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HEAD MASTER'S INTRODUCTION



We're proud to build on the longstanding tradition of boarding at Warwick Schools Foundation by offering a truly special boarding experience for girls from Year 9 to Sixth Form at King's High.

Our dedicated girls' boarding house, Way House, is a beautifully refurbished, welcoming space in the heart of our 55-acre campus. It really is a 'home away from home', where students are supported, valued, and encouraged to make the most of every opportunity. Whether it's full boarding or flexi-boarding, we're here to make it work for your family.

As one of the top-performing schools in the country, we're celebrating record GCSE and A Level results and have been named Warwickshire's top independent school by The Sunday Times. Our students thrive in an environment that combines academic excellence with over 260 weekly clubs and activities, a unique Friday Afternoon Activities programme, and exciting enrichment through our Changemaker Award and Future Ready courses.

With outstanding facilities – including a state-of-the-art Music School, Bridge House Theatre, and Sports Centre – our boarders enjoy the very best of both worlds: a nurturing single-sex academic setting with shared coeducational experiences beyond the classroom.

We offer flexible boarding options, short stays, and cultural immersion programmes, all designed to support every student's journey. Boarding at King's High isn't just about where you live — it's about how you grow.

Dr Stephen Burley Head Master

Dr Stephen BurleyWinner **Best Head of a Public School**



'We are delighted to offer a wonderful boarding experience at one of the top schools in the country. Unique not only because of the supportive boarding environment we provide, but also because of the extraordinary opportunities available to our students from Year 9 through to Sixth Form, including both full boarding and flexi-boarding.'

Dr Stephen Burley

FLEXI-BOARDING

The Benefits of Flexi-Boarding

Boarding nurtures independence, time management, and self-reliance – essential skills for university and beyond. It also helps alleviate long commutes, giving students more time for study, rest, and activities. Our flexible booking options range from single nights to blocks of nights, full weeks, or ad-hoc stays (subject to availability).

Meals are included, with dinner served at 6.30pm and breakfast at 7.30am. Students typically share rooms with one or two others, fostering a supportive community.

A Day in the Life of a Flexi-Boarder

After school, students check in at Way House – or the Sixth Form Centre for older pupils – and settle into focused study time. Evenings feature structured prep with academic support, access to fitness and sports facilities, and time to socialise with fellow boarders before a calm, restful lights-out.

Flexi-boarding at King's High offers your daughter a balanced blend of academic, personal, and social development – all with the flexibility to fit your family's busy lifestyle.

A Supportive & Structured Study Environment

We know how demanding GCSE and A Level studies can be – from revision and coursework to university interviews. Our flexible boarding option offers the perfect balance of structure and independence, without the full-time commitment of traditional boarding.

At Way House, boarders benefit from King's High's goldstandard pastoral care, with 24/7 support from experienced staff, including two Heads of Year as boarding tutors and our Wellbeing Mentor as Assistant House Parent.

During study leave, students have access to dedicated workspaces in Way House and the Sixth Form Centre, plus 1:1 academic support from teaching staff. Evenings follow a structured prep routine, balanced with time to relax and socialise. Boarders can enjoy our Sports Centre, including the fitness suite, and often prepare meals in our newly equipped kitchen, alongside daily provided dinner and breakfast.



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THE BOARDING EXPERIENCE



Way House

Way House provides comfortable, 'home from home', family-like accommodation for our boarders. It is carefully styled to provide modern and homely accommodation in what is a beautiful heritage building, with high ceilings and large windows.

Bedrooms are spacious, double occupancy, and include study and relaxation space. A generous sitting room and a boarders' kitchen complete the accommodation, along with bathrooms.

The house is deliberately family-sized, accommodating 16 King's High boarders.

For breakfast and dinner, the whole boarding community comes together to eat in Warwick School dining room. Lunch is served with the King's High community in the King's High dining hall.

In addition to comfortable study bedrooms, Way House has its own sitting room, where the girls can relax, socialise, and catch up on events from their day.

