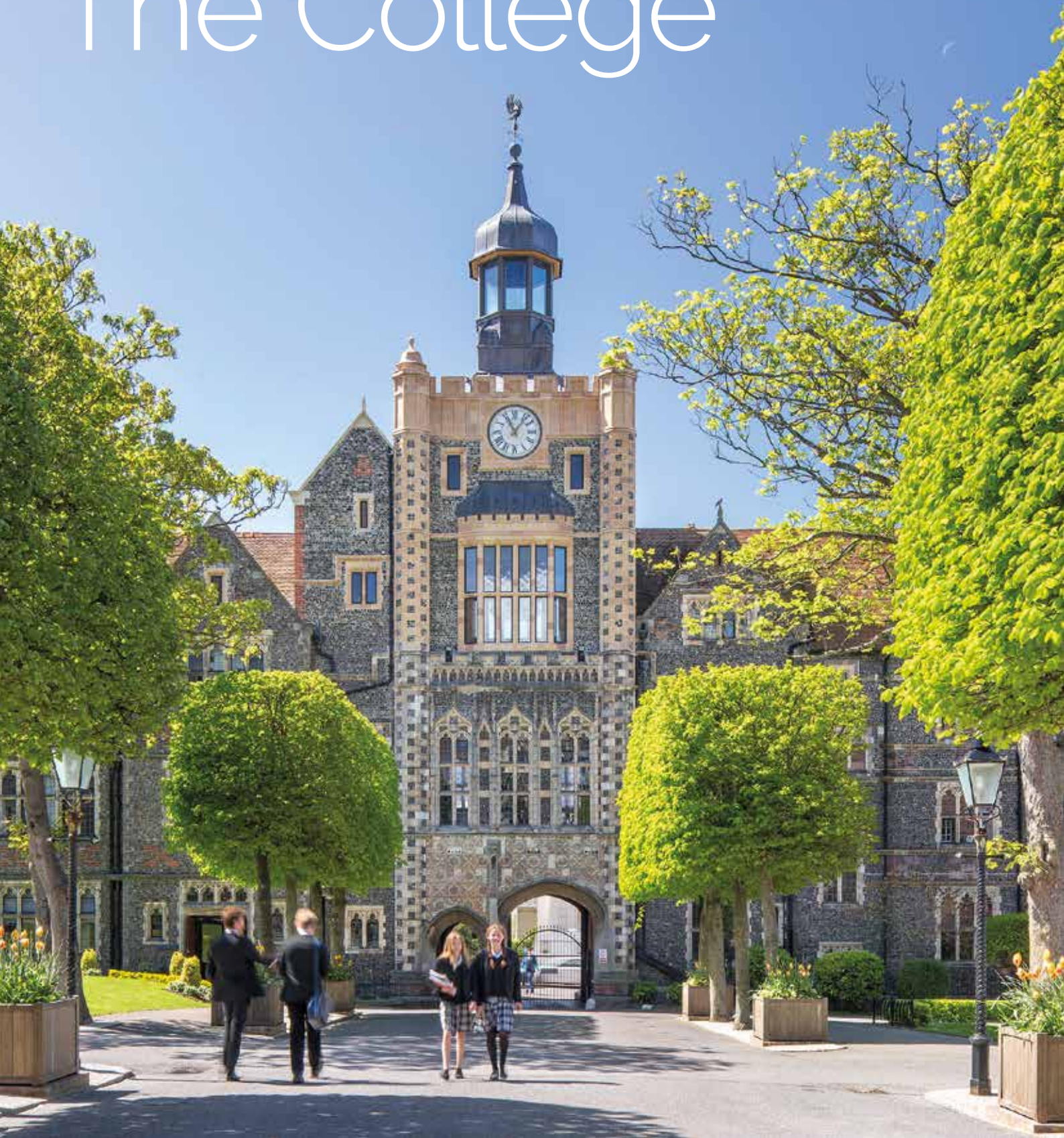




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WELCOME

If you were to ask our parents why they chose Brighton College for their child, they would tell you that the girls and boys here are happy, confident, at ease with themselves and each other – as well as excited and enthusiastic about the future they see before them. Of course we are renowned for our academic excellence, but this is balanced by a wealth of co-curricular opportunities, a caring and supportive community, and a deep commitment to the individual needs and enthusiasms of each and every child.

