



STRATHALLAN  
WORLDWIDE

Opportunities *for all* to excel

Immersion and  
Short-Stays at  
Strathallan School

# Where we are

Strathallan School was founded in 1913 in Bridge of Allan, near Stirling, but quickly outgrew its original site. In 1920, the school moved to the Freeland Estate in Forgandenny, a few miles south east of Scotland's ancient capital the City of Perth.

The campus is ideally situated for accessing the rest of Scotland, whether you want to head north to the ski slopes or south to the political and cultural centres of Edinburgh and Glasgow. Today's travel connections are simple and regular, with frequent trains from Perth and buses through Forgandenny throughout the day.

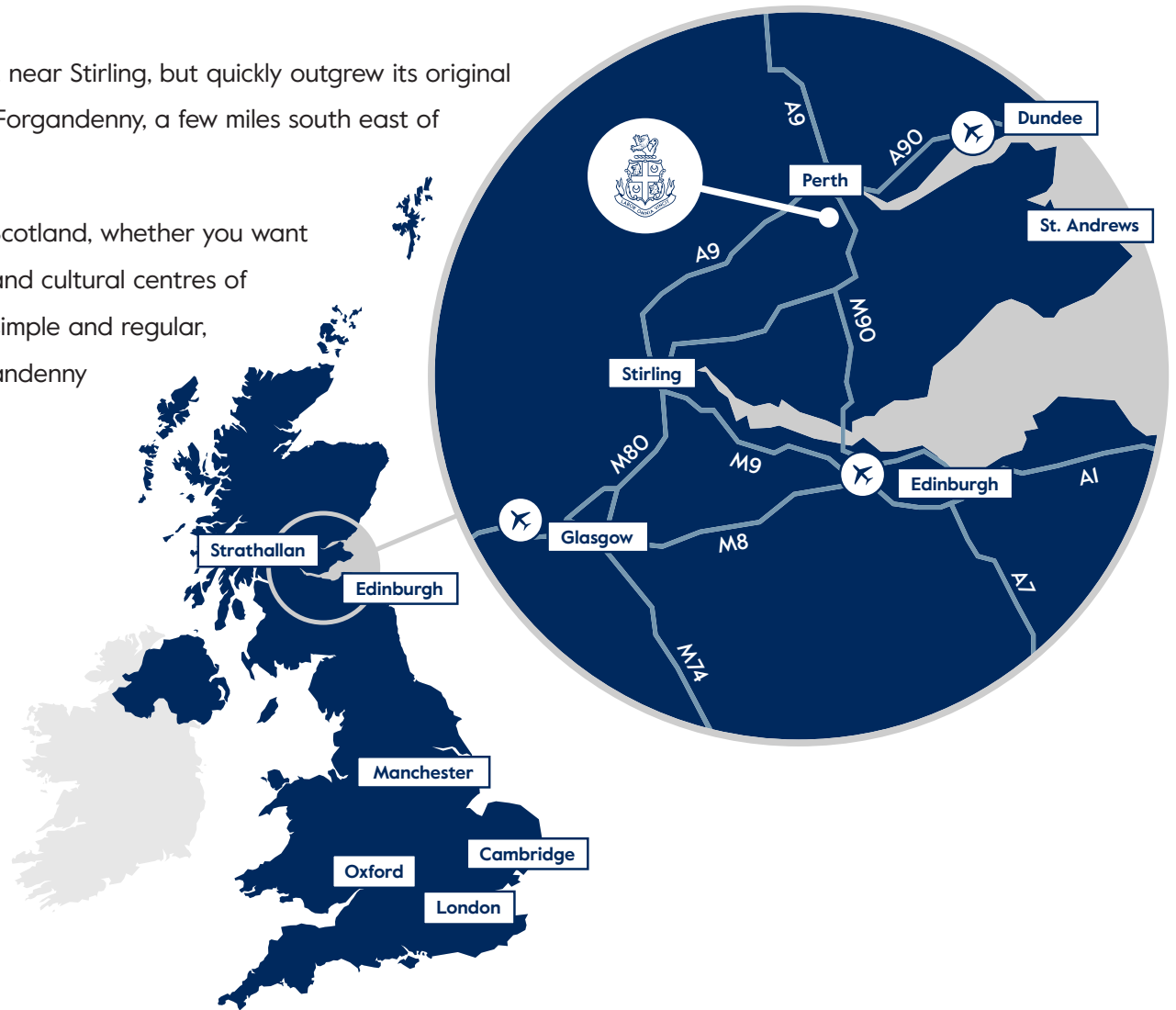
## Approximate Journey Times

### BY AEROPLANE:

Amsterdam - Edinburgh	1 hr 25 min
London - Glasgow	1 hr 15 min
London - Edinburgh	1 hr 10 min
London - Dundee	1 hr 50 min

