IIC Prospectus 2027

IMAGINE WHERE TWO YEARS COULD TAKE YOU...



International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme
International Baccalaureate Career-related Programme
IB Courses

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YOUR TICKET TO A WORLD-CLASS EDUCATION

Welcome

A message from the Heads of Sixth Form



Bronwyn Wilson
Head of Sixth Form



Leanne Gibbons
Head of Sixth Form

"Every student's journey is unique. Our role is to walk alongside them— encouraging, challenging and empowering them to discover just how far their talents can take them."

The world is changing fast. The careers, challenges and opportunities waiting for today's young people demand more than exam results alone. They demand curiosity, resilience, global awareness and the confidence to think independently.

At Impington International College, we have specialised in the International Baccalaureate for over 35 years. That depth of experience means we know how to bring out the best in every student — whether they thrive in academic research, creative expression, vocational learning or a combination of all three.

Our sixth form is a place where you will be challenged, supported and inspired. You will join a diverse, inclusive community that values who you are and who you are becoming. Our teachers are passionate specialists who will push your thinking, nurture your ambitions and help you develop the skills that universities and employers value most.

We offer three distinct IB pathways — the Diploma Programme, the Career-related Programme and IB Courses — so that every student can find the route that fits their strengths and aspirations. Whichever path you choose, you will graduate with an internationally recognised qualification and the personal qualities to thrive beyond school.

We invite you to explore this prospectus, visit our campus and imagine yourself here. Your journey starts with a conversation — and we cannot wait to have it with you.

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An Education Designed for Tomorrow

The future belongs to people who can think critically, adapt confidently, communicate effectively and work with others. An International Baccalaureate education is designed to develop exactly these qualities.

The International Baccalaureate doesn't simply ask students to learn more. It asks them to think differently: to question, connect ideas, consider different perspectives and apply their learning to the world around them.

An education for that future needs to offer more than qualifications.

An IB education combines academic depth with breadth. Students explore subjects in detail while continuing to learn across disciplines, making connections between ideas rather than seeing knowledge in isolation.
Learning is active and purposeful.

35+ YEARS

of International Baccalaureate education at Impington

Students are encouraged to ask challenging questions, investigate independently, evaluate evidence and communicate their ideas with aplomb. They encounter different perspectives, work collaboratively and learn to approach complex problems without assuming there will always be one simple answer.

This approach develops the academic knowledge and intellectual curiosity that leading universities value, alongside the resilience, adaptability and collaboration that employers increasingly seek. Students leave with both knowledge and the ability to use it: to think critically, respond to unfamiliar challenges and engage meaningfully with different people, ideas and perspectives.

Think critically • Solve complex problems • Communicate with confidence • Collaborate across cultures • Adapt to change • Lead with integrity

> "The biggest thing I gained wasn't just knowledge. It was the confidence to tackle challenges I had never faced before."
>
> Lucy
> IB Diploma Programme | University College London

The IB doesn't simply prepare students for what comes next. It gives them the confidence and capability to shape it.

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Life at IIC, in Their Words

Different journeys. Different ambitions. One international community.

IBCP | Rugby Scholar

"When I joined IIC, university wasn't really something I had considered. Rugby was what I wanted o focus on, and the scholarship gave me the opportunity to do that alongside my studies. But the IBCP changed the way I saw myself as a learner. I developed skills in research, reflection and independent thinking, and my teachers made me realise that I was academic. University suddenly became something I could see myself doing."

IB Career-related Programme | Rugby Scholar

IBDP | Medicine

"The IB taught me to look beyond a single perspective. Now that I'm studying Medicine, I can see how valuable that is. Health and medicine aren't experienced in the same way everywhere, and the IBDP taught me to consider the whole and global perspectives rather than seeking everything through a purely Western lens."

IB Diploma Programme
Medicine

An International Community

"Some of my closest friends at IIC came from completely different countries, cultures and backgrounds to me. You don't really notice how much that changes you at this time. Left with friends around the world and a much broader understanding of it."

IB Diploma Programme

IBCP | ProDirect Football Scholar

"I came to IIC because I wanted to take my football as far as I could while completing my education. The ProDirect scholarship gave me access to high-level coaching and opportunities I wouldn't otherwise have had, and ultimately helped open the door to signing professionally. I didn't have to choose between my education and my ambition in football."

IB Career-related Programme | ProDirect Football Scholar

Learning Through Community Engagement

"Service Learning (Community Engagement) became the backbone of my studies without me really planning it that way. My work with marine conservation shaped the questions I was asking in Environmental Systems and Societies, while what I learned in class helped me understand the environmental issues I was seeing first-hand. The world was completely connected."

IB Diploma Programme

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Three Pathways. One Exceptional Education.

