



Newbury Hall School

Into maturity & towards ambitions



Welcome

- 1:8 maximum class ratio
- 30 hours of tuition per week
- Supervised evening prep
- Ages 13-17
- Open enrolment & fixed terms
- Caring, professional staff
- Support for special needs
- Boarding house of single, en-suite rooms
- Full board: breakfast, lunch & dinner
- Extracurricular activities & guided educational visits
- Open every day, all year, including holidays

Newbury Hall is a safe and special place for the academically ambitious. Pupils of all backgrounds come to explore the intellectual and social rigours of life at a British boarding school, to be challenged towards excellence, and to improve their English. We are open every day all year, including half terms, Christmas & New Year, Easter and throughout summer for programmes lasting from one week to six months.

As an international school with a strong cultural mix and a welcoming mindset, we have great respect for the diverse backgrounds of our pupils. Our small size and familial atmosphere mean pupils from all over the world quickly build a sense of identity and a feeling of belonging, which in turn helps foster confidence, strong relationships and a sense of responsibility for both our shared and individual ambitions.

Our academic programmes take pupils far beyond mere language learning, be it through a soft landing on the steep learning curve that conveys international pupils into mainstream British education, or by beckoning high-achieving pupils into even greater, unanticipated realms of intellectual delight.

We believe in human classrooms. Living, shared, discursive learning experiences in the midst of the technology and isolation of the modern world means our pupils enjoy being challenged by teachers they respect and are properly guided towards autonomy and social success.

Pupils develop confidence by exploring what is possible and pursuing what is best.



Academic programmes

Composition & outcomes	
Academic Literacy	<p>School skills, general knowledge & English language in the service of better thinking, becoming a better pupil generally and preparing for the next steps forward.</p> <p>Lessons include: ideation & argumentation, subject tasters, cultural calendar journalism, biographies, debates, literature and readers' theatre, book club seminars, research projects & presentations, eloquence, philosophical thinking, etc; grammar and pronunciation are embedded throughout all lessons in response to pupils' errors or ignorance, and feedback is plentiful.</p>
Exam Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Intensive preparation for IELTS, Cambridge English Qualifications, etcWith or without a formal exam <p>Pupils have knowledge, strategies and confidence walking into the exam room.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Skills trainingExam-specific vocabulary and grammarPractice tests with feedback against mark schemes
Combinations & Tutorials	<p>Tailoring options include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Core subjects such as mathematics and the sciencesOne-to-one tutorials in specific subjects or skillsOnline lessons before or after a programmeEntry exam preparation such as for the UKisetEnglish-language exams as part of other programmes, etc

Terms of 12 weeks	October-December	January-March	April-June	July-September
Open enrolment	Arrive any Sunday, depart any Saturday			
Timetable	Lessons 9:00 to 12:30 & 13:15 to 17:30 including sport			



Extracurricular activities & guided educational visits

Experiences of worth in a rich extracurricular programme of social, cultural and sporting opportunities bring the school community together and help keep everyone healthy. Activities are available every evening, while Wednesday and Friday afternoons are given over to sport.

The school has membership of a local leisure centre with fully equipped gym, swimming pool, squash courts, yoga and other fitness classes which pupils can use or join. Pupils can rent bicycles and follow local scenic paths.

Activities in school include team and individual sports such as football and badminton, table tennis and table football, lawn and board games, a piano and guitars, etc. We also like to encourage crafts such as pyrography and embroidery, cookery and gardening.

Guided educational tours to places of historical and cultural interest operate on Saturdays for pupils staying through a weekend: Oxford, London, Windsor, Bath, Brighton, Winchester, Stratford-upon-Avon, etc.

There is limited unsupervised time in the evenings before and after prep or activities. On Sundays pupils have a well-deserved free day to spend with friends, go into town, use school facilities or the leisure centre, or get ahead with prep.

Catering

All meals are served in the Forum and are cooked in house by our Head of Catering and kitchen team using healthy, fresh ingredients to deliver a well-balanced and varied menu of international dishes. A choice of continental and cooked breakfast is offered each day, as well as a hot lunch and dinner seven days a week. A fruit basket, fruit juice and hot drinks station for tea & coffee are available throughout the day.



The boarding house & pastoral care

Caring, trained and experienced boarding staff live and sleep at school. Our open-door culture puts the team at pupils' disposal at all times of day and night.

Round-the-clock supervision is close but inconspicuous so that pupils are safe without feeling unnecessarily observed, while regular registrations seven days a week monitor pupils' whereabouts.

Adherence in attitude and behaviour to simple, central rules such as punctuality, politeness and prep creates an orderly learning atmosphere and engenders in pupils a self-discipline that they can take forward with them.

Special educational needs, behavioural difficulties, medical conditions, dietary requirements, allergies, religious customs, etc can typically be catered for.

Facilities	Safety & security
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Single, en-suite study bedrooms• Complementary towels & toiletries• Room cleaning, linen & laundry service• Hairdryers & adaptors available on request• Homestay available very nearby	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Boarding house directly attached to the school building• Electronic key cards assigned to individual rooms• Security cameras and boundary fence• External and internal door alarms• 24/7 emergency phone and live-in staff

Newbury & environs

Newbury is an affluent market town with a long history. Its excellent amenities include cafés and restaurants, theatres and cinemas, shops, sports centres, parks and a beautiful canal.

Situated in the fresh air and countryside less than an hour from both London and Oxford, Newbury is ideally located to explore England and yet avoids the dangers and distractions of large cities.

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