



# BOARDING AT RYDE

FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGED 10 TO 18

*"My daughter asked to try boarding this year as she saw so many of her boarding friends enjoying their time in the new boarding house. She is now enjoying flexi boarding with a view to moving to full time boarding within the next few weeks."* **Parent of an Upper Sixth student**



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## OUR BOARDING COMMUNITY

Pupils board in one of two new boarding houses in the school grounds in Ryde. Millfield is our junior boarding house for boys and girls from Year 6 to Year 10 and Centenary House is our senior boarding house for students in Year 11 and the Lower and Upper Sixth.

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.



## MILLFIELD

Pupils up to Year 10 live in our beautifully renovated Victorian villa which opened in January 2020. The bedrooms are either twins or triples, many with en-suite facilities. The house has a real family feel and, as with any good home, the beautifully designed kitchen is at the heart of the house. The large sitting room and prep areas ensure that study, play and rest are all optimised.



**Housemaster of Millfield, Mr Edwards** Henry Edwards lives at Millfield with his partner Ms Charlotte Verleure and their puppy Rusty. Henry is in charge of Academic PE at RYde and Charlotte is a French Teacher and Assistant Head of Years 10 & 11 at Ryde.



## CENTENARY HOUSE

Centenary House is our award winning purpose-built boarding house for Year 11 and Sixth Form boarders. Stunning sea views, open living areas and large grounds to explore and relax in, the house is designed to ready older students for university and adult life. Pupils enjoy multiple common rooms, study areas and single and twin bedrooms, mostly en-suite.

### Housemaster of Centenary, Mr Alderton

Mike Alderton is Housemaster of Centenary and a teacher of Physics in the Senior School at Ryde. He lives with his family in a separate part of the new boarding house. He lives with his wife Sonya, an Advanced Nurse Practitioner and their two children. Mike has a wealth of experience in boarding and pastoral care.



## ACTIVITIES

Both houses enjoy large gardens with sea views and boarders have access to the school's facilities including the new gym, tennis courts and playing fields, vegetable garden and our own bee hives.

There is a varied and exciting boarder activity programme for evenings and weekends. Activities include trips to local sites of interest, tourist attractions, sports and fitness, arts and crafts, and theatre and music events. Weekends are spent happily learning to paddle board, go-karting or simply enjoying long walks on the beaches with the boarding house dogs. Barbecues and football are regular pursuits as well as cooking and now latterly bee keeping and a new garden to grow fresh vegetables.



# 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 available to Ryde School day pupils from Year 6, and provides the opportunity to board ad hoc, in a safe and nurturing environment. Billing is per night so parents can book for single or multiple nights. This facility is particularly helpful to families with many commitments, if parents work away or if you just fancy a boarding trial for your child or are booking a holiday during term time without the children!

## HM FORCES PACKAGE

Bespoke packages for children of Armed Forces families are available that take into account the current CEA rates and are designed for peace of mind for parents.



**FULL, WEEKLY AND FLEXI BOARDING OPTIONS AVAILABLE**



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