



TAUNTON
— SCHOOL —

FIND YOUR EXCEPTIONAL

AN INDEPENDENT DAY & BOARDING SCHOOL FOR AGES 0 - 18



“To be a school which finds the exceptional in everyone, where we grow stronger together, and where exceptional futures begin.”

WELCOME TO

TAUNTON SCHOOL



Our mission is to ensure that the education we provide at Taunton School plays to the strengths of each and every child.

Educating some 1,200 children across our Nursery, Pre-Prep, Prep, Senior and International School, we are large enough to provide a breadth of opportunity yet small enough for everyone to feel part of a connected community.

There's a real sense of ambition at Taunton School but also a sense of humility. We're aspirational yet unpretentious and there is always excitement about the future of a school with a truly global outlook.

Diverse in its student body, Taunton School focuses on holistic education and celebrates success in a variety of different ways. What constitutes success for one student may be very different from another and we recognise and celebrate that uniqueness.

We aim to develop a quiet self-confidence in every child, with no hint of arrogance. We expect all students to engage fully with the diversity of our community and the array of opportunities offered. Above all, we value kindness and empathy for others.

We look forward to welcoming you to Taunton School.

James Johnson, Headmaster

UNEARTH POTENTIAL

At Taunton School we believe in creating an educational environment that celebrates the uniqueness of every child.

We want our students to embrace their individuality, explore their passions, and develop into confident and well-rounded individuals, ready to make a positive impact on the world.

We are ambitious for all students, unearthing their potential while maintaining a humble and down-to-earth approach. By providing a nurturing and supportive environment, we strive to prepare our pupils for a fulfilling and successful life beyond School.

“The School’s co-curricular programme is a significant strength.”

INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS INSPECTORATE, 2024





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A WEALTH OF OPPORTUNITY

The wide breadth of our curriculum offers a wealth of opportunity for students to explore their talents, develop passions, and be intellectually challenged. We tailor to the needs of each individual, offering multiple pathways towards success.

UNEARTHING POTENTIAL

With a strong focus on personal growth, a Taunton School education is built around finding the best in every child. Our students enjoy an inspiring educational environment, comprising over 56 acres of learning and play space, providing the freedom to grow.

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ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Students are encouraged to develop a thirst for knowledge and a love of learning. We have high expectations of our students across the curriculum. We place great value on the pursuit of excellence, and celebrate each other's successes as one School.

“The School provides a broad curriculum which is flexible and tailored to the needs, aspirations and interests of pupils.”

INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS INSPECTORATE, 2024



A CULTURE OF AMBITION

A MINDSET FOR LIFE

*"I have nothing but praise
for the School and all the
teams who work so hard
for the pupils."*

SCHOOL PARENT, 2024





RESILIENCE AND AUTHENTICITY

We help our students develop the characteristics they need to become the best versions of themselves. By instilling self-confidence and leadership skills we enable them to recover from setbacks. Valuing authenticity and a lack of pretence, we lay the foundations for their future professional relationships.

INDEPENDENCE AND CURIOSITY

Our School celebrates its pioneering heritage. Students are encouraged to be lifelong learners with a thirst for knowledge and change. By championing curiosity and self-direction, we develop enquiring minds and independent spirits.



INTEGRITY AND HUMILITY

We lay the foundations for success. We teach students to embrace opportunity and recognise the importance of individual contribution without any hint of arrogance. We value integrity and honesty and affirm the importance of standing up for what is right – even when that may be difficult.





ONE INCLUSIVE FAMILY

Taunton School is a place in which many communities come together to create one greater collective. From Nursery through to Sixth Form, the journey is seamless. Our School is built on inclusivity. Everybody belongs, whatever your story, whatever your background.

ROOTED IN KINDNESS AND COMPASSION

We believe students should feel safe, supported and able to thrive. To facilitate this we have built an outstanding pastoral care system which creates positive connections and community. A culture of kindness and respect ensures that students can flourish.



FREEDOM TO BE YOURSELF

Our School is a place in which students enjoy the freedom to be whoever they want to be. Whether inside the classroom or out, they are encouraged to discover their passions and be themselves.

