

Bede's School - Upper Dicker, UK

Bede's is a co-educational school housed in Edwardian buildings set in extensive, beautiful grounds in the picturesque village of Upper Dicker in the South Downs, on the East Sussex coast.

There are approximately 900 pupils, with 250 students in the Sixth Form. The school also has a preparatory school for students aged 8-12 in nearby Eastbourne.

Bede's believes in the advantages of co-educational study where balance between the sexes, both in pupils and staff, produces a relaxed but lively atmosphere in which the pupil's self-respect, confidence and talents can thrive.



Key Facts

LOCATION

- Upper Dicker, East Sussex, UK
- Population: 1,000
- Nearest Airport: London Gatwick

SCHOOL TYPE

- Private, co-educational
- Day & Boarding

SIZE

- 850 students

ACCOMMODATION

- Boarding & Homestay

UNIFORM

- Compulsory

AGE RANGE

- 13 - 18

EFL LESSONS

- Available at extra cost



Facilities

ACADEMIC FACILITIES

- Art and Dance studios
- Theatre
- Music and Media centres
- Library

SPORT & LEISURE FACILITIES

- Riding stables
- Swimming pool
- Football and Rugby pitches
- Astro turf sports pitch
- Double sports hall
- Squash and Tennis courts
- Practice golf course

BOARDING FACILITIES

- Younger students share, older students have single study rooms
- Regular programme of voluntary weekend activities
- Access to a common room and kitchen

Academic Approach at Bede's:

The school achieves excellent examination results and yet it is not selective academically. The school believes that a wide range of academic abilities and talents are essential to providing a successful education in its broadest sense. Staff seek to understand and develop each student's maximum potential and to give credit for attaining it, whatever the level or field of interest. The excellent modern library is staffed throughout the day and during prep, providing a shared, calm space for working and reading. It is equipped with networked computer stations and the computer facilities include wireless internet.



Pre Sixth Form Course:

In September 2009 Bede's School launched an exciting new course for overseas students. The one-year course focuses primarily on improving the spoken and written English of students, but also offers a range of other opportunities. Students who enrol on this course are fully integrated members of Bede's, participating in school life to the fullest extent. Every afternoon they take part in the school's renowned activities programme, and they live and work within an English school community of 900 students— of whom around 40% are boarders.

Boarding at Bede's:

There are five boarding houses at Bede's, three boys' and two girls' houses. Each house has a Housemaster or Housemistress and two House Tutors living in. The new modern boarding facilities offer a home from home feel for the students and everyone is made to feel welcome. There is a wide range of inter-house competitions, as well as a regular programme of weekend activities for boarders.

