

### THRIVING SCHOOLS, HAPPY CHILDREN



Geston has exceeded our expectations in every single way. Can there be another school where it's so very hard to remove your children at the end of the day?

Beeston Hall parent



# Welcome

I am delighted to be Chair of Trustees at Prep Schools Trust at such an exciting time for the organisation.



The Trust has a distinguished heritage but we look forward and believe that we offer a compelling proposition for the next generation.

Emma Mckendrick Chair As an educational charity, all of the Trust's funds are invested back into schools

for the benefit of current and future pupils. It is both a great privilege and a source of enormous pride to lead a high quality Board of Trustees whose role is to foster the core mission of the Trust. This mission is to deliver outstanding preparatory education and pastoral care as a family of schools, giving our pupils the opportunity, skills and confidence to prepare them for their future.

### Emma McKendrick

Chair of Trustees

If you would like to find out more we would be very pleased to hear from you. Any of our schools can be contacted directly or you can speak to a member of our Trust Office team.

## Prep Schools Trust is an organisation poised for growth.



Tom Beardmore-Gray Chief Executive

We work purposely and collaboratively to ensure that all of our schools can deliver the highest quality prep education and are alert to the evolving needs of our pupils and families.

We learn from each other and have access to resources beyond the reach of a standalone school. We share ideas

and pursue academic excellence and high achievement in all areas of school life, delivered through an innovative curriculum taught by inspirational teachers.

We are dedicated to prep schools only; we want our schools to be autonomous and to retain the characteristics that suit their local markets. Our Trust Office seeks to provide high quality and cost effective, support services to each of our schools. We believe that each of our schools can be stronger by collaborating as part of a high calibre group of prep schools.

### Tom Beardmore-Gray

Chief Executive

Every pupil has the opportunity to experience a varied and stimulating curriculum that enables them to identify the areas at which they enjoy and excel.

BARFIELD

Chandlings, Independent Schools Inspectorate

# Preparing children for a life full of promise

BARFIELD

A Prep Schools Trust education is for the whole child. Our schools are devoted to the social, emotional and educational growth of the children in their care. In everything we do, we put a child's individual wellbeing and educational needs first.

We focus on the development of individual character and confidence so every child can prosper both at senior school and in their lives beyond school. At our schools, children soon discover that they are capable of so much more than they ever imagined. We exist to create environments within which children from all backgrounds and abilities can grow intellectually and emotionally. We help every single one of them reach their full potential across the widest range of academic, cultural and sporting endeavours. We build futures full of promise.



Happiness is in a large part down to 'children having the freedom to be children', with as much time spent outdoors as possible. Kitebrook, Tatler Schools Guide

### Kitebrook Prep

# A family of flourishing schools

The Prep Schools Trust provides the perfect foundation for each school to deliver a thoroughly modern and distinctive prep school education.



The teachers' passion and commitment mixed with the warm and caring environment is a recipe for very happy, productive children.

Parent



Barfield school is a co-educational preparatory school set in 12 glorious acres of Surrey woodland just outside the market town of Farnham.

Upon entering the school, you will find a unique family feel, where the children's happiness and wellbeing is at the heart of everything we do.

It is rare that a school feels equally confident in its academic standards and pastoral care but for the children at Barfield this is a reality. Children experience a stimulating curriculum complemented by the opportunities for games and sport with outdoor learning and wellbeing classes being an integral part of the whole school curriculum.

Barfield not only has its own forest school but we benefit from having our own outdoor pursuits department, Three Peaks, on site. The boys and girls have weekly lessons as part of our adventure programme and gain confidence by challenging themselves physically and mentally whether on the high ropes courses and quad bikes or through team building activities.

Our small-school feel ensures that strong relationships are the cornerstone of our success, and we take pride in creating an environment where children are encouraged to be children. Barfield pupils leave us not just with a strong academic profile, but with the experiences, skills and memories to allow them to thrive. Headmaster Andy Boyle

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Co-educational day 2-11 years

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### **BEESTON HALL SCHOOL**

Beeston Hall is proud of its North Norfolk boarding heritage, having been preparing boys and girls for public schools around the country, for over 75 years.

Children all leave at 13, with over 60% (on average) achieving a scholarship or award to their senior school. We are academically ambitious but there is an abiding sense of freedom for each child to explore, take risks and experience failure as well as success. This works because Beeston is a small school, where we know each child well, with an inclusive atmosphere in which children are celebrated for their talents and differences, as well as efforts and achievements.

The idyllic setting of Beeston, between forest and seashore, enables children to maximise their enjoyment of childhood, whilst developing into robust and generous contributors to the world around them. The Beeston Brief, detailing purpose, resilience and empathy as the three key values, underpins every activity, designed to support the school's principle aim: to let confidence flourish. Country prep with vitality and warmth and a well deserved reputation for nurturing its pupils who are friendly and confident, willing to give things a try.