As Head Master, I believe passionately in the importance of the individual. Every child at Brighton College is valued for his or her own sake and encouraged to develop his or her talents to the full in a community where there are no stereotypes and where every achievement, however small, is noticed. If this ethos appeals to you and your family, do please visit us on an Open Morning, or alternatively make an appointment to visit the school on a normal teaching day. We would be delighted to welcome you.



Richard Cairns
Head Master

“Under Richard Cairns, the school has been transformed into one of the powerhouses of the independent sector.”

THE SUNDAY TIMES



“Pupils are mature, articulate and confident, and their success is combined with self-deprecating humour and courtesy.”

INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS INSPECTORATE



A CULTURE OF KINDNESS

We know that young people who are happy are young people who thrive. And we believe that the best way of achieving a happy community is to ensure that everyone feels valued for who they are.

We want our pupils to be first-class versions of themselves, not second-class versions of someone else, and we place great emphasis on tolerance and mutual respect.

“There is a rich vein of kindness and inclusivity running through the school”

TATLER SCHOOLS GUIDE 2018



“Pupils are well-educated, tolerant and intellectually curious, and demonstrate a love of learning for its own sake.”

INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS INSPECTORATE



“Relationships between staff and pupils are outstanding.”

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“The school is highly successful in stimulating independent and enquiring minds.”

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Brighton achieves by far the best academic results in Sussex and in 2017 *The Sunday Times* ranked the College as the leading co-educational school in England. Brighton was named Independent School of the Year by the Independent Schools Awards for 2013-14 and by *The Sunday Times* for 2011-12.

We take great pride in recruiting only the very best teachers to Brighton. We know that outstanding teachers change lives.

Teaching at all levels at Brighton College is characterised by passion. Pupils are inspired by gifted and enthusiastic teachers to achieve more than they ever thought possible.

A LOVE OF LEARNING



Each year, an impressive 25-30 Sixth Form pupils achieve offers from Oxford or Cambridge, with more than 150 gaining places at Russell Group universities or their overseas equivalents.

We place great emphasis on preparing our young people for the realities of the 21st century. All children learn Mandarin, alongside a choice of seven other languages. Public speaking, presentation skills and touch typing are taught to all pupils in the Fourth Form. Every child is encouraged to engage with the events and ideas of our changing world, whether through debating competitions, visiting speakers or courses such as 'The Story of our Land' in the Third Form and 'Our Island Story' (history and international politics) in the Sixth Form.

Entrepreneurship is a core part of the curriculum, culminating in the annual entrepreneurship competition for Sixth Formers. In addition, all Sixth Form pupils work towards the award of the Brighton Charter: an internal qualification designed to recognise each pupil's achievement and to reward engagement in both academic and co-curricular endeavours.

“Britain’s most forward thinking school.”

THE WEEK 2017

“A role model for modern Britain.”

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ACHIEVEMENT AND INNOVATION

“A consistently strong track record in gaining places at highly competitive universities.”

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SPORT FOR ALL



Brighton is one of the leading sporting schools in England and our top sportsmen and sportswomen regularly achieve regional and national honours.

Our major sports are cricket, football, hockey, netball and rugby and there are also opportunities to get involved in athletics, golf, horse riding, sailing, squash, tennis, beach volleyball and so much more.

We believe that every boy and girl should have the opportunity to enjoy sport at their appropriate level. We ensure that as much time and attention is devoted to the less confident as to the most competent. Our goal is to develop the skills that will bring resilience and success beyond Brighton College.



“A class act in every way.”