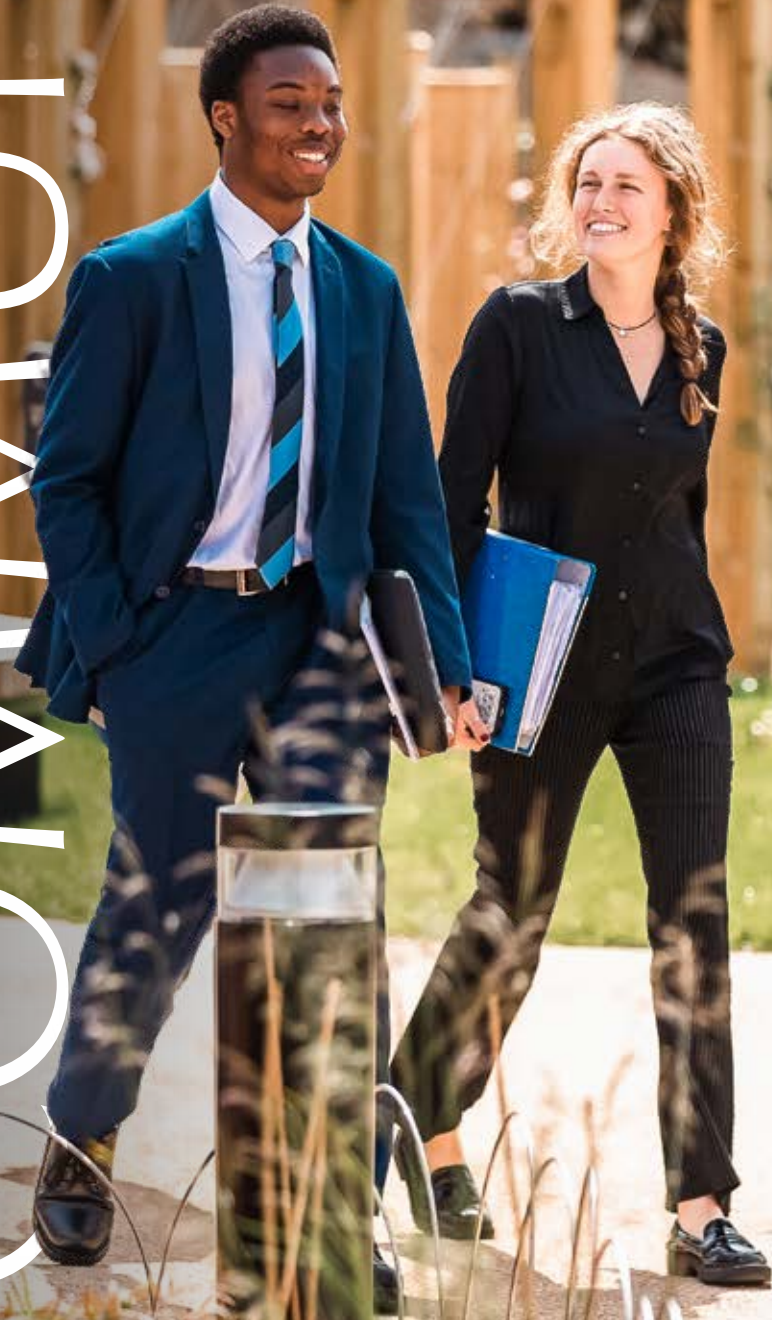
“Of all the School’s attributes, pastoral care stands first and foremost.”

THE GOOD SCHOOLS GUIDE, 2022

A SENSE OF BELONGING



A GLOBAL COMMUNITY





AN INSPIRING LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

We foster a sense of community and inclusiveness, by teaching students to respect themselves as well as others. With over 60 nationalities represented across the year groups, our students are encouraged to have a global mindset.

CELEBRATING DIVERSITY

As an IB World School we celebrate and champion diversity in all its forms, recognising that our collective differences make us stronger. Our culture of inclusion builds a sense of empathy and understanding, which in turn allows us to support the personal and academic growth of every student.



CONNECTIONS BEYOND THE CLASSROOM



The sense of global reach at Taunton School continues long after students leave. Our alumni association is a global network of thousands of people from all ages, where members take an active part in enriching the experiences of pupils at the School.

