



**HARROW**  
INTERNATIONAL  
SCHOOL  
APPI · JAPAN

**MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDING HEAD MASTER**

I've been very privileged to serve the community of four schools as Head Master, in the Middle East, Europe and, twice in East Asia; with the British School in Tokyo and Harrow Bangkok. Experiences in the latter two postings in particular have provided invaluable expertise in the foundation of Harrow Appi; a school which brings Harrow standards to a Japanese setting, with an alpine environment thrown in for good measure.

The opening of the school has been a long time coming, my first trip to Appikogen was in the depths of winter, in January 2018, dressed in a business suit with big snowflakes falling and I was immediately smitten; I remember it well. Needless to say, I look forward to 29<sup>th</sup> August 2022, our first day, with great anticipation.

Our fortunate students are going to benefit from a carefully designed, digitally enabled campus, with innovation hub, creative arts centre and swimming pool capping off wonderful facilities. The Super Curricular Programme will engage and stretch them beyond the classroom and the Co-Curricular offerings are going to be awesome; from ski academy and Expeditioning to classical ensembles and the tea ceremony. Harrow meets Gordonstoun in the Japanese snow country.

It all sounds sublime, but it's going to be pedal to the metal from day one for our faculty. This is a full boarding highly-academic school, committed to holistic education with the cultural and adventurous opportunities of Tohoku to mine. Therefore, my challenge is to recruit teachers at the top of their game, who will throw their all into the life of the school for the start to the finish of every term.

I recommend a strong early decision; is Harrow Appi for you?

Good luck

Mick Farley

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