

English as an Additional Language Policy

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God

Ephesians 2:19

Ampleforth College

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Statement of Provision

- 1.1 This Statement can be made available in large print or another accessible format if required.
- 1.2 Ampleforth College is a multi-national, multi-cultural school. The College wants all of its students to have the same educational opportunities and experiences.
- 1.3 The College admits students for whom English is an Additional Language (EAL). The student will take an online English test from their own home when they begin the admission process as a prospective student to enable the College to identify the level of initial provision. Additionally, they will do a short writing assessment on arrival. EAL tuition is provided by a specialist EAL Department, who also supports every EAL student across the curriculum, by closely liaising with other departments, observing the student in other lessons, and by regular discussions. Any language or cultural problems are addressed, to ensure that each EAL student feels fully supported and cared for at all times.
- 1.4 Unless the student makes exceptional progress and is integrated into the mainstream curriculum, tuition in English is provided by the EAL Department, either in small groups or through individual tuition as appropriate.
- 1.5 It is a condition of admission that the cost of extra tuition and of any necessary assessment charges should be borne by the parents. Such charges will be communicated to parents with the offer of a place.
- 1.6 If the College has reason to suspect that a student for whom English is an Additional Language may also have special educational needs, the Parents and the College will refer to the sections in the Special Educational Needs and Learning Difficulties Policy.
- 1.7 The College believes that it is the responsibility of all teachers to support the language development of students for whom English is an Additional Language. The Head of EAL will work with departments to ensure that teachers feel supported to be able to meet the individual needs of students for whom English is an Additional Language.

Students who receive assistance with EAL are fully integrated into school life. They will be part of a class group and will follow an appropriate timetable. If boarding, they will live in the boarding house and be encouraged to take part in extra-curricular clubs, societies and activities.

The EAL Department currently prepares students (where appropriate) for the following courses:

- IGCSE Cambridge English as a Second Language
- IELTS (required for UK or international university courses)