

What is new?

Following the success of our British Council inspection in 2017 (eleven strengths), BOSS was awarded 'Centre of Excellence' status by the EL Gazette, the newspaper for English language and international education. The EL Gazette is committed to developing the standards of excellence for language schools and centres all over the world.

This year, 31% of our students had been to BOSS before and the majority of those students brought along family and friends to show them what BOSS is all about. This meant not only a record numbers of returners but also a record number of students from over 30 countries as the BOSS Family continues to grow and grow!

What is included?

- 20 hours of English per week
- Trinity College Spoken English Exam (98% pass rate in 2018)
- Two full day and two half day excursions per week
- All museum and attraction entrance fees
- Full afternoon and evening activity programme
- All course materials
- Full board accommodation
- Student travel insurance
- Laundry service
- BOSS wristband, BOSS drinks bottle, BOSS folder, BOSS diary and BOSS t-shirt



Welcome

One school, one family

It's easy to see why kids and teens would want to spend their summer at Buckswood Overseas Summer School (BOSS). It's an experience of a lifetime that offers more than meets the eye! Of course our English lessons are extremely important but so too is the thrill of trying new activities and visiting new places, and the friendships that are made make it such a special experience for our students.

Here at BOSS, we take pride in helping to shape the lives of our students and, by encouraging confidence through experience, we allow them to challenge themselves through excitement and adventure as well as developing social and life skills in a happy and pleasant environment.

However, BOSS is not only about experiencing new things and shaping lives, it is also about having lots of fun and being able to take your stories home to share with your friends and family. Our campus is an amazing place, full of life, activities and energy!

Who wouldn't want to spend their summer at BOSS?



Courses

Spring Course: 31st March to 20th April 2019

Summer Course: 30th June to 17th August 2019

BOSS courses, for students aged 8 to 17, are designed to get the most out of our students both socially and academically. With 20 hours of English per week, our academic programme will push you to work hard at improving your English in the mornings while our fabulous Activity and Excursion Programme will offer you the opportunity to play hard in the afternoons and evenings!

All in all, BOSS courses offer you the chance to get the most out of your time with us and to develop as a person. Not only will you have lots of fun, improve your English, see wonderful places and make lots of great new friends, you will really broaden your mind, grow in confidence and learn to become independent.



Academic Programme

BOSS adopts a learner centred approach and the content of our Academic Programme is carefully prepared by our energetic and committed Academic Team on the basis of each students' individual assessment and needs. All of our classrooms are equipped with smart boards and with a maximum class size of 15 and levels ranging from beginner to advanced, our course is planned so that a sensible balance between academic and non-academic activities is maintained. We like to educate our students, but also to keep them motivated and never bored.

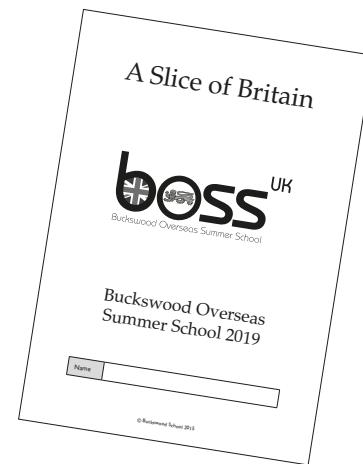
The objective of our Academic Programme is to strengthen and improve our students' English by consolidating what knowledge they may already have of the language. The outcome will then be the opportunity to take the Trinity College Spoken English Exam, which all students will take on the last day of their stay at BOSS (minimum stay 2 weeks).

The Trinity College Spoken English Exams are well suited to summer schools as they give direction to short courses and provide an outcome to the course. Everyone can be successful at their own level and all students who pass will go home with an internationally recognised certificate and a feeling of accomplishment as well as making your teacher and parents happy!



