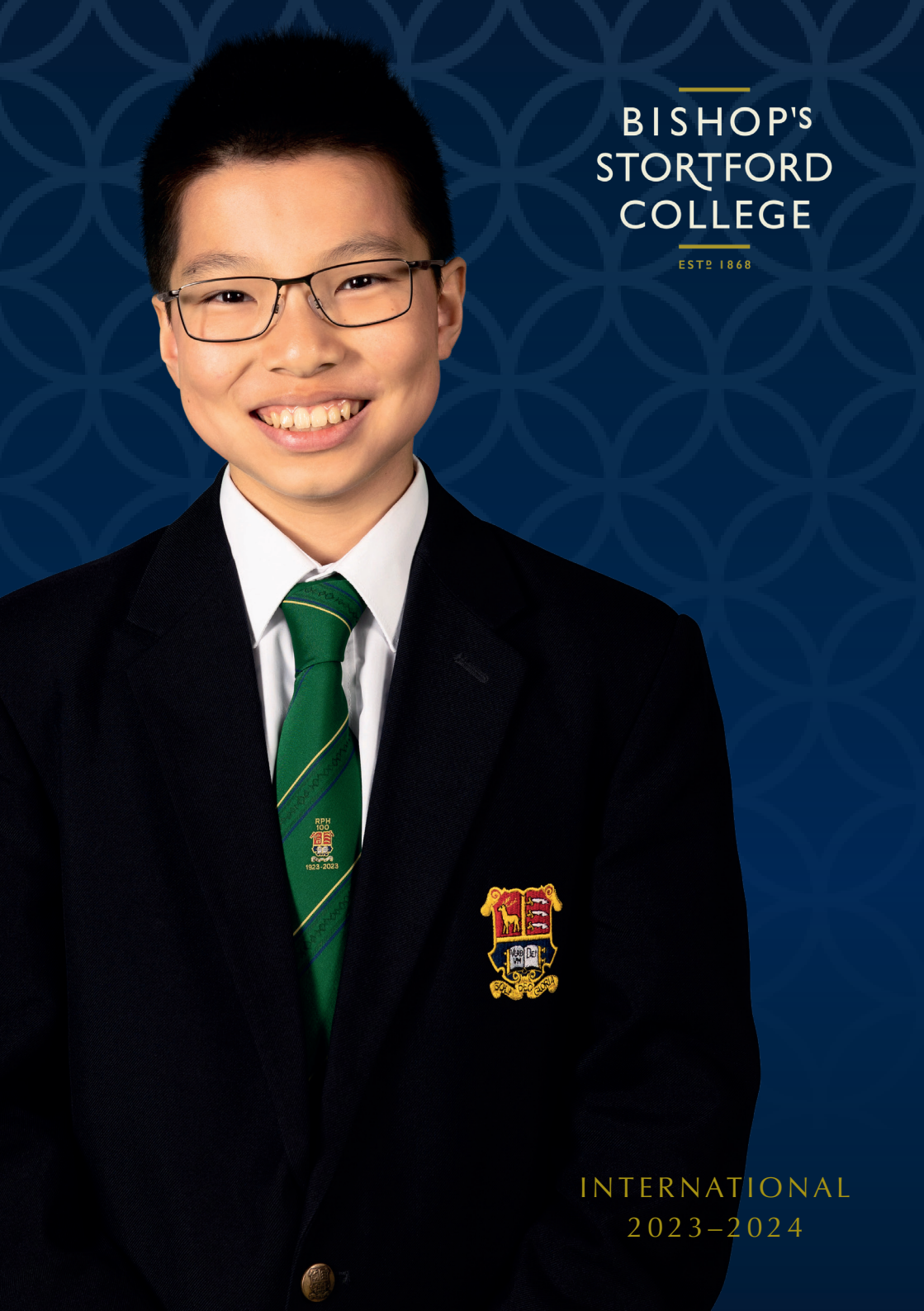


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INTERNATIONAL  
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## WELCOME FROM OUR HEAD



At Bishop's Stortford College, we have built a wonderful, busy, jaunty, sometimes quirky, often highly successful community. This is what makes us tick. Within this environment, your child's personal journey of discovery will begin the moment they join us. Our school offers the whole package: breadth of opportunity, depth of academic enquiry, and quality of human values and skills, all within a future oriented climate of endeavour that recognises tomorrow more than yesterday.

*“We do not look like most schools of our type. We are different in some important ways. We are the modern face of independent education”*

Kathy Crewe-Read, College Head



## OUR STUDENTS

The diversity of backgrounds, nationalities, and ages of our pupils, ensures horizons are expanded and everyone learns together and from each other. Here there is a togetherness where none of us is as important as all of us.

We have pupils from 27 different nationalities.

