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02-03
MAY 2023
10:30-17:00

Annual conference for Heads ~ *Making a difference*

HOSTED BY GAVIN HORGAN
BSA CHAIR 2023 AND HEADMASTER, MILLFIELD SCHOOL

VENUE: BRISTOL CITY CENTRE, MARRIOTT

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BSA is delighted to invite Heads from our member schools to the Annual BSA Conference for Heads, sponsored by **Chartwells** and **Schoolblazer**. This year's conference takes place on May 2-3, 2023, at the Bristol City Centre Marriott.

This two-day conference titled *'Making a difference'*, led by **Gavin Horgan**, BSA Chair 2023 and Headmaster, Millfield School will bring together leading boarding Heads to reflect on the benefits of boarding and how to support Heads in their leadership roles.

The conference will also announce the winners of the Annual BSA Supporting Excellence Awards which will take place at the Conference Dinner, this year, on May 2, 2023. Award categories are now open for applications and the deadline for entries is **Friday 31 March 2023**.


AUDIENCE:
Heads | Principals

VENUE:
Bristol City Centre Marriott, BS1 3AD

ACCOMMODATION:
Please note accommodation is not included in the delegate rate. Delegates are able to book accommodation for the two-day conference using the online booking platform, **Roomex**.

COST:
Member delegate rate – £550
Affiliate member delegate rate – £825

Includes: two-day conference, conference refreshments and BSA annual awards dinner. Please note the cost does not include hotel accommodation.

 **Click here** to login and secure your room using your school email address domain.

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Day 1

Tuesday 02 May:

The Benefits of Boarding

- 10:30 Registration and refreshments**
- 11:45 Opening of conference**
Robin Fletcher, Chief Executive, BSA and BSA Group
- 11:50 Chairman's address**
Gavin Horgan, BSA Chair 2023 and Headmaster, Millfield School
- 12:05 Making a difference**
Chair: Lisa Kerr, Principal, Gordonstoun School
- Ana Fegan-Smith, Gordonstoun alumni, Royal National Children's SpringBoard Foundation (RNCSF)
- 12:50 Lunch**
- 13:30 Eat to excel by headline sponsors, Chartwells**
- Adam Sutton, Nutritionist, Millfield School
 - Matthew Bramley, Executive Chef, Millfield School
- 13:50 Research: Interventions health, wellbeing and safeguarding**
- Dr Suzi Godson, Chief Executive Officer, Tellmi
 - Thomas Freeney, Partnerships Manager, Tellmi
- 14:50 Refreshments**
- 15:20 Start right: Supporting younger boarders**
Chair: Gavin Horgan, BSA Chair 2023 and Headmaster, Millfield School
- Jeremy Banks, Headmaster, Caldicott School and IAPS representative, BSA board
 - Ali Kinge, Headmistress, Ardvreck School
 - Emilie Darwin, Director of Member Services, IAPS
- 16:00 Making a difference in the face of political threat**
Chair: Robin Fletcher, Chief Executive, BSA and BSA Group
- Julie Robinson, CEO, ISC
 - Sue Bishop, Specialist Education and Charities Partner, Alder PR
 - Jonathan Simons, Partner and Head of the Education Practice, Public First
 - Tom Arbuthnott, Deputy Head (Partnerships), Eton College and Co-Founder, Schools Together Group
- 19:00 New and Retiring Heads' Drinks reception - Sponsored by Moore Barlow**
- 19:30 Drinks reception - Sponsored by Moore Barlow**
- 20:00 Annual conference and awards dinner sponsored by Chartwells**
After dinner speaker: Tim Hands, Headmaster, Winchester College

Day 2

Wednesday 03 May:

Supporting Heads

- 09:30 Supporting neurodiversity in boarding**
Chair: Gavin Horgan, BSA Chair 2023 and Headmaster, Millfield School
- Fintan O'Regan, ADHD and Neurodiversity consultant and author
- 10:30 Refreshments**
- 10:50 Telling the Children in Need story**
- Rosie Millard OBE, Chairperson, BBC Children in Need
- 11:30 Refreshments**
- 11:45 Safeguarding: supporting pupils past, current and future**
Chair: Dale Wilkins, Senior Director, BSA Group
- David Smellie, Partner, Farrer & Co.
 - Fiona Scolding KC, Barrister, Landmark Chambers
- 12:30 Lunch**
- 13:15 Breakout sessions**
- LEGAL, HR AND IMMIGRATION UPDATE**
Chair: Kate Hollyer, Legal Director, BSA Group
 - Ben Collingwood, Partner, Moore Barlow
 - Krissy Scott, Partner, HCR
- THE OUTLOOK FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MARKETING AND RECRUITMENT**
Chair: Bethan Waddington, Programmes Director, BSA Group and Director, BAISIS
 - Caroline Nixon, International Director, BSA Group
 - Sarah Bellotti, Head, Mill Hill International and Chair, BAISIS
 - Catherine Stoker, Founder, The Independent Education Consultants
 - Su Hayter, UK Country Manager and Global Development Manager (Boarding Schools), Intake Education
- STATE BOARDING**
Chair: Chris Pyle, Head, Lancaster Royal Grammar School and Chair, SBF
 - Dale Wilkins, Senior Director, BSA Group
- GIRLS' BOARDING**
 - Jo Cameron, Headmistress, Queenswood School
 - Donna Stevens, Chief Executive, GSA (Girls' Schools Association)
- 14:15 The boarding view from "Down Under"**
Richard Stokes, Chief Executive Officer, Australian Boarding Schools' Association (ABSA)
- 14:45 The reunion: facing our past**
Gavin Horgan in conversation with Ben Smith, endurance athlete and anti-bullying champion
- 15:15 Refreshments**
- 15:30 Practical considerations to make a difference**
- John Murphie, COO, ISBA
 - Hannah Hamilton, Director of Marketing, United Learning
 - Michael Hayman MBE DL, Co-founder, Seven Hills
- 16:15 The evolution of Headship**
- Session details tbc
- 17:00 Close of conference - handover to Jo Cameron, Headmistress, Queenswood School**
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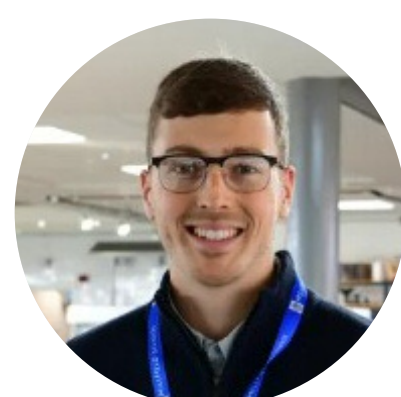
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BSA Boarding Excellence Awards categories:

- Best Community Work Via BSA 'On Board' Initiative Award
- Boarding House Extension Or Refurbishment Award
- Boarding Innovation Award
- Boarding Research Award
- Most Original Activity During National Boarding Week Award
- Stephen Winkley Award
- Supporting International Boarders Award
- Supporting Junior Boarders Award
- Wellbeing And Mental Health Initiative Award
- Working With Vulnerable Children Award
- International School Of The Year Award
- Outstanding INDEX (Inclusion And Diversity Excellence) Leadership Award
- INDEX (Inclusion And Diversity Excellence) Initiative Award
- Best Artwork Project Award
- Khadija Saye Photography Award



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