The Good Schools Guide

**Headmaster** Fred de Falbe

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Co-educational boarding and day 4 - 13 years

office@beestonhall.co.uk 01263 837324 beestonhall.co.uk This is the happiest friendliest school that I have ever known and the wealth of opportunities pupils are offered is inspiring.

Pre-Prep parent



Chandlings is a leading co-educational prep school for children aged 2-11 set within 60 acres of beautiful grounds yet just five miles from Oxford itself.

Alongside such an enviable location, we pride ourselves on exceptional academic achievement, genuine pastoral care and superb facilities. Our teachers are passionate about education and our children are curious, creative and independent.

We offer impressive sports facilities, a huge range of enrichment activities and extensive private rural surroundings that include a low-ropes course in the Bluebell Wood.

We consistently gain outstanding academic results, leading to admissions to highly selective senior schools and we ensure that our children are both challenged and inspired. With us, your son or daughter will discover themselves and make memories to last them forever. **Head** Christine Cook

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COTHILI OXFORD'S INSPIRATIONAL DAY & BOARDING PREP SCHOOL

Established in 1870, Cothill House is recognised globally as one of the country's leading boys' boarding prep schools with an exceptional record of preparing pupils for the top independent schools.

Set in the heart of the Oxfordshire countryside, Cothill provides an inspirational all-round education and unrivalled opportunities for 200 boys aged 7-13 years.

Cothill is a small school, but we are a big family. Our scale allows us to ensure that each boy is treated as an individual, nurtured and encouraged to find his

strengths and develop his foundations. The dedicated staff instil a love of discovery and learning among the boys, both in the classroom and beyond.

This is an exciting time for Cothill, after 150 years as a dedicated and successful prep boarding school, we are excited to open our doors to flexi and day pupils.

**The enthusiasm teaching** staff bring to the classroom

Head George May

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Boys day, flexi and full boarding 7-13 years

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This 'extremely friendly, supportive school', promises a challenging, nurturing and creative education, imbued with 'fundamental' life skills. Parents love its traditional values and evocation of a healthy, 'old fashioned' tree climbing childhood in an idyllic setting

The Good Schools Guide



Named 'Great Country Prep' by The Week Independent Schools Guide and Most Idyllic Independent School in the 2021 Private Education Awards, Kitebrook Preparatory isn't just a school within the beautiful Cotswold countryside, but it epitomises what a great country school should be.

Providing an outstanding all-round education for 3-13 year old boys and girls, our children are allowed to develop at their own pace in a happy and supportive environment that inspires self-confidence and a sense of independence.

We want all our children to feel at home here, with the freedom to roam around the grounds in their free time. Kitebrook boys and girls make dens, climb trees and enjoy being children. High academic standards, a varied curriculum and specialist teaching, combined with our wonderful surroundings, encourage balanced and prosperous children.

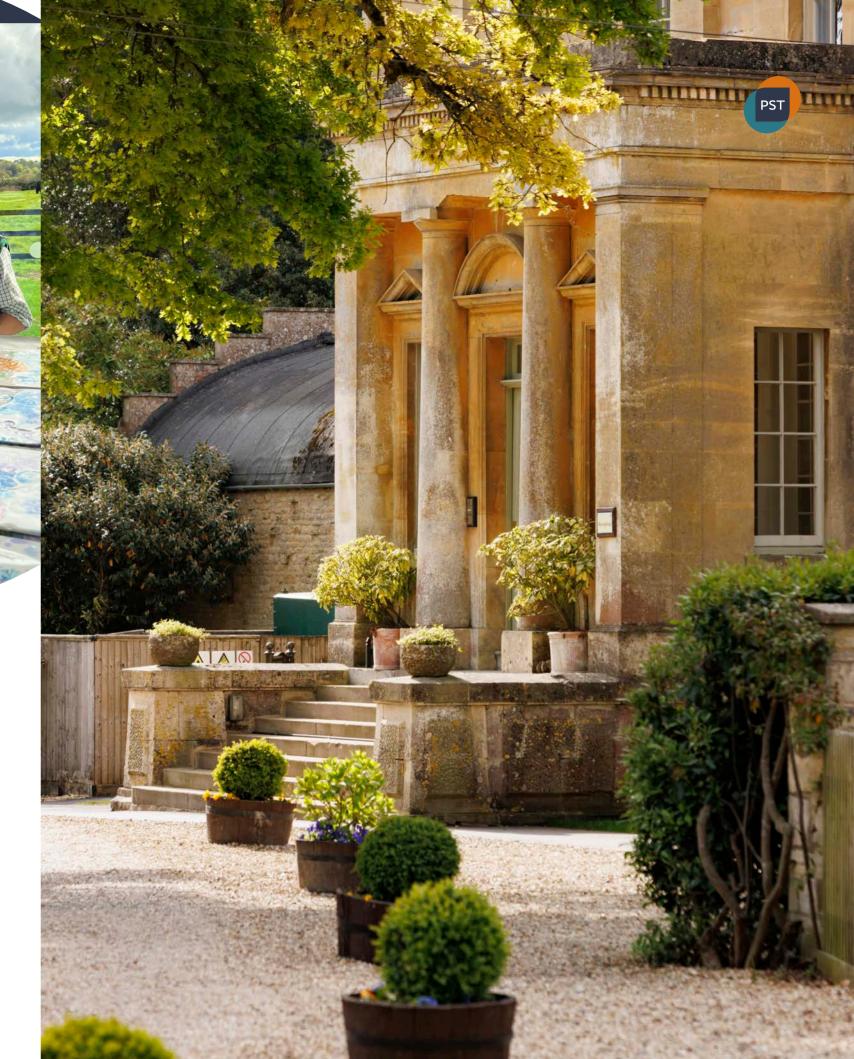
We passionately believe that a child's school days should be some of the happiest of their lives. That is why we work so hard to ensure every child looks back and says, 'I really loved my school!'

