



Dear parent,

I am delighted to enclose information which I hope will be of interest to you. Three quarters of More House School students commute to and from school daily, and such journeys place significant pressures on pupils and their families, often financially, and invariably in terms of time and logistics. Some students find they have very limited opportunities to engage in a breadth of social, extra-curricular activities outside of the school day, and that daily commuting can be exhausting, both emotionally and physically.

In January of this year, More House again received confirmation from the Department for Education of the exceptional quality of the school's provision for pupils who access the boarding facilities, activities and support, either only on weekdays, or as termly boarders.

Many of our pupils commence their More House experience as day-boys, but later choose to take advantage of the boarding provision in order to spend time engaging in social and extra-curricular activities, supported by their dedicated house staff to develop lasting friendships and to hone their independent living and study skills. Our boarding pupils enjoy the full-extent of the school's facilities, including comfortable, modern residential accommodation set in our 30-acre school-site, within the Surrey Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

Providing residential accommodation during the school week has been central to the school's identity since its foundation in 1939. Our boarding pupils become highly skilled at managing communal living, developing the independence skills and self-confidence to enable them to thrive at university or when first moving away from home. They build strong bonds through shared activities, and develop their capacity to face unfamiliar situations and to overcome difficulties, supported by friends. For many of our Sixth Formers, boarding proves the essential preparation for a successful transition to university halls-of-residence.

I hope that you find the accompanying information interesting, and helpful in assessing whether or not the school's provision beyond the daytime lessons can benefit your son. Further information and a fantastic new film explaining benefits of boarding can be found at: www.morehouseschool.co.uk/parents, but please do not hesitate to contact directly our experienced Head of Boarding, Fred Pennell, by email at fpennell@morehouseschool.co.uk, or through the Admissions department: admissions@morehouseschool.co.uk. Mr Pennell will be delighted to meet, in person or virtually, or to speak by telephone, with you in order to support you.

Yours sincerely,

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