The Royal Nursery (1737-1768)

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(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


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


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.


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

1738 Apr. Herbert, --

By 1752 Pitt, --

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.

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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].

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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. Miege [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. 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. 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. 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.

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.

Dresser c. 1765-?

By 1765 Vatass, --

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.

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
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. 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. 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. 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.

Clerk of the Stables to Prince William and Prince Henry c. 1760-1768

By 1760 Stiell, W.

Footman c. 1751-?

By 1751 Fulling, J. C.