A Slice of Britain

Our 'A Slice of Britain' lessons allow our students to develop knowledge of British culture, traditions and customs as well as improving their language skills. We encourage discussion and participation in these interactive lessons and use practical means wherever possible, for example, cooking and eating British food, making their very own British-style movie and by participating in English customs during their lessons. Therefore, our students will not only improve their English whilst learning about Britain, they will also experience and participate in British customs and traditions first-hand!



Activity and Excursion Programme

Our Activity and Excursion Programme for 2019 involves learning through participation and a lot of fun! Our programme is carefully planned to ensure that no moment passes without learning and that every minute is packed with fun. Our programme consists of two full day excursions (Wednesday and Sunday) and two half day excursions (Tuesday and Saturday) visiting places such as London, Brighton, Hastings and Canterbury with the opportunity to visit some of the world's most famous landmarks.

When we don't have excursions we have a full range of onsite activities in the afternoon including sports, arts and crafts, drama and music as well as exciting activities every evening that involve all students together as they compete in a variety of challenges and shows. Think music, mess and mayhem!

Please visit our website for a sample activity and excursion programme.

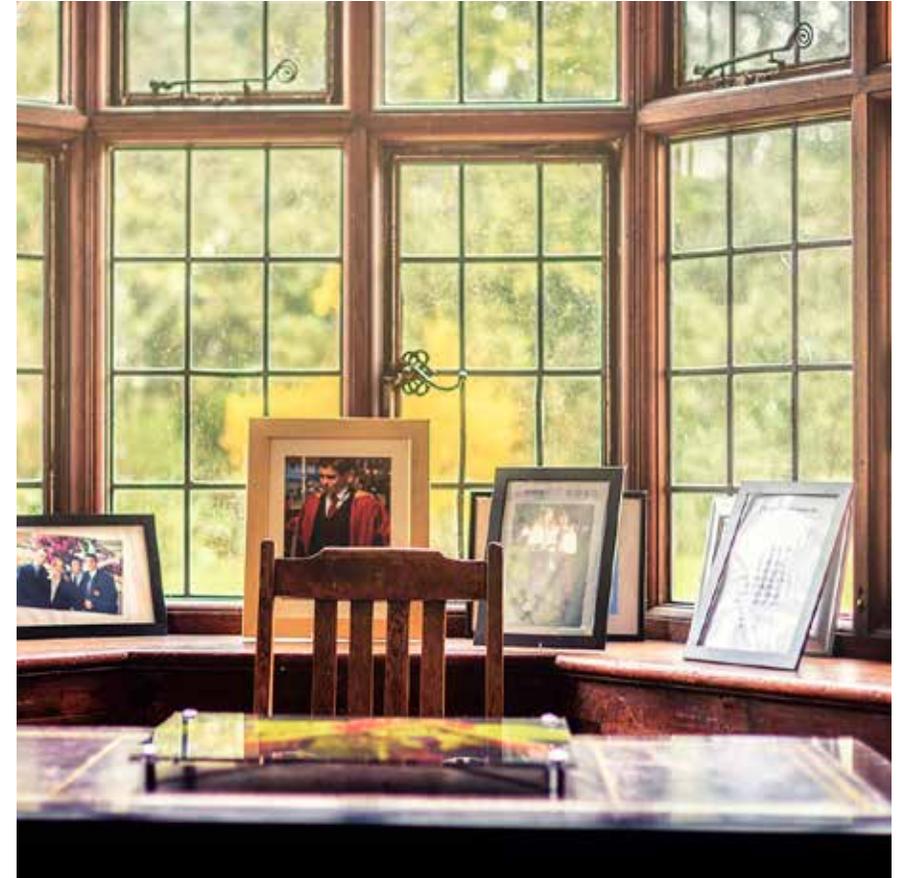
With our own fleet of coaches and minibuses, we are able to be flexible when the British weather changes our plans without asking us!

