

Statement of Principles for Rugby School

The School's principal activity is the education and pastoral care of its pupils. All of its assets and its income and expenditure relate to that activity. Rugby School's Development Plan includes a Statement of Values, which also forms our Statement of Principles for boarding:

- Rugby is an all-round co-educational school, where pupils are actively encouraged to develop their own individual skills and talents. Every child has something special inside them; it's our job to find out what that is.
- Rugby is a school which values outstanding academic performance but never at the expense of achieving excellence in other fields. In our experience, a hothouse isn't necessarily a place where many pupils will blossom.
- Rugby is a school located in the Midlands, and we're often noted for our remarkably unpretentious atmosphere. But amongst pupils and teachers alike, you'll detect a fierce pride about being here.
- Rugby is a school with a strong sense of service to the community. We're blessed with some marvellously well-equipped facilities, and we think it's only fair we afford wider access to them whenever we can.
- At Rugby, we also think it's fair to give children a chance to come here who couldn't otherwise afford to do so.
- Rugby is a true 7-day a week school with a strong boarding ethos. The place doesn't empty at weekends for the simple reason that there's so much going on here.
- Rugby is a school that loves to innovate and try out new things. Just because 'it's never been done before' doesn't mean we shouldn't give it a go now.
- Without being over-pious about it, Rugby is a Christian foundation, where tolerance and understanding are taught with just the same skill and dedication as English and Maths.
- Rugby is a school with a strong House structure, and a long tradition of in-house dining. This means there's an unusual emphasis on individual pastoral care, so being here really is the next best thing to being back home.
- After five years of receiving one of the best school educations in the world, all of our pupils finally leave Rugby. But Rugby never, ever leaves them.