

Message from the Head



Lochinver House School is a highly regarded boys' day preparatory school situated in Little Heath on the outskirts of Potters Bar in Hertfordshire. The School's mission is to inspire pupils through the highest level of quality teaching and learning, in partnership with their parents. There is a particular emphasis on spiritual, moral, social and cultural development, whilst also creating a safe, happy community that is conducive to learning in its broadest sense.

The School, founded in 1947, recently celebrated its 75th anniversary and enjoys operating at its maximum roll of 350 pupils. An ISI Focused Compliance and Educational Quality Inspection in February 2022, found the School to be fully compliant and judged 'Excellent' in every area, a result which was also achieved during the School's two previous inspections. In the same year, the School was a runner up in the Independent Schools of the Year Awards.

Lochinver prepares pupils for entry to a large number of world class schools at both 11+ and 13+ and is noted for high attainment academically and its delivery of a strong programme of co-curricular pursuits. These accomplishments have been supported by excellent governance, strong leadership, sound financial management, ample resourcing, a highly regarded staff team and a positive home/school partnership.

We are a grounded not grand school, truly diverse and inclusive and continue to be proud of our School's strong academic results, scholarship success and successful senior school entry at both 11+ and 13+. Two thirds of our pupils learn a musical instrument and 50% of those learn two, with termly progression through ABRSM grade exams, sat at our school. Regular concerts showcase pupil orchestras and ensembles and our theatre hosts dramatic presentations throughout the year.

The School fields a tremendous number of sports teams and we compete at the highest level, with some of our pupils contracted to professional clubs. Lochinver sport is highly respected. We are currently national U13 Basketball Champions, Rugby 7s and Cricket County Champions and bronze medal winners in the U11 Cricket Independent Schools National Finals. We are regular participants in the National IAPS Athletics finals. We have 90 pupils taking part in our football tour to Valencia in October.

The School is well equipped with modern purpose-built classrooms, a theatre, a sports hall, a computing suite, art studio, DT studio, music rooms, two science laboratories, dedicated space for Learning Support and extensive playing fields (grass and all-weather) within its 9 acre site. We offer 2 form entry from Reception to Year 6 and 3 form entry in Years 7 and 8.

I am a member of the Independent Association of Prep Schools (IAPS), a team inspector with ISI and a member of the advisory council at St Albans School. Lochinver House School is both a charitable trust and a company limited by guarantee and is administered by a committed and capable Board of Governors.

I am hugely thankful to the brilliant staff team and wider community for such tremendous achievements and welcome your interest in joining Lochinver House School.

Ben Walker
Head