



RADLEY

School Rules

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School Rules

- The School Rules and the Policies that pupils must read should be published on Social noticeboards.
- Pupils are subject to school discipline wherever they are during term unless they are under the supervision of parents on a privilege weekend or a parental Sunday Out.
- Any action or behaviour that brings the school into disrepute (whether during term time or out of term) is a breach of the School Rules.
- A breach of the law of the land (whether during term time or out of term) is a serious breach of the School Rules.

In accordance with the Radley Code of Conduct [CodeOfConduct.pdf \(radley.org.uk\)](https://www.radley.org.uk/CodeOfConduct.pdf) (especially points 1, 2 and 9) a breach of courtesy or of common sense or anti-social behaviour, face-to-face or online, may be regarded as a breach of discipline.

General

1. No pupil may be in possession of, or make use of, any of the following:
 - a. Illegal drugs of any variety; the penalty is likely to be instant exclusion.
 - b. Alcohol, other than that supplied under staff or parental supervision.
 - c. Tobacco products and e-cigarettes.
 - d. Fireworks and explosive materials.
 - e. Chemicals, "legal highs," or solvents.
 - f. Animals, domestic or otherwise.

See Healthy Living Policy [HealthyLiving.pdf](#)

2. No pupil may have a motor vehicle at school or to be used whilst at school. In exceptional circumstances the Sub-Warden's permission may be sought, but pupils should not be driving on campus. Pupils should not be driven by other pupils, and parental permission must be obtained for pupils to be driven by anyone under the age of 22 (including family members).
3. Pupils conducting a sexual relationship while at school will be in serious breach of School Rules.
4. Except in the case of an emergency, no pupil may touch the fire-fighting appliances, alarms, or fire-escape lights or go on the fire-escapes. Every pupil must know the Fire Rules posted in his Social.
5. No pupil may tamper in any way with the electricity, gas or water supply, or use them for any purpose for which they were not intended or make any unauthorised attachments to them.
6. No pupil may give any information to any newspaper journalist, cameraman or agent, write to the press or set up a website with any reference to Radley, without the permission of the Warden.
7. Pupils may not bring visitors other than relatives to the College without their Tutor's permission and may not visit such people without their Tutor's approval. All visitors must be introduced to the Tutor/PHM/duty don if they are entering Social or visiting other areas of the campus. In the case of girls, pupils should not be alone (1:1) with boys in their rooms. Communal spaces in Socials should be used for such purposes.
8. No pupil may make a money collection in the school without the permission of the Sub-Warden and consulting the MiC Charities and Deputy Head Co-Curricular.

9. The creation of a society requires the presidency of a don and the appointment of one of its members as Honorary Secretary.
10. Entering College Pond is prohibited unless permission is sought. Pupils must not venture near College Pond if it is frozen in Winter.

Bounds

Bounds Outside the College Grounds

During term, a pupil may not leave Radley, *e.g.* to go to Oxford or Abingdon, without his Tutor's permission and a travel chit. Pupils may NOT:

1. Enter licensed premises unless they are of legal age and have their Tutor's permission.
2. Be driven in a car by anyone under 22, without the written consent of their parent(s) / guardians.
3. Go to Radley village after 6.30 p.m. without permission from their Tutor.

Pupils MUST inform Tutors of their intended whereabouts when off campus unless on an organised school outing (*e.g.* sports fixtures and departmental outings).

Bounds Within the College Grounds

The following places are out of bounds (except to those taking part in an officially organised activity or acting under a don's direction):

1. The Armoury, except at the direction of a CCF Officer or the RSM/SSI.
2. The Catering Department and Buildings.
3. The Dons' Common Room.
4. Staff private houses, except by invitation and in accordance with the Pupil Access to Residential Accommodation [PupilAccessToResidentialAccommodation.pdf \(radley.org.uk\)](https://www.radley.org.uk/pupils/pupil-access-to-residential-accommodation) and National Minimum Standard 20.10 [National Minimum Standards for boarding schools \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://www.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/61444/nms2010.pdf)

Bounds Within the Socials

1. No pupil may be in another pupil's study/cubicle after lights out.
2. No pupil may enter any area of staff accommodation without the express permission/invitation of that member of staff.

Back in Social

Pupils must be back in their Social by 10.15 p.m. unless they have their Tutor's specific leave, or permission has been sought.

Leave of Absence

Privilege Weekends

Pupils may take two privilege weekends per term.

