



RICHMOND HOUSE SCHOOL

Where children are happy to learn



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Welcome to Richmond House School



Welcome to Richmond House, a school where children are happy to learn.

Our school offers the highest standards of education tailored to the individual needs of boys and girls aged 3-11 years. We are ideally situated only 3 miles outside the vibrant city centre of Leeds, with over 10 acres of fields, ideal for sport and outdoor learning.

In addition to the excellent teaching and dedication of all staff, the school prides itself on the warm and friendly atmosphere, where everyone knows each other. We are big enough to compete successfully in many sports and academic competitions, to perform many wonderful productions, and to make many good friends. However, we are also small enough to know children individually which enables us to develop their self-confidence and resilience through a caring and nurturing environment.

Our aim is to allow young people, to be confident in themselves, to become responsible and upstanding members of society; to show integrity, humility and have a strong sense of fairness, honesty and respect. They will develop high aspirations and understand that application, commitment, determination and perseverance are the cornerstones to success.

I would be delighted to welcome you to look around the school at a time to suit you. You are assured of a warm welcome and will be able to experience for yourself what it is like to be part of Richmond House School.



Chris Bouckley
Headmaster

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The best start in life



We understand that starting school is a big step. That is why we provide a happy and welcoming environment for your child's journey to begin.

The early years are some of the most important and formative for our children. They begin to interact with others and their curious minds want to explore the exciting world around them. At Richmond House School we provide a safe, secure environment that encourages our children to learn in stimulating and structured surroundings. We want our children to be confident and happy.

Our well-equipped Foundation Stage is made up of Nursery and Reception and provides an excellent introduction to school life. We offer an outstanding learning environment with inter-connecting classrooms and the separate and secure outdoor play area includes a wide range of age appropriate toys and equipment creating a valuable outdoor learning space.



“ The EYFS accommodation provides a stimulating environment which enables children to access a rich variety of high quality resources, both indoors and outdoors. ”

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Our Foundation Stage facility is an integral part of Richmond House School and benefits from:

- qualified teachers and specialist teaching from nursery in PE, Music, Outdoor Learning and French
- the use of the main school's extensive facilities and grounds including the adventure playground, yurt, music room and gymnasium
- highly qualified and experienced teaching assistants
- homemade lunches prepared daily on the premises by our in-house catering team, catering for allergy and dietary requirements
- flexible sessions to accommodate individual family requirements
- breakfast club, after school care and holiday clubs providing year round care from 7:30am–6:00pm.

“ The school offers a very safe environment where little ones don't feel lost and still have the opportunity to stand out. ”

EYFS Parent



Challenging and varied curriculum



Our curriculum provides an opportunity for all pupils to shine. We offer the highest standard of education through an extensive range of subjects.

Our pupils leave us at 11 as high-achieving and well-rounded individuals.

We have excellent academic credentials and offer:

- continual outstanding 11+ examination results with pupils having their choice of leading senior schools and a substantial number being awarded scholarships each year
- excellence in National Curriculum core subjects and topics with an enhanced programme to give children the very best academic education
- classroom teaching which is supplemented and broadened by expert workshops, activity days, academic clubs, and a broad range of excursions and residential trips

- regular and informative assessments which enable the school to monitor pupils' progress and learning at a standardised, national level. Results show our pupils to be consistently and significantly above the national average expectations.

Academic success is celebrated and culminates in our annual Prize Day – a highlight of the year for children, parents and staff.

“When I walk around the school I feel the friendly atmosphere. I see children giggling and smiling together, it makes me smile too.”

