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General description

Ours is an education unlike any other in the UK. St Clare's, Oxford is a remarkable place of global education for remarkable young people, advancing international education and understanding for 70 years.

St Clare's is a world-leading independent, co-education, day and boarding school, attracting students from over 50 countries and embracing internationalism and academic excellence as our core values. Our IB World School (aged 15-18) was the first in England, offering the International Baccalaureate Diploma for over 45 years. Our International College (aged 16+) offers post-secondary and English Language programmes, and our Spring and Summer School (aged 9+) provide English and Academic courses.

Our campus is made up of over 25 large Victorian and Edwardian houses with purpose-built facilities, including a university-level library, dining room and student café, music and art studios, boarding residences, and an award-winning building housing 4 science laboratories and maths classrooms.

Everyone in our community is united by one key motivation: to step out of their comfort zones to grow, and to be the most globally aware and academically ambitious version of themselves. Ours is thus a culture of challenge. Challenging academic targets, a challenge to become an independent version of yourself, and a challenge to think more openly about what your future might hold.

To be at St Clare's is to feel freedom and benefit of choice; to stand on top of a mountain with every direction available to you. Any career, any location, any direction for your future made possible. Our Careers and Higher Education support is among the best in the world, sending students to the top-ranking universities worldwide but, more importantly, to the right university for them. This is where aspiration and ambition meet knowledge and experience.

St Clare's is a place for those who think differently. We help young people become academically successful, self-reliant, and aware of the world. Be challenged, be independent, be remarkable.

What the school is known for?

- International Baccalaureate Diploma and Pre-IB course
- Spring and Summer Schools for Juniors (9-15), Teenagers (15-17) and Adults (18+)
- English Language Courses
- University Pathways and Gap Year Programmes
- Teacher Training

School history

St Clare's, Oxford was founded by Anne Dreydel OBE and Pamela Morris in 1953. The college grew out of a scheme to establish links between British and European students after the Second World War. Our original name was *The Oxford English Centre for Foreign Students*. This later became *St Clare's Hall*, and then *St Clare's, Oxford*. In the mid-50s, students came from more than 12 Western European countries. Over time, the college began to attract a wide range of nationalities.

The college began extending its offering to include university-level and pre-university study. As well as longer academic courses, short Summer courses became a central feature of the college. Links with USA universities were established in the 1960's. This collaboration enabled US students to gain credit towards their degree. By the 1970's US students were coming to St Clare's for their study abroad programme. This replaced the University of London external degrees which had previously been taught.

In 1977, we introduced the International Baccalaureate Diploma for pre-university students, and gradually phased out A Levels. We are one of the longest-running IB schools in the world; only 13 other institutions have taught the IB the longer than us. We are the first established IB World School in England. We also deliver IB Teacher Training Workshops in cooperation with the IBO; this collaboration began in 2002.

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About our facilities

- Art studio
- Music Studio and practice rooms
- Science labs
- Dining Hall and café
- Library
- Careers and Higher Education centre

Facilities in our area

- Fully equipped gym
- Indoor and outdoor swimming pool
- Tennis courts (indoor and outdoor)
- Football pitches (indoor and outdoor)
- Basketball/badminton/volleyball courts (indoor)

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School type	
Sixth Form (linked to school)	Co-ed
International School/College	Co-ed
Summer School	Co-ed

Ages	
Age Range	15 - 19
Age Range Boarders	15 - 19

Boarders	
Total Boarders	248
Int'l Boarders	230

Boarding fees	
Full boarding fees per term	£17,423 - £17,423
View all fees	

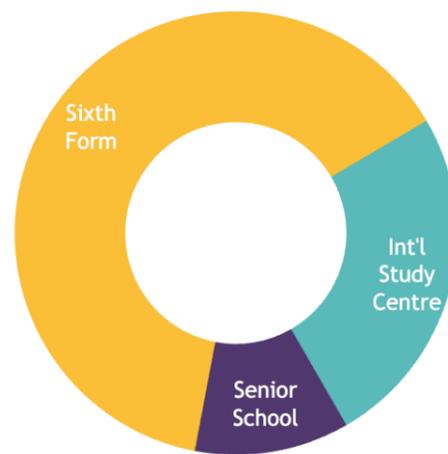




Number of Students

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	Day	British Boarders	Int'l Boarders	Total
Prep school	0	0	0	0
Senior school (excl. sixth form)	3	5	37	45
Sixth form	50	13	190	253
Int'l study centre	0	0	100	100
Total	53	18	327	398



Number of Boarders

Nationalities of Boarders

🎓 Educational programmes

- Intensive English
- IB Diploma
- Language Schools
- Long term boarding
- Pre-IB Diploma course
- Short term boarding
- Summer courses Academic
- Summer courses Activities
- University foundation

★ Specialisms

- Arts
- Football - Boys
- Football - Girls
- Golf
- Music

🧠 Special educational needs (SEN)

- Attention Deficit (Hyperactivity) Disorder (ADD/ADHD)
- Autism spectrum disorders including Asperger's Syndrome
- Dyscalculia
- Dysgraphia
- Dyslexia - Mild
- Dyslexia - Moderate
- Dyspraxia
- Emotional & behavioural difficulties

