



16th April 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wimbledon Championships Student Opportunity – Ballot Process and Trip Information

We are delighted to inform you that the Academy has been offered a very limited number of tickets for students to attend **The Wimbledon Championships** this summer — a unique and memorable sporting experience.

Due to the extremely high level of interest and the very small number of tickets available, places will be allocated using a fair and transparent ballot process, open only to students who meet clearly defined eligibility criteria.

How places will be allocated

To ensure the process is ethical and fair to all students:

- Students must meet the Academy's eligibility criteria, which include positive behaviour, good attendance, and adherence to Academy REACH values
- All eligible students who wish to attend will be entered into a random ballot
- Places will be drawn at random from this eligible pool
- A reserve list will also be created in the event that a selected student is unable to attend

This approach ensures that the opportunity is open and impartial, while also recognising positive conduct and commitment to school life.

Trip details

- **Event:** The Wimbledon Championships
- **Day:** Day 8 of the tournament
- **Courts:** Match play on **Court 2**
- **Additional experiences:**
 - Time spent at **Henman Hill (Aorangi Park)**
 - A guided tour of the Wimbledon site
 - Opportunity to watch players on the practice courts, including potential celebrity spotting

This experience offers students an exceptional insight into one of the world's most prestigious sporting events.



Cost and payment

The total cost of the day is **£150**, payable to the Academy. This covers:

- Return transportation to and from Wimbledon
- The Wimbledon match ticket

Students will need to provide their **own lunch**, either:

- A packed lunch from home, **or**
- The opportunity to purchase food on site from Wimbledon's food outlets — including the famous **strawberries and cream**

Further details regarding payment methods and deadlines will be shared with parents of students who are successful in the ballot.

Next steps

If your child would like to enter the ballot, please enter it here by 24th April. The Ballot will be drawn on Monday 27th April. Payment will need to have been made before 22nd May 2026 (Half Term).

[Avonbourne Wimbledon Ballot 2026 – Fill in form](#)

Once the draw has taken place, parents and carers of successful students will be contacted directly with consent forms and payment information.

We appreciate that this is a highly sought-after opportunity and thank you for your understanding regarding the need for a fair allocation process. We are confident that this experience will be both inspiring and memorable for the students involved.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on the email address below.

Yours sincerely,

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