Year 6 pupil

Specialist teaching

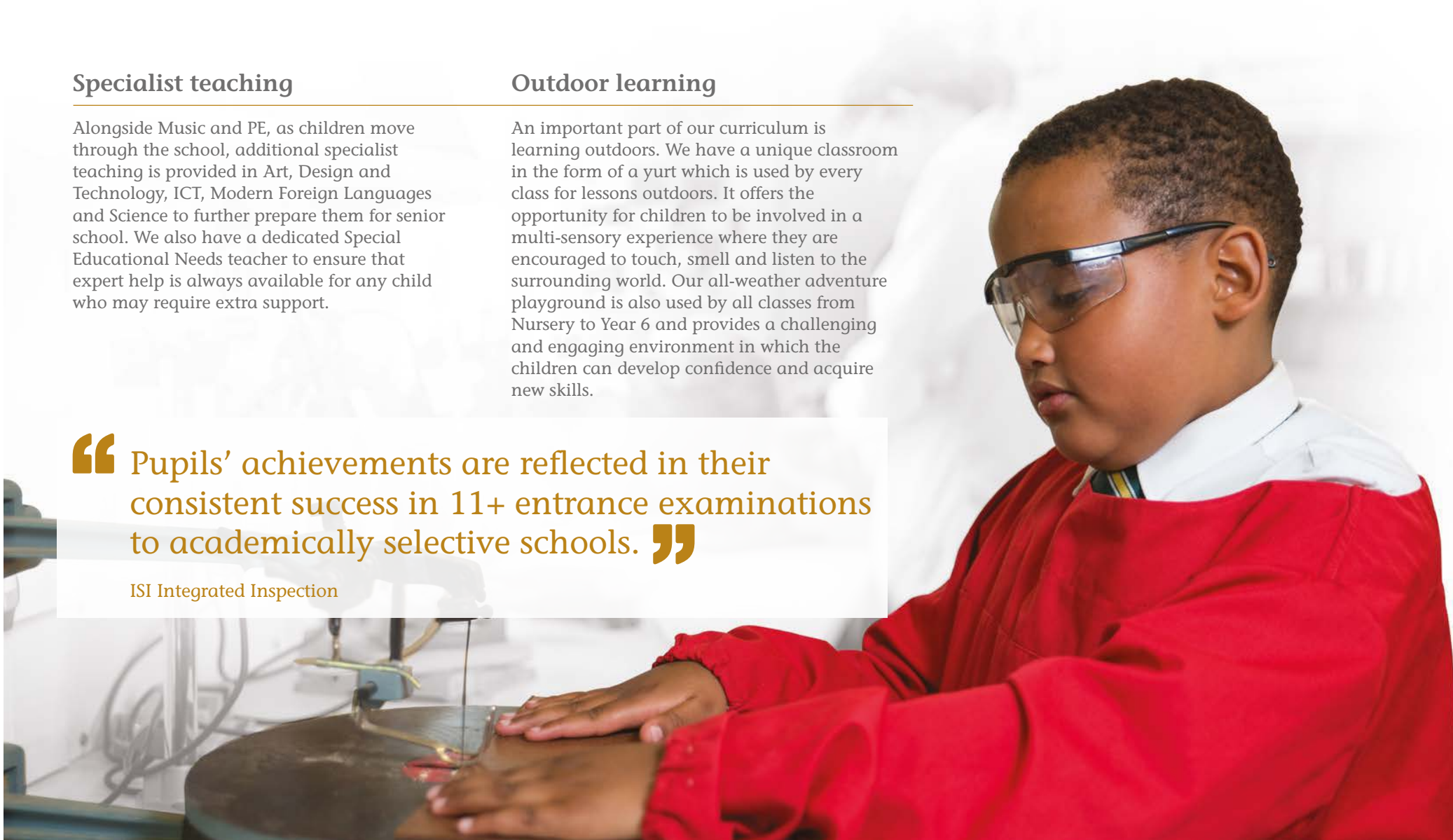
Alongside Music and PE, as children move through the school, additional specialist teaching is provided in Art, Design and Technology, ICT, Modern Foreign Languages and Science to further prepare them for senior school. We also have a dedicated Special Educational Needs teacher to ensure that expert help is always available for any child who may require extra support.

Outdoor learning

An important part of our curriculum is learning outdoors. We have a unique classroom in the form of a yurt which is used by every class for lessons outdoors. It offers the opportunity for children to be involved in a multi-sensory experience where they are encouraged to touch, smell and listen to the surrounding world. Our all-weather adventure playground is also used by all classes from Nursery to Year 6 and provides a challenging and engaging environment in which the children can develop confidence and acquire new skills.