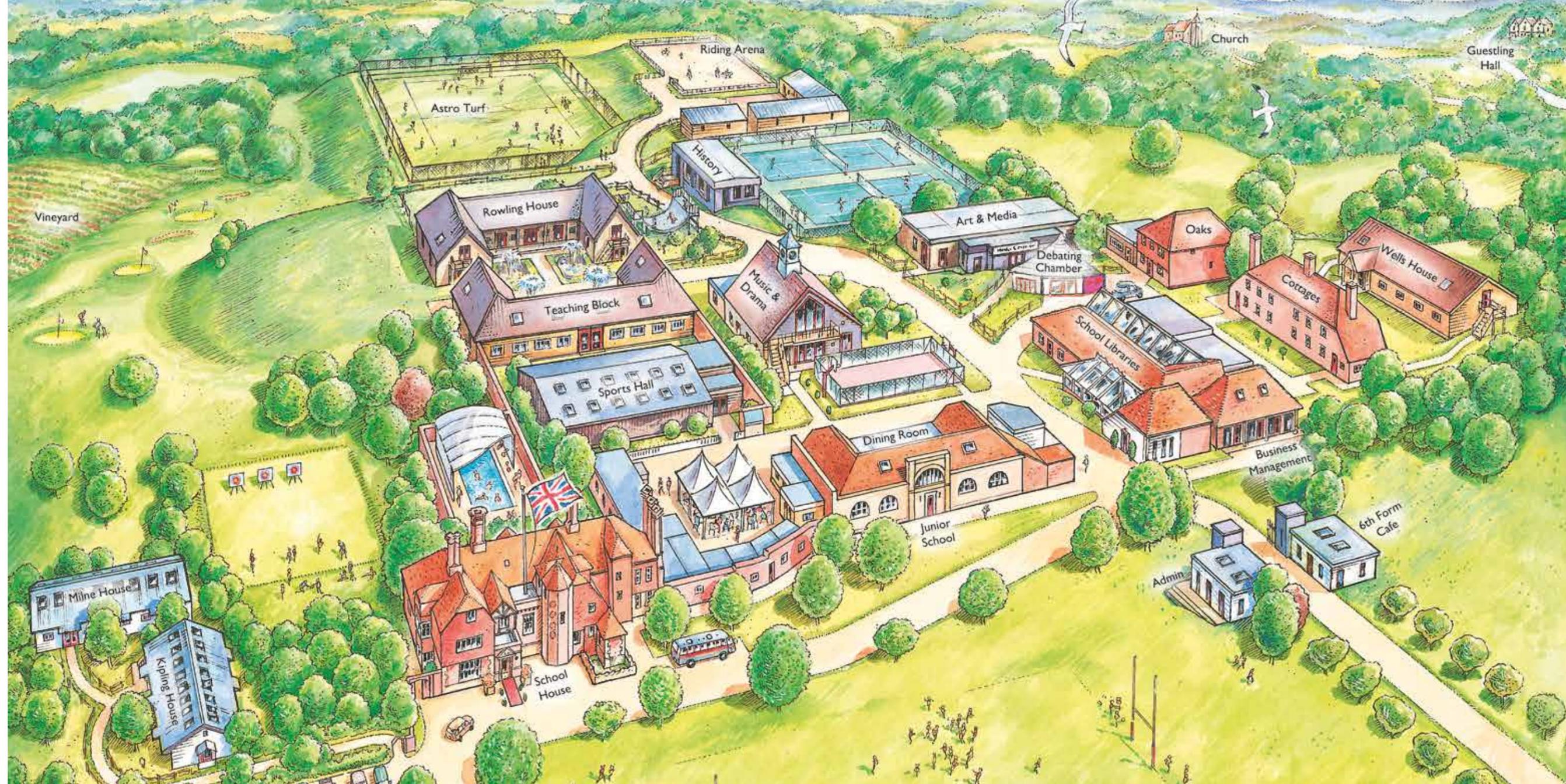


BOSS in Bloom

In the heart of the East Sussex countryside, BOSS is completely surrounded by nature. There is literally nothing around our campus apart from lofty trees, farmland and rolling hills that provide endless opportunities for exploring and being at one with Mother Nature. Our campus is a wonderful place to be, particularly in summer when the colourful flowers are in full bloom.

