



LOMOND  
SCHOOL  
SCOTLAND

Joining the Lomond Family  
Work, Live, Play

# A Warm Welcome from the Principal



At Lomond School, we prepare our pupils for their future by ensuring that they learn the skills necessary to be successful in the 21st century whilst developing the traditional values and qualities that they require to be responsible and active global citizens.

Lomond School blends the old with the new seamlessly: a visit to Clarendon, which makes up part of our Junior School, is a clear example of this with its beautifully restored period features sitting comfortably alongside the latest in technology. In fact, the facilities at Lomond are enviable, with a purpose-built sports complex, modern and homely boarding house and a 1-1 device programme for all pupils from Junior 1 to Senior 6.

We are situated in the leafy town of Helensburgh, nestled between the banks of the River Clyde and Loch Lomond. This enables us to make the most of our unique location, with a strong commitment to extra-curricular activities and a particular emphasis on Outdoor Education.

As with any independent school, we have an excellent track record of academic attainment, but that is only a part of what we offer. I believe that the purpose of education should be to develop the whole child; at Lomond we do this in a supportive and nurturing environment with small classes that allow each and every one of our pupils to be known and recognised as individuals. In turn, this allows us to deliver a personalised education that allows every Lomond pupil to work towards his or her full potential in our inspirational environment.

Our pupils are happy, confident and rightly proud of their achievements and their school. Lomond School offers the right candidate the opportunity to work in a wonderful environment with fantastic pupils and a great staff team. If you would like to be a part of our thriving Lomond School family then we would love to hear from you.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Johanna Urquhart". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Johanna Urquhart, Principal

## About Lomond School

Lomond School offers an independent education to boys and girls from age 3 to age 18; founded in 1977 by the amalgamation of Larchfield Academy and St Bride's School, both of which date back to the 19<sup>th</sup> Century. We hold on to many of the traditions from our founding schools whilst holding true to our motto, *Prospiciamus, 'let us look forward'*. We have approximately 350 pupils, which allows us to get to know each and every one of our young people and equally they get to know our staff. The quality of the relationships between our young people and the adults in our school is something that we are very proud of.



Lomond School is the only school in the West of Scotland with boarding for children aged 9 to 18. We have a modern, purpose built, boarding house which houses both boys and girls and thus allows brothers and sisters to live in the same accommodation, essentially as family. We think of our boarding house as home rather than an extension of school. Our boarders come from around the world, which adds an important international and multi-cultural dimension to our school.

Our academic results are consistently well above the National average and the majority of our young people will move beyond school and onto university courses, most receiving their first choice of destination. The school was inspected by Education Scotland in November 2015 and received a very strong report stating that *'at all stages of the school, children and young people are highly motivated and actively involved in their learning. They are respectful, hard-working and respond very well to the overall high-quality learning experiences.'* The full report can be found [here](#).



*Our pupils thrive in our supportive and nurturing environment, where small classes mean every pupil is known.*



*Burnbrae, Lomond School's Co-ed Boarding House is home to around 60 young people from the UK and around the world.*

In addition to our current SQA provision for pupils we have recently been authorised by the International Baccalaureate Organisation to offer both the IB Diploma Programme (IBDP) and the IB Careers Programme (IBCP). From August 2021, Lomond is the only school in the world to offer the IBDP and IBCP along with SQA National 5, Highers and Advanced Highers and an HNC in Business. Further information can be found on our website, [www.lomondschool.com](http://www.lomondschool.com).



*In August 2021 Lomond School launched the IB Diploma Programme and IB Career-related Programme for pupils entering S5.*



*Our school benefits from access to fantastic facilities for sport and outdoor learning.*

## What is it like to work at Lomond?



### **Mr David Vescio – Teacher of Modern Languages: French, Spanish & Italian**

*“Coming to Lomond from Glasgow has been a very fulfilling experience from both a professional and academic perspective. The class sizes have enabled me to develop, as well as expand, my teaching practice and the pupils who come here from all over the world are keen and excited to learn. The team at Lomond has also made me feel very welcome, despite the difficulties of the pandemic. From social gatherings in the staff room to ceilidhs at the boarding house, there is no doubt in my mind that I plan on staying here! A former IB pupil myself, I know how invaluable this inclusive, forward-looking and international environment can be for both pupils and staff.”*

## Our Commitment to You:

- Competitive Salary
- 40 days holiday per year as per SNCT agreement
- Pension Scheme
- Fee reduction for dependent children
- Supportive SLT and colleagues
- Training and support to continue expanding your skillset
- Free subscription to TES online
- Term time working for many roles
- A hard-working and friendly staff team with a shared desire to be the best they can be
- A strong sense of community and close links with neighbouring schools
- A supportive Governing Body
- The opportunity for single accommodation
- The opportunity to get involved in clubs, activities and trips.

