

GUIDE TO EAL COURSES



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Welcome to the Bedstone College EAL Programme

Bedstone College offers tailored English as an Additional Language (EAL) support, with different courses available depending on the English language ability of each student joining us.

EAL support is specifically designed to help international students make a successful entry into the mainstream education system in the UK, leading to an even more successful academic career.

Some international students will already have the required standard of English, and therefore may only need 'Appropriate Support lessons, (ASL), which are timetabled around their other academic lessons.

Others joining us from outside of the EU may need more comprehensive support (please see our all-inclusive fee structure).

Bedstone will prepare the students academically, linguistically and socially from the day that they arrive. All international students on the all-inclusive package have access to the services of an International Welfare Officer.



Courses on offer

Appropriate Support Lessons (ASL) - particularly recommended for European students who come to us with at least three years' previous English language study.

Students on this programme will be studying the mainstream curriculum (usual college boarding fees apply)

Their EAL lessons charges are in addition to the boarding fees and are set out below.

The EAL lessons will be timetabled when the students are not studying mathematics or science

The lessons are allocated according to need. This will usually be between three and five lessons each week of general English lessons

Students of Year 10 and 11 can also join the iGCSE as a second language course which will lead to a iGCSE qualification

Depending on their level of English sixth form students can join the general English classes or ILETS classes

If a student is in need of more than this number of lessons, it is likely that the ASL programme is insufficient for their needs. In this instance, we will contact parents and discuss moving the student to the pre-sessional course

Charges

- Group lessons (£15 per lesson). This course is particularly aimed at short term students who wish to leave Bedstone with the Cambridge First Certificate in English or Preliminary English Test at the end of their stay; (two lessons per week for a minimum of one term and only if there is a minimum class size of five students)
- One-to-one, or in very small groups of two or three, as needs and timetabling allow £26 per lesson (one to three lessons per week)
- A fixed charge of £960 per term if students need more than three lessons per week
- Charges are invoiced to parents at the end of the term
- Students wishing to take an IELTS/PET/FCE/iGCSE examination will be charged for this in addition to usual fees.

International 'all inclusive' fee structure (September 2017)

Tuition Fee:

Senior School (£6700 per term)

Includes: All tuition in mainstream classes (including sports and most activities)
Unlimited lessons in English as an Additional Language (EAL)
Textbooks and exercise books
All examination entry fees (first sitting)
CAS/VISA support
Transfers to and from airports on key term dates
Services of the International Welfare Officer*

Boarding Fee: Senior School (£4300 per term)

Includes: Full board and lodging
Three meals plus afternoon tea each day
Linen/duvets for beds
Weekly laundry service
Unlimited weekend activities programme (does not include extra 'top-ups')

Not included: Guardianship arrangements
Some activities (e.g. one-to-one music tuition)

* In addition to the tutor and house parents, all Tier 4 students will be entitled to the services of the International Welfare Officer (IWO). This member of staff is specifically responsible for overseeing the care of students coming from abroad. Parents of international students can feel remote and isolated especially until their child has settled. The IWO is available throughout term time and will respond to parents/guardians/agents within 48 hours of receipt of any communication. The IWO liaises with the transport department on airport arrivals, coordinates international induction, organises police registration, arranges the opening of bank accounts and getting phone cards etc. Throughout the year the IWO acts as a liaison point between parents, guardians, agents, tutors and house parents and students. They will meet with the student at least once each week and meet with parents, if required, when they visit during term time.

**For an application form please contact the admissions department at
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