### BY CAR:

Edinburgh	1 hr
Glasgow	1 hr 10 min
M9 motorway	5 min
Edinburgh Airport	50 min
Glasgow Airport	1 hr 15 min
Dundee Airport	40 min



# “More than just a school”



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Strathallan's short stay immersion programmes offer international pupils the transformative experience of life in a leading UK independent boarding school. Our 153-acre campus is located in the beautiful Scottish countryside with excellent transport networks and outstanding facilities in which we have invested over £25M in the last 15 years.

Strathallan School was recently voted “Independent School of the Year for International Pupil Experience”. A visit here gives young people the chance to immerse themselves in our high-quality educational programme. We also have advanced sporting and expressive arts opportunities with extensive participation, enabling potential to be reached at all levels.

A stay at Strathallan School has all the ingredients for a life-changing experience: a chance to develop academically as well as socially, gain transferable life skills and build a lasting network of friendships in a warm and welcoming environment.

An immersion visit will be a memorable stay during term time – a full boarding experience where international pupils can embrace the life, opportunities and friendships on offer at our school.

We would love you to join us and give you and your child a taste of what is possible. Come and visit, our door is always open, and you are most welcome!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sean Hamill'.

Sean Hamill, Head of Strathallan Worldwide

# A passion for teaching; a love for learning

Strathallan is a co-educational, boarding and day school for ages 5-18. We provide an all-round, progressive education which supports and challenges pupils academically, in sports and in the arts. We follow the English GCSE and A Level curriculum and offer Scottish Highers and Advanced Highers. Currently we welcome pupils from Scotland, the rest of the UK and nearly 40 other countries across the world.



## We provide:

- First class facilities
- Exceptional pastoral care
- Excellent sport at all levels
- A full programme 6 days a week
- Activities and optional excursions on Sundays

## Indicative pupil numbers:

Pupil numbers: 570-580

80% UK Nationals 20% international

220 Sixth Formers (Years 12 & 13)

230 Senior School pupils (Years 9-11)

110-120 Junior School pupils (Years 3-8)



# Academic

Strathallan's academic provision is unique. In the Prep School we follow the Prep School Baccalaureate programme with its emphasis on a portfolio of learning and breadth of academic experience. Once in the senior school, pupils work towards GCSEs before opting in the Sixth Form for either A Levels or Scottish Highers and Advanced Highers. No other school offers this mix of academic opportunities; we offer differentiated academic pathways specifically designed to meet the needs of individual pupils.

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## Academic Approach – the Strathallan way:

- Small class sizes
- Knowing pupils as individuals
- Learning through discussion and debate



# Sample Timetable

## Week Days

7.30am	Breakfast
8.45am	Lessons
10.30am	Break
11.00am	Lessons
12.45pm	Lunch
1.45pm	Lesson
3.00pm	Games
4.30pm	Activities
5.45pm	Dinner
7.30pm	Prep (homework in house)
9.00pm	House

## Saturdays

Mornings:

7.30am	Breakfast
8.30am	Lessons

Afternoons:

12.30pm	Lunch
2.00pm	Matches/Games

Evenings:

5.45pm	Dinner
7.00pm	Activities/House Time

## Sundays

Mornings:

8.45am	Breakfast
11.00am	Brunch (alternate Sundays)

Afternoons:

12.30pm	Lunch
2.00pm	Excursions & Activities (optional)

Evenings:

5.45pm	Dinner
7.00pm	Activities/House Time

## Activities:

- Esports
- Quiz night
- Film Night
- Dodgeball
- Roller Disco
- Reading Evening
- Basketball
- Golf
- Team Rounders
- Badminton
- Ceilidh
- Chanter & Bagpipes
- Table Tennis



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# Pastoral

We pride ourselves on our strong, clear values and sense of community – the things that make Strath ‘Strath’.

