



Intensive English Programmes | 2023

We have two Intensive English groups, IE1 and IE2. The aims are similar in that the focus is for students who are not yet able to access the full UK curriculum to develop linguistic proficiency, but as the groups consist of pupils at different ages, there are some important differences, exam outcomes and paths of progression. Both courses last a full academic year, although early transfer into mainstream classes may be considered if attitude to learning and progress is excellent, especially at younger ages.

Course	Ages	Entry level	Exam outcomes	Progression
Younger Learners IE1	11 to 14	A1 to A2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cambridge Key for Schools (A2) • Cambridge Preliminary for Schools (B1) 	Move to year 8, 9 or 10 Students turning 15 during the course will move on to the One-Year GCSE programme.
Older Learners* IE2	15 to 16	Academic English, current affairs and public speaking.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cambridge Key for Schools • Cambridge Preliminary for Schools • IELTS • GCSE Maths 	B1 level = application for year 12 17+ years old = application for year 13

*We are unable to accept students over the age of 18 on this course, or who will turn 18 by the end of the course in June.

Enrichment for both courses:

- Study visits to sites of cultural interest.
- Sport – students take part in sport within their age group. This facilitates integration within the school community.
- Activities – students have the same opportunities as all boarders.

Case study:

Mone from Japan joined IE2 in September with an A2 level of English. She worked well with her teachers and, crucially, her classmates throughout the year. She passed Cambridge Preliminary 'with Merit' and GCSE Maths Grade 8 the following June, securing her place in the Sixth Form where she went on to achieve A*ABB in her A Levels and IELTS 6.5, meeting the requirements for a place at Lancaster University.

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