## Living and Working in Helensburgh

From its notable residents to its world-class architecture, the area has a rich heritage to discover. Helensburgh is home to Charles Rennie Mackintosh's finest domestic creation, the 'Hill House' which is open to visitors throughout the year. As well as architecture and design, Helensburgh has an inspiring history of engineering genius. Both Henry Bell, inventor of the first commercial steamboat, and John Logie Baird, one of the inventors of the television, lived and worked here.



*The Hill House is one of two National Trust properties in the area. Helensburgh offers a wide range of cafes and restaurants including the Sugar Boat, named after a sunken cargo boat which can still be seen in the Clyde from Helensburgh waterfront today.*

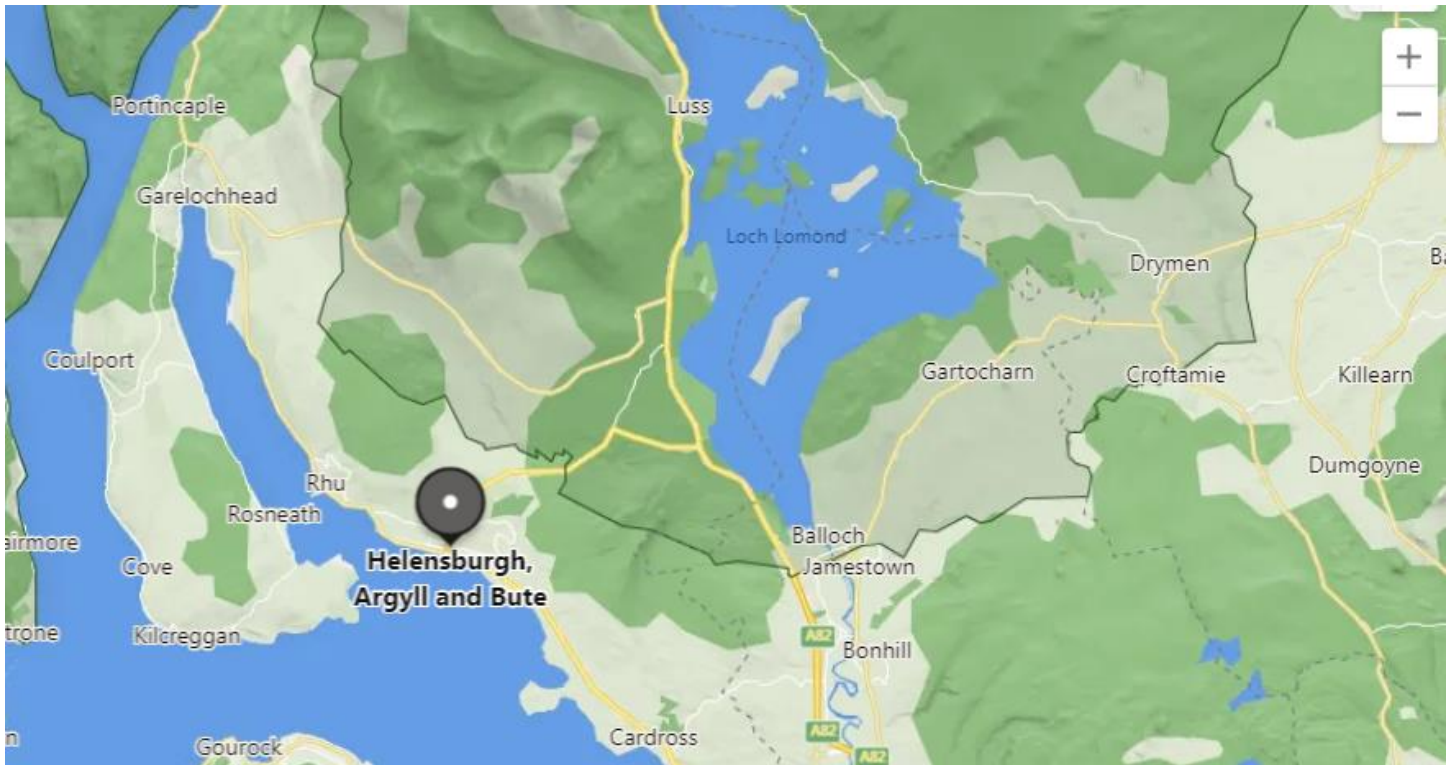
Beyond the town's inspirational heritage, there is a huge amount to offer for families and individuals living in the area. As a coastal town, with easy access to Loch Lomond, there are a wide range of opportunities for water sports and the town is famous for its excellent sailing; two former pupils of Lomond School are on the GB Olympic Sailing Team with one FP, Anna Burnet, winning silver at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics. As well as water sports, there are excellent trails for mountain biking and walking and opportunities for outdoor adventure are abundant if that is your thing.



