

International Baccalaureate



To **advance**
international education
and **understanding**

WELCOME

from the Principal



Welcome to St Clare's, a remarkable school in a magnificent Oxford setting where students enjoy a high-quality international education, achieve outstanding academic results and develop the skills they will need to create truly rewarding futures.

St Clare's is frequently the destination of choice for many students wishing to study the International Baccalaureate. One of the most famous international colleges in Oxford and the first ever IB school in England, we train teachers and leaders from around the world. We are proud to be at the centre of IB education and as such we attract highly experienced IB teachers.

Our students consistently achieve academic results far beyond their apparent potential. Our IB average is consistently far above the world average every single year. Indeed, some of our students achieve full marks, which puts them in the top 1%, and many go onto the best universities in the world. Our results place us among the top IB schools internationally for student progress, so coming to St Clare's gives you a greater chance of achieving your potential. Our teaching methods are engaging and student-centered. Lessons are varied, challenging and fun, with an excellent staff-to-student ratio.

Despite our academic successes, St Clare's is not only about impressive exam results. The college was founded with a mission to advance international education and understanding. These values remain as true today as they did when the college was first established. With a student body of more than 45 different nationalities, our pupils come across many different perspectives and develop a wide range of thinking skills.

Our educational programme is holistic, developing talents in music, arts and sports. It also builds relationship and leadership skills through a broad range of co-curricular activities and service-learning projects. St Clare's graduates are mature, responsible, creative, well-informed and inspiring people with a deep sense of respect for themselves and others. They leave the college as confident young men and women, able to make a difference.

With outstanding academic results, international understanding and strong personal development, our graduates are particularly attractive to universities and employers, and as a result many go on to enjoy remarkable careers. Our university counselling and careers guidance programme, staffed by fully accredited advisers, enables students to explore their options carefully, and make well-informed decisions about their future. We continue to offer students advice after they graduate and support them in their adult lives.

St Clare's is a challenging, enriching and highly enjoyable experience. Our exceptional pastoral team look after the wellbeing and development of every student. Relationships between students are respectful and generous, and all our students belong to a close-knit community where friendships can really flourish. We are diverse and inclusive, appreciating students for who they are and empowering them to help shape the community.

Come and see what makes St Clare's such an exciting and rewarding place! We look forward to welcoming you.

Duncan Reith,
Principal



WHY STUDY

at St Clare's, Oxford?



The teaching I experienced at St Clare's was unmatched. It helped me to grow and learn independently as well as in groups, building future life skills in classrooms of different sizes with a vast array of nationalities. I would recommend St Clare's to another student because of the world-class education I experienced that shaped me academically and as an individual."

Anna, quadruple nationality
University destination: Durham University



"The quality of the students' academic achievement is excellent"
ISI report 2019

We are an independent, co-educational, day and boarding college located in a beautiful area of north Oxford.

- 1 IB World School:** We have been teaching the IB Diploma for over 45 years, longer than any other school or college in England.
- 2 Student progress:** Strong teacher support, expertise in IB, outstanding academic management and small classes mean we are in the top 6% of IB schools across the world for student progress - CEM report 2022.
- 3 Careers Development Institute (CDI) accredited advisers:** Our exceptional specialist careers team are fully dedicated to support on options for university study, apprenticeships, internships and gap years around the world.
- 4 Academic stretch into university:** Immerse yourself in our library suited to undergraduate level, complete a dissertation-style essay project, be taught by our university-level teachers, and have access to public university lectures and other academic resources in Oxford.
- 5 Inspiring teaching and individual development:** Students are empowered. Learning is not limited to the classroom, but extends to all aspects of student life and supports the development of the whole person.
- 6 Independence and autonomy:** Students self-manage the balance of their academic studies and social lives, engaging and empowering them to succeed.
- 7 IB specialism and ethos:** Internationalism is a core part of our values, both throughout our curriculum and with a diverse student body of over 45 nationalities. Combining broad academic understanding with creativity, activity and service, results in responsible and capable students of the world with high aspirations, who realise opportunities.
- 8 Student experience:** Walking around the school, you will meet the happiest and most actualised students.
- 9 Internationalist leadership:** Each student develops understanding and identification with their own culture, while simultaneously developing an international awareness and appreciation of other cultures. Our fully integrated students are agents of change, so they can raise their aspirations and become leaders of tomorrow with a wide network.
- 10 Pastoral care:** We cultivate a sense of belonging within our safe and supportive community. Students develop high-quality relationships through an environment of mutual respect.

