



## Queen Mary's College Cookie Policy

To make full use of the qmc.ac.uk website, your browser needs to accept cookies.

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### **Cookie Policy**

We ask that you read this cookie policy carefully as it contains important information on the use of cookies on our website.

This cookie policy relates to your use of our website. Throughout our website we may link other websites owned and operated by certain trusted third parties. These other third-party websites may also use cookies or similar technologies in accordance with their own separate policies. For privacy information relating to these other third-party websites, please consult their policies.

We use cookies to make our site work properly, improve its performance, and understand how it's used. Some cookies are essential; others are optional and help us enhance your experience.

### **What are Cookies?**

Cookies are small data files that are placed on your computer or mobile device when you visit a website. Cookies are widely used by online service providers to help build a profile of users.

They are also used to make websites work, or work more efficiently, as well as to provide information to the owners of the site. Some of this data will be aggregated or statistical, which means that we will not be able to identify you individually.

You can set your browser not to accept cookies and the information below explains how to remove cookies from your browser. However, some of our website features may not function as a result.

Our cookies do not store sensitive information such as your name or address. However, if you would prefer to restrict, block or delete cookies you can use your browser to do this. Each browser is different, so check the 'Help' menu, or instructions for your mobile phone, for the browser you use to learn how to change your cookie preferences.

Here is a list of the main cookies we use, and what we use them for:

<b>The Cookies We Use</b>	<b>What They Do</b>
<p><b><u>Alert Cookie</u></b> <b>SchooAlert7</b></p>	<p>Used to remember popup alert preferences. This expires after 7 days (as alert is set to show once a week).</p>
<p><b><u>Google Analytics Cookies</u></b> <b>_gcl_au - expires after 3 months</b> <b>_gid – expires after 24 hrs</b> <b>_ga - expires after 2 years</b></p>	<p>Used to track the number of visits, the time of the visit(s), and keeps track of returning visits. No personal information is stored in the cookie.</p>
<p><b><u>GDPR Cookie Consent</u></b> <b>cookieLawinfo-checkbox-necessary</b></p>	<p>Used to remember GDPR consent preferences, they all expire after 11 months.</p>

<b>cookieLawInfo-checkbox-functional</b> <b>cookieLawInfo-checkbox-performance</b> <b>cookieLawInfo-checkbox-analytics</b> <b>cookieLawInfo-checkbox-advertisement</b> <b>cookieLawInfo-checkbox-others</b> <b>CookieLawInfoConsent</b> <b>viewed_cookie_policy</b>	
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### **How We Use Your Cookies**

The College may request cookies to be set on your computer or device. Cookies are used to let us know when you visit our website, how you interact with us and to make your experience using the school website better for you. The cookies we collect may differ depending on what you are looking at on our website. You are able to adapt your cookie preferences but by blocking certain types of cookies, it may mean that your experience on the website is impacted.

### **Consent to Use Cookies**

When you visit our website, cookies (or similar technologies) may be placed on your device. Cookies help us operate the site, understand how it is used, and improve its performance and accessibility. We will ask for your consent before placing those cookies on your device, unless those cookies are:

- **Essential:** these are cookies that are required for the website to function properly (for example, enabling navigation or security features); or,
- **Low-risk analytics or functional cookies:** these are cookies used solely to collect statistical information or improve how the site works (for example, remembering your preferences or measuring page performance).

A notice (cookie banner) appears when you first visit our website. It explains the categories of cookies we use and gives you control over which non-essential cookies you consent to. You can change your preferences or withdraw consent at any time by clicking Cookie Settings at the bottom of the page.

Essential cookies cannot be disabled because the website would not function correctly without them.

For cookies that do not require consent (for example, analytics or functional cookies used only to improve the website experience), you can still opt out if you wish by disabling analytics in the cookie settings tool

### **How to Turn Off Cookies**

If you do not want to accept cookies, you can change your browser settings so that cookies are not accepted. If you do this, please be aware that you may lose some of the functionality of this website. For further information about cookies and how to disable them please go to the Information Commissioner's webpage on cookies: <https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/online/cookies/>. You can disable cookies yourself by following the steps at this link: <https://www.aboutcookies.org.uk/managing-cookies>.