*Helensburgh Rugby & Cricket Club offers a great community hub. The local landscape provides the perfect sport for sailing, canoeing, paddleboarding and more.*

With a population of around 17,000, our small town has a surprising range of amenities with excellent clubs, a fantastic restaurant and café culture, boutique cinema and newly built leisure clubs both on the seafront of the town and close by at Cameron House on Loch Lomond. Whilst the town itself has plenty to keep you busy, Helensburgh is only a short journey from the West Highlands for skiing and exploring, and Glasgow for museums, shows, cultural experiences and nightlife. Glasgow and Edinburgh both have direct train lines into Helensburgh and the famous West Highland line also passes through the town via Helensburgh Upper station.

## Living in the Surrounding Area



If you live locally, you'll already be aware of the fabulous scenery and amenities on offer in the surrounding area. However, if you don't know the area and are looking to relocate, here is a quick summary of the many options available within easy commuter distance to Helensburgh.

### EAST

#### Balloch, Loch Lomond and Stirlingshire

The town of Balloch, less than 15 minutes away, is known as the 'gateway to the National Park' and is well served by local amenities including Lomond Shores, Cameron House and Balloch Park. Further to the north of the Loch are the villages of Luss, Tarbet and Arrochar and to the east you will find Drymen and Killearn (our school bus runs from Drymen & Killearn daily).



*Balloch Park and Lomond Shores.*



## SOUTH

### Cardross and Dumbarton

Both Cardross and Dumbarton have direct train links to Helensburgh with a journey time of around 15/20 minutes. Cardross is a village based on the River Clyde, halfway between Dumbarton and Helensburgh. It is home to around 2,000 people and has an attractive Golf Club, local pub and restaurant and a small range of local shops. Dumbarton sits on the west bank of the River Leven and has a population of around 20,000. It has a number of large supermarkets, leisure facilities, Dumbarton Castle, a local football club and Leven Grove Park, which has recently been redeveloped to include an excellent playpark and is also home to an enthusiastic Park Run movement.

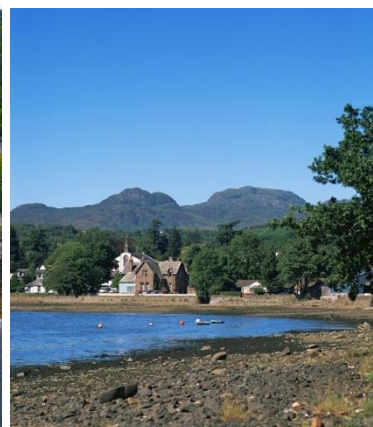


*Cardross Golf Club and Dumbarton Castle.*

## NORTH AND WEST

### Garelochhead and the Peninsula

Garelochhead, unsurprisingly, sits at the head of the Gareloch and is home to Faslane Naval Base. The village has local shops and eateries with fantastic scenery and is around 15 minutes drive from Helensburgh. The village is on West Highland Rail Line providing easy access into Helensburgh, via Helensburgh Upper, and Glasgow, as well as very scenic journeys to the Northwest Coast of Scotland. The Peninsula is made up of villages and hamlets and is surrounded on three sides by Gareloch, Firth of Clyde and Loch Long. The main villages on the peninsula are Rosneath, Kilcreggan and Cove. Cove in particular features some stunning architecture and all the villages are well served by local convenience stores and a regular bus service.



*Views of Cove and Garelochhead.*