St Clare's family: We have a strong and loyal cohort of students who recommend us to their family and friends because they've thoroughly enjoyed their experience.



OXFORD is
an **INSPIRING**
academic city



Live and study in Oxford with people from around the world

Oxford is a thriving multicultural city where you can enjoy beautiful architecture, picturesque parks, riverside walks and cultural sites as well as world-famous museums, libraries and art galleries. We are lucky to have resources like the Bodleian Library, Ashmolean Museum and Modern Art Oxford on our doorstep.

Equally, there are lots of engaging talks, lectures, seminars, exhibitions and theatre shows to stimulate your learning.

For those that are a little more adventurous, punting is a popular pastime in Oxford. As well as this, there is a wide selection of retail outlets, local markets and eateries in the city including the popular Westgate Centre.

Nearby there are also popular attractions like Bicester Village, Blenheim Palace and beautiful little Cotswold villages.

Oxford is only an hour from London by train.



OUTSTANDING IB results

Our IB Diploma results are consistently impressive across all ability levels with a **100% pass rate**. Our **average points score** over the **past 3 years is 38**, significantly higher than the **world average of 31**, and equivalent to **A*, A, A** at A Level, the level normally required for entrance to the University of Oxford.

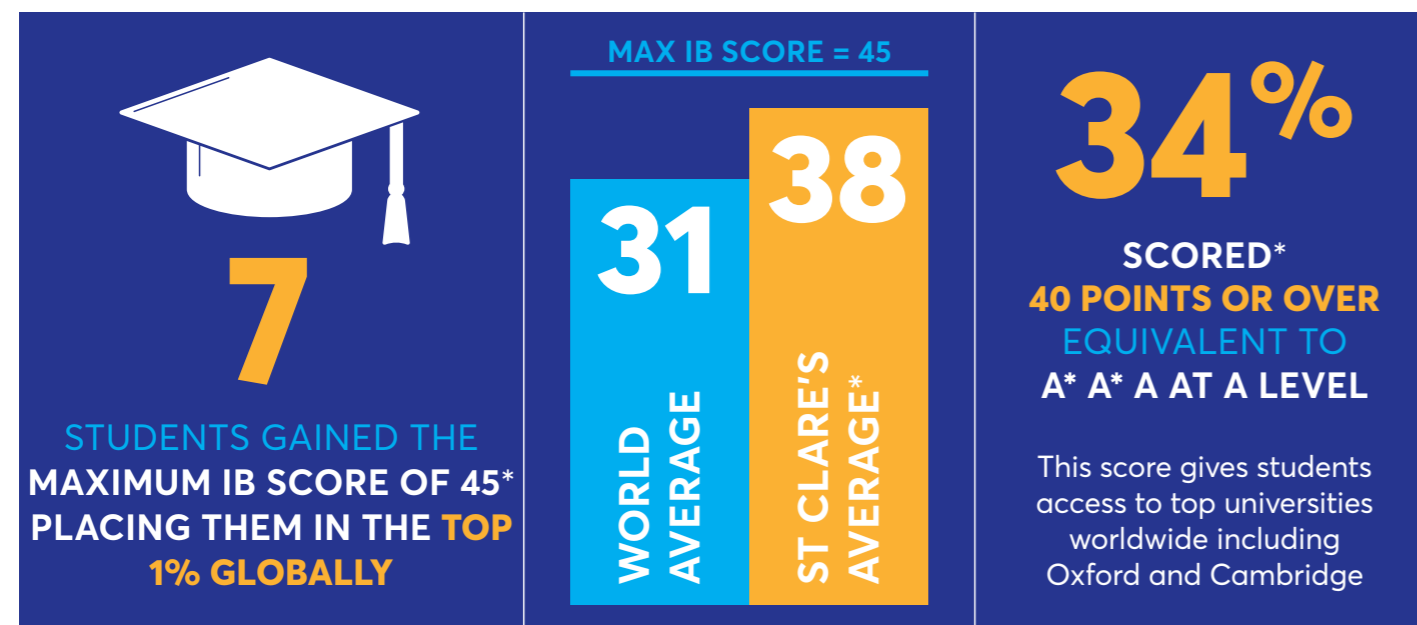
Our excellent set of IB results reflects the quality of our teaching and the outstanding work of our students. These results illustrate our successes over the last 3 years.