Being nestled in the Sussex meadows provides many benefits to our students - they breathe fresh air every day; it is safe and they are focused on the here and now, not distracted by the hustle and bustle of Hastings, our nearest town (8km from BOSS). All in all it provides an excellent environment to learn and the fact that we are in the middle of nowhere really is no issue as everything that our students need is right here onsite.





Buckwood Academies

Buckwood Academies are add-ons and run alongside our usual activity programme. The academies are for students who want to spend time with a professional coach to develop themselves in a particular area, or simply to try something new!



B.F.A. Buckwood Football Academy

- ✓ Football fitness testing with results certificates
- ✓ Technique sessions
- ✓ Professional scouts overseeing coaching sessions
- ✓ Coaches challenges
- ✓ Skills challenges
- ✓ Sessions on forward play, finishing, 1-on-1s, midfield play and defending techniques
- ✓ Futsal competitions with medals and prizes for winners
- ✓ Certificate stating skills learnt

B.T.A. Buckwood Tennis Academy

Our onsite Tennis Academy is run by fully qualified coaches who will focus on the most important aspects of your game.

- ✓ SAQs, bleep testing and fitness
- ✓ Building your core strength
- ✓ Forehands and backhands
- ✓ Hand-eye co-ordination
- ✓ The Serve
- ✓ Focus on movement on court
- ✓ The Volley
- ✓ Finishing the point at the net
- ✓ Certificate stating skills learnt

B.R.A. Buckwood Riding Academy

B.R.A. is our onsite riding academy with 8 horses and floodlit sand school. As part of our riding programme students are encouraged to accept a certain responsibility for the welfare of the horses they ride, in terms of feeding, cleaning and grooming.

- ✓ Beginner to advanced
- ✓ Show Jumping
- ✓ Hacking
- ✓ Stable Management
- ✓ Cross Country Jumping
- ✓ Certificate stating skills learnt

B.D.A. Buckwood Dance Academy

The Buckwood Dance Academy is available for all levels and styles of dance. Run by professionally qualified dance teachers for beginners to experienced dancers.

- ✓ Dance Fitness and Aerobics
- ✓ Flexibility/Body Conditioning
- ✓ Street/Modern Dance
- ✓ Certificate stating skills learnt

B.G.A. Buckwood Golf Academy

The aim of B.G.A is to give the golfer the information and basic techniques needed to be able to go onto the golf course with confidence.

- ✓ Solid setup
- ✓ Fundamentals of the swing, putting, chipping and bunkers
- ✓ Mechanics of the game
- ✓ Rules and etiquette
- ✓ Golf do's and don'ts
- ✓ Course management
- ✓ Card marking and handicaps
- ✓ Certificate stating skills learnt

B.E.A. Buckwood English Academy

Our English Academy is run by our Director of Studies and classes are taught by our Summer School teachers. Students may attend in preparation for exams or simply to improve their reading, writing, speaking or listening skills. Academy classes can be tailored to meet the needs of all our students.

- ✓ Small groups
- ✓ Subject specific courses
- ✓ Exam preparation
- ✓ Certificate stating skills learnt

Buckwood Academies are add-ons and cost £35 per hour.



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Environment

The BOSS campus is an eco-friendly campus where each student is encouraged to learn and to understand the importance of the environment in which they live. We have biomass boilers and solar panels around the campus which allow us to reduce our carbon footprint and means that much of Buckswood's energy comes from the summer sun!

Food

Our chefs cook at Buckswood all year round, serving our meals in our family style dining room.

Buckswood has the 'Food for Life' certificate which was awarded to our chefs for cooking healthy, fresh meals from locally sourced products.

Our chefs are always around and can cater for any dietary requirements. They are part of the 'Buckswood Family' so you can talk to them any time about food, arranging a dinner party or even just to practise your English!