The special ‘down-to-earth’ grounded feel that people comment on when they visit Strathallan is built on good relationships and an inclusive, welcoming atmosphere.

We work very hard to provide a pastoral care structure that enables individuals to grow in confidence, discover a sense of purpose, and thrive in the school environment.

- Extensive pastoral team to support pupils
- Most staff live on-site creating a family atmosphere
- Individual study bedrooms for all pupils from Year 10; small (4-6 bed) dormitories for younger pupils

# International Team



## Sean Hamill

After 10 years as Deputy Head Academic, Sean became Head of Strathallan Worldwide in September 2023 with a brief to run and develop partnership opportunities for the school. He is a former Head of English, a keen sportsman and has travelled, on behalf of Strathallan, to China, Africa and Europe.



## Leslie Kent

As International Director at Strathallan, Leslie is responsible for assisting house staff in overseeing all aspects of international pupils' lives at Strathallan. He is a Biology teacher and former Head of Science at Cheltenham Ladies' College. He is involved in a wide variety of activities at the school based around sustainable ecology, rewilding the school site and environmental awards.





## Dr. Tao Zhou

Dr. Tao Zhou's journey at Strathallan School began in 2003 as the Chinese Counsellor while pursuing his Ph.D. at the University of Dundee. As Strathallan's Chinese Counsellor, he works to bridge cultural gaps and provide support to both Chinese pupils and parents.



## Kenna Troup

Kenna is the Head of English as an Additional Language (EAL) and has been a teacher for over 25 years. She joined Strathallan in 2018. Prior to that she worked as an EAL teacher for the local council and began her teaching career in the US. She has experience living and teaching all over the world, including Uruguay, Mexico and Taiwan.



## Suzie Mackenzie

Suzie joined Strathallan in 2016 and is our International Liaison Officer. She supports our international pupils and their families before and after their arrival at Strathallan and is hand to answer any questions - or find someone who can!

# Activities

Our extensive programme of co-curricular activities operates alongside our first-class sports programme and encourages pupils to build on existing skills, explore new areas of interest and discover hidden talents. We facilitate the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme, run a thriving Combined Cadet Force and offer Sports Academies in Rugby, Tennis, Shooting and Swimming.

- **Over 80 activity options:**
  - Academic, Music, Performing & Creative arts, Leadership and Public Service, Sport.
  - Opportunities for competitions and awards
  - Learning outside the classroom

*“I got involved in 'Build-a-Plane' - I want to be an engineer and it was brilliant to get practical experience building a real plane here at the school.”*





*“The culture here is remarkable”*





# Facilities

Strathallan School is fortunate to be set in a stunning rural location with an abundance of greenery, fresh-air and space. The 153 acre campus has had £25m invested in it over the last 15 years and a wide range of outstanding facilities are available for pupils to enjoy. From indoor facilities including basketball, badminton and tennis, to state-of-the art astro-turf pitches and a delightful, fully maintained nine-hole golf course.

## Exceptional facilities include:

- All-weather tennis courts
- Art School
- Canoe slalom course
- Clay pigeon shooting range
- Dance and Drama studio
- Esports
- Recording studio
- Fitness and weights suite
- Football pitches
- Golf course (9 Hole)
- Golf studio
- Gymnasium
- Health Centre
- Indoor sports courts
- Outdoor barbecue facility
- Pond
- Rugby and football pitches
- Squash courts
- Swimming Pool
- Theatre







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# Food

The dining hall at Strathallan – ‘Harry’s’ – is at the heart of our community. Our outstanding catering team knows that good food improves mood, health and performance, and that mealtimes are a chance to relax, socialise and re-charge. The newly refurbished ‘Harry’s’ is the perfect setting for this and provides healthy, varied meals throughout the day. When formal dinners are called for, the venue shifts to the traditional setting of the David Pighill’s Room – as close to a Harry Potter setting as you are likely to find anywhere!





# Sport

Sport is a way of life at Strathallan combining both sporting excellence and extensive participation. We celebrate the fulfilling of sporting potential at all levels.



