

## Pre-IB course

at a premium British boading school in Cambridge

# a stepping stone towards achieving success

in the International Baccalaureate Diploma

#### An Ideal and Safe Location in the Heart of Cambridge

- Prime Location in Cambridge: Centrally situated, surrounded by the worldrenowned University of Cambridge colleges.
- Top-Quality Faculty: Experienced teaching staff with educators who have studied or taught at Oxford or Cambridge University.
- Diverse and Welcoming Environment: An international community with students from over 30 different nationalities each year.
- Flexible Course Options: Programmes available for 1 to 3 terms, including GCSE, Pre-A-Levels, Pre-IB, A-Levels, and University Foundation, offering an authentic British boarding experience.
- Excellent Pathway Exploration: An ideal course for students considering A-Levels or the IB programme, providing an opportunity to explore and decide on their future path during a year in Cambridge studying with an elite British boarding school.
- Small Class Sizes: An average of 8 students per class, ensuring personalised attention and support.
- **Dedicated Personal Tutor:** Each student has a personal tutor who provides daily support and monitors academic progress.
- Family-Style Residential Accommodation: Fully supervised housing offering 24/7 support and inclusive of daily meals.

- Wide Range of Extracurricular Activities: Opportunities to engage in sports, arts, music, societies, student clubs, museum visits, social events, and university open days.
- Exclusive Access to Cambridge University: Opportunities to attend public lectures at Cambridge University.
- Exciting Excursions Across the UK: Trips to London, Oxford, and other popular attractions for cultural enrichment.
- Strong Academic Preparation: An ideal foundation for progression to IB, A-Levels, or Foundation courses, providing students with the essential skills needed to excel across diverse areas of study.

#### information about the Pre-IB course

**Age:** 15-16 years old

English level: B1 Mid-High

Class size: Average class size of 8 students

Lessons: 27 hours classroom based + CAS / TOK and extended essay

Course structure: 6 subject areas plus Core Elements

Term dates: September 2025 to June 2026

1-Term taster course intakes: September, January, April

Accommodation: Student residences with 3 meals included.

Homestay option is available for students aged 16+.

#### fee details

**Registration fee:** 420 GBP\* (non-refundable)

**Deposit:** 2,500 GBP\* (fully refundable after completing the course)

Tuition fee: 10,325 GBP/term, 30,975 GBP/year\*

**Accommodation fee:** (meals & 1-week half term included):

From 6,900 GBP – 8,625 GBP/term, 20,700\*

GBP – 25,875 GBP/year\* depending on if choosing twin en-suite, single en-suite or superior rooms.

*Homestay fee:* (single room with shared bathroom, half board): Around 9,000 GBP/year\*

\* Fees are based on the fee schedule for the 2024–2025 academic year.

Fees for subsequent years may be subject to a small annual increase (up to approximately 5%). Formal invoices



### admissions procedure

- 1. To apply, students should submit the following documents: a passport copy, birth certificate, transcripts from the past two years, and a completed registration form.
- 2. A non-refundable registration fee of £420 is required to proceed with the application.
- 3. After submitting the documents and making the registration fees, students will take an internal assessment (50 minutes, covering Maths, English and Reasoning) and a 30-minute Zoom interview.
- 4. To confirm the place, a deposit of £2,500 must be paid. This deposit is fully refundable once the student has completed the course. Once the deposit is received, the student's place is secured.
- 5. For students requiring a visa, the school will start the CAS (Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies) and visa application process three months before the course begins. The first term payment must be made before the CAS can be issued.
- 6. International students under 18 must provide a guardianship arrangement before arrival.
- 7. The school will send pre-arrival information and arrange airport transfers for students.

#### term dates

Autumn term 2025: Monday 8 September to Friday 19 December 2025

Spring term 2026: Monday 12th January to Friday 27th March 2026

Summer term 2026: Monday 13th April to Friday 19th June 2026

#### course structure & subjects

Subject Area	Course details	Hours per week
English	Tiered classes based on language proficiency for academic stretch	4
English / New Language	Intensive English language support or new language in French, German, Spanish or Mandarin	4
Mathematics	Tiered classes based on ability and prior experience (covering key areas in mathematics)	4
World Literature	Study of diverse literary works from across the world in translation, fostering a global perspective	2
Science (Block A)	Choose one of the following: Biology, Chemistry, Physics (focusing on essential scientific concepts)	4
Humanities (Block B)	Choose one of the following: Economic and Business, Geography, History, Psychology	4
Arts (Block C)	Choose one of the following: Fine Arts, Digital Arts (Photography), Music	4
Core Elements	TOK, CAS & EE	3
Total Hours per week		29



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