Best of Both Worlds

At King's High and Warwick School, we offer a unique blend of single-sex academic teaching combined with co-educational social and co-curricular opportunities – truly the best of both worlds.

Our girls enjoy focused, single-sex boarding while sharing a vibrant social life with the boys of Warwick School. This approach balances the benefits of tailored single-sex education with real-world co-educational experiences.

From Year 9 upwards, students engage in shared activities like our Combined Cadet Force, joint music and drama productions, and our popular Friday Afternoon Activities Programme, fostering collaboration across both schools.

This innovative model culminates in a shared Sixth Form, where lessons remain single sex but social spaces and activities are fully co-educational, providing a dynamic, enriching environment on our shared campus.

WAY HOUSE STRUCTURE

Ms Kirsten Cooper

House Mistress

Miss Molly Lane

Assistant House Parent and Wellbeing Monitor

Mrs Emma Poulson & Miss Mary O'Neill

Matron

Way House is led by our experienced House Mistress, Ms Kirsten Cooper, supported by Assistant House Parent and Wellbeing Mentor, Miss Molly Lane. Together, they ensure a House Parent is on duty every day, providing 24-hour care and support for your child.

The residential team is further strengthened by an experienced House Matron, who oversees the smooth day-to-day running of Way House, alongside a dedicated team of housekeepers who maintain a clean and comfortable environment.

Boarding tutors complete the team, with teaching staff regularly visiting and supervising the house during evenings and weekends. This provides pupils with additional academic support when needed, as well as staff participation in the many trips and activities enjoyed by our boarding community at King's High.

All boarding staff are first aid trained and bring many years of expertise in working with boarders, ensuring each pupil benefits fully from the opportunities available.



BOARDING HOUSE PASTORAL CARE

Care of your Daughter

We know that choosing a boarding school may feel a little daunting for both you and your daughter.

Boarding is well-established on our Warwick Schools Foundation campus. Our boarding team and the academic and pastoral staff at King's High are highly trained in supporting each child. We offer a strong network around every pupil to enable your daughter to settle into their new term-time home quickly and with ease.

From pastoral care to academic enrichment, your daughter will embark on a wonderful journey whilst boarding at King's High.

Molly, our Wellbeing Mentor, is also Assistant House Parent at Way House, and is joined by Moose, her adorable Australian Shepherd puppy. Having Moose as part of Way House brings invaluable wellbeing benefits. Moose helps our boarders feel more relaxed and supported, offering companionship and a positive presence that truly enhances life at Way House.

Watch all our boarding videos, including pastoral care and wellbeing, at **kingshighwarwick.co.uk/videos**















Our beautiful 55-acre campus is nestled in historic Warwick, at the very heart of England. Tranquil St Nicholas Park is opposite, through which the River Avon runs towards Warwick Castle, originally built by William the Conqueror in 1068, and all the amenities of Warwick town centre are within a ten-minute stroll.

During their free time, girls can explore our extensive school facilities or venture further afield into Warwick. The Georgian town of Royal Leamington Spa, famous for its mineral springs (and shopping!), is just a short bus or bike ride away.

Warwick is tocated in the picturesque South
Warwickshire countryside, once home to J.R.R.
Tolkien and Shakespeare, and close to many other
famous towns and cities including Stratford-uponAvon, Oxford and Birmingham. And you can be in
central London in less than 90 minutes by train.

Exeat weekends provide a great opportunity to explore the UK and girls are encouraged to take full advantage of all that Great Britain has to offer. A wide range of events and trips are organised as well. A coach transfer service is available to and from London Heathrow Airport for the main holidays.

Child Route Visas

Warwick Schools Foundation is a Sponsor for Child Route Visas registered with the UKVI. As a Child Route Visa Sponsor we can assign 'Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) to international students which enables them to apply for a Child Route Visa. Please speak to our admissions team when enquiring about a space at one of our schools.

King's High School has adopted the BSA (Boarding Schools' Association) Covid-safe Charter. View the documents on our website.

