

SCHOOL AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

AIMS

1. To provide a thorough (cultural, linguistic and academic) preparation for boys and girls from non-British educational backgrounds, who wish to join the British educational system.
2. To provide short courses for non-native students during Easter and summer vacation periods and/or at suitable times that overlap with the long-course provision.

OBJECTIVES (Main Programme plus Short Courses as appropriate).

1. Through the mechanisms of using small class groups, highly qualified teachers and appropriate resources to: introduce international students to conventional British teaching and learning styles; to increase knowledge and proficiency in spoken and written English and across a broad and balanced academic curriculum; to develop British cultural competence for each student. Consequently, each student should be enabled, within the limits of his or her own ability, then to live in and fully benefit from a traditional British independent school or Higher Education Institution (HEI).
2. To promote the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, and mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs. To fully understand, appreciate and celebrate the positive cultures of others.
3. To achieve the best possible academic, personal and social development for each student according to his or her individual abilities and needs, and to provide a sporting and cultural programme which prepares students for entry to traditional British independent schools or HEIs.
4. To prepare each student for British public examinations, including 'English for Speakers of Other Languages' examinations.
5. To deliver a high quality and effective educational and social experience on the School's short courses, based upon the School and Group policies and practices, as appropriate.
6. To build and maintain a caring, efficient and effective boarding school community; one which responds positively to needs of staff, students and parents and which conforms to the requirements of UK law, including safeguarding and promoting the welfare of students, and which welcomes external audit.
7. To familiarise each student with the traditions and culture of British boarding schools.
8. To benefit from the School's proximity to the other distinguished British independent schools in whatever ways seem appropriate and advantageous to the School and its students, and to co-operate with other schools and other bodies as suggested by the interests of the School or the requirements of the law.
9. To provide each student with the appropriate advice, assistance and qualifications he or she requires to select, and gain entry to, a suitable British independent school or HEI for the next stage of his or her career in the British educational system.
10. To provide, as efficiently as possible, accurate and up-to-date information about the School, its activities and approaches, to all interested parties, especially parents and Governors.
11. To report in detail to parents of current students on the progress of their sons/daughters at the School at least once each term (Main programme).
12. To encourage all alumni to keep in contact as a useful friendship base and career networking tool.