

## BOARDING PRINCIPLES



We believe strongly in the great virtues of a boarding education for children, and in the qualities which it develops in them as well as the broad all-round opportunities which it offers.

Boarding at Windlesham is based on the following principles:

- We seek to develop the whole child during their time at the school – emotionally, spiritually, morally, academically, physically, culturally and socially. Building their confidence in a caring environment.
- Children are taught to respect others and to treat them in the way they would wish to be treated themselves.
- We believe that boarding develops the children’s ability to live and work with others and it strengthens their sense of self-reliance and independence.
- We treat all children equally regardless of gender, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief (or lack of religion or belief) or special educational needs ('SEN').
- We provide excellent and continued communication with parents to develop an authentic and effective partnership between the school, parents and child.
- We aim to create a safe and secure environment at the school.
- We believe that boarding helps to develop: confidence, community spirit, independence, social skills, cultural awareness, respect for others, self-motivation and responsibility
- We believe that boarders gain from boarding at Windlesham in the following ways:
  - They receive an enriched broad education
  - They have greater access to School facilities
  - They have a wide range of activities available
  - They learn to take risks in a safe and secure environment
- We believe our boarding houses should be:
  - A place where children can grow into independent adults, able to cope with the ever-changing world; they will take on more responsibility as they get older.
  - A place where all children are accepted for themselves; we want them to be kind and considerate of one another’s needs.
  - A place where the children can mix with other students of similar ages, irrespective of race, religion, cultural and linguistic background.
  - A place for children to have fun whilst maturing into caring adults.
  - A place full of happy memories