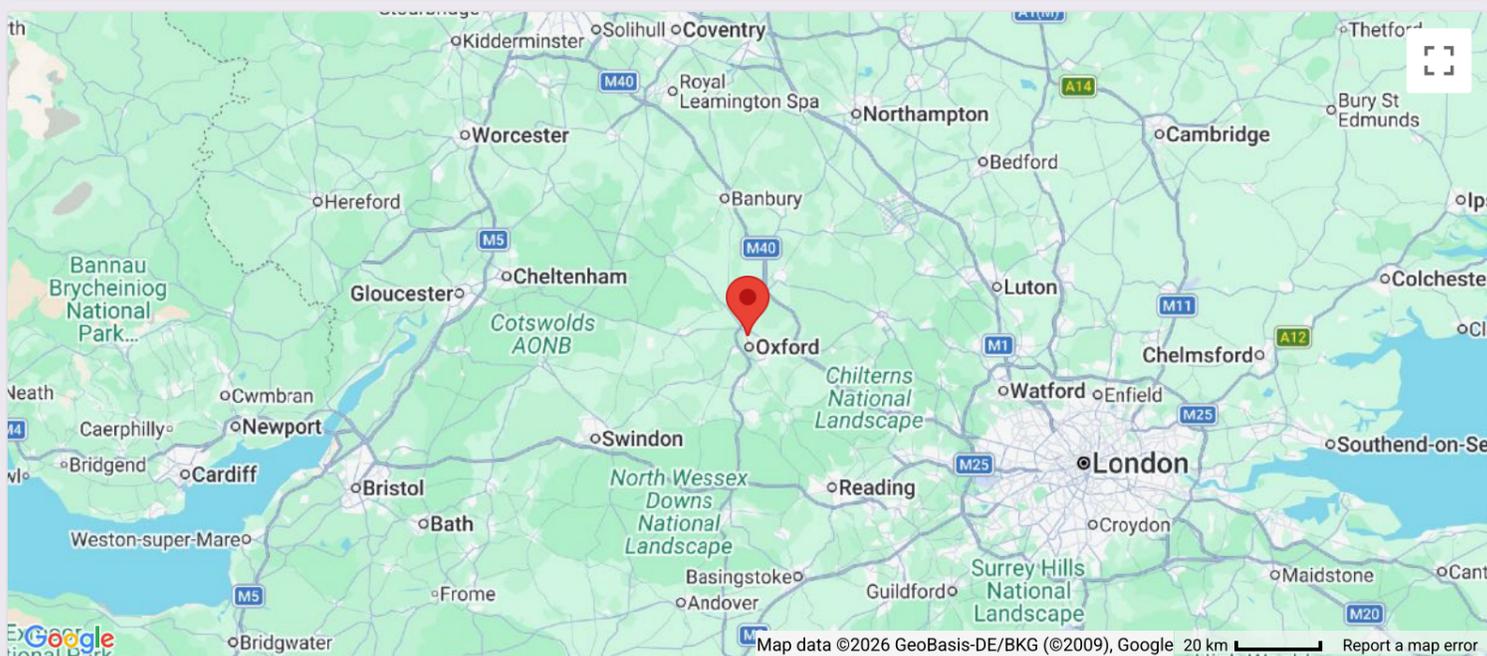
🏠 Short term stays

The school offers short term stays

- Up to 1 term
- Up to 2 terms
- Up to 3 terms

Entry option notes:

Students taking the Pre-IB course can enrol for one, two or three terms



Fact file

Religion

Non-denominational

Setting

City

Year founded

1953

Campus size

5 acres

Girl to boy ratio

60:40

Number studying A-level

0

Number studying IB Diploma

290

Is the school a charity?

Yes

Affiliations

ISA, British Council Accredited, BSA, ISC

Boarding

Number of boarding houses

Girls 9, Boys 7, Mixed 1

Exeat weekends?

No

Are exeats compulsory?

No

Guardian required?

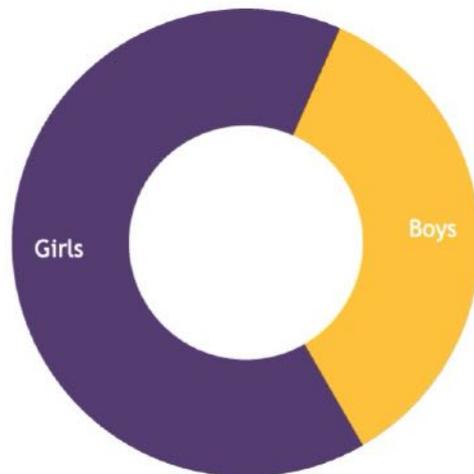
Yes

Lessons on Saturday?

No

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	Girls	Boys	Total
British full boarders	6	6	12
International full boarders	150	80	230
Weekly boarders	5	1	6
Flexi boarders	0	0	0
Homestay	0	0	0
Total	161	87	248



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Countries	Student number ↓
Italy	39
United Kingdom	35
Germany	35
Spain	16
Russia	15
Brazil	14
Poland	14
Ukraine	11
Lithuania	9
China	8
Bulgaria	7
Romania	7
France	6
Norway	6
Netherlands	5
Belgium	3
Canada	3
Myanmar	3
Nigeria	3
United States of America	3