

MARLBOROUGH COLLEGE

Marlborough
Wiltshire

A leading independent boarding school
for boys and girls aged 13-18

Co-educational Christian

About School

Marlborough College is a co-educational boarding school for 1,029 pupils aged 13-18 in Marlborough, Wiltshire, 989 of them boarders.

It ranked 111th= among UK independent schools and 147th= overall in the Sunday Times Parent Power 2026; in 2025, 53.8% of A level grades were A*/A and 67.6% of GCSE grades 9-7.

Key facts for parents

Academics

2025: A level 18.7% A*, 53.8% A*/A, 87% A*/B; GCSE 67.6% 9-7 (Sunday Times Parent Power 2026). Average class up to GCSE 15; pupil-teacher ratio 5:1 (GSG 2026). Economics, Maths and Politics are the most popular A levels, and the EPQ is widely taken (GSG 2026).

Where leavers go

About half of the 2026 leavers took a gap year; the rest went to Durham and other leading universities (GSG 2026).

Recognition

Sunday Times Parent Power 2026 (2025 results): 111th= of UK independent schools and 147th= in the combined state and independent table (A level 53.8% A*/A, GCSE 67.6% 9-7; A-level rank 102=, GCSE rank 221).

For international families

Almost all pupils are full boarders (989 of 1,029), and 20% are from overseas, about half of them British expatriates. 13+ entry is assessed in Year 6 (register by October) through ISEB exams, references, writing tasks, group activities and interviews (GSG 2026).

Good to know

98% of pupils stay on into the Sixth Form (GSG 2026). London is about 1 hour 15 minutes by train from Swindon or Pewsey (estimate).

Students

1,029

Total Students

989

Total Boarders

Boarders who stay at weekends (full boarders): 100%

International students: 20%

Fees / term

Day
£51,228

Boarding
£64,035

Per year, 2026/27 (Good Schools Guide); VAT status not stated

Educational Programmes offered

- GCSE / IGCSE
- A Levels
- EPQ

Academic Results

GCSE 2025	9-7		
	67.6%		
A-LEVEL 2025	A*	A*-A	A*-B
	18.7%	53.8%	87%

GCSE bands are grades (9 = top); only bands the school publishes are shown.

School Ranking

#111 UK independent schools (2026) (Sunday Times Parent Power)

#147 State and independent, combined (2026) (Sunday Times Parent Power)

Location

Nearest airport: London Heathrow / Bristol

About 1 hour by car from Heathrow and about 1 hour 15 minutes from Bristol (estimates).