



St. Francis' College ***Boarding Principles and Practices***

Introduction

The 'College' refers to all the staff and pupils of the Prep department and Senior School which includes Early Years Foundation stage (EYFS), Pre-prep (Key Stage 1), Prep (Key Stage 2), and Senior School (Key Stages 3-5).

St. Francis' College is an independent selective, day and boarding school of approximately 410 pupils between the ages of 3 and 18 years.

Ethos

In the boarding environment of St. Francis' College, we hope to provide a safe, stimulating and supportive environment in which all members of the community have the freedom and opportunity to fulfil their unique potential academically, physically, socially, spiritually and personally.

Boarding is available at the College for girls aged from Upper Prep to Upper Sixth. The structure of boarding allows us to create a family atmosphere within which girls are encouraged to socialise. We aim to maintain a sense of community in which boarders and staff work together for the benefit of all; a place where everyone is valued. We want our boarders to be happy, healthy and successful individuals with a mature and responsible attitude and with the life-skills necessary for their future. We aim to create an environment in which girls, as they mature, have a variety of opportunities through which they can learn to be responsible for their education and for each other; where their ambitions can be fostered, they are supported in their studies and allowed to participate fully in and make a significant contribution to the corporate life of the College. Pupils are encouraged to be courteous and kind. Our philosophy is that consideration of others is of paramount importance. We achieve this with dedication and compassion, with understanding and sympathy and with a perceptive awareness of the needs of our young people.

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