

# **SCALES – SESSION 2023/2024**

**Senior School** 

There is a premium for direct entry into the VI Form, equivalent to 5% of the Senior School Boarding fee for each of the two VI Form years. A 5% premium is also applied to short-term enrollment of 1 year or less.

#### **Junior School**

Boarding Fee	II and III Form	£9,610 per term
Day Fee		£6,480 per term
Day Fee	J4 to I Form	£5,730 per term

Schools fees include tuition, 24-hour supervision and care, meals, laundry (excluding dry cleaning), travel for school matches and careers counselling.

Please note that a UKVI Compliance Management Fee is charged to international students (where applicable).

### **Sports Academies**

Tennis Academy	Elite Squad	£1,605 per annum
u	Development Squad	£765 per annum
Golf Academy	Elite Squad	£2,805 per annum
u	Development Squad	£1,530 per annum

#### **Additional Charges**

Occasional Boarding	£60 per night
English as an Additional Language	£10 per lesson
A comprehensive list of 'Extra Charges' is available from the Finance Manager.	

#### Fee concessions are available as follows:

Second Child5	%
Third Child20	%
Fourth Child40	%
Boarding children of serving Service Personnel10	%
In addition, Merchiston operates a joint fee scheme with Kilgraston School, Bridge of Earn and St	
George's School for Girls, Edinburgh.	

Please note that only one concession is available per pupil and does not extend to Additional or Extra Charges.

School Fees are billed in advance at the beginning of each term with Additional and Extra Charges billed in arrears. Payment is due on the first day of each term. Interest is charged at 1.5% over the Bank of England base rate per month on any outstanding fees; and monthly thereafter. UK domiciled parents have the option to join the School's Direct Debit Scheme.

Please see overleaf for Terms and Conditions and details of the Direct Debit Scheme.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. A refundable deposit of £800.00 for UK domiciled pupils and £5,000 for non-UK domiciled pupils is charged in advance of a child joining the school. This is to cover any extras owing at the end of a child's career at Merchiston and the balance will be returned when the child leaves.
- 2. A full term's notice in writing must be given to the Headmaster if it is intended to withdraw a child, or a term's fees paid in lieu thereof.
- 3. A full term's notice in writing must be given to the Headmaster if it is intended to change from boarding to day, or the fee differential for the full term paid in lieu thereof.
- 4. The School offers a Fees Refund Scheme, which facilitates the recovery of school fees through absence on account of illness; further information may be obtained from the Bursar.
- 5. Means-Tested Bursaries are available to suitable candidates; further information may be obtained from the Bursar.

The school tries at all times to keep the cost of education at Merchiston as low as possible; we also run a second-hand uniform shop. Parents should also note that in addition to Bursary support there are various Educational Trust Funds which can help in cases of need.

Any comments or requests for further financial information should be addressed to the Bursar.

## **DIRECT DEBIT SCHEME**

- 1. School fees (including sport academy fees and any concessions) will be divided into 4 equal instalments and collected on the 28th of each month:
  - Autumn term August to November;
  - Spring term December to March;
  - Summer term April to July.
- 2. Additional and Extra Charges will be collected as a single payment:
  - Autumn term 28th September;
  - Spring term 28th January;
  - Summer term 28th May.
- 3. The Scheme is offered interest free, however a £25 charge will be levied for every failed Direct Debit, and automatic removal from the Scheme after two consecutive failed Direct Debits (at which time any outstanding Fees, Additional and Extra Charges will become due in full).

Should you wish to join the Scheme, please contact the Bursar for further details.