

DON'T JUST TAKE OUR WORD FOR IT.

HERE'S WHAT OFSTED HAVE TO SAY...!

Buckwood School provides a good quality of education. Curricular provision is good and meets the needs of all its students who are well motivated and make good progress. Teaching and assessment are good. The students' spiritual, moral, social and cultural development is outstanding as is their behaviour. The caring ethos of the school is reflected in the family atmosphere and excellent relationships between and amongst staff and students. It is supported by appropriate procedures for the welfare, health and general safety of its students.

AND . . .

The quality of the curriculum is good with some outstanding features. It is broad and balanced and responsive to the needs of a nationally diverse student body. The international culture permeates the school curriculum and there is very good provision and support for students whose first language is not English.

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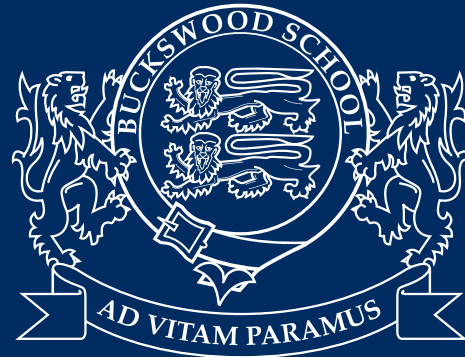
Behaviour is outstanding because students show respect for one another, their teachers and all other adults and demonstrate self-discipline. This makes a positive contribution to the good progress they make. Students are charming, polite and excellent ambassadors for Buckwood.

AND . . .

Sporting activities are a strength of the school and together with imaginative catering provide excellent opportunities for students to learn about and practise healthy life styles. The director and his staff are committed to promoting and encouraging communication

AND . . .

Teachers and students share a clear enjoyment of learning. Teachers organise lesson activities well and their excellent subject knowledge and enthusiasm for teaching has a positive impact on students' progress which is good.



**GENERAL INFORMATION**  
**BUCKWOOD SCHOOL**  
Hastings, East Sussex  
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Some think it is a school for international students only, some think it is for the wealthy only – well we hope that the following facts and figures help you to understand more about who we actually are . . .

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

- ◆ Students in Senior School: 368
- ◆ Students in Junior School: 109
- ◆ Boy to girl ratio: 5:3
- ◆ Number of Boarders: 204
- ◆ Ratio of UK to Overseas: 1:1

#### BUCKSWOOD SCHOOLS

- ◆ Guestling, St Leonards, Nigeria and Georgia

#### Academic

- ◆ Subjects available at GCSE: 16
- ◆ Subjects available at A Level: 18
- ◆ Best performing subject at GCSE: Science
- ◆ Best performing subject at A Level: Accounting
- ◆ Most popular subject at GCSE: Business
- ◆ Most popular subject at A Level: Accounting
- ◆ GCSE Pass Rate A-C: 72%
- ◆ A Level Pass Rate A-C: 90%

#### University

- ◆ Placement rate: 100%
- ◆ University placements: LSE, The Royal College of Music, Durham, Royal Holloway, University of Exeter, University of Loughborough, Oxford Brookes

#### Scholarships and Awards

- ◆ Available in: Academic, Art, Music, Sport and leadership
- ◆ Total Fund awarded each year: £200,000 p.a.

#### Business Studies Department

- ◆ Subjects offered: Economics, Accounting, Law
- ◆ Member of the Hastings Business Forum
- ◆ Member of Young Enterprise: 1 team
- ◆ Professional Qualification in CIM, CMI

#### Sports

- ◆ County representatives: 5
- ◆ District players: 3
- ◆ Sports Available: 16
- ◆ Academies: Football, Dance and Riding and Tennis
- ◆ U14s – currently top of the SE Sussex Football league
- ◆ U16s – currently top of the South East Sussex Schools football league
- ◆ Scholars: 10

#### School after 5pm

- ◆ Access time: Free daily catch up lessons
- ◆ Squads: Free sports tuition

#### Saturday morning

- ◆ KiP – Knowledge is Power program and the scholars society
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- ◆ Squads: Free sports tuition

#### Transport

- ◆ Two 53 seater coaches
- ◆ Two minibuses
- ◆ Pick up routes, Hastings, Rye and villages, Cranbrook area
- ◆ Great opportunities to learn outside the classroom

#### This year's investment

- ◆ Astro turf – 80ft x 45ft
- ◆ TJ's Café

#### Riding Stables

- ◆ Number of horses: 10
- ◆ Number of riders: 42
- ◆ Facilities: Stables and sand school
- ◆ Disciplines: Cross Country, Dressage, Show Jumping, Polo,
- ◆ Scholars: 4

#### Music

- ◆ Musicians: 77
- ◆ Most popular instrument: Piano and Drums
- ◆ Annual successes at music festivals and 6 External Concerts since 2009
- ◆ Number of Music teachers': 6
- ◆ **Free Bagpipe tuition**
- ◆ Scholars: 5

#### Languages

- ◆ All Year 7-9 learn Chinese and French
- ◆ Number of languages taught: 15
- ◆ All languages taught by native speakers
- ◆ 100% pass in Languages

#### Annual international academic and sports trips

- ◆ Swaziland, France, Italy, Russia, China, Georgia, Holland, USA, New Zealand, Belgium

#### Catering

- ◆ In-house catering
- ◆ Three chefs and one baker
- ◆ Food budget £330,000 p.a.
- ◆ Family service catering
- ◆ Aiming for a Bronze award in the food for life programme

#### Facilities

- ◆ 2 IT Suites, Dance Studio, 3 Science Labs, Sports hall, All Weather sports field, Vineyard, 40 acres of fields, Junior sized swimming pool, Recording Studio, Archery/Shooting Range