



BOARDING

“My daughter really loves Ryde! Almost all of her conversation is about friends at school, about interesting cases during lessons, trips with her classmates. In general, her life on campus, and I, as a mother, am very happy to see her so enthusiastic, interested, motivated and sociable.”

Ukrainian Parent



INDEPENDENT DAY & BOARDING SCHOOL



Having come to the UK last year, I have found myself a second home in the boarding house. The environment is extremely friendly and encouraging. The biggest advantage of it is that it introduces you to lifelong friendships from all around the world and broadens your global outlook. Also boarders support each other on a daily basis and I'm proud to be a member of this community.

Ani Kvantidze, Head of Boarding 2018 (Upper Sixth boarder from Georgia)



13 DIFFERENT NATIONALITIES



LIFELONG FRIENDSHIPS



90% OF BOARDERS STAY OVER THE WEEKEND



PORTSMOUTH/MAINLAND 10 MINUTES



**GATWICK 90 MINUTES
HEATHROW 90 MINUTES**



LESS THAN 2 HOURS FROM LONDON

At Ryde, we pride ourselves on delivering an exceptional level of pastoral care and an emphasis on family values and well-ordered supervision. There is a varied programme to allow time for relaxation, effective study and the opportunity to try new and adventurous games, activities and trips. The boarding accommodation provides comfortable and homely bedrooms, a variety of spacious common areas and places for quiet study. This creates an environment and community where pupils thrive, enabling them to exceed their potential.



Director of Boarding Mrs Lexie Nestor-Powell and her family

Lexie oversees all boarding provision at Ryde and her children, both pupils at the school, love living on the Island with all their big brothers and sisters in the boarding houses. *“Boarding at Ryde encourages pupils to become independent, open-minded and principled thinkers. Family values are at our core and the wellbeing of our boarders is paramount. We encourage all pupils to find a good work/life balance, and be proactive members of a supportive community.”*

BEMBRIDGE BOARDING CAMPUS



The main boarding campus is situated in over 100 acres of grounds overlooking the stunning bay at Whitecliff. Located on the outskirts of Bembridge village seven miles from School, it allows pupils to make the distinction between school and home. On site there is a sports hall, swimming pool, large sports fields and access to the beautiful sandy beach. There are extensive opportunities for extra-curricular activities such as climbing, horse riding, sailing and other water sports. Bembridge is run as a family unit that creates an environment in which boarders can flourish.

“For me, living in the Bembridge Boarding House is an unforgettable experience, as it creates life-long memories. The boarding house became my home, and all the people living in it - my big diverse family. The staff have always provided me with everything I need for a fulfilled life as a student, but also as a person.”

Renata Uritu
(Lower Sixth boarder from Moldova)



Housemaster of Bembridge, Mr Lee Ilott and his family

Lee is Head of Academic PE and Housemaster of the Bembridge Boarding Campus where he lives with his wife Nikki, their three children and their dog. Lee has a wealth of experience as a Housemaster and teacher of PE and was formerly a professional rugby player.

SPINNAKER HOUSE



Spinnaker is a Georgian townhouse in the centre of Ryde, a short walk from the School. The recently renovated house offers light and airy study rooms overlooking the Solent. The hovercraft and ferry are also close by, providing good and quick transport links to Portsmouth and London. Living in a Sixth Form only house Spinnaker boarders have the opportunity to be more independent, for example, cooking weekend meals which they eat as a family and managing their academic and extra-curricular commitments.



“The Boarding, Combined Cadet Force, Duke of Edinburgh’s Award and Rugby experiences at Ryde have shaped me from a shy boy in Year 8 to a confident, self-disciplined and mature young man. Staff have supported and guided me throughout my school career.”

**Brian Fu, Head Boy
(Captain 1st XV, Upper Sixth
boarder from Hong Kong)**



Housemistress of Spinnaker, Mrs Nicola Wilson

Nicola lives at Spinnaker House with her sons and two small dogs. Nicola teaches English and is the Extended Essay Supervisor for the IB. Evenings and weekends are spent with the Spinnaker boarders discussing the finer points of Philosophy and Literature, helping them with university applications, personal statements, extended essays and interview preparation.

FLEXIBILITY OF BOARDING

There are many reasons why families choose boarding for their child at Ryde and we offer several options:

FULL BOARDING

Pupils board for the whole term and go home for the holidays. Boarders are able to stay during shorter holidays and for all weekends during term time. We do not have exeat weekends.

Full boarding allows pupils to develop confidence, social skills, independence, self-motivation and cultural awareness. The full boarding environment encourages a firm sense of community and helps to develop skills and talents for life whilst forming friendships and bonds that will last a lifetime.

WEEKLY BOARDING

Pupils may go home directly after school on Friday, returning to the boarding houses on Sunday evening or directly to school on Monday morning. After an intensive

week, pupils can go home to relax with family and friends.

Weekly boarders have their own living space, and their possessions remain secure from one week to the next.

Weekly boarders can stay for Friday night if they have a School commitment the following day.

FLEXI BOARDING

Flexi boarding is increasingly popular and is there to help accommodate busy family life. Children are guaranteed a cosy bed and quality time spent with their boarding friends.

Flexi boarding enables parents and pupils to take advantage of the benefits of a boarding education for part of the week. Parents can book for a single or multiple nights, billing is per night.

Day pupils are also encouraged to try flexi boarding to see if full boarding may be something which suits their needs later as they progress through the school.

FUTURE SUCCESS

The Upper Sixth boarders all work incredibly hard at their academic studies but maintain a good work life balance, whilst still managing to contribute an enormous amount to the boarding community. All have been offered places at their chosen university or accepted straight into employment.



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