



THE
HOUSES
OF RIDLEY

AN INSIDER'S GUIDE FOR DAY AND BOARDING STUDENTS

RIDLEY COLLEGE
SINCE 1889



Our Head of Houses





TEN HOUSES. *one home.*

Every Ridleian—whether they are a day or boarding student—belongs to and has a dedicated space in one of the 10 Houses of Ridley. We believe that integrating all Upper School students, as well as our Junior Boarders, into our houses creates a unique cohesion, deeper friendships, shared experiences and lifelong connections.

Our boarding houses are more than just residences; they make up the fabric of our community. They are where school spirit is built and lasting memories are made.



CARE OF OUR *community*

Students are supported by our Heads of Houses and Assistant Heads of Houses, who live on campus in adjoining homes with their own families. These caring adults, along with the help of devoted advisors and teachers, take great pride in being a part of your child's educational and personal journeys. The Residential Life team has meaningful daily conversations with every Ridleian to ensure their wellbeing, celebrate achievements and offer encouragement through expected stumbles.

MAGICAL *connections*

Many teens believe that Houses on a campus as idyllic as ours only exists in books and movies, while others have aspired their whole lives to join the Houses their family members were part of before them. Discover the charm, character and culture of each of the Houses of Ridley and imagine the possibility of joining one of these lifelong communities.

PERSONALITY & *pride*

Named for founders of Ridley, each one of our Houses has its own personality—mascots, colours, traditions, and history. Friendly inter-house competitions throughout the school year inspire House pride and forge bonds.

An appreciation for service to others is instilled in the Houses, as each raises awareness and funds for a particular cause throughout the year. We believe there is nothing more meaningful than contributing to the betterment of humanity and transforming our globe.



ARTHUR BISHOP EAST



Mascot: Beasts

Colours: grey & gold

Arthur Bishop East House is located at the rear of the Memorial Chapel and looks out on the quad. The original building was constructed during the school's 75th anniversary. Now home to over 50 boys, the House is known for its competitive spirit represented by its fierce mascot.

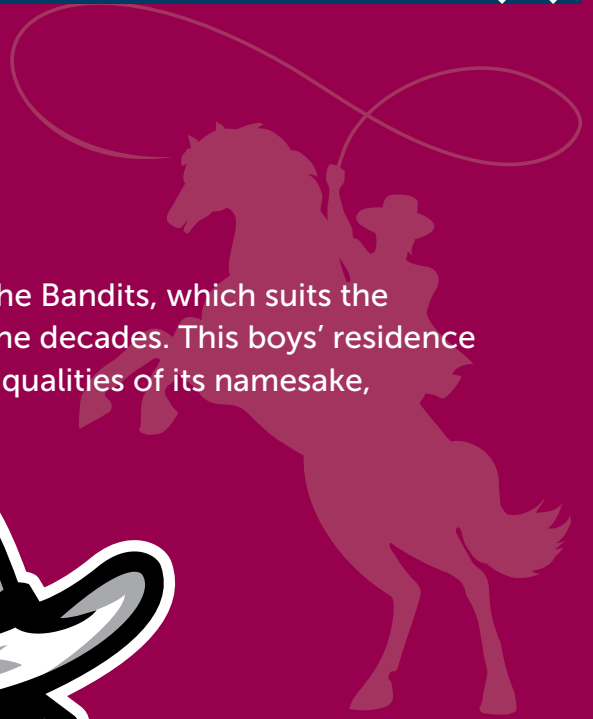
ARTHUR BISHOP WEST



Mascot: Bandits

Colours: maroon & navy

The western half of Arthur Bishop House is home to the Bandits, which suits the House's history of light-hearted practical jokes over the decades. This boys' residence was established in 1965 and embodies the leadership qualities of its namesake, Colonel Arthur Bishop '1912.





BURGOYNE



Mascot: Bears

Colours: blue & teal

The Bears are made up of co-ed boarders in Grades 5 through 8 who occupy a House above Lower School. These junior boarders enjoy unique evening and weekend programming.

Fun is in their DNA and, in 2016, Burgoyne House launched the first ever House Lip Sync Battle competition.





Mascot: Knights

Colours: navy & grey

The only free-standing House on campus, Dean's House sits behind School House. The Knights' motto is "*Carpe Diem/Seize the Day*" and they make this known by being among the loudest and proudest at House competitions.





GOODERHAM EAST



Mascot: Crocodiles

Colour: green

Just along the side of School House lies Gooderham East, the only House on campus to have two locations—though they're each just a tail's length away. From parties to talent shows to housemate awards, these fun-loving Crocodiles embody the generous spirit of their namesake and emphasize kindness.





GOODERHAM WEST



Mascot: Flamingos

Colour: pink

When you come upon a flock of happy Flamingos, you'll know you've found Gooderham West!

Built in 1921 by the Gooderham brothers, the members of this House knock it out of the park when it comes to academic prizes, and proudly live by the motto, "Empowering women of today to be the leaders of tomorrow."





LEONARD



Mascot: Ladybugs

Colours: red & black

No need for these Ladybugs to fly away home; they're snug as a bug in Leonard House, located in the southside of campus and named for one of Canada's great educational philanthropists. But don't think these girls won't spread their wings—these fiery students are filled with House spirit!



MANDEVILLE



Mascot: Ducks

Colour: yellow

Nestled in behind Lower School, Mandeville House became a girls' residence in 1987, and is now home to over 50 Ridleians. With their dazzling duck pins and their lived House motto, "Where there is spirit, there is song," these cheerful duckies make their presence known on campus.



MERRITT NORTH

Mascot: Panthers

Colour: black

When your House is named for Ridley founder Thomas Merritt, you're bound to roam its halls full of pride. The Merritt North Panthers live right by the Iggulden Gym—and, given their winning streak on our annual Sports Days, it shows!





MERRITT SOUTH



Mascot: Strongmen

Colours: purple & yellow

A House with heart, Merritt South sits at the centre of campus and serves as a home away from home for athletes, artists and academics alike. This House follows the motto, "*Facta Non Verba/Deeds Not Words*," and each week one boy is awarded the Hulk of the Week trophy for special achievement.



Whether you are passionate about giving back, love all things academic, are energized by athletics, or looking to cultivate your creative side, we'll find you the perfect House that's sure to become your **new home away from home**.

Contact us today to learn more—

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We look forward to meeting you
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