

Part of ACS International Schools



## Experience the difference





## What makes a school special

## "A great education has no boundaries."

Teacher

As Head of School and a parent of an ACS Egham student, I am lucky to encounter the heart and soul of our school in different ways each day. These moments give me a clear perspective on what matters most to our students, parents, and staff. They also underline who we are, and what we do best.

Firstly, we are proud to be a centre of Teaching and Learning Excellence, and an IB World School – the first school in the UK to offer all four IB programmes. Academic success is cherished and encouraged, as is a wider desire for all our students and teachers to be actively involved in life beyond the classroom.

Visit our campus and you will find an atmosphere of purposeful calm. Staff and students go about their day with mutual respect. The collaborative environment we have created makes every day count. So when students leave us, they take away much more than a love of learning — they carry forward an eloquent self-awareness and a deep respect for humanity that is a joy to behold.

Jeremy Lewis Head of School





## 10 good reasons to make us your next school





# "The teachers are amazing, and the campus is beautiful." Student

- 1. We are a successful IB World School, and the first school in the UK to offer all four of its programmes: Primary Years (ages 3–11)
   Middle Years (ages 11–16) Diploma (ages 16–18) Career-related Programme (ages 16–18)
- 2. Our students post consistently high exam results
- 3. Outstanding international teachers bring extensive IB expertise
- 4. The beautiful campus is home to many outstanding facilities, including a:
  - 700 square metre Design Technology and Art building
  - Fully-equipped Science wing Comprehensive IB Diploma Centre
  - Multi-purpose Sports Centre
- 5. Our strong Parent Teacher Organisation adds considerably to our genuinely inclusive and friendly community
- 6. We are home to over 60 nationalities, and over 20% of our students are British
- 7. The curriculum is designed to help each student fulfill their academic, social, emotional, and physical potential
- 8. There is an extensive provision in co-curricular and extra-curricular activities
- 9. We offer strong relocation support to families in transition
- 10. Our extensive range of resources includes student support services and counselling.

## Community spirit

"I wanted my children to see what an international community could look like – where everybody actively works together." Parent

We go out of our way to be a community that engages with the world around us, both locally and globally. Staff, parents and students turn compassion into direct action when it matters most, underlining the values we hold most precious.

With education comes the responsibility and ability to make things better. Through practical and committed outreach work our extended school community rallies to help those caught by tragedy or living in hardship.

We come together with heart and immediacy to be that unexpected agent of change.





## Early Childhood & Lower School





# "My child has grown so much. Thank you for allowing her to find her voice and build her confidence."

Paren

As an International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme school, we inspire our students to embrace the qualities of the IB Learner Profile, and be: • inquirers • knowledgeable • thinkers • communicators • principled • open-minded • caring • risk-takers • balanced • reflective.

We always engage the whole child, praise their courage and independence of spirit to explore, and plant the seed of curiosity that will feed a life full of learning. Our ethos and approach encourages even the youngest child to embark upon an amazing educational journey with us.

Our international community actively respects diversity and all that can be gained through sharing. Here, our children feel valued and special. With us, they learn to be responsible for themselves and for those around them. We never tire of making learning fascinating, inspirational, and fun.

## Middle School

"Every time I visit my child's classroom, I am reminded why we chose this school." Parent

This is an exciting and dynamic place for a young teenager to grow. Parents and students join a lively international environment where adolescents are understood, appreciated, and celebrated.

We help students become well-rounded individuals and motivate them to contribute towards the wider wellbeing of our school community. We prompt inquisitive minds and guide them to make a positive impact through hard work, honesty, integrity, good manners, and courtesy.

Academically, our rigorous, inquiry-based International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme curriculum activates critical thinking and challenges students to ask questions and reflect on their individual learning. Philosophically, our ethos champions strong cultural awareness and internationalism in a way that adds authentic context to learning. Combined, they help bridge the gap that often lies between school and 'real life'.





## High School





# "The school is full of life and diversity, with a real emphasis on community, as well as academic results." Parent

What makes good education? We believe it starts with dynamic and memorable teaching, where achievement is measured squarely against a student's personal ambition and ability. To this we add an exceptional range of experiences in and out of the classroom, a multicultural and global community, an atmosphere of genuine fairness, kindness, common sense and mutual respect. We offer one of the world's most prestigious university preparatory programmes, the International Baccalaureate Diploma, and the innovative International Baccalaureate Career-related Programme which provides students with an academic and practical foundation to support their further studies and training.