"Somerville will always be pleased to welcome entrants from St Clare's"
Somerville College, University of Oxford

IN THE TOP 5 UK IB SCHOOLS*

*2022 league table, schools with cohort of over 70 students



Nicole, dual nationality University Destination: Boston University

Nicole believes that studying the IB Diploma at St Clare's successfully prepared her for the future. She was interested in studying Business at university and she utilised the specialist support available to achieve her dreams.

Nicole's score of 44 points earned her a prestigious Trustee Scholarship at Boston University. She plans to study their 'Innovation and Entrepreneurship' major.

If I had to choose one word I would say 'life-changing', because it really was for me. It changed my life completely and I could not be more grateful to St Clare's."

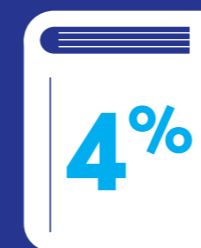


University DESTINATIONS

The breadth of top-quality universities our students progress onto is a fantastic success story. Our excellent set of results gave students the opportunity to select from a wide range of **prestigious universities** around the world including:

- Amsterdam University College
- Bocconi University
- Central Saint Martins (UAL)
- Columbia University
- Durham University
- IE University
- Imperial College London
- Kings College London
- Minerva University
- Sciences-Po
- University of Cambridge
- University of Chicago
- University of Hong Kong
- University of Oxford
- University of Toronto
- University of Warwick and many more...

OF STUDENTS AT UK UNIVERSITIES*:



PLACED AT OXBRIDGE



PLACED AT A G5 UNIVERSITY



PLACED AT A RUSSELL GROUP UNIVERSITY



WENT ON TO STUDY MEDICINE, DENTISTRY, OR VETERINARY SCIENCE**



RECEIVED OFFERS FROM UNIVERSITIES RANKED IN THE TOP 50 GLOBALLY***



TOP 200 GLOBALLY***

*3 year average, 2020-2022 **3 year total, 2020-2022 ***QS World Rankings 2021



WE HELP STUDENTS APPLY TO UNIVERSITIES AROUND THE WORLD

- 55% UK universities
- 7% USA universities and Liberal Arts colleges
- 17% European universities
- 4% Canadian universities
- 1% Rest of world universities
- 3% Still applying
- 11% Gap year

Data is collated 3 months after graduation

Careers and higher education support

- We offer careers expertise from CDI (Careers Development Institute) accredited advisers
- Our specialist team help to navigate the higher education applications process across the globe. They also provide expertise on a range of career development opportunities including gap year planning, apprenticeships and internships
- We offer higher education and careers guidance from when you apply until 3 years after you graduate

Higher Education Fair



WE WELCOME OVER 80 UNIVERSITIES FROM 20 COUNTRIES

- Research into course options
- Meet university representatives
- Discover internship, apprenticeship and gap year opportunities around the world





International COMMUNITY

Global perspectives enrich the learning experience

We currently have students from over 45 countries studying with us. The cultural diversity creates a welcoming and supportive environment for all backgrounds, cultures and traditions.

Global awareness is an integral part of the educational experience. We encourage students to value and respect differences as we believe learning is enhanced by the breadth of views and ideas. Our international outlook broadens perspectives and truly prepares students for further study and beyond.

