Mill Hill School

Mill Hill School | For pupils aged 13 to 18
Welcome to Mill Hill School, a school that seeks to equip pupils for life, both now and in the future. Our stimulating academic environment and numerous activities outside the classroom encourage learning and personal growth. We are committed to the development of every pupil and believe that our friendly and supportive community helps this to happen.

Ready for the Future
Everyone is encouraged to have a go, and get involved, to follow their passion and give of their best. Such an approach means that our pupils also realise that things may not always go according to plan, and they may need to try again. Through this active involvement in the learning process our pupils develop both a sense of self confidence as well as resilience which prepares them to face life head on.
INTRODUCTION

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This means being able to use technology as well as work effectively with other people within a global arena. By developing such skills we aim to prepare our pupils as best we can to be ready for university, work and the world of the future.
We offer a wide choice of study in modern and classical languages, literature, humanities, social sciences and pure and applied arts.

Students’ learning is inspired and supported by specialist staff, excellent facilities, numerous educational trips as well as by regular visiting speakers.

Millhillians’ present-day exploration of ideas, culture and communication is a fitting tribute to our most famous former teacher: Sir James Murray was the inaugural editor of the Oxford English Dictionary, a project which began in 1879 in a building on the School grounds.

Since our foundation we have encouraged curiosity, imagination and independence of mind in our young people.
Tradition meets the future in our Science Faculty, housed in the historic Francis Crick Building.

Francis Crick, the Nobel Prizewinner, was a pupil in the 1930s, and later paid tribute to his education here: “My whole scientific career was grounded in the excellent science teaching I had at Mill Hill.” The Faculty now comprises Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Psychology, all taught by subject specialists who place an equal importance on conceptual and practical learning.

Maths is Mill Hill’s most widely studied subject at GCSE and A Level. Expert teachers help students develop the logic and problem-solving skills at the heart of modern mathematical learning.
All pupils follow a Computing and Digital Literacy course when they join Mill Hill, in order to develop their logical and analytical skills, as well as to learn programming languages. Many elect to study GCSE and A Level Computer Science, which teaches a solution-led approach to real-world issues.

Our new Innovation Hub will provide dedicated space outside the classroom for pupils to explore new ideas and follow up the entrepreneurial streak common to many Millhillians.
We host regular lectures by external experts, for our young people and their parents alike, on a variety of topics affecting teenage life. Professional medical and counselling services are also on hand.

Millhillians have a formal say in the running of their school through a variety of representative councils and committees, many of which have an explicitly pastoral focus.

**PASTORAL CARE**

The welfare of each pupil is supported throughout their school career by a Housemaster or Housemistress and tutor team who get to know them well and liaise closely with their families.
The House provides a social base and a sense of identity within the School, engendering a spirit where each pupil is proud of personal achievements and of contributing to a community. They are encouraged to share in the running of the House and participate in a range of Inter-House competitions.

The House creates an atmosphere of tolerance, mutual respect and understanding.

All pupils are members of a House throughout their Mill Hill career.
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We welcome full and weekly boarders from many backgrounds and locations in the UK and around the world. While our Houses are suffused with rich history, our boarding model is modern and non-hierarchical. Every boarder’s voice is heard, and our House staff are dedicated to replicating a family atmosphere in which tolerance, empathy and mutual endeavour are always to the fore.

Our boarders develop a close attachment to their particular House, where they live and study under the care of a Housemaster or Housemistress who knows them through and through and who maintains a close relationship with their families back home.

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Portugal Nigeria Spain Ukraine France Germany Russia Canada Japan China Thailand Brazil Turkey Switzerland...
Fun and memorable in themselves, these weekly activities build in our pupils the key skills necessary to stand out at university and with employers. Qualities such as curiosity, creativity, emotional intelligence, independent thinking, resilience, leadership and teamwork are fostered by our wide choice of pursuits.

Our numerous on-site activities are supplemented by over 100 days out and 30 residential trips each year, ranging from academically focused visits to our global partnership projects in countries such as India and Zambia or sports tours in the UK, Europe and across the world.

An extensive co-curricular programme is an integral part of every Millhillian’s school life.
A wide range of opportunities exists for those wishing to perform, from the formality of the Chapel Choir and string orchestra to the style and energy of the jazz band and Glee Club.