Every student is different. At Impington International College, we offer three International Baccalaureate pathways — each designed to provide an outstanding education while recognising different strengths, interests and ambitions. Whichever route you choose, you join a supportive community where every pathway is equally valued.

IB Diploma Programme

A broad, academically challenging programme for students who want to study six subjects at an advanced level alongside core components.

IB Career-related Programme

Combines academic IB courses with a career-related qualification, blending theory with practical, real-world application.

IB Courses

A flexible, personalised programme allowing students to select individual IB subjects tailored to their strengths and goals.

At a Glance

	IBDP	IBCP	IB Courses
Ideal for	Students looking for depth and breadth in their studies	Students with a career interest	Students wanting flexibility
Structure	6 subjects + core	2+ IB subjects + career qualification+ core	Individual IB certificates
Progression	Top universities worldwide, degree apprenticeships	University, apprenticeships, employment	University, training, employment

Entry Requirements

IB Diploma Programme
Minimum seven GCSEs (average Grade 6, including English and Maths) or 28 MYP points. Ideally Grade 7+ in Higher Level subjects

IB Career-related Programme & IB Courses
Minimum five GCSEs, overall average grade 5 or above, including English and Mathematics. Or a total of at least 28 points with a Grade 3 or higher in each Middle Years Programme Assessment.

The following pages explore each pathway in more detail.

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The International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme

The International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) is one of the world's most respected pre-university qualifications. It combines academic depth with breadth, developing knowledgeable, reflective and internationally minded young people ready to thrive at university and beyond.

The Diploma Programme is ideal for students who enjoy academic challenge, want to keep their options open and value an education that develops character as well as knowledge.
Students study six subjects across a broad range of disciplines, selecting at least three at Higher Level and three at Standard Level. Alongside their academic subjects they complete the IB Core, bringing together research, critical thinking and community engagement. This unique combination develops the confidence, independence and intellectual curiosity that leading universities and employers value.

Build Your Diploma

Choose one subject from each group. Three at HL, three at SL.



Group 1
Studies in Language & Literature
English Lang & Lit
English Literature
English Lit & Performance (SL)

Group 2
Language Acquisition
French B, Spanish B
German B, Mandarin ab initio
Spanish ab initio, Italian ab initio

Group 3
Individuals & Societies
History, Geography
Psychology, Economics
Philosophy, Business

Group 4
Sciences
Biology, Chemistry, Physics
Environmental Systems
Sports Science, Computer Science

Group 5
Mathematics
Analysis & Approaches
Applications & Interpretation

Group 6
Free Choice
Music, Theatre Arts
Visual Arts, Global Politics
Business, Psychology, History, Physics, Sports Science, Dance

Why Choose the IB Diploma?

- Globally recognised by leading universities
- Develops independent, critical thinkers
- Balances breadth and specialism
- Prepares students for university and life beyond

The IBDP Core

- Theory of Knowledge (TOK) — Explores how knowledge is created and evaluated.
- Extended Essay — An independent 4,000-word research project.
- CAS— Develops creativity, activity and community engagement.

Entry Requirements

Minimum seven GCSEs (average Grade 6, including English and Maths) or 28 MYP points. Ideally Grade 7+ in Higher Level subjects.

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The International Baccalaureate Career-related Programme

The International Baccalaureate Career-related Programme (IBCP) combines rigorous academic study with career-related learning and the distinctive IBCP Core. At Impington, students study BTEC Sport, two Higher Level IB subjects and a programme of personal, professional and community-focused learning.

The IBCP is designed for students who want their learning to connect directly with their interests, future ambitions and the wider world. It brings together the academic challenge of International Baccalaureate subjects with the practical and applied learning of BTEC Sport.

The programme is deliberately integrated. Students are encouraged to make connections between their IB subjects, their BTEC Sport learning and real-world experience. They develop independence, communication, collaboration, ethical awareness and the confidence to apply knowledge in unfamiliar situations.

Build Your IBCP

Your Career-related study is BTEC Sport. Please then choose 2 or 3 IB subjects from across the subject groups.

Career-related Study

BTEC Sport provides applied, career-focused learning in the sports sector, developing practical, analytical and professional skills.

Group 1 — Studies in Language and Literature

English Language & Literature, English Literature, Literature & Performance



Group 3 — Individuals and Societies

History, Geography, Psychology, Economics, Philosophy, Business

Group 4 — Sciences

Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental Systems and Societies, Sports Science, Computer Science

Group 6 — Free Choice

Visual Arts, Theatre Arts, Dance Music, Biology, Physics, Global Politics, History, Business, Psychology, Sports Science, Mathematics: Applications and Interpretations

Why Choose the IBCP?

