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The Inspired group offers a unique and contemporary approach to education within premium, forward-thinking schools across the world. This is today's schooling for the global citizens of tomorrow – pay close attention

The aptly named Inspired is the newest and fastest-growing international group of high-performing schools, with a substantial presence on four continents. Uniquely among other such organisations, it is led by top educationalists and, in linking its worldwide network of forward-thinking schools with a dynamically evolving educational philosophy, it offers a truly 21st-century global vision.

Graeme Crawford, Reddam House's founder and president of Inspired, and Stephen Spurr, former head of Westminster School and now Inspired's group director of education, have together launched Inspired's first school in the UK – Reddam House Berkshire. Set in the magnificent Bearwood estate near Wokingham,

the school has mirrored the parent company's swift progress and success. The innovative educational approach, new leadership team, hand-picked teachers, digital technology and considerable capital investment have released the full potential Inspired saw in the school in a remarkably short time. Its excellent ISI inspection last January – after only four months in operation – was a clear testament to its outstanding future.

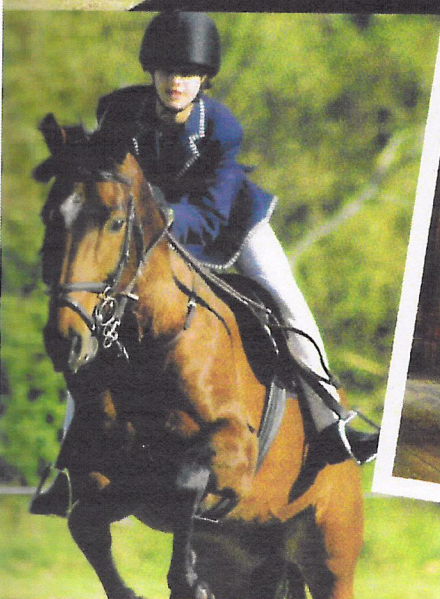
In the globalised world in which we now live and work, the last two decades have seen a notable growth in international education. As Spurr notes, the two basic models, well-known to readers of the *Tatler* Schools Guide, are the establishment abroad of copies of well-known British schools and the agglomeration of assorted schools run by large global groups

from a centralised head office.

Inspired is markedly different, as Nadim Nsouli, founder and group chairman of Inspired, underlines. Its vision is to select only premium schools, market leaders in their own communities, and then link them with Inspired's golden educational thread – pupil and staff exchanges, a shared ecosystem of teaching and learning resources, plus a continuous, collaborative and dynamic evolution of best practice. The overall aim? To produce the leaders of tomorrow who will contribute to the prosperity of their own countries and become men and women of the world, with the will and ability to improve it. Inspired believes this form of education – both global and local – is the metric for 21st century success.