DAILY TELEGRAPH

16

senior and junior England cricket
internationals since 2000

19

junior rugby internationals since 2017

42

Oxford and Cambridge Blues

“I loved my time at Brighton College. The support from everyone was immense and gave me a massive opportunity to succeed in professional sport and beyond.”

MARCUS SMITH (LE. 2011-17)
HARLEQUINS AND ENGLAND U20

“The wonderful support I received at the College gave me every opportunity to succeed in my cricket.”

MATT PRIOR, SUSSEX AND ENGLAND





“Pupils enjoy significant success in activities and events beyond the classroom.”

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We encourage all our pupils to discover the performer within them.

Music, dance and drama are central to the life of the College. Each year we stage a vast range of musical, dramatic and dance productions, from informal concerts to major performances open to the public. Several pupils go on to win choral scholarships at Oxford and Cambridge, and places at leading music conservatoires, drama and dance schools.

We are determined that our pupils enjoy the most modern and dynamic opportunities in all performing arts. To this end, we have a new Music School and Recital Hall which seats an audience of 150 and is a great addition to our Arts Centre and Dance Studio. The new Drama School and theatre will complete these developments and ensure that performance is celebrated strongly in every genre.

PERFORMING ARTS





CREATIVE ARTS

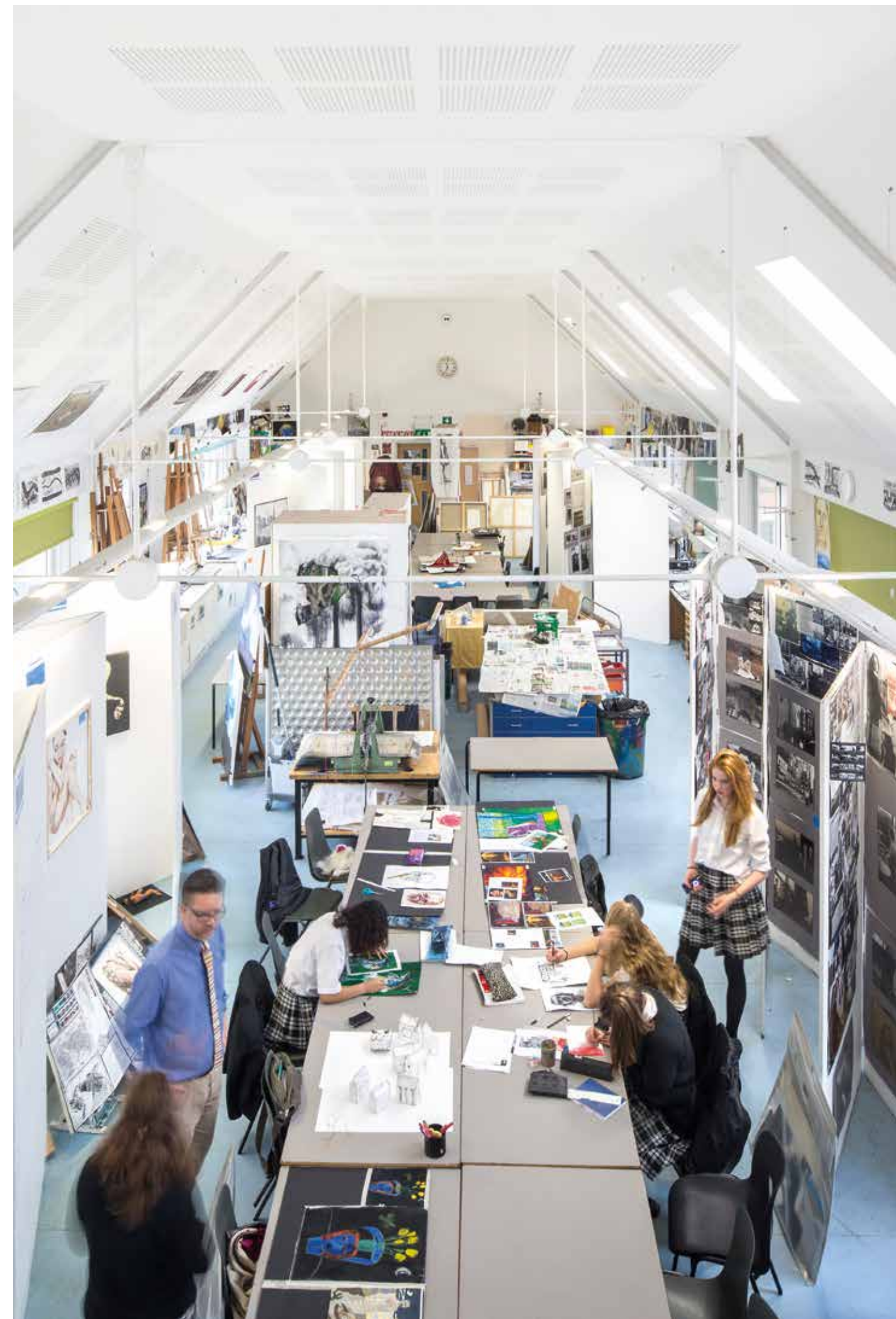
“A broad,
challenging
and innovative
curriculum.”

