





## Annual conference for Heads ~

### Making a difference

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**.

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#### 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) representative

#### 12:50 **Lunch**

#### 13:30 Eat to excel by headline sponsors, Chartwells

Chair: Gavin Horgan, Chair, BSA 2023 and Headmaster, Millfield School

- Adam Sutton, Chartwells Nutritionist, Millfield School
- Matthew Bramley, Executive Chef, Millfield School

#### 13:50 Growing up in the age of anxiety

- Dr Suzi Godson, Chief Executive Officer, Tellmi
- Thomas Freeney, Partnerships Manager, Tellmi

#### 14:50 Refreshments

#### 15:20 The Seven Ages of Headship

Chair: Gavin Horgan, BSA Chair 2023 and Headmaster, Millfield School

• Sir Anthony Seldon, Interim Head, Epsom College

#### 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

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#### 17:00 Conference close for day one

19:00 New and Retiring Heads' Drinks reception – Sponsored by Moore Barlow LLP

Evening entertainment provided by Badminton School



20:00 Annual conference and awards dinner sponsored by Chartwells

After dinner speaker: Tim Hands, Headmaster, Winchester College



#### 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
- Anthony Friel, Neurodiversity in Business and Senior Consultant and Neurodiversity Network Chair, Deloitte

#### 10:30 Refreshments

#### 0:50 Telling the Children in Need story

Chair: Gavin Horgan, BSA Chair 2023 and Headmaster, Millfield School

- 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

1. START RIGHT: SUPPORTING YOUNGER BOARDERS

Chair: Gavin Horgan, Chair, BSA 2023 and Headmaster, Millfield School

- Jeremy Banks, Headmaster, Caldicott School and IAPS representative, BSA Executive Committee
- Ali Kinge, Headmistress, Ardvreck School
- Emilie Darwin, Director of Member Services, IAPS

#### 2. 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

#### 3. STATE BOARDING

Chair: Chris Pyle, Head, Lancaster Royal Grammar School and Chair, SBF

- Dale Wilkins, Senior Director, BSA Group
- 4. GIRLS' BOARDING

Chair: Gaelle Sullivan, Director of Research and Inclusion, BSA Group and Director, TIOB

- 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
- Phil Dean, Managing Director, Studio Certain

#### 16:15 Legal, HR and Immigration updates

Chair: Gavin Horgan, BSA Chair 2023 and Headmaster, Millfield School

- Kate Hollyer, Legal and Public Affairs Director, BSA Group and BSA Group Legal
- Ben Collingwood, Partner, Moore Barlow LLP
- Krissy Scott, Partner, HCR Law

#### 17:00 Close of conference –

Gavin Horgan, BSA Chair 2023 and Headmaster, Millfield School

Gavin hands over to Jo Cameron, Headmistress, Queenswood School and incoming

BSA Chair 2024





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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 awards

Wellbeing and Mental Health initiative award - Chartwells

Working with vulnerable children award

International School of the Year award

Best new INDEX initiative award

Best Artwork Project award

Khadija Saye Photography award.





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