% of International students:  
**11%**

Number of International boarders:  
**98 (Boys 59 / Girls 39)**

International boarders by nationality:  
*American – 3*  
*Chinese – 27*  
*Chinese Hong Kong – 39*  
*Cypriot – 1*  
*German – 1*  
*Italian – 3*  
*Korean – 2*  
*Latvian – 1*  
*Lithuanian – 1*  
*Nigerian – 5*  
*Polish – 1*  
*Russian – 5*  
*Taiwanese – 5*  
*Ugandan – 1*  
*Ukrainian – 2*  
*Vietnamese – 1*

\* Data from 1 August 2023

Total pupil numbers across the College  
**1,307**

Pre-Prep  
(4-7 years)  
**127**

Prep School  
(7-13 years)  
**506**

Senior School  
(13-16 years)  
**403**

Sixth Form  
(16-18 years)  
**271**

Number of boarders:  
**195**  
(Prep 35 / Senior 160)

Teacher/pupil ratio:  
**1:6**



## OUR LOCATION

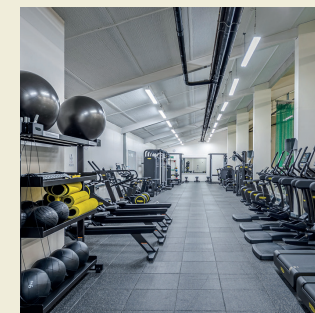
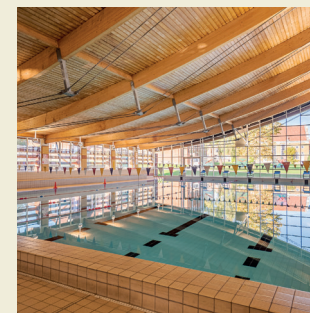
Bishop's Stortford is a historic market town in Hertfordshire. It is situated between two cities; 23 miles north is the city of Cambridge, and 27 miles south is central London. This central location means that the town is well connected to the rest of the UK via both road and rail network, and internationally with London Stansted Airport under five miles away, and other London airports within easy access.

### Transport links

- 10 minutes drive to London Stansted Airport
- 10 minutes walk to Bishop's Stortford Station
- 25 minutes by train to Cambridge
- 35 minutes by train to London (Liverpool Street)



## OUR CAMPUS



## ADMISSIONS PROCESS

Our International Admissions Officer is here to help with the application process. We are an academically selective school, and all pupils will take part in our entry assessments.

For pupil's whose first language is not English, we ask students to take an English assessment.

International students can join the College in:

- **Year 6 (10+)**

English test, online standardised tests, and interview

- **Year 7 (11+)**

English test, online standardised tests, and interview

- **Year 8 (12+)**

English test, online standardised tests, and interview

- **Year 9 (13+) for GCSE**

English, maths, online standardised tests, and interview

- **Year 12 (16+) for A Level**

Tests in English, maths (if choosing maths or science at A Level), online standardised tests, and interviews

International pupils who require a visa to study in the UK can apply for a Child Student visa with our sponsorship. We sponsor pupils who are boarding with us full-time.

## INTERNATIONAL FEES AND SCHOLARSHIPS

The following school fees are correct for 2023-24 entry, with effect from 1 September 2023.

### Application and acceptance fees

	Application fee	Acceptance fee	Additional deposit	Amount to be credited in the first term	Amount to be credited in the last term
Overseas**	£125	£2,500	1 term's fee	1 term's fee + £1,500	£1,000

\*\*Pupils whose parents reside overseas or do not have settled status and who are not ordinarily resident in the UK at the time of acceptance

### School fees

	per term £
Prep School:	
Overseas full boarding <sup>1</sup>	10,430
Senior School:	
Overseas full boarding <sup>1</sup>	14,238

<sup>1</sup> Pupils whose parents reside overseas or do not have settled status and who are not ordinarily resident in the UK

Please see the website for details of any additional fees.

### Scholarships

The College's scholarship programme aims to foster and celebrate excellence. Scholarships are awarded to candidates who show outstanding talent, based on ability and potential in the areas of academia, sport, art, music, and drama. Please visit our website for further information.



## BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

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*“Outside of the classroom there is a vast range of activities for pupils to engage in, to ignite new passions. Whether that’s on the pitch or in the studio, there is something to interest everyone”*

Our superb sporting facilities, alongside expert coaching, ensure your child will benefit from the best sporting provision. Whatever level their ability, we want them to experience enjoyment as well as success.

For a full list of our sporting facilities and details of our Performance Sports programme, visit our website.

Across our school pupils will be exposed to a rich tapestry of art, music, and drama, both behind the scenes or on centre stage. Our activities programmes in our Prep and Senior Schools, offer an exciting range of opportunities, from archery to cookery, as well as educationally enriching trips to local points of historical interest or expeditions overseas.

