Coming to Brinsbury College

Information





Now that you have received your starting information, there may be further questions you have about starting at Brinsbury College. This booklet provides answers to the more popular questions and there are also a number of links which will give you further information.

What are the term dates for the year 2024/25?

Autumn Term 2024

- Monday 2nd September Friday 20th December
- Half term: Monday 28th October Friday 1st November

Spring Term 2025

- Tuesday 7th January Friday 4th April
- Half term: Monday 17th February Friday 21st February

Summer Term 2025

- Tuesday 22nd April Friday 20th June
- Half Term: Monday 27th May Friday 30th May

Staff Development Days (no classes)

- Monday 30th September 2024
- Thursday 7th November 2024
- Monday 6th January 2025
- Wednesday 5th March 2025

Bank Holidays

- Friday 18th April 2025
- Monday 21st April 2025
- Monday 5th May 2025
- Monday 26th May 2025

Do I need to register my GCSE results?

Whilst you will not need to register your GCSE results prior to starting, if you are under 19 and new to the college you <u>MUST</u> bring evidence of your GCSE results with you on your first day at College (your enrolment may be affected if you do not provide proof of your qualifications).

Will I have classes during my first week?

Yes. There are some classes in induction week and full time students participate in a number of activities which are designed to introduce you to the college, the staff and your fellow students. You will also be given information about your formal enrolment.

When do I get my Student Card?

You will get a student card when you are formally enrolled on your course. Your student card* which will allow you access to the college facilities such as the Open Access Centre and the Library.

*Please be aware if you lose your student card there is a charge for a replacement. This is currently £2.50 (correct at time of printing).

How do I pay for my course?

If you need to pay a fee for your course the amount will have been in your starting information. If your employer is paying all or part of your fees, you will need to complete a Sponsored Student Form. If you are studying a course at Level 3 or above that is not a Higher Education Programme you may be eligible for the Advanced Learner Loan.

If you have any enquiries regarding funding or payment of fees, please call the College on 01243 812223.

How do get to Brinsbury College?

Travelling by train, Pulborough railway station is approximately 3 miles south of the campus. There is an hourly Compass Bus 100 service between the station and Brinsbury Campus Monday - Saturday all year.

Compass Bus also operates services under contract to the College between the station and Brinsbury College as well as services from Crawley, Shoreham and Chichester. These buses operate term time only. Timetables, costs and how to book tickets can be found under College Life, Our Campus, Travelling to College section of our website. PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL STUDENTS WISHING TO TRAVEL ON THE COLLEGE BUSES SHOULD PURCHASE THEIR BUS TICKETS IN ADVANCE. YOU CANNOT PURCHASE THEM ON THE BUS.

General travel information is available by click on the '<u>Traveline</u>' website. Specific information for rail travel can be found on the <u>Southern Railway</u> website and bus information from <u>Stagecoach</u> or <u>Compass Bus</u>.

Once you are attending Brinsbury College you will need to familiarise yourself with the campus. Click the link for the <u>Brinsbury Campus</u> map.

Can I park at Brinsbury College? Yes

Travelling to College:

For advice about how to get to college, including parking arrangements for students, please see the 'Travelling to college' page of our website, which we update regularly.

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Is smoking allowed at Brinsbury College?

Smoking and Vaping at Brinsbury College is only permitted in designated external smoking zones shown on the map below. Smoking and Vaping is not permitted in any other buildings or on another part of the land managed, leased or owned by Chichester College Group. The policy applies to all members of staff, students, contractors and visitors to the College. Students are only permitted to smoke in official break times and are only permitted to smoke in the designated areas which will be clearly marked and signposted.



Will I need consent to go on trips with Brinsbury College?

Some students will undertake trips to external events as part of their course. Before you go on these trips you will need consent from a parent or guardian by completing the <u>Under 18</u> <u>Consent Form</u>.

If you are over 18 you will need to provide a completed <u>Medical Disclosure Form</u> in case of emergencies.