



REDDAM
— House —

JUNIOR SCHOOL
P r o s p e c t u s

Welcome

Welcome to Reddam House Berkshire School - an exciting and inspiring place to grow and learn.

This is a vibrant and lively learning community, where children are given space, countless opportunities and support to grow in confidence and to discover their individual talents.

The teaching and learning environment values both achievement and momentum to succeed, supported by the broad curriculum and commitment to academic, creative, cultural and sporting excellence.

We nurture the individual in a community based on fairness, respect and kindness, where adults and children are considerate to each other, where everyone has a voice. All members of our community are encouraged to be imaginative, compassionate, intelligent, empathetic and determined.

Reddam House Berkshire is located in an inspirational setting amid 125 acres of rolling parkland, with its magnificent Victorian mansion and spectacular lake.

The Junior School is situated in a separate wing of the mansion and shares facilities with the Senior School, including an impressive 350-seat theatre, 25-metre indoor swimming pool and first-class sporting facilities.

Catering for children from just three months old to 18 years, children are able to transition smoothly between each stage of their education in a familiar and safe environment.

We pride ourselves on offering a fresh and contemporary approach to education - but you need to come and see for yourself the warmth of our environment, the sense of excitement in our classrooms and the curiosity sparked in our children.

We look forward to welcoming you soon to our happy and creative community.

Cassie Morris
Head of Junior School





Why Reddam House?

Choosing the right school for your children is never easy.

It's one of the most important decisions you will ever have to make.

Naturally, you want to ensure your children maximise their many and varied talents – but you also want them to be happy.

Reddam House believes in harnessing the potential in every single child and nurturing the individuality of all. Our children from the very first moment that they enter the school are encouraged to express their individuality and grow in self-confidence.

There is no such thing as a typical Reddam House pupil; every child strives, and is supported, to become a first class version of him or herself, not a second class version of someone else.

Seizing every opportunity for enrichment, we are passionate about the performing arts, which foster confidence and self-assurance, as well as developing sporting talent and academic excellence.

Strong nurturing relationships with staff are central to our philosophy which is designed around the individual.

This child-centric ethos sets us apart from any other type of school.

As our children move through the Schools they becoming articulate, confident and self-assured and leaving school with outstanding academic results, a love of learning and a strong set of values which equips them to embrace life's challenges.

Why would you NOT choose Reddam House?

“The vision, drive and dynamism of the school’s new senior leadership team have provided strong impetus to the school’s development since it became Reddam House.” ISI JANUARY 2016



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The Reddam House Approach

The Reddam House approach is built upon the understanding that every child is a unique individual with a set of talents and interests that can be supported and built upon.

Every child has an insatiable thirst for knowledge and unlimited potential.

It is our job to tap into that potential and teach children HOW to think – not WHAT to think.

Throughout the Schools children are encouraged to try hard and do their best within a nurturing environment, where close relationships with staff are key. This produces confident, resilient learners, who are critical and creative problem solvers, capable of independent thought from the start.

In the Junior School, developing links across and within subjects with keen a focus on Challenge and Extension (CHEX) for every child is key to the vibrant and dynamic teaching we see across the community.

Excellence in performing and expressive arts plus sports is an important part of the enriched curriculum and is crucial in developing the confident, rounded individuals that our pupils become as they move through the school.

“The relationship between teachers and pupils is excellent and this creates an atmosphere of trust within the classroom where pupils are willing to question and take risks” ISI JANUARY 2016



Learning and Teaching

Reddam House staff are highly qualified specialists and are passionate about education. All have a track record of commitment to professional development and a deep subject knowledge.

Years 1 to 3, each have a dynamic class teacher who provides a powerful foundation in the core curriculum, supported by Atelieristas teaching music, dance, drama, sport, visual arts and modern foreign languages.

Years 4 to 6 benefit from subject specialists for all lessons, providing a deeper, more challenging curriculum taught by teachers passionate about their subjects.

