

A leading independent school in Oxford for day and boarding students

International Section



The Options: 2016 onwards

• 1 year intensive IGCSE (Year 11 equivalent)

• 2 Year IGCSE in which the first year (Year 10 equivalent) - develops academic English and enables students to study a range of subject options whilst building eg. study and research skills

UK 'boarding school experience': 1, 2 or 3 term options

(each term is modular i.e. stands alone, so students can fit in whenever they start)



2 Year IGCSE

Aimed at:

- Students who are aged 14 so need 2 years
- Students aged 14 or 15 who would benefit from an extra year developing the academic language, subject knowledge and skills for IGCSE success.

During the first year students study a range of subject options to help them establish the skills they need and to help choose the right subjects for IGCSE success, A level and their careers.



More detail on first year of the 2 year IGCSE...

- Students will learn academic English, subject content plus study skills, time management, team work and research skills.
- Our approach is Content and Language Integrated Learning (CLIL) using the same structure as our Summer School.
- Study will be linked to visits/trips. Active learning/learning by doing using language in context.
- Half-termly assessment by tests, project work, problem solving activities, presentations, etc.
- Excellent preparation for the intensive IGCSE programme.



Subjects covered in first year:

- Intensive general and academic English
- Maths
- Science (combined Biology, Chemistry, Physics)
- Introduction to Humanities & Social Sciences
- Extended Project Award / Excelsis Award
- Modern Foreign Language (French, German)
- PD (Personal Development Personal, Social and Health Education)

Sample study programme for first year

	P 1 8.45-9.55	P 2 10.10-11.20	P 3 11.35-12.45	Lunch	P4 1.25-2.30	P5 2.45-3.50	P6 4.05-5.15	6.15	7.00 – 9.00
Mon	English (10i)	General Science (10i)	English (10i)		French (10i)	Maths (10i)	10i homework club/library time	Dinner in Host Family	Homework Time
Tues	General Science (10i)	English (10i)	Maths (10i)		Humanities (10i)	School Sports and Activities		Dinner in Host Family	Homework Time
Wed	English (10i)	French (10i)	Maths (10i)		Humanities (10i)	General Science (10i)	Maths (10i)	Dinner in Host Family	Homework Time*
Thur	German (10i)	English (10i)	English (10i)		Humanities (10i)	School Extra-curricular Clubs		Dinner in Host Family	Homework Time
Frid	Assembly & PD/PSHE	German (10i)	General Science (10i)		Excelsis Award (10i Project Work)	Excelsis Award (10i Project Work)	Humanities (10i)	Dinner in Host Family	Homework Time*
Sat	Educational Trip with School (up to 4 trips per term) or Relax at home/local activities with school friends							Dinner in Host Family	
Sun	Weekend activities with host family				Homework and Study Time			Dinner in Host Family	Get Ready for School Week

^{*}On average there also is an evening activity on offer after school (e.g. cinema or theatre trip, talk or lecture) approximately once every fortnight.

NOTE: this is a DRAFT timetable to give an idea of a typical week

Course progression

IGCSE 1 year Programme

Age 15+

English Level: B1-B2 CEFR

Up to 40 students

prepares students for A levels or the International Baccalaureate

Summer English Programme

Age 14 – 17

English Level: B1 to C1 CEFR

Ideal pre-boarding experience and introduction to d'Overbroeck's

IGCSE 2 Year Programme

Age 14+

English Level: A2-B1 CEFR

10-20 students

prepares students for IGCSE year or can be taken as a UK Boarding School 'experience' year

(1 or 2 term options may be possible)

A Level Programme

Age 16+

English Level: Upper B2 CEFR (or

above)

260 students

Around 60% of students are from

the UK

An excellent preparation for UK university





Key Facts

Students can join us:

- From age 14 or 15
- With an English language level of A2-B1 or above on the CEFR scale

Boarding will be:

- Host family boarding for 14 year olds (enhanced host family option for younger students)
- Host family or Boarding house option for 15 years or older.

UK boarding school experience

Aimed at students who want to study for 1, 2 or 3 terms in the UK before returning home to study back in their own educational system

The courses are designed to make studying in the UK exciting and interactive. These courses will also develop skills such as teamworking, independent learning and critical thinking.