DIVERSE STUDENT BODY

CO-ED



Mission statement

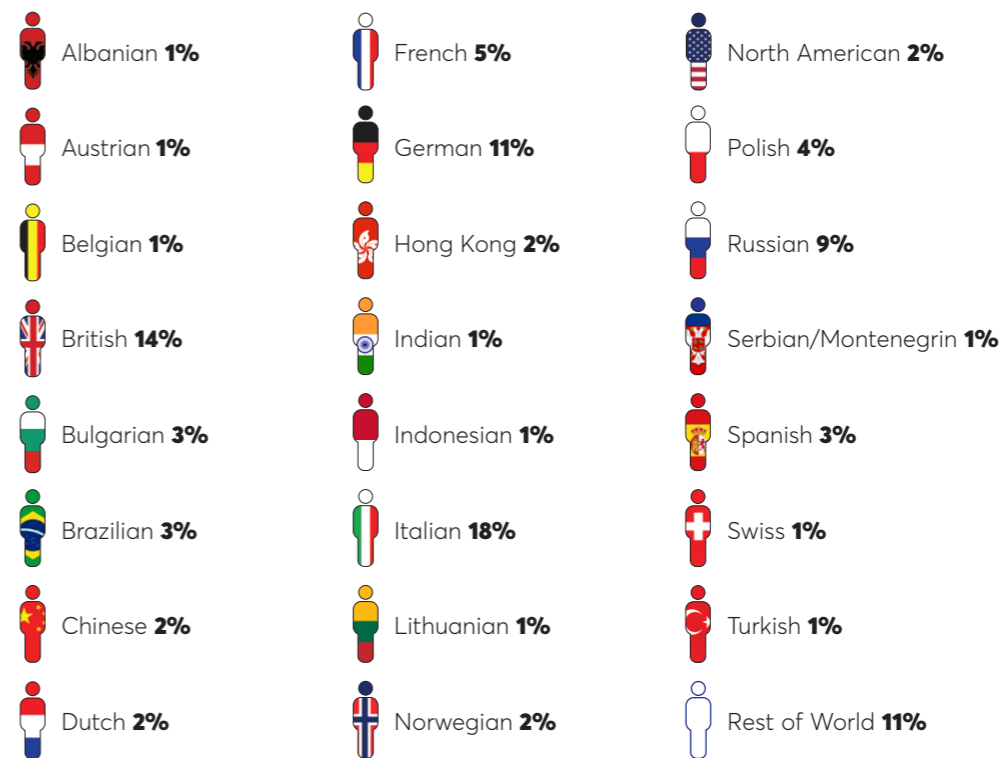
"To advance international education and understanding"



The IB Diploma helps students to develop academically and as well-rounded internationally minded young men and women, ready to face the global challenges and opportunities that lie ahead."

David White,
Vice Principal Academic

International student body (%)



The diagram is based on student data between 2020 and 2023. Rest of World includes some countries from Europe, Africa, Asia and South America



The cultural diversity extends beyond these nationalities. We also attract students from Australia, Egypt, Indonesia, Israel, Iran, Japan, Kazakhstan, Malaysia, Morocco, Nigeria, South Africa, Sudan, Türkiye and Ukraine, among many more.



I would definitely recommend St Clare's to another potential student, because I believe that this college offers a fantastic opportunity to not only access world class academic support but also develop key character traits that are going to be needed for the rest of your life."

Denis, dual nationality
University destination: University of Cambridge

Pre-IB course

Develop your academic knowledge and study skills for the IB Diploma

Why study our Pre-IB course?

Develop your academic English

Our Pre-IB course is taught in English and is ideal preparation for the IB Diploma. You develop both receptive and expressive skills and gain experience of working in groups and giving presentations, attributes which are fundamental to IB study. All students study English, as part of the course. Native or near native speakers are given the opportunity to sit the prestigious Pearson Edexcel IGCSE in English Language, while non-native speakers will be prepared to take the Duolingo English test, which is accepted by 1400 universities around the world.

Try subjects within the IB study route

The IB programme consists of 6 subjects which includes **Studies in Language & Literature, Language Acquisition, Individuals & Societies, Sciences, Maths** and **The Arts**. Our Pre-IB course enables you to choose 3 subjects from the following groups:

- **Individuals & Societies:** Economics & Business, Geography, History and Psychology
- **Sciences:** Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Environmental Systems & Societies
- **Arts:** Visual Arts, Digital Arts, Music and Theatre.

By sampling nine 12-week courses you gain a head-start on the skills you need to thrive and are in a great position to choose your ideal combination of subjects.

A broad and balanced extra-curricular programme

Our Pre-IB students have access to the same CAS activities as our IB students, so gain familiarity with the programme. You will learn how to plan and reflect on your experiences in the way you would during the IB Diploma.

Outstanding careers and higher education advice

Our careers programme is delivered as part of Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) and provides a useful start to exploring potential universities and subject choices. You have full access to our annual Higher Education Fair, which is attended by academic institutions worldwide, as well as our work-related learning day.

Pastoral support

Our Pre-IB course helps you self-manage, which is essential for the IB Diploma. Also, our supervised study ensures you develop strong academic habits. Experienced House Parents and Personal Tutors offer personalised care to guide your development.

Superb teaching in an IB World School and flexible progression opportunities

Our teachers are IB examiners, textbook authors and workshop leaders. They know exactly what skills and attributes are needed to thrive, so you are primed for success.

If you do not wish to progress to the IB Diploma, you are well-prepared for the next stage of your schooling in any educational system.

Develop new skills and visit inspiring attractions

Our excellent weekend programme provides both social opportunities and the chance to try new things. You will develop vital leadership skills through the Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze Award and get the chance to explore the UK with inspiring outings to Blenheim Palace, London, Brighton, the beautiful Chilterns and many more.