- 90% of pupils up to the end of Year II (age 16) have represented Strathallan in matches against other schools across 17 different sports.
- Sports Academy Programmes in Rugby, Shooting, Swimming and Tennis
- 10% of pupils have been awarded international colours (represented by a white ribbon on the blazer) for representing their country in their age group.



# My Strathallan Life



**Daniel** (Mexico)

When I first saw the school in person it was a big surprise, everything was better than I ever imagined. The thing I like the most is spending time with friends all day long, you get to do things that you can't do everywhere, making lifelong memories. Some advice I would give to new people is to try new things and enjoy your time here because it goes faster than you think.



**Sarah** (Kuwait)

I love the connections I have made with people here - it is so different from what I was used to. I would tell anyone interested in coming to Strathallan that they can't shy away from being involved through most of every week - we barely have time for ourselves which really isn't a bad thing!



**Constantin** (Germany)

Although initially only intended as a six-month stay abroad, I immediately identified with the unique atmosphere at Strathallan and arranged to stay for the whole Sixth Form! This school magically manages to scrape every ounce of talent out of you, gives everyone a chance to realise their strengths and passions fully, and offers everyone unique opportunities to excel.



**Jason** (Hong Kong)

The culture here is remarkable - people are determined, motivated, and disciplined, fostering an environment that encourages everyone to achieve their best selves. To me, Strathallan is more than just a school.





**Hailey** (Hong Kong)

The best thing about Strathallan is the teachers. It feels warm and comfortable to speak with the teachers here. They are always there to support me when I need a helping hand, especially with A Levels coming soon.



**Roberto** (Mexico)

I haven't been phased by the differences in culture, language or weather and I've just got on with things and taken advantage of as many things as possible at this school. I've enjoyed playing rugby and I'm proud to have won man of the match for the school on two occasions. One thing I particularly enjoy is being a cadet in the CCF combined cadet force. This has taught me a lot about the value of discipline and teamwork.



**Yasmin** (Spain)

You create bonds with people that are basically unbreakable. As you are living with them you will become a family that takes care of each other, you are never alone. My best memory studying at Strathallan has been going to the coffee shop on campus to study and chat with my friends.



**Audrey** (China)

If I was to recommend anything to pupils thinking of coming to Strathallan, I would encourage them to get involved with different sports as well as their academic work, it's always so interesting to try new things and Strathallan has given me the ideal opportunity to do this alongside my academic work.



# Term Dates

We welcome pupils onto our short-stay programme at any point during the academic year. It is possible to tailor the experience to suit the academic, sporting, expressive arts and cultural interests of prospective pupils.

To find out latest prices and more about how we can provide a unique immersion experience for your son or daughter, please click on the QR code or contact us at:



