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The Nursery 1737-1768

(Servants of George, Prince of Wales listed to 1749, those to Princes William and Henry to 1760, when they received their own establishments)

Preceptor to Prince George 1744-c. 1750

In 1745 the preceptor to Prince George made £500 per annum.¹

1. Chamberlayne [1745] II iii, 243; RA EB 30, p. 22.

1744 8 Oct. Ayscough, F.

Sub-preceptor to Prince George and the Other Children 1747-?

By 1751 the sub-preceptor is listed as only serving George, Prince of Wales at £250 per annum.¹

1. EB 30, p. 22.

1747 4 Dec. Jung, J. H.

Page of the Presence Chamber to Prince George 1739-c. 1749

By 1741 the page of the Presence Chamber to Prince George made £50 per annum.¹

1. Chamberlayne [1741] II iii, 263.

1739 17 July Smith, G.

Page of the Presence Chamber to Prince George and Princess Augusta 1748-1751

1748 1 Jan. Eiser, J.

1750 10 Jan. Galliez, P.

Page of the Bedchamber to Prince George 1743-1745

1743 1 May Pavonarius, F.

Pages of the Backstairs to Prince George 1745-c. 1750

By 1745 a single page of the backstairs to Prince George made £80 per annum. Soon after, their number rose to two.

1. Chamberlayne [1745] II iii, 243.

1745	19 Dec.	Ramus, N.
1745	19 Dec.	Vogler, H.
1748	1 Jan.	Ernst, F.

Governess to Princess Augusta 1738-?; c. 1752-?

1738	Apr.	Herbert, --
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By 1752		Pitt, --
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Page of the Presence Chamber to Princess Augusta c. 1751-?

There were two pages of the Presence Chamber in 1751 at £70 per annum (£40 in salary £30 in boardwages).¹

1. EB 30, p. 22.

By 1751		Gailliez, P.
By 1751		Eiser, J.

Lady of the Bedchamber to Princess Augusta and (to 1759) Princess Elizabeth 1752-1764

The lady of the Bedchamber to the Princesses Augusta and Elizabeth made £300 per annum. Two such officers served Princess Augusta from 1760. The position was terminated in 1764 on the marriage of Princess Augusta to the Duke of Brunswick-Wolfenbüttel.¹

1. EB 30, p. [31].

1752	31 Mar.	Tankerville, Countess of
1760	Nov.	Stuart, Lady S.

Woman of the Bedchamber to Princess Augusta c. 1748-1751

By 1748, the woman of the Bedchamber was established at £100 per annum.¹

1. Miede [1748] p. 142.¹

By 1748 Goodricke, A.

Dressers to Princess Augusta 1739-1764

By 1741 the dresser to Lady Augusta made £100 per annum. By 1748 there were two such officers at £100 per annum apiece. By the establishment of Michaelmas 1751, the second dresser was reduced to £70 per annum. The position was terminated in 1764 on the marriage of Princess Augusta to the Duke of Brunswick-Wolfenbüttel.¹

1. Chamberlayne [1741] II iii, 263; *ibid.* [1748] II iii, 279; EB 30, p. 62. EB 30, p. 22, dated 1751 gives two dressers at £100 apiece; but further down the page it and p. 64, undated, give two dressers at £91 5s per annum apiece. The establishment of 5 January 1755 gives two dressers, one at £100 per annum, the other at £70: *ibid.*, p. [31]

1739	1 May	de Chares, L. de P.
1743	19 Oct.	Goodricke, A.
1746	Mar.	De la Chevallerie, E.
1751	20 Sept.	Power, M.
1756	10 June	Goodricke, M.

Rocker to Princess Augusta 1737-?

By 1737 Melvil, --

Page and Porter of the Backstairs to Princess Augusta 1738-1745

1738 22 Apr. Evans, D.

Pages of the Backstairs to Princess Augusta c. 1751

There were two pages of the backstairs.

By 1751	Eiser, J.
By 1751	Galliez, P.

Page of the Backstairs to Princess Augusta and Princess Elizabeth c. 1751-1764

By the establishment of Michaelmas 1751 the page of the backstairs to Princesses Augusta and Elizabeth made £70 per annum (£40 in salary, £30 in boardwages).¹

1. EB 30, pp. [31], 62.

By 1751 Fulling, C.

Page of Honour to Princess Augusta 1751-1756

By the establishment of Michaelmas 1751 the page of honour to Princess Augusta made £80 per annum.¹

1. EB 30, pp. 22, [31], 62.

1751	8 Jan.	Madan, C.
1753	5 Feb.	Osborn, H.

Page of the Backstairs to Prince William and Prince Henry 1751-?1760

By the establishment of Michaelmas 1751 the two pages of the backstairs to Prince William and Prince Henry made £70 per annum apiece (£40 in salary and £30 in boardwages). Transferred to Prince William's establishment c 1760.¹

1. EB 30, pp. [31], 62.

1751	15 June	Eiser, J.
1751	15 June	Higher, H.
1757	18 Dec.	Stiell, A.
By 1757		Mulcaster, W.

