



Caterham School does not appoint Educational Guardians on behalf of parents. It is the Parent's responsibility to nominate an Educational Guardianship Organisation/Guardian that meets all of the requirements as set out in this policy.

Following the Children Act (1989), the Protection of Children Act (1999), the Care Standards Act (2000) Caterham School, in promoting and safeguarding the welfare of every boarding pupil, , requires parents who do not live in the United Kingdom to appoint an Educational Guardian to act on their behalf.

The above legislation protects the rights of children and makes 'proper and appropriate care' a compulsory requirement.

During term time the School is responsible for each pupil's welfare and undertakes parentally designated responsibilities. However, there are times (e.g. exeat weekends, half-term breaks, or if a pupil is suspended or excluded by the School, etc.) when the School must be able to hand over parental responsibilities to another adult – the Educational Guardianship Organisation/Guardian appointed by the parents and approved by the School.

In the case of pupils who have been issued with a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) by Caterham School, the School is responsible to the UKVI (UK Visas & Immigration) at all times for the pupil during the period of duration of Child Student Visa sponsorship by the School. Parents therefore undertake to ensure that the School is at all times provided with full details and contact information (including a land line telephone number) for all periods that the pupil is not resident in School. The School is required by the UKVI to retain accurate records of the pupils' whereabouts, whether or not they are in the UK, during the period of duration of the Child Student Visa sponsorship.

For all international pupils, the School expects that parents appoint a reputable Educational Guardianship Organisation that is accredited by

. Caterham School is a member of AEGIS. AEGIS is a national body for monitoring and regulating the welfare of international pupils and provides accreditation of Educational Guardianship Organisations in line with the National Minimum Standards for Boarding.

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Educational Guardians should also respect the rights, religion and customs of a child, and adhere to what is commonly regarded as best practice in the guardianship and hosting of international pupils. This includes having in place a proper agreement with the pupil's parents as to what the Educational G