Course structure

All students study English and Maths throughout the academic year.

English (8 hours per week)	Maths (4 hours per week)	World Literature (2 hours per week)
Separate classes for native and non-native English speakers.	Classes are set by ability and prior experience. Exceptional students may be offered the Edexcel IGCSE in Maths	All Pre-IB students study literature from across the world in translation, a great preparation for the IB Diploma

In Sciences, Humanities and the Arts there is a rotation so you can experience 11-12 weeks of subjects you may wish to select for the IB Diploma. Choose 1 option per term from each of the **Science, Humanities** and **Arts** options below:

Sciences (4 hours per week)	Humanities (4 hours per week)	Arts (2 hours per week)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biology • Chemistry • Physics • Environmental Systems & Societies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economics & Business • Geography • History • Psychology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visual Arts • Digital Arts (Photography) • Music • Theatre

Age:	14-16 years old
Start date:	September, January or April
Length:	1, 2 or 3 terms
Class size:	Maximum 15 students
Lessons:	30 hours of classroom lessons Monday to Friday
Lesson length:	55 minutes

Other components of the Pre-IB course:

- Study a new language from a choice of German, French and Spanish. *This is available to native English students only*
- Participate in at least one activity in each category a week with our CAS (Creativity, Activity and Service) programme. A wide range is available
- Take the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh's Award as part of our weekend programme
- Participate in Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) lessons which cover a wide range of important topics including careers and higher education
- All students participate in a group research project on a topic of their choice culminating in an exhibition and presentation evening.

How you will LEARN

Teaching approach and support

OVER 40 YEARS
EXPERIENCE



SINCE 1977

Unrivalled experience and specialist knowledge of the IB qualification

As a result of our specialist knowledge, several teachers run IB-approved workshops for teachers in other schools and are involved in the development of the IB study programme. Our students are in exceptionally safe hands!

Facilities which inspire learning

Our experience is matched by our academic resources, including well-equipped science laboratories, art studio and modern teaching spaces. We occupy 25 buildings in elegant north Oxford.

LEARNER PROFILE

thinkers • communicators
caring risk-takers
inquirers principled
knowledgeable
open minded
balanced reflective

Learn through class discussions, group work, as well as practical and written assignments

We encourage you to take an active role in your learning whilst benefitting from the support of classmates and tutors in a shared teaching environment. Every aspect of our provision creates opportunities to develop and hone IB Learner Profile attributes.

Our high staff-to-student ratio offers dedicated academic support. You will also be guided by a:

- **Personal Tutor** - focusing on skills development as well as academic and pastoral support
- **Careers and Higher Education Advisers** - promoting personal growth through experiential learning and self-reflection

Our large library is a fantastic resource for students, offering well-equipped study spaces and access to a broad range of materials. These include books in a variety of languages, journals, as well as e-books and an extensive collection of online databases, including JSTOR, EBSCO, Digital Theatre plus, Gale News Vault and Learning on Screen (BOB).

International Baccalaureate Diploma

Education without boundaries

Why study our IB Diploma?

Status as an IB World School

We are the oldest IB School in England with over 40 years experience. There are only 13 institutions in the world that have taught the IB longer than us.

Unique approach to study, student life and personal development

Our teaching style creates culturally aware, inquiring minds who demonstrate a lifelong passion for learning. They are excellent global citizens.

Academic expertise and outstanding results

We consistently achieve above the world average and our students regularly win places at leading UK and international universities. Our worldwide reputation is due to quality academic results.

Internationalism is embraced as one of our core values

Our sixth form attracts students from around the world, including a significant number of British students. This truly international community makes it a special place to live, study and make friends for life.

Strong commitment to students

The high staff-to-student ratio supports the learning process because it helps teachers understand individual learning needs for personal support. You will be cared for by teachers, residential staff, a Personal Tutor and College Nurse.

Specialist careers and higher education support

Careers and higher education is embedded in the learning experience. Our in-house team guide you on all aspects of careers development including CV writing, university applications, gap years and internships.

Accessible education

Our prestigious academic scholarships are open to all UK and overseas students interested in studying the IB Diploma as a day or boarding student.

Breadth of our subject offering

Our wide subject options at higher and standard level makes it an accessible and varied study programme, whatever your interests or academic background. We teach literature face-to-face in a range of languages.

Access to world-class resources

We encourage you to take full advantage of the learning resources that the famous city of Oxford provides.