Governess to Princess Louisa and Princess Caroline c. 1762-1768

Position probably abolished at the death of Princess Louisa in 1768.

By 1762 Breton, M.

Sub-governess 1765-1768

By 1765 Moor, --

“Care of the Other Children” c. 1746-1768

This position was probably terminated at the death of Princess Louisa in 1768.

By 1746	Herbert, --
By 1757	Clavering, M.
By 1762	Moor, -- (Princesses Louisa and Caroline)

Lady of the Bedchamber to the Children c. 1766-

By 1766	Bowlby, Lady M.
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Dresser to Princess Louisa 1751-c. 1756

By the establishment of Michaelmas 1751 the dresser to Princess Louisa made £70 per annum. Subsequently, this was raised to £91 5s, but fell back to £70 by the establishment of 5 January 1755.¹

1. EB 30, pp. [31], 62, 64.

1751	26 July	D’Ance, F.
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Dresser c. 1765-?

By 1765	Vatass, --
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Page and Porter to the Backstairs of the Young Princesses c. 1738-?

By the establishment of Lady Day 1738, the page and porter of the backstairs to the young princesses made £30 per annum.¹

1. Add. MSS. 37836, f. 3.

By 1738	Evans, D.
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Page of the Backstairs to Prince Frederick 1755-1762

By the establishment of 5 January 1755 the page of the backstairs to Prince Frederick made £70 per annum.¹

1. EB 30, p. [31].

1755	8 Jan.	Trevill, H.
1755	15 July	Thompson, S.
1756	18 Dec.	Mulcaster, W

Page to Prince Frederick c. 1763-1765

By 1763 Nicolai, --

Nurses c. 1751-?

By 1751 three nurses made £89 2s per annum apiece (£50 in salary and £39 2s in boardwages).¹

1. EB 30, pp. 22, 64.

By 1751		Baker, S.
By 1751		L'Orphelan, E.
By 1751		Eiser, S.

Wet Nurse 1737-?

Circa 1751 the wet nurse made £139 2s per annum (salary of £100 and board wages of 15s per week or £39 2s per annum).¹

1. EB 30, pp. 22, 64.

1737	Aug.	Tebb, -- (to Princess Augusta)
1738	May	Smith, -- (to the new-born Prince)
1739	Mar.	Murray, E.
By 1751		Findlay, M.

Dry Nurse 1737-?

1737 Aug. Collins, --

Rocker or Watcher c. 1751-?

In 1751 the rocker made £30 per annum.¹

1. EB 30, pp. 22, 64.

By 1751 Peele, S.

Assistants in the Nursery c. 1751-?

Circa 1751 two assistants in the Nursery made £20 per annum apiece.¹

1. EB 30, pp. 22, 64.

By 1751 Cox, S.
By 1751 Plimpton, A.

Laundress c. 1751-?

Circa 1751, Sophia Eisner made £320 per annum (£70 in salary, £30 for laundry rent and repairs, £10 for coals to build fires, £35 for coal and candles “for Consumption of 7”, and £175 for washing for seven). Catherine Schotten received £700 for allowances. Mary Smith’s bills were paid on account.¹

1. EB 30, pp. 22, 64.

By 1751 Eiser, S.
By 1751 Schotten, C.
By 1751 Smith, M. (to George, Prince of Wales)

Necessary Women c. 1751-?

Circa 1751 there were two necessary women. Elizabeth Jeffreis made £85 11s per annum (£40 in salary, £29 11s in boardwages, £16 for lodging, coal and candles). Frances Coussins, also listed as nursery servant, made £30 17s (£10 in salary, £20 17s in boardwages).¹

1. EB 30, p. 64; see p. 22 for different figures

By 1751 Jeffries, E.
By 1751 Coussins, F.

Reading Mistress 1751-?

Circa 1751 the reading mistress made £100 per annum.¹

1. EB 30, pp. 22, 64.

By 1751 Holt, J.

Writing Master 1751-1768

Circa 1751 the writing master made £80 per annum.¹

1. EB 30, p. 64.

By 1751 Andrews, J.

By 1765 Bulley, --

Writing Master for the German Character c. 1751-?

Circa 1751 the writing master for the German character made £50 per annum. This rose to £80 per annum by Midsummer 1751.¹

1. EB 30, pp. 22, 64.

By 1751 Ruperti, G.

French Master c. 1751-?

Circa 1751 the French master made £60 per annum.¹

1. EB 30, p. 64.

By 1751 Bemon, J.

French Mistress c. 1759-1768

By 1759 D'Ance, F.

By 1765 De la Roussiere, --

Drawing Master c. 1751-?

By 1751 Morrison, G.

Music Master c. 1750-1768

Circa 1751 the music master made £150 per annum.¹

1. EB 30, pp. 22, 64 [gives “Writing Master”: sic].

By 1750	St. Martini, G.
By 1750	Paradies, D.

Dancing Master 1751-1769

Circa 1751 the dancing master made £100 per annum.¹

1. EB 30, p. 64.

By 1751	Desnoyer, G.
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Clerk of the Stables to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1760-1768

By 1760	Stiell, W.
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Footman c. 1751-?

By 1751	Fulling, J. C.
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