- Combines academic challenge with applied learning
- Develops real-world skills alongside IB rigour
- Clear progression to university, apprenticeships or employment
- Stands out with a distinctive, well-rounded profile

Entry Requirements

Minimum five GCSEs, overall average grade 5 or above, including English and Mathematics. Or a total of at least 28 points with a Grade 3 or higher in each Middle Years Programme Assessment.

The IBCP Core

- Personal and Professional Skills: Develops future ready skills for the workplace
- Community Engagement: Takes learning outside the classroom.
- Language and Cultural Studies: Develops global perspective and intercultural awareness.
- Reflective Project: An in-depth body of work on an ethical dilemma.

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IB Courses

Not every student wants or needs to follow the same route. IB Courses offer the freedom to shape an individual programme while retaining the academic depth, challenge and internationally minded approach that define an International Baccalaureate education.

IB Courses give students the flexibility to create a personalised programme from the full range of IB Diploma subjects. Students choose five subjects from the full IBDP subject offer, with at least three studied at Higher Level. This allows them to combine subjects in ways that support their chosen university course, specialist training, apprenticeship or career direction.
IB Courses are particularly well suited to students who want to specialise, who need greater flexibility than the full Diploma structure provides, or whose ambitions are best supported by a carefully selected combination of subjects. Students still become part of the same supportive, internationally minded College community and benefit from expert teaching, progression guidance, Community Engagement and wider enrichment.

Build Your IB Courses Programme

Choose FIVE IB subjects, at least three must be HL

Group 1 — Studies in Language and Literature

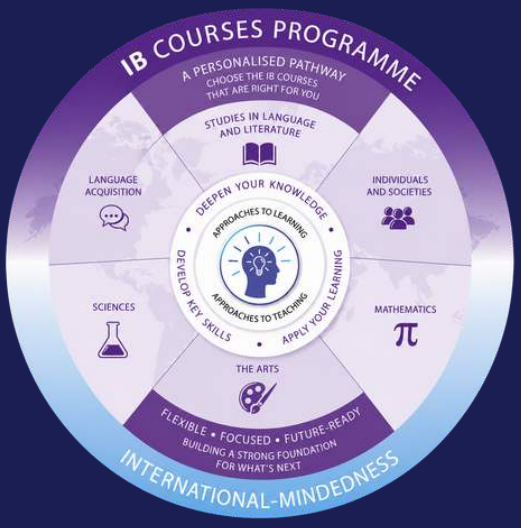
English Language & Literature, English Literature, Literature & Performance

Group 2 — Language Acquisition

French, Spanish, German, Mandarin, Theatre Arts

Group 3 — Individuals and Societies

History, Geography, Psychology, Economics, Philosophy, Business



Group 4 — Sciences

Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental Systems and Societies, Sports Science, Computer Science

Group 5 — Mathematics

Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches, Mathematics: Applications and Interpretations

Group 6 — Free Choice

Visual Arts, Theatre Arts, Dance, Music, Biology, Physics, Global Politics, History, Business, Psychology, Sports Science, Mathematics: Applications and Interpretations

Why Choose IB Courses?

- A personalised programme shaped around your strengths and goals
- Academic depth and challenge with international recognition
- Flexibility to specialise or combine across subject groups
- Full membership of the College community and enrichment programme
- Confidence to progress to university, training or employment

Entry Requirements

Minimum five GCSEs at grade 5 or above, including English and Mathematics. Or a total of at least 28 points with a Grade 3 or higher in each Middle Years Programme Assessment.

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Learning Beyond the Classroom

The International Baccalaureate believes that education extends far beyond academic study. Through the IB Core programmes, and particularly Community Engagement, students develop the empathy, leadership and global outlook that prepare them to make a meaningful difference in the world.


Orphanage, India


Elderly Befrienders


Partner School, Peru


CamCRAG


Conservation, Botswana


Abbey Fields Project


Community Theatre


Primary School Coaching

At Impington International College, Community Engagement is woven into every student's experience. It encourages young people to apply what they learn beyond the classroom, building lasting relationships with people, organisations and communities both locally and around the world.

These experiences are an essential part of an International Baccalaureate education, challenging students to become reflective, compassionate and internationally minded citizens.

Every experience is different, but each one develops the confidence, resilience and sense of responsibility that will stay with our students long after they leave Impington.

These are only a few examples of the many Community Engagement opportunities available to every student at Impington International College.

