

# Newbury Hall: to foster an erudite identity in English (13-17 years)

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Newbury Hall is a safe and special place delivering a ‘trajectory education’. As a stepping stone from pupils’ backgrounds towards their ambitions, we help potential high-achievers forge their own learning practices in harmony with their personality. We affirm our pupils’ life choices - no matter how unique - and nurture a spirit of determination in their pursuit and conviction in their realisation. As a pupil, you learn to think for yourself, to decide for yourself and to plan for yourself.

Pupils come from different parts of the world and this brings exposure to a wide range of cultures, mindsets and experiences. We aim to help pupils feel confident in both themselves and with other people, and to enjoy the challenge of meeting others and learning from them.

# All year

JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC

## The programme

Our pupils develop a confidence founded on genuine improvements in their knowledge and skills, and in increasingly proficient English. Whether a pupil stays with us for a week, a month, a year or more, the format of individual lessons is similar each week while the specific content and outcomes change. This allows students to establish formative routines to hone their core skills rather than diluting their efforts, all the while acquiring broader general knowledge and improving their English.

- **Intensive Academic Literacy**

At Newbury Hall this means new language, knowledge and skills in the service of better thinking and becoming a better learner generally. Academically literate pupils can successfully face the challenges of understanding and responding creatively to complex ideas in English and can generate both informed and personal opinions. Over the longer term the Intensive Academic Literacy programme aims to provide an ideal transition for international pupils into mainstream UK education.

- **Meaningful content**

On the Intensive Academic Literacy programme these include: writing craft workshops in essays & argumentation and journalism based on our in-house cultural calendar, biographies, debates, literature and reader's theatre, reciprocal reading, subject tasters, guided research projects with presentations, book club with presentations and discussions, eloquence 'walkshops', training in philosophical thinking, etc. Grammar and pronunciation are embedded throughout all lessons in response to pupils' errors or ignorance, and feedback is plentiful.

**A 30 hour week in study groups of one tutor to 8 students.**

### Price per week

£1,600

Courses start on every Monday throughout the year with arrival on Sunday evening and departure on Saturday morning.

All prices listed are per week.

A 1 week course attracts a supplement of £90.

A term course (12 weeks or more) attracts a deduction of £85 per week.

\* Accommodation: single ensuite room in our on-site residence available all year round. Plus in June, July and August there is also the choice of lodgings with a local Newbury family. For both options all meals are enjoyed at the school.

- **Intensive Exam Skills**

These programmes teach exam strategies, for example IELTS and IGCSEs and provide extensive practice tests with feedback against mark schemes so that pupils feel confident going into the exam. Pupils also have dedicated language lessons to ensure they cover the exam vocabulary and grammar.

The exam supplement for Cambridge First and Advanced is £195 and for IELTS, £300.

### Course fees include

- Accommodation and all meals
- Workbook and course certificate
- Leisure activities
- Full day excursion
- Arrival / departure transfer on standard dates and times