If you have any questions or would like to apply for our academic scholarships, please get in touch on admissions@stclares.ac.uk

Course structure and subjects

We offer a wide range of subjects at higher and standard level:

- **Standard level (150 teaching hours):** in-depth knowledge of the subject and an opportunity to develop key skills
- **Higher level (240 teaching hours):** a deeper understanding of key topics and concepts as well as the chance to enhance your skills

You need to select **3 at standard level (S)** and **3 at higher level (H)** from **6 subject groups**:

Age:	16-18 years old
Start date:	September
Length:	2 years
Class size:	Maximum 15 students
Lessons:	30 hours of classroom lessons Monday to Friday
Lesson length:	55 minutes



Without the scholarship I wouldn't have been able to study here. I am very grateful for that, because I've had an amazing experience, which otherwise I would not have been able to have - studying the IB has made me much more confident in myself."

Zuzanna, dual nationality
University destination: Arts University Bournemouth

Core elements

These core elements help you develop new skills and support your personal development.

Theory of Knowledge (TOK)

promotes intellectual curiosity through critical thinking

4000-word Extended Essay (EE)

develops your research and academic writing skills

Creativity, Activity, and Service (CAS)

stimulates personal growth through new experiences



WE TEACH LITERATURE IN A WIDE RANGE OF LANGUAGES



Group	Subject area	Course options	Level
1	Studies in Language and Literature First language or native language	Language and Literature - native or near native speaker of English	S or H
		Literature - first language or native language: Albanian, Arabic, Bulgarian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, English, French, German, Greek, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Latvian, Lithuanian, Mandarin, Norwegian, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Russian, Serbian, Slovak, Spanish, Swedish, Turkish and Ukrainian English, German, Italian, Russian <i>If you speak multiple languages fluently, there is also the option to take a bilingual diploma</i>	S H
2	Language Acquisition Second language	English	S or H
		If you study English in Group 1: Mandarin, Spanish or German - beginner level French, Mandarin, Spanish or German - intermediate level	S only S or H
3	Individual and Societies	Business Management History Geography Psychology Economics Global Politics	S or H S or H S or H S or H S or H S only
3 or 4	Interdisciplinary	Environmental Systems and Societies	S only
4	Science	Biology Chemistry Physics	S or H S or H S or H
5	Mathematics	Analysis and Approaches Applications and Interpretation	S or H S or H
6	Arts and Electives	Music Theatre Visual Arts	S or H S or H S or H
		Or 1 option below: - another language from Groups 1 or 2 - another subject from Group 3 - another science from Group 4	



SCAN THE QR CODE FOR OUR 'STUDY OPTIONS AND SUBJECT DETAILS' BOOKLET or visit www.stclares.ac.uk/brochures



Creativity Activity Service (CAS)

Creativity, Activity, and Service (CAS) gives our students an opportunity to engage in fun and worthwhile experiences. Many of our students comment how they value the range of opportunities available to them. Participation in the CAS programme encourages our students to share their energy and special talents while developing awareness, concern and the ability to work cooperatively with others.



Being expressive and developing confidence through acting and performance



Having fun, making friends and developing new skills



Improving life conditions in a range of communities

CAS enables students to enhance their personal and interpersonal development by learning through experience. Create a personalised programme each term, by selecting at least 1 experience from each category below.

CREATIVITY

THIS ASPECT COVERS A WIDE RANGE OF ARTS & CREATIVE APPROACHES. CREATIVITY IS THE OPPORTUNITY TO ACHIEVE SOMETHING NEW OR TAKE ON A NEW CREATIVE CHALLENGE

- ART
- CHESS
- CODING
- COOKING
- DOCUMENTARY CLUB
- ECONOMICS
- MATHS
- MEDICAL SOCIETY
- MODEL UNITED NATIONS
- MUSIC APPRECIATION SOCIETY
- MUSIC PRACTICE
- PHOTOGRAPHY
- PSYCHOLOGY
- ST CLARE'S UNION
- STUDIO ART
- THEATRE
- YOUNG ENTERPRISE

ACTIVITY

THIS ELEMENT ENCOURAGES YOU TO DEVELOP NEW SKILLS & A SENSE OF ENJOYMENT FROM PHYSICAL ACTIVITY. IT PROMOTES A CONTINUED INTEREST IN HEALTH & WELLBEING

- BADMINTON
- DANCE FITNESS
- FOOTBALL
- GOLF CLUB
- GYM-BASED BOXING
- GYM SESSIONS
- MIND & BODY BALANCE
- RUNNING
- SPIN CLASSES/STUDIO CYCLING
- SQUASH
- TABLE TENNIS
- TENNIS
- VOLLEYBALL
- WELLBEING WALK

SERVICE

BUILD LINKS WITH INDIVIDUALS, THE COMMUNITY OR NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANISATIONS. WORK WITH DIVERSE GROUPS TO ENGAGE, SUPPORT & DEVELOP A SENSE OF COMMITMENT TO THEM.