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## Term Dates 2025 – 2026

### Autumn Term 2025

Wednesday 27th August – Wednesday 17th December

Half Term: Wednesday 15th October – Thursday 30th October

### Spring Term 2026

Thursday 8th January – Friday 27th March

Half Term: Friday 13th February – Monday 23rd February

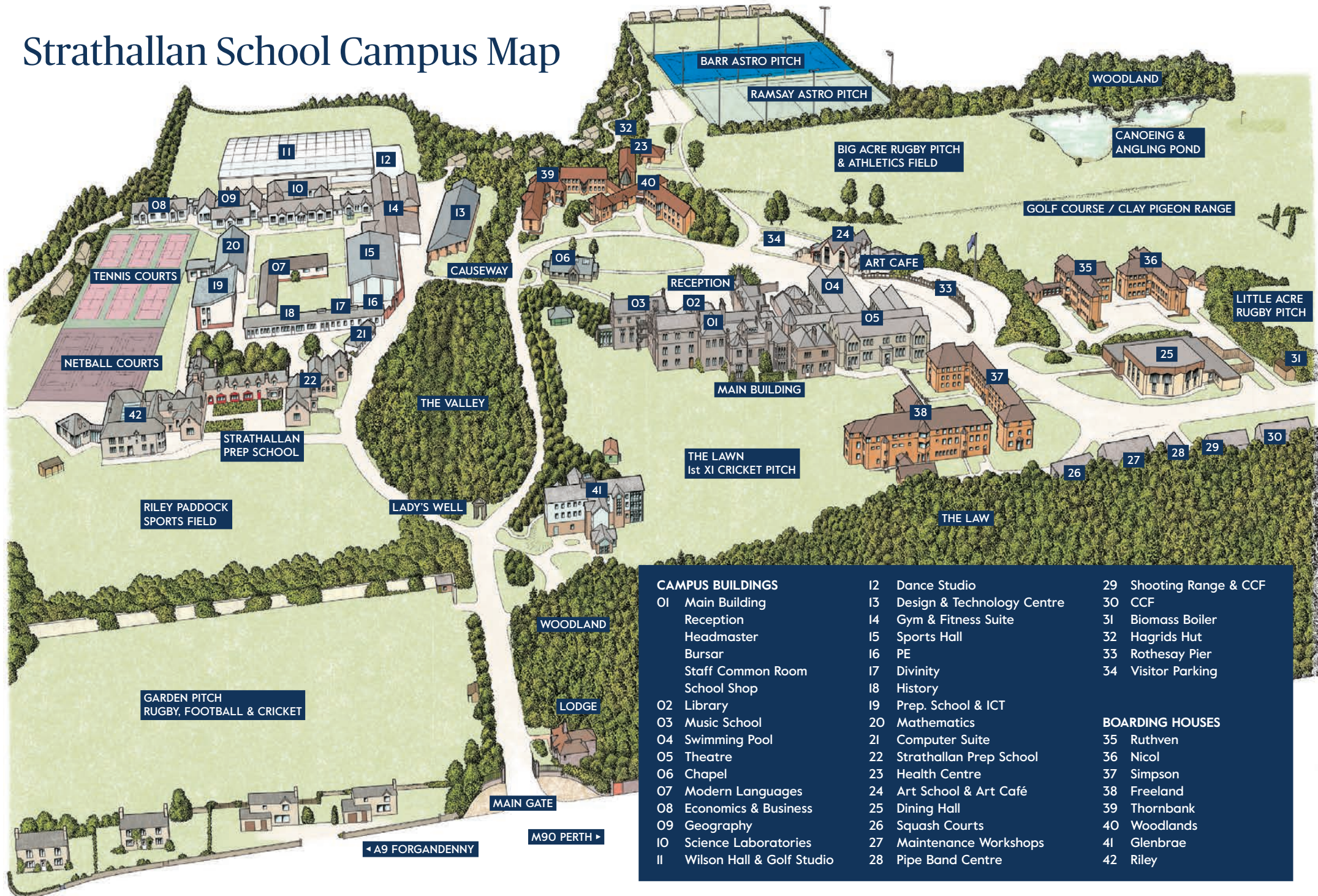
### Summer Term 2026

Monday 20th April – Saturday 27th June

Half Term: Saturday 23rd May – Sunday 31st May



# Strathallan School Campus Map



## CAMPUS BUILDINGS

- 01 Main Building
- 02 Reception
- 03 Headmaster
- 04 Bursar
- 05 Staff Common Room
- 06 School Shop
- 07 Library
- 08 Music School
- 09 Swimming Pool
- 10 Theatre
- 11 Chapel
- 12 Modern Languages
- 13 Economics & Business
- 14 Geography
- 15 Science Laboratories
- 16 Wilson Hall & Golf Studio

- 12 Dance Studio
- 13 Design & Technology Centre
- 14 Gym & Fitness Suite
- 15 Sports Hall
- 16 PE
- 17 Divinity
- 18 History
- 19 Prep. School & ICT
- 20 Mathematics
- 21 Computer Suite
- 22 Strathallan Prep School
- 23 Health Centre
- 24 Art School & Art Café
- 25 Dining Hall
- 26 Squash Courts
- 27 Maintenance Workshops
- 28 Pipe Band Centre
- 29 Shooting Range & CCF
- 30 CCF
- 31 Biomass Boiler
- 32 Haggrids Hut
- 33 Rothesay Pier
- 34 Visitor Parking

## BOARDING HOUSES



- 35 Ruthven
- 36 Nicol
- 37 Simpson
- 38 Freeland
- 39 Thornbank
- 40 Woodlands
- 41 Glenbrae
- 42 Riley





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The Art Café – our on-site, town-café experience where pupils, teachers and visitors alike can drop in throughout the day.