



Wish you were a boarder? Now you can experience boarding and broaden your horizons.

Introducing the Year 9 'boarder for a term' program.

When we think about broadening our horizons we might imagine leaving the comforts of home and jumping on a plane to some far-flung destination.

Well, you may have to leave the comforts of home, but you won't be without home comforts and you will definitely be broadening your horizons if you choose to try boarding for a term at St Margaret's.

Parents of boarders will tell you boarding promotes independence and maturity, as their daughters learn to live away from home and among a whole range of different personalities and people from other cultures.

Boarders most often refer to the fun times with their 'sisters'; the fact they don't have to waste time on daily travel; having a teacher to help with homework; and of course the fun weekend activities, themed dinners and socials with boys schools.

As educators and carers of boarders for over 120 years, the school witnesses a wonderful growth of girls when they come into boarding. Living with others is not always smooth sailing, as any family would attest, but boarding can assist girls to learn more self-regulatory behaviour and become more resilient as they navigate living and learning in this new environment.

While the assistance of the day school teachers in prep is a real bonus, peer to peer tutoring can be highly effective as well. Weekly chapel gives boarders space in their busy lives for quiet reflection and the chance to explore their spirituality, which can be a valuable guiding source in their lives.

With such a diverse boarding house population, there is much to be gained as girls embrace and learn more about the different life experiences of others from vastly different backgrounds and cultures – all without hopping on a plane – although friends made in the boarding house will undoubtedly spark invitations of travel to some far-flung places as boarders are always keen to share first hand their home lives with their new friends.

Year 9 is a wonderful time in a young girl's life to make these connections, and grow in maturity and independence. For further information about boarding, you can download the Boarding Handbook on our website, or to become a boarder, contact Admissions on 3862 0762 or email Admissions@stmargarets.qld.edu.au.

Give boarding a try for a term in 2016.

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