborough College |
|------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| A* (8-9) | 17.3 | 57.4 |
| A*/A (7) | 30 | 79 |
| A*/C (4-5) | 79.1 | 99.4 |

A level & Pre-U

A two-year course examined at the end of Upper Sixth (12). Pre-U courses will not be offered from the academic year 2021/22
Class of 2021: These pupils took three A levels/Pre-U and 31 students (15%) took four.

| A Level | Pre-U (approx. comparison) | Cumulative % achieving Marlborough College |
|---------|----------------------------|--|
| A* | DI-D2 | 32 |
| A*/-A | DI-D3 | 75 |
| A*/-B | DI-M2 | 94 |
| A*/-C | DI-P1 | 99 |
| A*/-D | DI-P2 | 100 |
| A*/-E | DI-P3 | 100 |

In 2021, 75% of our A level/Pre-U results were graded A* or A (DI-D3), 94% A*/A or B, (DI-M2) and 100% graded A to D (DI-P2).

| Grades | Cumulative % achieving Nationally | Cumulative % achieving Marlborough College |
|--------|-----------------------------------|--|
| A* | 20.8 | 32 |
| A*/A | 44.8 | 75 |
| A*/B | 69 | 94 |
| A*/C | 86.3 | 99 |

Standardised Testing

Testing Restrictions on international students & US citizens abroad:

In recent years, our students have had less access to SAT/SAT Subject and ACT tests because of fewer test dates abroad, fewer sites offering the test, score cancellations and higher fees. We ask that all higher education institutions take this into account when evaluating our pupils' applications.

Access to testing has been extremely difficult this year.

Standardised testing is not supported within the curriculum. However, we became an ACT test centre in September 2016 and are now offering ACT CBT testing.

2020-21 ACT Range: 36-17



CIE Pre-U Results by Subject for Class of 2021

| Subject | D1 | D2 | D3 | M1 | M2 | M3 | P1 | P2 | P3 | U | %A*AB equivalent |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----|---|------------------|
| Chinese | 5 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | 100 |
| German | 2 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | | 100 |
| English | 5 | 7 | 15 | 5 | 3 | | 1 | | | | 97 |
| French | | 5 | 4 | | | | | | | | 100 |
| History | 1 | 8 | 13 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | 100 |
| Art History | 5 | 7 | 10 | 3 | | | | | | | 100 |
| Philosophy | 2 | 11 | 22 | 8 | 4 | 1 | | 1 | | | 96 |
| Russian | | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | | 100 |
| Spanish | | 4 | 4 | 1 | | 1 | | | | | 90 |
| Totals (172) | 20 | 47 | 73 | 19 | 9 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | 98 |

UK Universities attended by Marlburians (where more than 2 pupils have attended)

| | 2021 | 2020 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 |
|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Durham | 32 | 38 | 11 | 9 | 12 | 15 |
| Newcastle | 31 | 20 | 24 | 18 | 16 | 8 |
| Edinburgh | 27 | 19 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 24 |
| Exeter | 25 | 27 | 16 | 19 | 15 | 15 |
| Bristol | 18 | 7 | 12 | 29 | 27 | 17 |
| Leeds | 10 | 3 | 7 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Oxford Brookes | 7 | 8 | 10 | 11 | 17 | 8 |
| Cardiff | 5 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 8 | 2 |
| KCL | 5 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Imperial | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 5 |
| Nottingham | 4 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Oxford | 4 | 3 | 13 | 9 | 7 | 13 |
| UCL | 4 | 4 | 7 | 5 | 6 | 8 |
| Manchester | 3 | 14 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 14 |
| Bath | 2 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 2 |
| Cambridge | 2 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| York | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |

