

WORTH SCHOOL ●●

Paddockhurst Road, Turners Hill, West Sussex RH10 4SD

Website worthschool.org.uk

Head Stuart McPherson, MA, since 2015; previously a Housemaster at

Eton Pupils 613. Day: 200 boys,

111 girls; boarding: 206 boys, 96

girls Ages 11–18 Term Fees Day:

£8,190; boarding: £11,740

Oxbridge Occasional Admission

School's own exam, interview

and previous school's report

Alumni Actor Robert Bathurst,

rugby player Tom Mitchell

'From the first time I set foot on campus, I felt welcome,' says one sixth former, remembering her first visit to Worth – and she's not alone. Students, parents and staff wax lyrical about the community spirit. With every individual valued and every achievement recognised, Worth feels like one big family, which is no mean feat for a 600-strong co-ed. While Worth welcomes students from all backgrounds, the Abbey and its Benedictine community remain at the heart of the school, fostering Roman Catholic values and leading regular worship: morning and evening prayer takes place in each house, everyone (pupils, staff and monks) gathers for a service in the Abbey Church on Wednesdays and each new term starts with a Family Mass. Just a short drive from Gatwick and a 40-minute train journey from the capital, the school welcomes pupils from London, the local area, the South East and abroad. Communication with parents is excellent, as are the regular social events, from festive fairs to regular 'Canapés and Fizz' evenings. Alumni have always remained an important part of the family, but thanks to the launch of their 'one stop' network Worth Connecting, many are now supporting current pupils with work experience, careers advice and mentoring. And judging by last year's stellar results (around two thirds A*–B at A-level and an IB average of 35), the network will soon be welcoming fresh talent.