EXCEPTIONAL TOGETHER

NURSERY

FOR AGES 0 - 4

At our Nursery, we are renowned for our excellence in Early Years Education for those aged 0-4 years.

PRE-PREPARATORY

FOR AGES 4 - 7

Our Pre-Prep, for children aged 4-7 years, offers a safe and vibrant environment where every child can feel secure and happy.

PREPARATORY

FOR AGES 7 - 13

Our Prep School is home to 330 boys and girls aged between 7 and 13 with a happy boarding community of around 50.

SENIOR

FOR AGES 13 - 16

At Taunton Senior School, whilst we are proudly ambitious for all of our students, their well-being is at the heart of all we do.

SIXTH FORM

FOR AGES 16 - 18

Our vibrant Sixth Form offers four separate academic pathways playing to the strengths of every student.

INTERNATIONAL

FOR AGES 7 - 18

We have been welcoming international students to Taunton School for more than 100 years and we are now home to students of 60+ nationalities.







BEAUTIFUL AND RURAL SOMERSET

Our spacious 56-acre campus is located in the picturesque county of Somerset in South West England.

Our School enjoys close proximity to the area's beautiful countryside, enviable coastline and the retail and leisure facilities of Taunton. Slightly further afield, Bristol and Exeter are both a 35 minute train or car ride away, offering even more opportunities to explore.

The School is easily accessible with Taunton Railway Station just minutes away, Bristol International Airport 45 minutes away and London Heathrow International Airport 1 hour and 45 minutes away.

30 MILES FROM
THE JURASSIC COAST

17 MILES FROM THE
SOMERSET COAST

11 MILES FROM THE
QUANTOCK HILLS

AN EVOLVING CAMPUS





We want to continue to inspire our pupils, creating an environment that puts academic achievement, co-curricular opportunities and pastoral care at its core.

Great schools are built on great communities, but we know that our physical infrastructure needs to continue to evolve if we are to pursue our vision and continue to offer outstanding educational opportunities to all our students.

The Taunton School Masterplan is our most ambitious project since our relocation to the Staplegrove site in the 19th century. It will transform our students' academic experience and ensure our great School becomes even greater.

AN EXCEPTIONAL PLAN FOR THE NEXT GENERATION...





LIFE BEYOND TAUNTON

A Taunton School education will have a positive impact on your child for the rest of their life.

The enrichment opportunities that they will experience will prepare them to succeed in the world well into the future. After leaving Taunton School, our pupils continue to benefit from the lasting legacy of being a former student.

They join a global network of Old Tauntonians who have used the skills and character traits learnt and developed at School to influence the world in significant ways. The 8,000 strong association provides mutual support for OTs, both in the UK and overseas.

Taunton School has educated many notable alumni during its 175 year existence. OTs have excelled as Politicians, Political Advisors and Diplomats, world-renowned University Professors and Distinguished Educationalists, Business Leaders and Entrepreneurs, Musicians, Artists and Actors, Research Scientists, and much more.

WHAT OUR PARENTS SAY...

My children love going to School. From the great atmosphere to being challenged to be the best version of themselves. The facilities are great.

The School is very nurturing and welcoming. My son has access to high quality teaching and resources. He loves sport and is able to compete at a high level with opportunities to continue to follow his passion as he moves through the School.

My child has been supported throughout his time at Taunton School. The staff are wonderful and really go above and beyond what is expected of them.

My child was anxious about starting as he was changing schools and the staff dealt with it smoothly, professionally and with kindness. He is settled now and flying. Coming from another independent school in Bristol, I can honestly say that Taunton School have got something right. Our experience as parents and that of our children is dramatically different, positively so, and we absolutely know we made the best decision to move both boys to Taunton School.

Wonderful teachers and a lovely environment.

I am very proud that my children have attended Taunton School.

The Prep School is outstanding, pastorally and in terms of facilitating our children's co-curricular requirements.

I think Taunton School is fantastic in all areas. Both of our children are very happy. The School is a diverse environment that we chose for them to be educated in.

The staff within Pre-Prep have been very supportive and take the time to listen to us as parents. Tennis being offered in Pre-Prep is brilliant. All the opportunities and school trips which are on offer set Taunton School apart from other schools.

For more information on what others think of Taunton School, take a look at our website.



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