- ANIMAL RIGHTS ACTION GROUP
- CLIMATE ACTION NOW
- DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD - BRONZE/GOLD
- ECO SCHOOLS
- HUMAN RIGHTS ACTION GROUP
- KNITTING FOR NEEDS
- LANGUAGE NETWORK TEACHERS & STUDENTS
- LOCAL ENVIRONMENT ACTION GROUP
- MUSIC NETWORK
- NURSERY ASSISTANTS GO DIGITAL
- PEER SUPPORT
- PETS & PLANTS
- POST PALS
- SHARE AND CARE
- STUDENT COUNCIL SCHOOL OFFICERS
- ST CLARE'S MAGAZINE
- TERRACYCLE GROUP
- TUTORING ASSISTANTS

We offer over 50 experiences per week.

This is a sample of our offering; the experiences may vary each term.

and extra-curricular **ACTIVITIES**



Evolving as a person through innovative experiences



Taking part in rewarding team sports



Engaging and interacting with different cultures



Cultivating motivation, discipline and self-sufficiency

Study visits and excursions

Our field trips have an educational, cultural, environmental, sport or social focus. In previous years students have taken part in Biology, Environmental Systems & Societies, History and Languages study visits in both the UK and beyond.

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award builds these aptitudes and personal characteristics

- Encourages a spirit of adventure and discovery
- Generates a sense of resilience by accomplishing new challenges
- Develops orientation skills like map reading, cooking meals and route planning
- Builds friendships and sense of togetherness through teamwork activities
- Develops self-awareness through reflections on strengths and weaknesses
- Improves time-keeping and problem solving skills
- Builds confidence and enables personal growth through innovative new experiences

These skills are truly valued by employers and can be advantageous well into your future career.



Expressing creativity through inspiring art and performance





BOARDING life

Beautiful twin and triple residences within walking distance of the city of Oxford



Boarding students

We offer a beautiful, comfortable and safe boarding experience. The environment combines secure twin and triple residences with outdoor green spaces. Over half of our rooms have ensuite bathrooms. All houses have communal spaces like common rooms and kitchens. WiFi is available in the residences.

Each residence has a House Parent, responsible for student welfare and support. Our dedicated team help you settle into life in the UK and work with you to make the living environment feel like home. Within your house you will have house outings and opportunities to spend time together to create a home away from home.

Day students

We welcome local day students into our thriving boarding community. You can join boarders for breakfast, lunch and dinner and socialise with friends until curfew. The costs of all meals are included in your fees.

If there is room availability, you can request to stay in our residence for a short period of time for specific family circumstances.



Over the last 3 years £6.1 million has been invested in new facilities. These include our renovated dining hall and café, known as The Globe at 135.

The new restaurant, servery and café provide comfortable and relaxing spaces for students to meet friends and socialise. We offer a wide range of delicious nutritious meals, which promote a well-balanced diet. We also cater for vegan and gluten free diets.

FACILITIES INVESTMENT
OVER 3 YEARS



Open for Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner
7 days a week, with varied specials every day

Sample daily menu

- Breakfast**
Continental breakfast with fresh fruit, bread, cereals and pastries
Cooked breakfast with eggs, sausages, bacon, mushrooms and tomatoes
- Lunch**
Chicken Wings with chili and lime
Thai-style Tofu with chili and lime
Thai-style Pickled Shredded Cabbage with chili, lime and coriander
Lamb Kofta Sandwich with shredded red cabbage, mint and lime yoghurt dressing
Smoked Salmon and Dill Pasta
- Side dishes:** Steamed herb vegetables and sautéed Lyonnaise potatoes
- Deli bar:** Fresh salads and fruit are available every day
- Dinner**
Lamb Tagine with apricots, chickpeas and cinnamon
Parsnip, Spinach and Mushroom Wellington with red onion sauce
Bacon and Mushroom Pasta
- Side dishes:** Couscous, parmentier potatoes roasted vegetables and steamed broccoli
- Deli bar:** Fresh salads and fruit are available every day

We cater for allergy and food intolerances. Please notify us ahead of your arrival.





