

Ruthin School

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Summary

School type

Senior School 11 - 18
Sixth Form (linked to school)
Summer School

Co-ed
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Students

Age Range

11 - 18

Age Range Boarders

11 - 18

Boarding

Total Boarders

107

Int'l Boarders

101

Educational Programmes

1 year GCSE, 1 year iGCSE, 2 year GCSE, A levels-2-years, Long term boarding, Pre-A level course, Short term boarding, Summer courses Academic, Summer courses Activities

Boarding fees

Full boarding fees per term

£15,216 - £15,216

Registration fee

180

Deposit

10000

General description

Here at Ruthin School, we place the child at the centre of all that we do.

Every student is known, supported and stretched – both academically and personally.

We offer a broad and ambitious curriculum that promotes intellectual confidence, independence and curiosity. As a High Performance Learning (HPL) school, we are embedding a research-informed framework that supports every student to reach exceptional academic standards – not just the most able.

Our Sixth Formers go on to leading universities in the UK and globally, including Cambridge, Oxford, Imperial, UCL and other top Russell Group destinations. Many progress to highly competitive courses in Medicine, Engineering, Economics and Law.

Beyond the classroom, our Estyn Spotlighted co-curricular programme encourages leadership, teamwork and self-belief. From debating and entrepreneurship to music, sport and outdoor pursuits, students are encouraged to explore their interests, take risks and develop the skills needed for life beyond school.

Set in the historic market town of Ruthin, our community is proudly international – a place where students from a wide range of countries, cultures and backgrounds learn from and with one another.

These are exciting times at Ruthin School. With new leadership and a clear vision for the future, we remain committed to offering an outstanding and forward-looking education – one that equips our students with the knowledge, values and mindset to thrive in a fast-changing world.

What the school is known for

Ruthin School is one of the oldest schools in the UK, founded in 1284. Today, it is known for academic ambition, excellent university outcomes and a warm, inclusive boarding environment.

Set in the Vale of Clwyd – recently named one of The Times' Best Places to Live in 2025 – our school enjoys a peaceful, semi-rural setting with easy access to Chester, Liverpool and Manchester. The school sits within an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, offering a safe and inspiring environment in which young people can thrive.

We are ranked in the 2025 Sunday Times Parent Power guide among the UK's top independent schools, with students progressing each year to leading universities including Oxford, Cambridge, Imperial, UCL and other Russell Group destinations. Applications to Medicine, Veterinary Science and Dentistry are actively supported by a team of specialist staff.

Our Sixth Formers typically take four A Levels in small class sizes of 10–16 students. The curriculum is academically rigorous yet personalised, with dedicated UCAS support for early entry subjects and interview

preparation. In the lower years, the curriculum is broad and balanced, designed to build strong foundations in both core subjects and wider disciplines.

Ruthin is proud to be an international community, welcoming students from over 20 countries to live and learn together. We offer full-time pastoral care, including an on-site school nurse, weekly GP clinic and independent counsellor. All students know who to speak to if they need support – whether in the classroom, in boarding, or during co-curricular activities.

Weekly trips, cultural events and outdoor adventures allow students to enjoy the best of North Wales and North West England, and our enrichment programme encourages wider exploration beyond the academic curriculum.