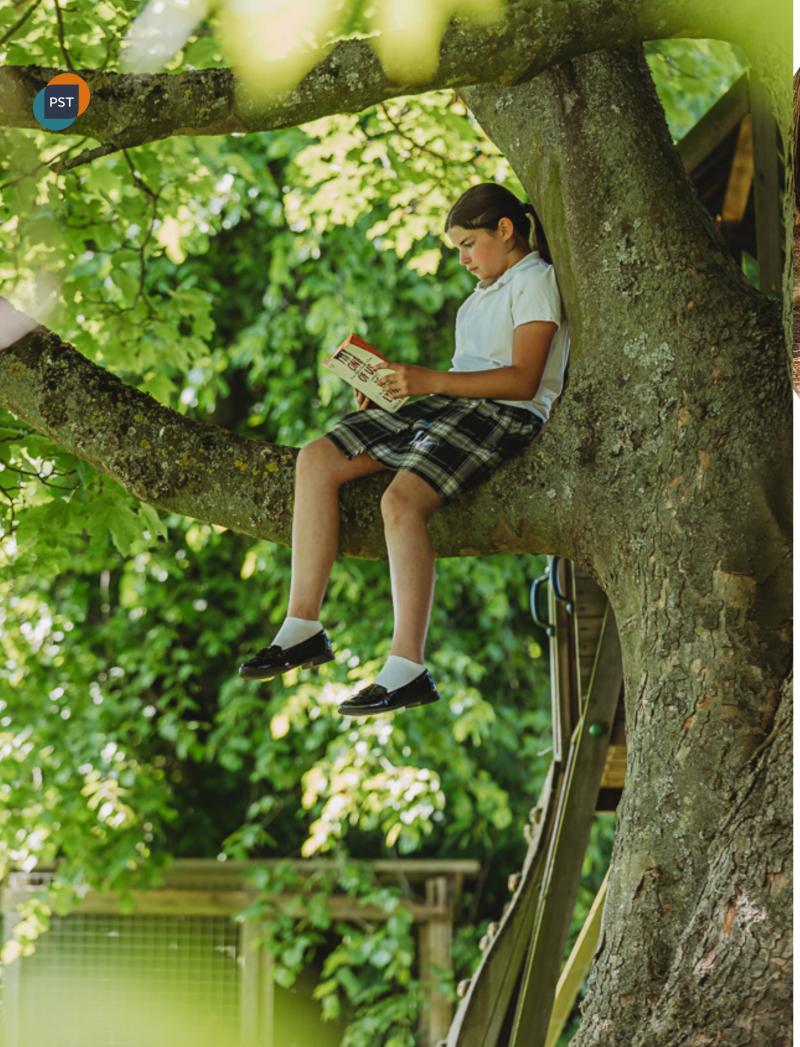
### **Head** Bennjamyn Smith

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# Mowden Hall School

Every child deserves schooldays to be magical. At Mowden Hall we want all our children to feel at home, with time and space to grow and develop, whilst enjoying their childhood in a nurturing, caring and creative environment.

As a school, we believe we have a responsibility to provide our pupils with as many opportunities as possible - academic, co-curricular and pastoral.

We are fortunate to have beautiful grounds, excellent facilities and staff who are both dedicated and talented. This collectively ensures Mowden Hall School is a very special place. We all have the same aim, which is to provide educational excellence for the children in our care. This is an extremely happy school, in which relationships are built on kindness and respect.

Our ambitions for our children are wide-ranging, but we know that the most lasting future successes will be based upon developing their confidence, and an open-minded and creative approach to life and learning.

The school really does put the children at the centre of all it does, it is an extremely happy, fun, energetic, hardworking and busy environment where pupils are really able to flourish as children.

Parent

**Head** Kate Martin

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Co-educational boarding and day 3-13 years

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**F** The quality of pupils' academic and other achievements are excellent. Pupils are highly articulate and speak with confidence.

> Mowden Hall, Independent Schools Inspectorate





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