

# TEACHING AT ST LAWRENCE COLLEGE

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## AN INTRODUCTION FROM THE HEAD OF COLLEGE

St Lawrence College has a rich history and a reputation for excellence. The genuine feeling of community is tangible and there is no doubt that the Christian values, boarding ethos, all-through nature of the school and focus on the individual contribute to a feeling of care and compassion that permeates every corner of the campus. It is my honour and privilege to be leading such an outstanding school.

Our aim is to ensure that every individual achieves their potential and this is most clearly illustrated in our excellent Value Added academic results. A combination of dedicated teachers, a broad and challenging curriculum, strong work ethic and focus on core educational skills combine to provide a stimulating, inspiring and purposeful learning experience for our pupils. All of this is underpinned by High Performance Learning; an understanding that intelligence is not fixed and that high performance in education is achievable by all. We are proud to have been one of only 14 schools globally to be granted the status of a World Class High Performance Learning School.

This belief in the potential of every child is also seen through our pastoral provision. Our dedicated team of Housemasters and Housemistresses provide excellent pastoral and academic support to the pupils in their care. The link between positive mental health and academic success is well publicised and it is our House Pastoral Teams who ensure that each pupil's wellbeing is maximised to allow them to fully engage and succeed in all areas of school life. The central role of the Chaplain and strong Christian ethos also ensures that our pupils develop an understanding of tolerance, diversity, faith and forgiveness.

One of the wonderful things about being educated in an all-through school is the continuity of education that every child receives. The staff at St Lawrence get to know the children incredibly well and understand how they learn best. We support them throughout their school career without the anxiety, uncertainty and 'lost education' that can happen when changing stage and moving schools. However, there is also a clear sense of progression as you move through the school and an increase in challenge from Nursery, Pre-Prep and Prep, to Kirby, Senior School and the Sixth Form, which keeps our pupils enthused, inspired and motivated. Whilst we have historic buildings and state of the art facilities, our best asset is our pupils and I would encourage you to visit the school to experience the warmth, sense of purpose and energy that characterises our school day.

Mr Barney Durrant **Head of College** 





## ABOUT ST LAWRENCE COLLEGE

Founded in 1879, St Lawrence College provides a first-class education for boys and girls from 3 to 18 years. Located on the Kent coast, within easy walking distance of the sea, we are a private school set in a safe, spacious campus housing boarding and day pupils from local, UK and international families.

We have approximately 600 pupils – 150 in the Pre-Prep and Prep School and 450 in the Senior School, of which 185 are boarders (boarding from 7 years of age). We ensure pupils attain their personal best academically, whilst preparing them for life in a rapidly changing global society. Modern facilities combined with traditional values based on our Christian roots draw out the talents of each pupil.

Strong pastoral care, high-quality teaching and a great emphasis on extra-curricular activity make this a very special community in which to live and learn.

Enjoy the website, which will give you a taste of school life; even better, visit us and meet our best asset – the pupils themselves!

#### **Our Ethos**

The happy atmosphere, the friendly familiarity that exists between staff and pupils, and the politeness that they see around them, always strikes visitors to the School.

Pupils thrive in an environment, which is friendly and calm yet disciplined and purposeful. We firmly believe that if young people feel secure, valued and properly guided, they will not only enjoy their schooldays but will fulfil their potential both in and out of the classroom.

The school remains true to its Christian foundations but recognises the needs of a community from many backgrounds. People with different worldviews are part of our family, bound together by mutual respect and recognition of the importance of faith and morality.







## WORKING AT ST LAWRENCE COLLEGE

The School is situated in a beautiful self-contained campus within easy walking distance of the historic seaside town of Ramsgate in South East England. Ramsgate is well known for its Royal harbour, beautiful sandy beaches, coastal walks and sailing. Ramsgate and its neighbouring towns, Broadstairs and Margate, is part of the Isle of Thanet. The historic city of Canterbury is close-by (just 25 minutes by car). The School has excellent transport links to the continent, being near both Dover and the Channel Tunnel. London is only 75 minutes away by high-speed rail link to St Pancras International.

### Employees of the college benefit from:

A warm and welcoming environment with a supportive Senior Leadership Team

Friendly, polite pupils

Many opportunities for continuous personal development and training

School meals provided, freshly cooked on-site

Fee remision for staff children

Attractive remuneration and generous pension benefits

Corporate Healthcare (following qualifying period)

Access to a generous employee benefits platform