With us, students develop a strong portfolio of skills, participate in an eclectic mix of interests, enjoy a love of the outdoors and the benefits of a healthy, active lifestyle. We value team play in all aspects of school life, appreciate a new friend is as valuable as an old friend, and know a good education can be the adventure of a lifetime.

## Graduation and Beyond

"Studying medicine, I appreciate the non-scientific knowledge I was able to gain at ACS Egham. It helps me better understand people's perspectives, cultures and beliefs."

Alumn

The school's rigorous IB Programmes and excellent standards of teaching and counselling ready students to make the most of their chosen futures. We are proud of the fact that our students pursue an incredibly broad range of courses in higher education.

Our graduates leave ACS Egham wiser, destined for some of the world's finest universities. More than that, they leave the school with a solid sense of purpose and self-belief – with the knowledge, poise and presence to make their mark.





## IT in education





"I can't believe they issued me with an iPad. I take it to all my classes and use it for research, homework, exam preparation ... everything."

Studen

As leaders in the age of mobile learning, we empower our older students to use IT as never before – perfecting skills to acquire and use knowledge. Their success drives our commitment to intelligently place the best, and most thoroughly proven, technology into the hands of more and more of our younger students.

We use our experience with exceptional hardware and software to set a clear vision for the way the future classroom will look and work. Our committed leadership and expert staff remain focused on harnessing IT to enhance education and inspire new thinking.

## The Arts

"The arts inspire innovation by leading us to open our minds and think in new ways about our lives."

W James McNerney, President and CEO of Boeing

Creativity is an integral part of success in the 21st century, making the arts in school more important than ever.

Through the arts, students master experimentation as a different way of learning, as there is no single route to achievement. As a subject group we embrace performance and visual creativity, and use exploration, self-expression, imagination, communication, and cultural and historical understanding to allow our students to become truly creative thinkers.

Students experience a wide range of activities that broaden their cognitive and creative skills. Participation strengthens problem-solving and critical-thinking, which also boosts results in their wider academic endeavours. With creative freedom students develop tolerance, understanding, and new perspectives. Future-proofing the application of intelligence has never been more important.





## Co-curricular opportunities





"The education my kids are getting here goes beyond the classroom. It is a world education experience."

PTO Presiden

We believe a rich school experience should include a myriad of opportunities that expand a student's horizon, both in and outside of the classroom. The perfect balance to a rigorous academic curriculum like ours is an equal measure of co-curricular and extra-curricular energy.

From football to craft clubs, Model United Nations to drama productions, we have something to increase the capabilities of all our students. With expert facilitators, students perfect known skills, discover new interests, and quickly realise that new challenges are often the most rewarding motivators.

## **Sports**

"I love competing all over Europe.
I love being part of a team." student



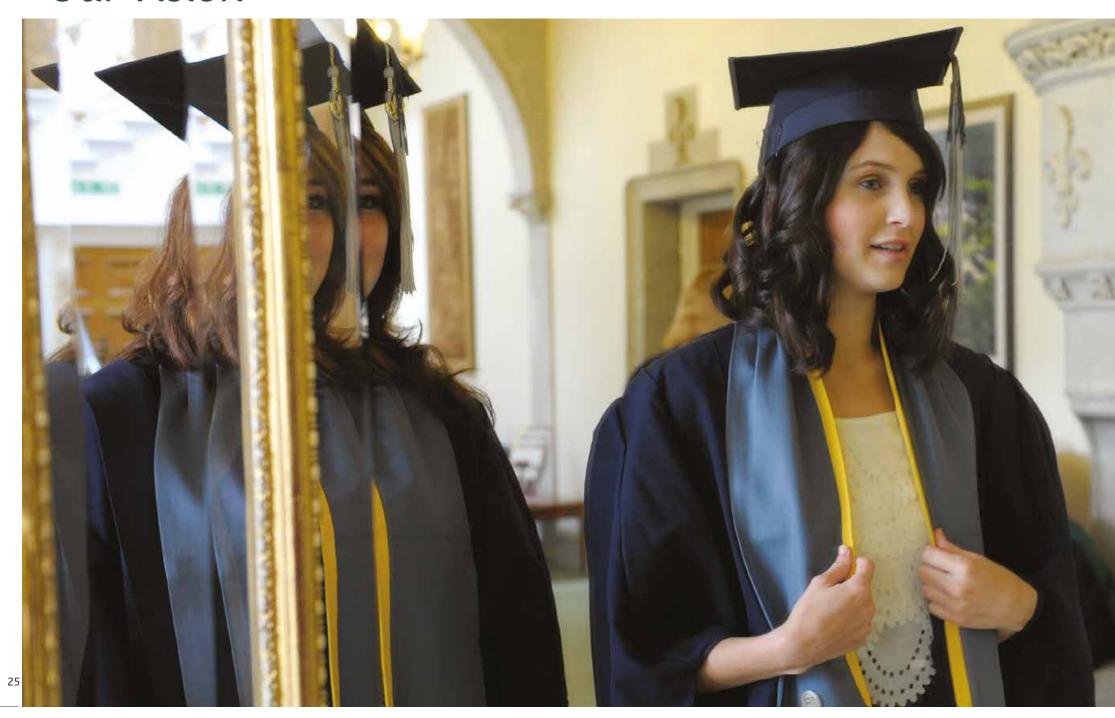
ACS Egham students love being Jaguars. Through competitive and non-competitive sports, all enjoy the benefits of improved health and greater self-confidence in their abilities and capabilities. The acres of facilities around the campus – which include a multi-purpose Sports Centre – make sports accessible, inviting, and an intrinsic part of school life.