6.2 pupils may take extra privilege weekends at their Tutor's discretion.

Requests for any exceptional privilege weekend, in addition to the above, must be referred to the Sub Warden by the Tutor.

The following conditions apply to all privilege weekends:

- A pupil's Tutor must receive a written request from the pupil's parents no less than 48 hours in advance.
- Pupils not under the supervision of their parents whilst on privilege weekends or Sunday leave are subject to school rules and discipline.
- A pupil going for a privilege weekend on public transport must have a chit from his Tutor.
- A pupil may leave the College at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday at the earliest, only after having met all College commitments.
- Pupils must report back to their Tutors by 9.00 p.m. on Sunday.
- The Choir must consult the Precentor when choosing their privilege weekends.
- Privilege weekends should be planned with reference to College and Inter-Social events.

Sundays Out

The intention is to allow pupils to spend some time with their parents, or friends, and the following guidelines are set:

- Written notification (email) is required, from parents, by Friday evening.
- Those travelling by public transport will need a travel chit.
- A Sunday Out begins after morning Chapel and pupils should be back in Social for afternoon roll call at 5pm, and only in exceptional circumstances (at their Tutor's discretion) by 9.00pm latest.
- Occasionally the Sunday Eucharist will be replaced by an Evensong service: on these occasions pupils can leave earlier for a Sunday Out, but they must be back in Social for afternoon roll call at 5pm.
- It is expected that Lower School pupils will be in the company of their parents during a Sunday Out.
- College and Inter-Social events, and organised Sunday activities, take precedence over a Sunday Out.

Clothing

General

1. School Uniform will be worn for all College engagements including; meals, lessons, Chapel, plays, concerts, society meetings, lectures or any other event as requested by a don. Gowns are not required at breakfast.
2. School Uniform (including Games kit and CCF uniform) will also be worn at all times between 8.30 am and 7.30 pm on Monday to Friday and between 8.30 am and 12.40 pm on Saturday.
3. Members of sporting teams visiting other schools will wear suits or the official Radley tracksuit, as directed by the don in charge.
4. Pupils may not wear jewellery without the permission of their Tutor. Earrings are not be worn and necklaces should not be visible. Signet rings may be worn in the Sixth Form with Tutor's permission.

5. One charity band may be worn. Other types of wristbands (including concert bands, leather strap bands) may not be worn.
6. A Don or other member of staff may give permission for games kit (or other clothes in exceptional circumstances) to be worn in Hall. If games kit permission is given;
 - a. Pupils must wear the official Radley tracksuit.
 - b. Tracksuit trousers must be worn in Hall. Shorts are not permitted.
 - c. Shoes or trainers must be worn in Hall. Flip-flops (or similar footwear) are not permitted.
7. At any time, a member of Common Room may give directions about uniform for the purposes of enforcing the rules set out in this section and upholding a generally good standard of appearance.

School Uniform

1. Weekdays:
 - Tweed jacket of sober pattern or blazer
 - Dark grey flannel trousers
 - A shirt (predominantly white or pastel colour)
 - A recognised School or Social tie
 - Plain dark socks
 - Black polished shoes, not boots or brown shoes
 - Gown
 - Pups may wear a waistcoat.
2. Jumpers: Jumpers must be V-necked, plain, grey or navy blue (not round-necked or zipped). Prefects may wear coloured V-necked jumpers (single colour).
3. Overcoats: Sixth Form may wear any overcoat of sober cut and pattern, not in lieu of a gown in lessons.
4. Sundays:
 - Pupils must wear a white shirt, dark suit and black shoes for Chapel.
 - Members of the Sixth Form may wear a tweed suit of sober pattern, with brown polished shoes.

Weekend Leisure Clothing

The "weekend" will begin after commitments on Saturday and end at bed-time on Sunday. During this time a pupil may wear leisure clothing. At all times pupils must look tidy and clean.

Hats

1. No headgear may be worn indoors in public parts of the College at any time.
2. No hats may be worn with everyday school uniform.
3. Baseball caps or similarly inoffensive headgear may be worn outdoors with leisure clothing at weekends, i.e. no balaclavas.