STUDENT WELFARE and support

Positive preparation for life

Our safe and engaging environment nurtures individuals into self-assured, open-minded people with truly meaningful friendships.

Our Personal Tutors, House Parents, College Nurse, pastoral team and teachers work together to help you flourish during your time here. They also encourage you to embrace all of the opportunities ahead of you.



GLOBAL HEALTH
EMOTIONAL HEALTH
STUDY HEALTH
TECHNOLOGICAL HEALTH
FUTURE HEALTH
PHYSICAL HEALTH

We provide positive preparation for university and your future life through encouraging you to learn to develop a balanced healthy lifestyle taking into account your studies but also the importance of exercise and social life'



The atmosphere is informal and friendly, with an emphasis on achieving your best. We do not have a uniform and students are on first-name terms with teachers. Our provision fosters independence of mind and personal responsibility.

The friendships you develop whilst studying here promote international-mindedness, improve linguistic as well as intercultural competence and strengthen social skills - vital attributes for life.

We focus on developing the whole person into confident, resilient, healthy and independent young adults.

Guardianship: All residential students must have an educational guardian in the UK for any emergencies. **The Boarding Schools Association (BSA)** website has a list of guardians who have the BSA Certified Guardian certification which is an assurance of professional quality.



Your CAREER DEVELOPMENT journey

Personalised support to help you make informed decisions about your future career path

Careers and higher education guidance to complement your academic goals and support your future career aspirations:

- Benefit from specialist advice on applying to university, apprenticeships, professional internships and gap year schemes
- Explore future education and career aspirations through experiential learning and self-reflection
- Boost your professional skills including CV writing, presentation and interview skills so you are competitive and ready for the professional jobs market around the world
- Assessment centre for SAT exams, BioMedical Admissions Tests (BMAT) and Oxbridge Admissions Tests
- Personalised guidance from Careers Development Institute (CDI) accredited advisers from when you apply until 3 years after you graduate

**for university,
for career,
for life...**



Thank you for showing me that if I set my mind to something I can do it. Before I came to St Clare's I had never considered applying, let alone getting into very competitive universities, but with your support and feedback I was able to do just that."

Ricarda, German
University destination: London School of Economics



WE HELP STUDENTS
APPLY TO **UNIVERSITIES**
AROUND THE WORLD



Global alumni NETWORK

Become a lifelong member of our international alumni community

We provide a range of benefits to support our alumni on a personal, academic and professional level. These include:

- **Specialist careers and higher education support** - We offer expert guidance on professional job opportunities including mentoring, internships and gap year schemes. We also provide references
- **College tours** - We offer personalised tours so you can see how things have changed. Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee that you be able to see your favourite teacher. Please contact us to arrange an appointment
- **Reunion events** - We arrange social activities hosted at St Clare's like reunion events



Why join St Clare's Connect?

- Reconnect with classmates
- Benefit from networking opportunities
- Find out about reunion events
- Stay up-to-date with College news
- Access career development opportunities
- Become a mentor
- Keep in touch with us

Join our alumni network: www.stclaresconnect.com

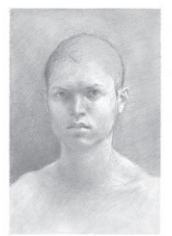


Alumni case study

Xavier Robles de Medina
Graduation year: 2008

Xavier won a prestigious scholarship to develop his creative talents at Savannah College of Art and Design. He has since gone on to study an MA in Fine Art at Goldsmiths, University of London.

His work has achieved public acclaim in solo exhibitions in Bucharest, Miami, New York, Los Angeles and Paris. In 2022 Xavier will participate in Senegal's prestigious contemporary art exhibition, Dakar Biennale.





How to APPLY

Guiding you through the application process



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- 4 We will invite you and your family for a campus tour and you will attend an interview.
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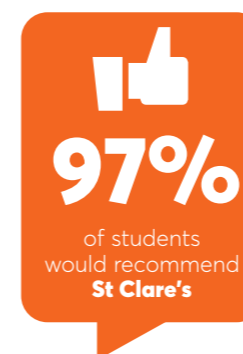
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Start dates:	July



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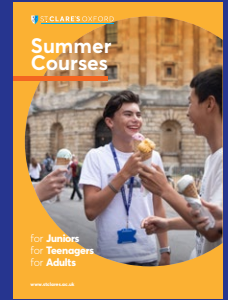
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