We hold an annual singing competition as well as a biennial House Music Festival for specialist and non-specialist musicians alike. The Chapel Choir and other ensembles tour in the UK and Europe.

Theatre and performance are in our lifeblood at Mill Hill, having helped to nurture a host of actors, writers and broadcasters through the 20th and 21st Centuries. Patrick Troughton, the second Doctor Who, was a pupil here, as was his grandson Harry Melling who appeared in the Harry Potter films.

Recent major productions have included Our Country’s Good, Oklahoma!, Cabaret and Oh, What a Lovely War! The House Drama Festival takes place every other year and involves pupils from all year groups. Facilities include a main stage, purpose-built theatre and drama studio.
We believe everyone can make art and enjoy doing so. Our spacious, well-lit studios hum with activity and imagination throughout the day, and there is incredible variety to the work produced by our pupils.

Art is very popular at GCSE and A Level, and many of our A Level artists leave for Art Foundation courses, Fine Art, History of Art, Architecture, Fashion and other art and design-related disciplines. This is no new tradition: a lifetime ago, Old Millhillian Sir Norman Hartnell designed the Queen’s wedding dress and coronation gown.

Design Technology has a high profile at Mill Hill, with Sixth Formers moving on each year to university courses such as Product Design, Architecture, Design Engineering and Automotive Design. Younger pupils regularly triumph in national design competitions, and a number of Sixth Formers have held prestigious Arkwright Engineering Scholarships.
Mill Hill enjoys a long tradition of sporting excellence and today all Millhillians have the chance to represent their school. Through sport, our pupils build character and qualities that will serve them well in future life.

We are blessed with 120 acres of grounds and facilities, including numerous grass and AstroTurf pitches, an indoor sports complex, a 25-metre pool, tennis and netball courts, Eton Fives courts and a golf centre. We work closely with Middlesex Cricket Club, Saracens Rugby Club, The Shire golf course and Middlesex University’s Sport and Exercise Science Department to offer our young sportsmen and women every chance to develop themselves.
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Our Sixth Form provides an experience distinct from the younger years. Through our new dedicated Sixth Form Centre, the students enjoy privileges which come hand-in-hand with responsibility and commitment. They are central to leadership in their Houses and the wider School community. We expect and encourage a full engagement in co-curricular activities, which are varied enough for everyone to find challenge, fun and self-expression, while developing their social responsibility through our Community Action Programme.
Given the constantly changing landscape of higher education and employment in the UK and globally, Mill Hill provides comprehensive advice to pupils and parents on the various opportunities leading on from school.

Birmingham Leeds KCL Sussex Nottingham
UCL Manchester Bristol Imperial Warwick LSE
Bath Oxford Brookes Loughborough Oxford
Kent Cambridge Exeter NYU Rome

We are proud of all our leavers and celebrate their achievements in reaching the destinations and courses that are right for them as individuals.

Sixth Formers have access to a range of experts in School and in partner organisations who guide them on their options: from the most traditional British undergraduate courses, opportunities in the USA, continental Europe and elsewhere, through to creative pathways and the newest offers such as Degree Apprenticeships.
Come and visit us and discover for yourselves what Mill Hill has to offer.

NEXT STEPS

Admissions
Mill Hill School offers day, weekly boarding and full boarding places to boys and girls aged 13 to 18, with entry at 13+, 14+ and 16+.

For further details of our admissions process please visit our website or call the Admissions Team.

Mill Hill Express
Travelling to school is convenient and safe on one of our school bus routes, with early and late buses available.

For further information please contact BCT:
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Getting to Mill Hill
Despite its rural setting, Mill Hill is within easy reach of central London, being served by bus, underground and overground train services. Close to the M1, M25 and A1(M), it is within easy driving distance of all London airports. For day pupils the School operates a home-to-school bus service.

Public transport:
- 240 route: Heathrow 40 minutes; Luton 30 minutes; Stansted 1 hour; Gatwick 1 hour 15 minutes
- Mill Hill Broadway (direct trains to central London and St Pancras International)
- Mill Hill East
- M1/M25/A1

Leavers’ Day