Playing in a team is one part of school life we believe every student should experience, whatever their level. Our programme is positive, inclusive, and encourages students to be well-rounded individuals. From personal fitness classes to highly competitive Varsity teams, we take most pride in the fact that almost every one of our students will be a part of our programme during their time with us.





## Our Vision





## Through learning, inspire all to make a difference

In defining our Vision we have distilled the many ideas, feelings and voices that make up our international community. 'Through learning' captures our endeavour to encourage lifelong learning in everything we do, and remain curious and motivated by the world we live in.

To 'inspire all to make a difference' expresses our collective desire to see and enable achievement as a personal goal. It embodies our drive to enrich and contribute positively to the people around us, both near and far.

## Our Values

We engage in community • Motivate and value others • When every voice is heard, nobody feels left out • Strong partnerships between students, parents and staff create a genuine feeling of family • Pride in what we do energises the special environment we share • Place value on quality • Engage students in their own education • Together we are dynamic, viable, and secure • Value opinions • Respect for others builds self-respect • Invest in people and they will invest in you • Foster a sense of belonging to enrich a warm and friendly environment • Provide foundation and continuity to the many communities that make up our community • Take all from where they are to where they want to be • Remember, change is exciting as a shared experience • Our global community is an education in itself.

We drive positive change • Action your wider responsibilities to the world • Always endeavour to do the right thing • Be an ambassador for our extended international community • Promote global citizenship through deeds as well as words • Collaborate to achieve a wider understanding • Get involved in humanitarian issues outside your comfort zone • Promote sustainability as an integral part of everyday life • Never tire of giving to those less fortunate • Strive to provide stability in an uncertain world • Try your best to make others happy • Accept opportunities to contribute in new and uplifting ways • Develop love for the people around you • See a world without barriers • Embrace social responsibility.

We promote excellence through learning • Share success • Ensure students leave with more than good grades • Encourage broad talents, as a good education is not all about one thing • Set individual goals, as achievement means different things to different people • The journey is important • Achieve because the focus is on students, lifelong learning and not just results • Inspire all to be the best they can be • Discover and liberate the motivation to succeed that lies in everyone • Embody an ethos that enables excellence, rather than one that delivers excellence at any cost • Encourage integrity as a form of personal excellence • Provide the opportunity for all to succeed through their own desire • Prepare flexible minds • Seed excellence into everything • Succeed with integrity.

We enrich the international experience • Value and appreciate your role as a contributing member of one Earth • See and affect the world on your doorstep and beyond • Appreciate that international is the norm here • Draw unity from the fact that everyone is from somewhere else • Develop hearts and minds that respect cultural differences • Bring a sense of commonality to diversity • Use diversity to enhance learning • Champion the understanding of all cultures • Remain open-minded and curious • Enjoy the benefits of being part of a cosmopolitan group • Treat all differences thoughtfully • Diversity is stimulating and motivating when understood • Make all feel accepted.



## Admissions





## "We felt at home from the moment we visited." Parent

With over 60 nationalities at our campus, and families arriving throughout the academic year, ACS Egham's rolling admissions policy helps all our students – aged 3 to 18 – transition successfully into our community. Applications can be made online, simply visit the Admissions page on the website.

As a full-service department with extensive relocation experience, our Transportation Office offers safe and efficient door-to-door busing for all students from age 4 onwards, covering an extensive area around the school.

We also provide personal support and advice to help relocating families find their ideal neighbourhood. Our school is situated in a beautiful area with easy access to central London and its major airports.

Our office is open Monday to Friday, 8:30am to 5:00pm (local time). Visits can be booked online or by calling us during office hours.











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