Summer Uniform

When school Summer Uniform is permitted:

- Shirt sleeves should be either rolled up neatly or buttoned at the wrist. Shirts should remain tucked in.
- A tie may be worn with shirt buttoned up, or no tie with only the top button undone. No vest or T-shirt should be visible.
- Dark grey flannel trousers are worn as usual. No gown.
- Jumpers may not be worn with Summer Uniform, unless in exceptional circumstances for Public Exams.
- Pupils playing games (e.g. tennis) must wear the recognised kit for that game.
- No bare feet or bare tops: shoes and shirts must be worn around College.

Hair

- No dyed or highlighted hair is allowed.
- Hair should be kept neat, tidy and off the collar at all times, but not excessively short.
- Pupils must be clean shaven (dispensation may be granted on religious grounds).

Technology

1. All pupils must abide by the following three rules when using mobile technology:
 - 1.1. 'Switch off' – ideally at least half an hour before bed. Don't miss out on Cocoa, conversation with friends, etc. Don't self-isolate. Let your mind 'wind down' before sleep.
 - 1.2. 'Heads up' – when in social situations. Value human contact and conversation over what is on the screen. Know when to put a device down/away.
 - 1.3. 'Good Manners' trump interruptions – this relates to not being a slave to the latest notification, reel, post, email, etc. in social situations. Personal devices should not be used during lessons, Chapel, concerts, plays and in Hall, and must never constitute a nuisance.
2. All pupils must ensure that their behaviour online demonstrates respect for others through recognition of ownership, decency, fairness and kindness. Key questions, especially in relation to the Code of Conduct are:
 - 2.1. Is it Mine? - my account, my device, my property, my work
 - 2.2. Is it Decent? - Not Explicit, Racist, Profane or Offensive
 - 2.3. Is it Fair? - Thoughtful, Balanced, Honest, Helpful
 - 2.4. Is it Kind?
3. Headphones, AirPods and AirBuds should not be worn around campus for reasons of personal safety and good manners.
4. Using technology to record (photograph, video or audio) pupils, staff or visitors without their express permission will be considered a serious breach of school rules.
5. Pupils should not attempt to circumvent the filtering systems in place whilst using the school network (including the use of VPN).

Device Access Times

Phone Access			
	Monday – Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Shell	6pm – 7pm	6pm - 8.30pm	5pm - 7pm
Remove	6pm – 7pm	6pm – 8.30pm	11am - 5pm
Fifth	6pm - 7pm	1pm – 8.30pm	11am - 5pm
6.1	Away throughout the day Hand in before bed	Away throughout the morning Hand in before bed	Hand in before bed
6.2	Away throughout the day	Away throughout the morning	

iPad Access			
	Monday – Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Shell	Before Period 1 - 9pm	Before Period 1 - 8.30pm	Post-Chapel - 9pm
Remove	Before Period 1 – 9.15pm	Before Period 1– 8.30pm	Post-Chapel - 9.15pm
Fifth	Before Period 1 – 9.30pm	Before Period 1– 8.30pm	Post-Chapel - 9.30pm
6.1	All day		
6.2	All day		

Publications

1. No pupil may publish or distribute any magazine or pamphlet without the permission of the Warden. Such publications must first be approved by the Sub-Warden.
2. **Articles by a named individual** Articles must not:
 - 2.1. Criticise personally any member of the Radley community by name, or in such a way that their identity is obvious.
 - 2.2. Mention details of the private lives of any member of the Radley community.
 - 2.3. Conflict with School Rules on matters of personal morality.
 - 2.4. Libel anyone.
3. **Articles published anonymously or under a pseudonym** Articles must not:
 - 3.1. Criticise unreservedly the work of an individual don, member of staff, department or pupil.
 - 3.2. Criticise a group of people.

Cycling

1. The Highway Code must be obeyed.
2. All bicycles must be roadworthy, and have a lock.
3. Safety helmets must be worn when bicycling.
4. Lights must be used after dark.
5. Bicycles may only be used when going outside College or to the Countryside Centre.
6. Permission is required if cycling anywhere other than to Radley Village or to the boathouse.
7. Pupils should only cycle on the roads around College, not the paths (for example G and L Social boys should not cycle down Lower and Upper Shrubbery).

Firearms

1. No pupil may bring firearms or a sporting gun or cartridges to school without permission from his Tutor and the Sub-Warden.
2. No pupil may possess or use an air rifle, pellet gun, BB gun, unless under supervision by a member of staff at the Countryside Centre.

Miscellaneous

Any exceptional or temporary additions to the School Rules are at the Sub-Warden's discretion.