*“I will leave with the expectation of being able to do, and do well, whatever it is that I take on. I will leave here well prepared for my life beyond school, with a combination of abilities, some social, some academic and with choices – choices as to where to direct my efforts and enthusiasm.”*





## SIXTH FORM AWARD



*Our Sixth Form is all about giving our students the best possible preparation for a happy and successful future.*

Our Sixth Form Award is a unique programme, bespoke to each individual, that enables students to try out new activities, develop a portfolio of skills, and build up experiences, that universities and employers are looking for beyond school.

Students will have the opportunity to choose from a range of qualifications including EPQ (Extended Project Qualification), Mini-MBA (Master of Business Administration), IELTS (International English Language Testing System), Sports Leadership, and CIE Computer Science, offered as part of the Award but with external accreditation. Students may also participate in a wealth of intellectual enrichment opportunities, subject-based competitions, or leadership and volunteering opportunities, as part of shaping their unique portfolio.

## A LEVEL SUBJECT CHOICES

*Students choose three subjects (four if taking Maths and Further Maths) from the list below:*

3D Product Design  
Art  
Biology  
Business  
Chemistry  
Classical Civilisation  
Drama and Theatre Studies  
Economics  
English Literature  
Ethics, Philosophy and Theology  
Film Studies

French  
Geography  
German  
History  
Latin  
Mathematics and Further Mathematics  
Music  
Physical Education  
Physics  
Politics  
Psychology  
Spanish



## QUALIFICATIONS AND QUALITIES

Academic qualifications are a prime focus for us, yet we know that qualifications alone will not suffice for a life fully lived. Human qualities of decency and kindness are also a large part of the ticket to success. Together, qualifications and qualities are what an education for today and tomorrow must deliver.

We are selective based on academic ability, yet despite this, our value-added score is probably one of the best in the country. We are consistently in the top 7% for A Level nationally, meaning that our school makes the greatest difference.

\*based on a three year average

### GCSE Results 2023 (119 Year 11 pupils sat the examinations)

72%  
of all results  
were graded  
9-7

37 pupils were awarded  
the College's coveted  
Ten Club tie for achieving  
10 or more grades 9-7

### A Level Results 2023 (Based on 111 students results)

79%  
graded  
A\*-B

Over 50% of students  
studying STEM subjects,  
Classics and languages  
achieved A grade or above

## QUALIFICATIONS AND QUALITIES

Higher  
Education  
and  
Careers

100%

secured their first-choice  
university to study medicine

97%

placed at a university  
of their choice

### Top University Destinations

Exeter  
Reading  
Durham  
Loughborough  
Bath  
Warwick



50%  
of applicants  
placed at Russell  
Group universities

### Most popular University Courses

Business/Business  
Management

Accounting  
and Finance

Politics/Politics  
and Sociology

Economics

Engineering

Geography

History

## LIFE AS A BOARDER



Boarding provides the highest octane experience of College life and offers an inclusive environment where the diverse backgrounds of our boarders are shared and celebrated, and lifelong friendships are made.

We offer first class accommodation, with much of it ensuite.

Our Prep School boarders live in Grimwade House; a mixed boarding house for boys and girls aged seven to 13 years.

There are four Senior School boarding houses. Two for boys; Robert Pearce House and Rowe House and two for girls; Trotman House and Young House.

Our dedicated House staff take great pride in creating a nurturing environment, with House parents and tutors offering guidance, support and encouragement, and sharing in pupils' holistic development and wellbeing.

For a flavour of our boarding houses visit our website and our Houses' Instagram accounts.



@BSCgrimwadehouse

@BSCrobertpearcehouse

@BSCrowehouse

@BSCtrotmanhouse

@BSCyounghouse

## WEEKEND BOARDING PROGRAMME



The weekend programme for our boarders brings together a mixture of new skills, fun, and team building activities, both on and off campus, which will enrich boarders' time at the College. It has been designed to ensure our boarders are engaged and kept busy at weekends, but with enough down time built in to ensure there is sufficient time to rest.

In the Senior School, scheduled activities take place on Saturday mornings, and then boarders have the rest of the day free to relax, play sport, go sight-seeing, and attend the House social event in the evening. Sundays are free for boarders to study, relax and sleep, or attend one of the many optional Sunday trips.

The Prep School offers an extensive range of events and experiences for the pupils to enjoy. Different members of the teaching staff come into the House on Saturdays to lead a variety of trips and activities. All activities are available to all age groups. This programme is accompanied by a variety of leisure trips on Sundays.



For further details visit [www.bsccsummerschool.com](http://www.bsccsummerschool.com)



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