GCE A Level Results by Subject for Class of 2021

| Subject | A* | A | B | C | D | E | U | %A*AB equivalent |
|------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|---|---|------------------|
| Art | 22 | 8 | 3 | | | | | 100 |
| Business | 9 | 14 | 6 | 4 | 1 | | | 85 |
| Biology | 12 | 12 | 10 | 4 | | | | 89 |
| Classical Greek | 1 | | 1 | | | | | 100 |
| Chemistry | 9 | 17 | 9 | 1 | | | | 97 |
| Classical Civilisation | 2 | | 2 | | | | | 100 |
| Computer Science | 3 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 1 | | | 75 |
| Theatre Studies | 3 | 3 | 1 | | | | | 100 |
| Design Technology | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | | | | 80 |
| Economics | 17 | 20 | 11 | 8 | | | | 86 |
| Further Maths | 9 | 7 | 2 | | | | | 100 |
| Geography | 10 | 18 | 9 | 1 | 1 | | | 95 |
| Italian | 1 | 4 | 2 | | | | | 100 |
| Latin | 1 | 5 | | | | | | 100 |
| Mathematics | 16 | 34 | 14 | 4 | 1 | | | 93 |
| Music Technology | | 3 | | 1 | | | | 75 |
| Music | 2 | 3 | 1 | | | | | 100 |
| Physical Education | 3 | 9 | 1 | 1 | | | | 93 |
| Physics | 10 | 11 | 3 | 2 | | | | 92 |
| Politics | 11 | 26 | 11 | 2 | | | | 96 |
| Psychology | 4 | 11 | 6 | 1 | 1 | | | 91 |
| Russian | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | 100 |
| Totals (493) | 148 | 211 | 97 | 32 | 5 | | | 93 |

92% of the **Class of 2021** achieved their first-choice university.

88% of the cohort (up from 82% last year) accepted an offer from one of the Russell Group universities.

57% of those applying internationally won places at one of the QS Top 100 universities.

Our international university application rate is consistently double the UK Independent school average.

Marlborough College International University Acceptances (*denotes matriculation)

| | | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| American University* | Georgetown University * | Pratt | University of British Columbia* |
| Amsterdam University College* | Georgia Institute of Technology * | Princeton University* | University of Denver |
| Arizona State University | Hamilton College | Rhode Island School of Art & Design | University of Maastricht* |
| Babson* | Harvard College* | Ringling | University of Melbourne* |
| Bard College* | Haverford* | Santa Clara University* | University of Miami* |
| Barnard College * | HKUST* | Savannah College of Art and Design* | University of Michigan |
| Barry University | IE University Madrid * | Skidmore College* | University of New Brunswick |
| Bentley University | Indiana University-Bloomington | Sophia University - S Korea | University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill* |
| Berklee College of Music* | Ithaca College | Stanford University * | University of Notre Dame * |
| Bocconi University-Italy * | James Madison University | Suffolk University | University of Pennsylvania * |
| Boston College | John Cabot, Rome* | SUNY Stony Brook | University of Southern California * |
| Boston University* | John Hopkins University * | Swarthmore | University of Sydney* |
| Brown University* | LeHigh University | Syracuse University * | University of Texas Austin* |
| Bucknell University* | Leiden University* | The New School (Parsons NYC) | University of Toronto* |
| Colgate University | Lynn University | Trinity College | University of Utrecht* |
| College of William and Mary | Maastricht University* | Trinity College Dublin | University of Virginia * |
| Columbia College Chicago* | Manhattanville College | Tufts University * | University of Washington, Seattle* |
| Columbia University * | McGill University* | Tulane University * | Utrecht University* |
| Cornell University* | MICA | UC Boulder | Vassar |
| Curry University | Michigan State University* | UC Los Angeles * | Villanova University |
| Denison University * | Middlebury College | UC Riverside* | Wake Forest University |
| Dickinson University * | New York University * (incl. NYUAD*) | UC San Diego | Wesleyan University |
| Duke* | Northeastern University * | UC Santa Barbara | Western University* |
| EHL-Switzerland * | Northwestern University* | UC Santa Cruz | Yale College* |
| Emerson College * | Notre Dame* | University of Chicago* | Yonsei University - Japan |
| Emory University | Old Dominion University | University of Oregon* | |
| George Washington University* | Pace University * | University of Alberta* | |