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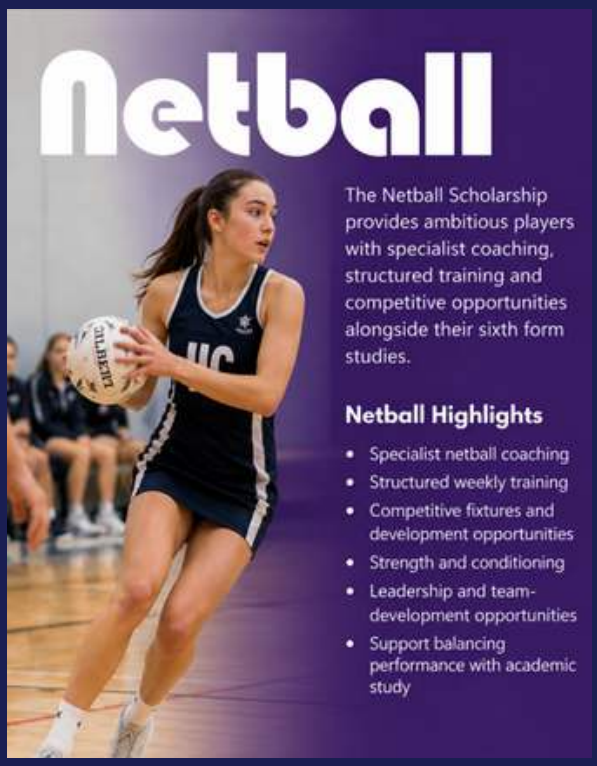
Football, Rugby and Netball Scholarships are available alongside the IBDP, IBCP and IB Courses.

Pursue Your Passion

At Impington International College, students do not have to choose between an outstanding education and the sport they love. Our Football, Rugby and Netball Scholarships are available alongside the IBDP, IBCP and IB Courses, enabling ambitious athletes to train, compete and develop within a supportive high-performance environment.







Sport is a major part of the Impington community. Our scholarship programmes are designed for students who want to continue developing as athletes while benefiting from an internationally respected education. Scholarship students train for approximately six hours each week, take part in regular fixtures and competitions, receive specialist coaching and benefit from strength and conditioning support. They also have access to the College gym and opportunities to learn more about performance analysis, sports science, leadership and progression within and beyond professional sport.

"Being part of the scholarship meant I did not have to choose between my education and the sport I loved. Training challenged me physically, but it also taught me discipline, leadership and resilience. Those skills helped me in my studies and prepared me formy US Soccer scholarship"
Luke, IB Diploma Programme , University of Virginia

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One outstanding education. Three pathways. Three scholarships. A community that supports every part of your ambition.

Where Will Your Journey Take You?

Every student leaves Impington with the confidence, skills and qualifications to take their next step. Whether that means a leading university, an international programme, a higher apprenticeship or specialist employment, our Progression Team ensures no ambition goes unsupported.

94%
progress to university, apprenticeships or employment

45%
accepted to Russell Group or equivalent institutions

60+
unique destinations across five continents

University
Medicine, sports, creative arts, law and beyond. UCAS and international application support from day one.

International Study
Students pursue degrees in Europe, the US, and Asia, supported by our experienced international counselor.

Higher Apprenticeships
Degree apprenticeships with leading employers in technology, engineering, finance and the public sector.

Employment & Specialist Training
Direct entry to specialist training, portfolio careers and employment with professional development.

Progression Support

Every student is assigned a mentor from the start of Year 12. Together they build a plan that reflects individual strengths, interests and ambitions. Support includes one-to-one guidance meetings, UCAS and apprenticeship application workshops, personal statement development and interview preparation.

The College also runs a comprehensive careers programme including employer visits, networking events, work experience coordination and specialist talks. Students preparing for competitive courses receive tailored support including admissions test preparation, portfolio reviews and mock interviews with external professionals.

Progression at a Glance

Personalised guidance — One-to-one adviser from Year 12
Application support — UCAS, apprenticeships, international routes
Careers programme — Employer visits, networking, work experience
Ambitious choices — Oxbridge, medicine, competitive course preparation
Ongoing preparation — Interview practice, portfolio reviews, admissions tests

Our Alumni Journeys

Isabelle
IB Diploma | University of Cambridge

"The Progression Team helped me believe Cambridge was possible. They guided me through every stage."

Jacob
IB Career-related programme | Degree Apprenticeship

"I wanted to earn while I learned. My adviser found the perfect route and helped me stand out."

Tiana
IB Diploma | University of Toronto

"Studying abroad felt daunting, but the international guidance made the whole process straightforward."

Your journey does not end at Impington. It begins here.



Your Ticket to a World Class Education

Whether you already know your path or you are still exploring, Impington International College is a place where your ambitions are taken seriously and your potential is supported every step of the way.

Choosing a sixth form is about more than qualifications. It is about joining a community that challenges you, supports you and prepares you for whatever comes next. For more than 35 years, Impington International College has helped students from Cambridge and around the world grow into confident, capable young adults ready for university, employment and life beyond education.

Every journey begins with a single step. Yours begins here.

Apply now

Admissions Information

Cambridge-area applicants: Apply via MyChoice@16.
Outside Cambridge: Apply through the College website application form.
Host family students: Early applications are recommended. Local host families are available for international and out-of-area students.

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