



BOARDING FOR INTERNATIONAL PUPILS AT
EASTBOURNE COLLEGE

VIBRANT, DIVERSE, INCLUSIVE

Eastbourne College was founded as a boarding school and it remains, to this day, a boarding school at its heart. We have been welcoming international pupils from all over the world for decades, immersing them in a vibrant, diverse and inclusive British independent school environment.

A BUSY AND PURPOSEFUL SCHOOL, ALL DAY...

Eastbourne's boarding school heritage means that all our pupils, day and boarding alike, follow the same timetabled day, with no day pupil going home before 6pm and with many choosing to stay until 7.00pm, 8.00pm or even 9.00pm on weekdays. There is, therefore, complete integration and a full school for the benefit of *all* our pupils, *all* day.

...AND AT THE WEEKENDS

The significant majority of *all* pupils are in school on the much more relaxed Saturday morning, starting with brunch and taking advantage of academic clinics in all departments, or recreational facilities such as the gym, sports hall and tennis courts. In the afternoon, most pupils are involved in sports fixtures, while others will study in the library or spend time relaxing with friends. Saturday night sees house concerts, house and year group dinners, house-based movie and games nights and other social events. Sundays are a quieter affair, with time to catch up on rest, leisure and study, with facilities available for all three!

A DIVERSE BOARDING COMMUNITY

Around 42% of our pupils are boarders and approximately 36% are international. This means that over half of our boarders are British. Welcomed alongside them, we will typically have over 25 *nationalities* represented among the pupils in our ten houses. This brings a wonderful diversity, while *preserving the uniquely British culture* that our international pupils seek.

AN INCLUSIVE, CARING ENVIRONMENT

Eastbourne seeks not just to accommodate but also to *celebrate* the diversity that our international pupils bring to the school. A culture of respect and a genuine desire to broaden perspectives for *all* our pupils provides the foundation of our approach to providing the best possible experience for pupils joining us from other nations.

Every aspect of our provision is regularly reviewed, based on feedback from *all* our pupils, from options at mealtimes to the range of sports and activities offered, to ensure that the diversity of opportunities matches the diversity of our pupil body. Our pupils are actively involved in promoting and celebrating that diversity, led by Our BeYou Race and Ethnicity group, which arranges events of various types, focused on the many cultures represented among us.

A SAFE, BEAUTIFUL LOCATION

Eastbourne College is located in a safe and beautiful location that is easily accessed from London and from Gatwick airport. Our coastal setting, just metres from the Victorian seafront and a short walk from the stunning South Downs National Park, is a wonderful place for young people to grow up. Eastbourne town itself, with amenities including a modern shopping mall and cinema complex, represents a safe and relatively quiet location which pupils can enjoy, with permission, from time-to-time.

WHERE OUR INTERNATIONAL BOARDERS ACHIEVE WONDERFUL THINGS

Our international boarders thrive at Eastbourne College. They are always represented among our pupil leadership team, with several heads of school in recent years. In sport and creative arts, international pupils are frequently among the most successful, captaining major sports and leading our orchestra and other ensembles. And, of course, going on to leading universities such as Oxford, Cambridge, LSE, Imperial and LSE. Nothing is out of reach for our international boarders.



THE EASTBOURNE COLLEGE
EXPERIENCE FILM



THE EASTBOURNE
WEEKEND FILM



INTERNATIONAL
ADMISSIONS

OUR BOARDING WEEKEND EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

All *ten* of our houses host a Saturday evening house concert throughout the year

There are *five* joint house Saturday dinners, between a girls and a boys house

Most year groups enjoy an individual, themed year group Saturday dinner, bringing together pupils from all the houses

There is a biannual, themed Boarders' Ball.

Houses host their own themed weekend evenings, often with guests from other houses including:

- Games nights
- Pool, foosball and table tennis competitions
- Barbeques
- Pamper nights
- Film nights
- 24 Hour charity events

House groups visit the local multiplex cinema and restaurants (all walking distance)

Sundays often feature optional activities such as trips to nearby towns such as Brighton or visits to attractions such as paddle boarding, paintballing, enjoying the beach and tenpin bowling.



“AS PARENTS, WE FEEL IT IS THE FRIENDLY AND SUPPORTIVE NATURE OF THE TEACHERS AND STAFF IN THE BOARDING HOUSES THAT HAS BEEN MOST IMPRESSIVE AND FILLED US WITH CONFIDENCE.



HOW TO FIND US

GATWICK AIRPORT

51 Minutes

LONDON VICTORIA

1 Hour 26 Minutes

LONDON HEATHROW

2 Hour 15 Minutes

EASTBOURNE COLLEGE PROFILE

WE OPENED IN
1867

tes
2023 BOARDING SCHOOL
OF THE YEAR
SHORTLISTED

82% π
MATHS
A-LEVEL A*-B

UK: INTERNATIONAL
BOARDING
SPLIT
64:36

92% 
MFL
A-LEVEL A*-B

47%
OF PUPILS
PLAY AN
INSTRUMENT


BOARDING

DAY **44%**
56%

7
SPORTS
TEAMS
REACHED
**NATIONAL
FINALS**
IN 2024


£35M
**RECENT
INVESTMENT**
IN COLLEGE
FACILITIES

88% π
FURTHER
MATHS
A-LEVEL A*-B

**2024 ISI
INSPECTION**
VISUAL AND
PERFORMING
ARTS ARE
RECOGNISED
AS A
**SIGNIFICANT
STRENGTH**

**5 MINUTES' WALK
TO THE**

**SOUTH
DOWNS**

**5 MINUTES' WALK
TO THE**

SEA

100+
SPORTS TEAMS
WITH 18
SPORTS
OFFERED


FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

AGED 13-18

85%
OF THE 2025
LEAVERS
ACCEPTED BY
**FIRST-CHOICE
UNIVERSITY**

Muddy Stilletoes
2024 MOST INCLUSIVE
SENIOR SCHOOL
FINALIST

120+
CLUBS AND
ACTIVITIES
OFFERED
WEEKLY


79% 
SCIENCE
A-LEVEL A*-B

EASTBOURNE
IS THE **TOP**
RANKED PLACE
TO VISIT
TimeOut

74% A*-B
HUMANITIES
A-LEVEL

 **60** **MINUTES**
FROM
GATWICK
AIRPORT
90 **MINUTES**
FROM
CENTRAL
LONDON

DIFFERENT

25
IN THE SCHOOL IN 2025
NATIONALITIES

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