

November 2019

Dear Parents,

**Eagle House Open Evening – Wednesday 27th November 2019 at 6.30pm**

We would like to invite you to an Open Evening at the Prep School boarding house, Eagle House. The boarding house is purpose-built for boys from Years 3 to 8 to enjoy boarding, and is a very short ‘commute’ to all Prep School buildings.

The evening is hosted by the Eagle House team and will give you the opportunity to find out more about our ‘Day Plus’ programme and boarding options. You will have the chance to take a tour of the boarding house with one of the boys, ask me and the Eagle House team any questions, and enjoy an informal supper with our Houseparents, Simon and Mel Lincoln.

Programme:

6.30pm	Arrive at Eagle House
6.45pm – 7.15pm	Tour of Eagle House with current boarders
7.15pm – 8.00pm	Informal supper with our Houseparents

Day boys can make use of our Late Room after school. The Late Room is open from 4.15pm to 5.45pm each week day and is free of charge. Eagle House enables even greater flexibility, which we know is important for many of our parents who work long hours. Our ‘Day Plus’ programme offers a number of different options:

**Day Plus Pre-School** – from 7.30am each week day, boys are able to join the boarders and eat breakfast with them at 8.00am.

**Day Plus After-School** – an after-school option allows boys to join the boarders from 4.10pm until 7.30pm each week night. They will be able to take part in a supervised prep session, join the boarders for an evening meal and take part in a range of opportunities on most evenings.

**Flexi Boarding** – boys are able to stay on the same evening each week during term time. A minimum stay of two night per week is offered, subject to availability. This gives boys a chance to cut down their travel to the school, undertake supervised prep with the support of our Resident Tutors and also to be able to spend time with friends in the homely, well-equipped common room areas.

**Occasional Boarding** – for occasional nights, depending on availability, boys are able to join the boarding community. We find this particularly popular with parents who may have business trips during the week or over the weekend.

**Weekly Boarding** – boys board during the school week and go home at the end of the week, returning either on Sunday evening or Monday morning (available from Year 3 – Year 8).


**Full Boarding** – full boarders stay at school throughout the week including the weekend, except for exeat weekends and holidays. They benefit from the full range of activities, including trips and activities at the weekends (available from Year 5 – Year 8).

Eagle House is a wonderfully warm and friendly environment which provides boys with all the support they need to flourish at Bedford Prep School. It is a home-from-home in which boys are encouraged to be independent shapers of their own destiny. The boys are given space to be themselves and to be the best they can be as part of a nurturing community. Boarding provides boys with a number of social opportunities and boys make lifelong friendships. Boarders are given clear boundaries, structured prep times and have access to the school facilities throughout the day and evening. After-school activities happen each day, with a supervised prep followed by an evening activity.

If you would like to learn more about any of these options, please do join us for this evening. To book your place, please contact Anna Steiger, our Director of Admissions, email [asteiger@bedfordschool.org.uk](mailto:asteiger@bedfordschool.org.uk) or telephone 01234 362216 by Wednesday 20th November 2019.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ian Silk', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

**Ian Silk**

Headmaster of Prep School