“Pupils’ achievements are reflected in their consistent success in 11+ entrance examinations to academically selective schools.”

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Developing individual strengths and interests



We believe that each child should be given the opportunity to explore personal strengths in all areas, not just academically, and we offer a broad range of activities to allow pupils to develop their own talents and interests.

Music and Drama

Music and Drama are an intrinsic part of Richmond House School. Over the years we have had the pleasure and honour of teaching some exceedingly talented musicians, several of which have gone on to study at prestigious music schools and universities.

We offer a range of music and musical theatre opportunities, with Music taught as part of the curriculum from Nursery and Drama from Year 2.

We also run activities including choir, orchestra, jazz choir and rock band as well as a wealth of peripatetic music lessons. Our choir has performed in concerts across the county providing excellent live performing experiences for the pupils.

From Nursery to Year 6 the children take part in a variety of productions which are a highlight of the school calendar and create memories for parents to cherish forever.



Clubs and Activities

Our extra-curricular activity programme is extensive and clubs cover all aspects of sport, music, drama, academic, art and general interest, offering something for everyone.

A group of young children in school uniforms are running across a green sports field. They are all smiling and appear to be enjoying their activity. The field has white markings, and the background is a clear sky.

Sport

We have a great sporting reputation and with 10 acres of sports pitches, we are uniquely positioned to deliver top quality sporting opportunities to every child including rugby, netball, cricket, football, swimming, hockey and lacrosse, many of which we play in competitive matches and tournaments against other schools.

Sport is a key part of the curriculum, we operate an inclusive sports policy, whatever a child's ability and, with the wide range of sporting activities on offer, all children are given a chance to find a sport they enjoy. Many of our pupils continue to excel at their chosen sports at senior school, two of our most notable former pupils are the world champion triathletes, Alistair and Jonathan Brownlee.

“ The school treats children as individuals, looks for their strengths and builds on that. ”

EYFS Parent

Preparing for the future



Our aim is to create an environment where every child is happy to learn and to provide them with a highly academic and well-rounded education, full of opportunities, so they leave our school as confident, talented individuals having acquired essential skills for life.

We achieve this both inside and outside the classroom through:

- a varied programme of exciting and relevant trips, including residential stays for all of Key Stage 2
- a huge variety of clubs and activities enabling each child to participate and broaden their horizons
- pupils, from Reception upwards, having use of our two IT suites and wide range of the latest educational software
- timetabled outdoor learning in our yurt and on our adventure playground to encourage and enhance physical and social skills

- encouraging children to respect one another, to adopt good manners, to be courteous, to celebrate difference and diversity and to integrate well with children of different ages and backgrounds
- developing leadership and teamwork skills and awarding positions of responsibility throughout the school including Head Boy and Girl, House Captains and School Council Positions.

The very nature of our happy, caring school leads children to develop self-assurance and friendships that will be with them for life.

“ Pupils become thoughtful, confident, articulate and self-aware young people as they learn to respect others. ”

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Fees

2021/2022

	2021/2022
Registration fee	£25
Retainer fee (payable on acceptance of an offer of a place)	£250

The retainer fee will be refunded when a pupil leaves Richmond House School. It is non returnable in the event of the place not being taken.

Tuition fees

Annual fees are payable by direct debit in 10 monthly instalments

	Per term	Annual
Nursery - Half days (inc lunch)	£2,092	£6,276
Nursery - Full days (inc lunch)	£3,270	£9,810
Reception to Year 6	£3,270	£9,810
Lunches (Reception to Year 6)	£225	£675

Other fees (invoiced separately)

	2021/2022
Pre School Care (inc breakfast)	£4.50 per session
After School Care	No charge up to 4pm
After School Care (inc snack)	£5.00 per half session (collect between 4 and 5pm)
After School Care (inc light tea)	£10.00 per full session (collect between 5 and 6pm)

Certain extracurricular activities such as peripatetic music lessons, specialist sports coaching and learning support will be subject to extra charges.

Sibling discounts

	Discount
1 child	Full fee
2 children	5% discount
3 children	10% discount
4 children	10% discount

Sibling discounts remain with the child during their life at the school, regardless of when siblings leave.





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