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Visitors to the College never fail to remark on the breathtaking array of pupils' work on display in every corner of the school.

In the beautifully light and spacious Alexander Art and Photography School, we explore colour, form and texture in imaginative and challenging ways, leading to the creation of exciting and thought-provoking works.

The state-of-the-art School of Design Technology offers pupils of all ages the opportunity to design and create practical and innovative objects, from simple pieces of furniture to musical instruments.





“Boarders are mature, confident and happy.”

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Boarding is very popular at Brighton and there are more boarders at the College than ever before. We have six modern boarding houses offering weekly or full boarding.

There are no Saturday lessons, which means that our weekly boarders can leave on Friday afternoon and return on Monday morning: three nights at home, four nights at school, offering the best of both worlds.

Our boarders take full advantage of the excellent facilities within the College and the many arts and community events taking place in the city itself. Our boarding houses face into the main Quad, ensuring a sense of community and a vibrant atmosphere during and after school.

Our award-winning Simon Smith Building becomes a social hub for boarders in the evening, with a stylish and comfortable café, outside theatre space and wi-fi study stations.

Our latest girls’ boarding house – New House – was awarded a RIBA architectural prize and was longlisted for the prestigious Stirling Prize. The first co-educational boarding house, Alexander House, is a stylish Victorian property with stunning interiors and a boutique hotel feel. We have a rolling programme of refurbishment, led by a team of top London designers, to ensure that our boarding facilities are a real home away from home.

BOARDING

“Boarding accommodation is attractive, spacious and comfortable.”

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A PART OF SOCIETY

We believe that we all have a responsibility to play a full and active part in society. We are conscious that the attitudes pupils develop at this stage will remain with them throughout their adult lives, and we foster a culture in which our pupils appreciate their responsibility to other members of their community and society at large.

Every week, dozens of pupils spend time helping out in the community, visiting the elderly and supporting the homeless and disadvantaged. Thousands of pounds are raised for local and national charities each year, and our annual 'Make a Difference Day' sees every pupil and teacher spend the day working in the community.

Beyond Brighton, pupils regularly visit Ghana in support of the College's educational charity Reading Spots, dedicated to establishing community libraries in the poorest areas of the country. The College chaplain has also set up a charity in Sri Lanka called Extra Cover, with our pupils helping communities rebuild after the 2004 tsunami.

“Pupils exhibit high levels of social development through their excellent awareness of the world beyond the school.”

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England's Independent School of the Year 2011-12

THE SUNDAY TIMES

England's Headmaster of the Year 2012-13

TATLER

UK Independent School of the Year 2013-14

INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS AWARDS

Senior Leadership Team of the Year 2014-15

INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS AWARDS

Britain's most forward thinking school 2014

THE WEEK

Outstanding Independent School 2016-17

EDUCATION AWARDS

Britain's most forward thinking school 2017

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