

## **KESWICK SCHOOL STATEMENT OF BOARDING PRINCIPLES**

- Boarding provides a happy, caring environment that meets the needs of everyone and provides opportunities for personal development.
- Boarders can approach any member of the school community, confident in the knowledge that they will be treated and respected as an individual.
- Boarders will develop greater independence as they take greater responsibility for themselves, others and their environment.
- Boarders will develop leadership qualities and the ability to work as part of a team in a boarding community.
- Boarders will develop intellectually through well-structured prep with access to staff and other pupils in an atmosphere that values effort and provides positive encouragement.
- Boarders will participate in the extra-curricular programme, weekend activities and other opportunities (KS3/4 boarders must engage with at least two activities after school each week)
- Boarders will work, play and relax free from abuse, intimidation, harassment and bullying.
- Boarders will benefit from a structured organisation to the day and the importance of making sensible and constructive use of leisure time.
- Boarders will follow a discipline policy that demands high expectations in terms of personal behaviour and they must accept the consequences in cases of misconduct.
- Boarding provides opportunities to develop spiritually, culturally, morally and socially.
- Boarding will provide an environment that is, as far as possible, free from physical hazards and dangers of any sort.
- Boarding will provide accommodation that is comfortable and is suited to the needs of boarders, according
  to age and maturity and provide adequate levels of privacy.
- The Boarding House will develop and maintain channels of communication with parents and carers, to ensure there is a partnership regarding the support and development of every boarder.

It is our expectation that boarders will become good citizens, learning to behave in an acceptable manner, and achieving success in their school work and future careers. Boarding must be a partnership between adults and children based on mutual trust and respect, and it should be acknowledged that it is not a commodity that suits every individual.

Head Teacher Simon Jackson

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