Culford



English Language Foundation Course

Integration, Excellence and Support

A pathway to academic success through integration, flexibility and personalised support.

Course Overview

Our one-term English Language Foundation Course offers an immersive British boarding school experience for pupils aged 13–14.

The programme may serve as a standalone language and cultural experience or provide a foundation for further education in the UK. Through intensive English tuition, academic enrichment and full participation in school life, pupils develop the language skills, confidence and independence needed to succeed in a British educational environment.

A Personalised Pathway to Success

Each pupil follows an individual learning pathway tailored to their needs and progress. The course focuses on developing English proficiency to access the mainstream British curriculum, with opportunities for gradual integration into mainstream lessons alongside British pupils when ready.

Specialist teachers provide targeted language support, while exceptional pastoral care ensures that every pupil feels safe, supported and valued.



Curriculum and Learning

Pupils benefit from a broad, balanced programme combining intensive English tuition with academic subjects, creative learning and sport.

Course	Hours/ week	In these courses pupils will...
English as an Additional Language (EAL)	16.5	Focus on reading, writing, listening, speaking and grammar. Eligible pupils make take the Cambridge A2 Key (KET) Examination
British Culture and Values	2.5	Explore British customs, traditions, boarding routines and essential life skills, enriched by practical activities and cultural excursions.
Mathematics	3	Be introduced to Year 9 UK curriculum concepts, subject vocabulary and problem-solving skills.
Art, Craft and Design	1.5	Develop creativity and practical skills in art, textiles and photography
Design and Technology	1.5	Explore design, prototyping, CAD technology and practical problem-solving.
Drama	1.5	Build spoken English, presentation skills, confidence and teamwork through performance.
Games and Sports	2.5	Experience traditional British sports, developing fitness, teamwork and school spirit.
Learning for Life	1	Learn about wellbeing, personal safety, emotional intelligence and British values.

The curriculum may be adapted to meet the needs of each one-term cohort.

Boarding, Integration and Enrichment

Pupils live in fully integrated boarding houses and learn alongside British students, quickly becoming part of the Culford community. A comprehensive seven-day programme of sport, activities and social opportunities encourages friendship, independence and cultural understanding. Activities include tennis, swimming, football, golf and dance, alongside a wide range of academic and co-curricular experiences.

Dedicated boarding staff and specialist teachers work together to provide outstanding pastoral care, supporting pupils' academic, social and emotional development.







Preparing Pupils for the Future

Culford's English Language Foundation Course combines intensive language development, personalised academic support and full immersion in British school life.

By nurturing confidence, communication skills and independence, the programme equips pupils to progress towards joining mainstream British education or to return home with stronger English and a broader cultural perspective.

Criteria for entry

For ages: 13 and 14 years

Minimum level of English: A1 – A2

Programme length: One Term

Pupils will go through the usual application process:

- ✓ Submission of documents: passport, school reports and birth certificate
- ✓ Registration
- ✓ Testing and Interview





The Setting

Culford is a traditional English boarding school in the heart of the Suffolk countryside. Set within 480 acres of beautiful parkland, Culford provides a unique educational experience.

High quality teaching is supported by superb academic and sporting facilities including the landmark library, Patterson Centre for Creative Technology, studio theatre, two dance studios, Sports & Tennis centre with a 25-meter pool and six indoor courts, an indoor golf TRACKMAN® swing analysis suite and on-site golf driving range and short game area.









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