Health and Safety

Our nurse is on call throughout the week in our very own onsite surgery to arrange any necessary health care for students who may not be feeling 100%.

To add an extra safety blanket, each member of BOSS staff is First Aid and Child Protection trained and the local hospital is just ten minutes away.



Our House System

Within the BOSS Family we have several smaller families who together make up our House System. Each house has a House Tutor who will welcome our students into their houses and provide them with all the care that they need during their stay. Our House Tutors will be our students' first point of contact and the person our students should turn to for advice or assistance. Having said that, students may also speak to any member of staff who all live onsite to provide that extra level of care and attention.

Our House System provides our students with a "home-from-home" environment that will help each of them to learn and grow as individuals and as leaders. Without realising it, everything that our students do is a valuable life lesson that will help them to develop under the close mentorship of our House Tutors.

The comradeship and sense of belonging that grows within our House System naturally encourages our students to work together with each other, to do their best and to succeed with pride in all that they do.

Each house is unique offering single, twin, triple or quadruple rooms, the majority of which are now en-suite. Each room has a bed, a desk, a chair, a wardrobe and drawers.

Which house is the best!?

Like BOSS on Facebook (www.facebook.com/BuckswoodSummerSchool), Instagram (@buckswoodsummerschool) or Twitter (@SchoolUK) to find out!



A Typical Day

- 07:45 Good morning everyone! It's time to wake up! Make your bed and have a shower!
- 08:00 Room inspections! My room is the best! I will win the house points today!
- 08:15 It's time for breakfast! I'm starving!
- 09:00 Assembly! Time for fun! I can't be late or I'll have to dance!
- 09:30 English lessons! Have I got my BOSS folder and my pen?
- 11:00 Break time! Juice, tea, coffee, biscuits, fruit! Delicious!
- 11:30 English lessons! I want to be first back to class!
- 13:00 Lunch time. I wonder what's on the menu today?
- 14:00 A Slice of Britain! Is this really a lesson!? It's so much fun!
- 15:30 Afternoon activities. What are we doing today? Where am I going?
- 19:00 Dinner time. I'm looking forward to dinner. After a busy afternoon I'm so hungry!
- 20:00 Evening activity! I love activities! I can be with all of my friends and have lots of fun!
- 21:30 Hot chocolate time! When I say hot, you say chocolate! HOT! CHOCOLATE!
- 22:00 House meeting! I love being with my house-mates. Our house is the best!
- 22:30 Goodnight everyone! It's time for bed!

Half day trips take place on Tuesday and Saturday afternoons (14:00 to 18:00) and full day trips take place on Wednesdays and Sundays (08:30 to 19:00)



The Many Faces of BOSS



At BOSS we never say goodbye, we always say "see you later" as you never know when you might bump into a member of the BOSS Family!

How to find us

Postcode for satnav: TN35 4LT

From Heathrow: Take M25, south/east, A21 towards Hastings; before going into the town of Hastings take the B2093 then the A259 towards Rye. A few miles out of Hastings you will find BOSS on the right, near Guestling.

From Gatwick: Take M23 to London to join M25 eastbound, take A21 to Hastings; before going into the town of Hastings take the B2093 then the A259 towards Rye. A few miles out of Hastings you will find BOSS on the right, near Guestling.

From Ashford: Take A2070 southbound to Brenzett, join A259 to Rye and Hastings. Before reaching Hastings, you will come to the village of Guestling. BOSS is on the left.

If you require assistance with your journey, please do not hesitate to contact BOSS on +44 (0) 1424 815912.



How to book

To book a BOSS course, please visit www.buckswoodsummerschool.com and complete our online booking form. Alternatively, please email us at summerschool@buckswood.co.uk for a copy.

- A non-refundable deposit of £250 is required to secure a booking. Once a completed booking form has been received, further information regarding payment will be sent.
- Please always check availability with us before completing a booking form or booking flights.
- Please contact us for other booking methods.
- Please visit our website for terms and conditions.





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