We believe that all pupils have the potential to go further and deeper, so our emphasis is on thinking; encouraging creativity and a brave independent approach. We structure the curriculum to give lots of open-ended activities, focussing on personal and intellectual qualities such as creativity, reflection and initiative.

Your child will gain the confidence to take risks and to learn from mistakes. We encourage the development of a growth mindset, fostering the idea that hard work and determination to do well can overcome barriers; preparing your child for a world that requires courage, resilience and flexibility.

“Teachers actively promote collaborative and independent learning to help pupils build confidence in their own abilities and achievements” ISI JANUARY 2016



Growing in the Juniors

The Junior School is an exciting part of Reddam House Berkshire. It continues the process of building the work habits essential for academic success while maintaining the sense of wonder young learners find in the world around them.

We believe there is no such word as “can’t” and teach our children to share our high expectations of them.

Our rich and varied curriculum allows children to develop talents in many different areas and challenges them at every turn to live life fully and to their maximum potential.

We provide subject specialists in all subjects from Year 4 onwards and offer a fantastic range of extra-curricular opportunities to further stretch their imaginations and skills.

Each child has a form tutor who monitors her or his progress, both in and out of the classroom and liaises closely with parents - children who are well supported are more likely to challenge themselves in areas where they feel less confident.

Public speaking is an important part of the curriculum and drama, dance and music are taught throughout all the years, promoting confidence and self-esteem.

We offer creative and innovative teaching in the classroom, utilising Apple technology to enrich lessons, while fun videos and interactive tasks allow pupils to continue their learning experiences at home.

Staff work closely with parents as well as their children to maintain a collaborative approach, fostering a culture where every child is encouraged to be positive and believe in themselves – and to adopt the principle that they *can* do it.

“Teaching encourages ambition and perseverance amongst pupils who are encouraged to believe that they have unlimited potential.” ISI JANUARY 2016



Lights, Camera – Action

All the world's a stage – and Reddam House wants its pupils to be the stars of the show.

That's why we put so much time and energy into music, drama and public speaking so our pupils can act with confidence and speak with authority.

Academic excellence is one thing, but the confidence to go forward in life and be able to work as part of a team, is equally important.

Performing and expressive arts are a key feature of the school; music, dance and drama lessons form part of the weekly curriculum and help to improve pupils' confidence from an early age.

Dance tuition takes place in our dance studios allowing children to develop not only their skills but also a passion for dance. A music school adjoins the theatre and as well as music classrooms, offers practice rooms for our musicians.

A notable part of the Reddam House Schools around the world are the quality of the dance, drama and musical productions; offering all pupils the chance to be a part of large and smaller scale performances in our magnificent theatre.

To supplement this work we offer individual and group music lessons and our children have the opportunity to work towards LAMDA qualifications.

“Achievement in the performing arts and some sports is particularly high”

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needs of pupils of all
ages and abilities,
and contributing
to their improved
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Sporting Pursuits

At Reddam House we offer a wide range of sports and the opportunity to participate in cooperative and competitive sports from an early age.

Our sports offer flexes to suit the season, with regular games sessions for all, together with the opportunity to play in school and house teams.

Whilst children are encouraged and coached to reach their full potential, the primary aim is for children to enjoy and participate in a wide variety of sports including rugby, hockey, football, cricket, netball, basketball and judo. We are delighted to offer teams across many sporting disciplines and the opportunity for everyone to take part in competitive sports.

Our fabulous grounds afford the opportunity to offer an extensive range of sporting opportunities: Five full sized football and rugby pitches, a 25 metre indoor pool, a 125 acre site for cross country, refurbished netball and tennis courts and a dedicated, fully equipped, gymnastics centre ensure that the facilities are available to allow children to progress to a high standard.

Outside of the core day, our own staff and outside specialists provide enrichment activities, clubs and classes to suit all tastes. Children are encouraged to participate widely and to nurture gifts and talents in all areas.

At Reddam House our pupils believe in seizing every opportunity and thrive in this rich and dynamic community.

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