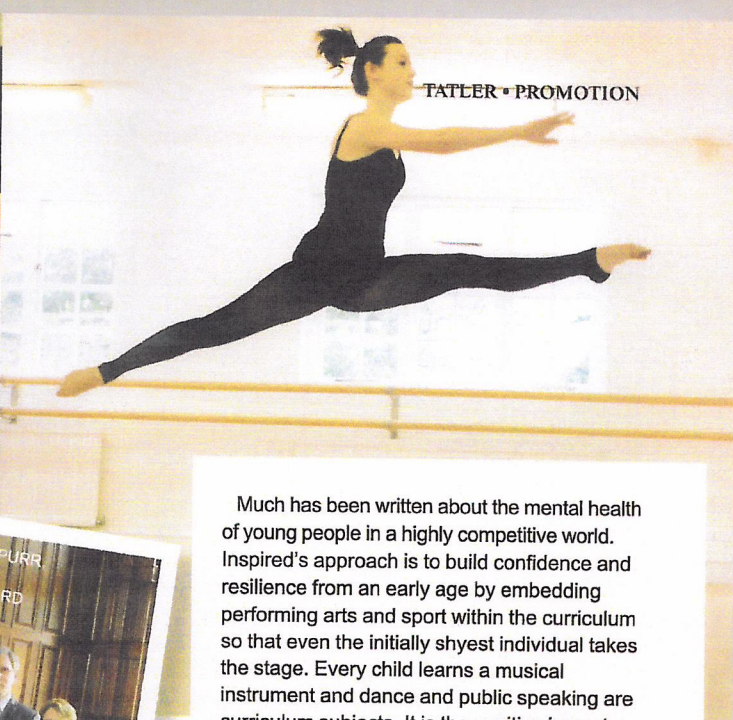
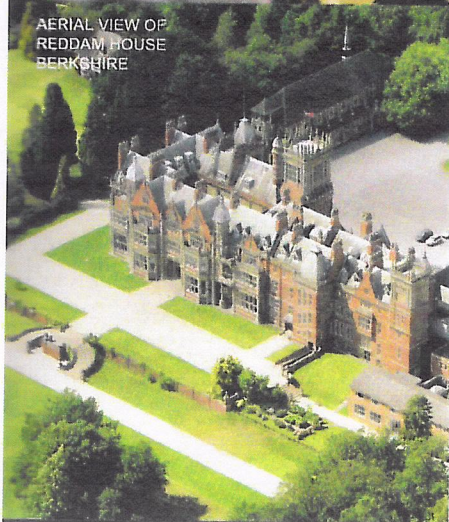
BROOKHOUSE, NAIROBI



FROM LEFT, DR STEPHEN SPURR, GRAEME CRAWFORD, TOBY MULLINS AND TAMMY HOWARD



AERIAL VIEW OF REDDAM HOUSE BERKSHIRE



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Much has been written about the mental health of young people in a highly competitive world. Inspired's approach is to build confidence and resilience from an early age by embedding performing arts and sport within the curriculum so that even the initially shyest individual takes the stage. Every child learns a musical instrument and dance and public speaking are curriculum subjects. It is the positive impact that this has on both physical and mental health that informs the approach in every school within the Inspired group.

Another hallmark of Inspired is expertise in early years education. If children can become creative, entrepreneurial thinkers from a young age, the sky's the limit. Fulham Prep and Pre-prep, Inspired's second school in the UK, has this year appeared in the *Tatler* School Guide for the first time. Jane Emmett, founder and former principle, speaks warmly of Inspired as 'education-led, respectful of the school's traditions and with an exciting development plan.' This will be introduced by her successor, Neil Brooks, former head of Cothill (awarded *Tatler* Prep School of the Year under his leadership in 2011) and latterly vice-principal of the Cothill Trust. Whether in Africa, Australia or the UK, Inspired has drawn inspiration from the Reggio-Emilia educational philosophy, in which children are taught to look not only to their teachers and parents but also to the natural environment as the 'third educator'. A glance through the classroom windows of the Early Learning School at Reddam House Berkshire, to the 120-acre estate beyond, shows this to be a practical reality. Educating the pupils of today to produce the economic miracle of tomorrow and to protect the planet — a very worthy aim!

Other schools have since joined Inspired. Notable among them are Brookhouse, Nairobi's leading school, and St George's in Montreux, Switzerland, overlooking Lake Geneva and Mont Blanc, which has to be one of the most uplifting learning environments in the world.

Boarders at Inspired are offered an innovative wrap-around pastoral, academic and cultural programme — central to the educational ethos of Inspired schools across the UK, Nairobi and Switzerland. In all three schools, boarding is on the rise, reinforcing Inspired's analysis that globally mobile parents consider it an excellent opportunity for their children. And if parents prefer to take their children with them, it won't be long before they find an Inspired school in every major destination.

A further specialty of Inspired is selecting just the right site to build premium schools from scratch. With six such schools completed in South Africa over the last two years and a magnificent new-build — a younger sister to Brookhouse — to open in northern Nairobi in September 2017, the demand for quality education is being rapidly met in both these quickly developing economies.

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