

# Focussing on your future

The new academic route dedicated to educating ambitious international students

GCSE Pathway Programme (Academic Years 9 to 11)





"At Bellerbys we are able to offer international students from as early as Year 9 a unique opportunity to study for a world-class university education.

Our young people love the state-of-the-art learning environment where they can choose pathways clearly focused on university expectations. The new GCSE programmes are enriched with specialist activity, which develop a student's understanding of their chosen subjects and provide the additional knowledge that universities are looking for.

Having spent more than 20 years working in leading UK boarding schools I fully understand the importance of having an outstanding pastoral provision for our students. Our wonderful onsite residential facilities and specialist residential staff will ensure your child is really well looked after.

All students and parents are welcome to visit us prior to joining to see for themselves the excellent facilities we offer."

Simon Mower, Principal, Bellerbys College Brighton

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## Welcometo **Bellerbys College Brighton**

Bellerbys College, the UK's top ranked exclusively international school<sup>†</sup>, has an outstanding record in helping young international students attain places at the very best UK universities.

Our GCSE Pathway Programme offers younger students from 13 years upwards an early opportunity to establish the language, learning and cultural skills they need to succeed in the highly competitive world of higher education.

Learning with other international students from all over the world, Bellerbys College helps children to become confident global citizens, backed by the best British education taught in a truly multicultural environment.

"I enjoyed having lessons with people of different nationalities. It improved my English and I found it easy to understand the lessons because to start with they are aimed at people with English as a second language." Boanne Cheung, China



Bellerbys College, Brighton is ranked 29th in the Financial Times secondary schools 2012 – higher than any other exclusively international school





We are proud of our academic achievements and in recognition of this we were awarded the STM Star High School Award in 2013.

Based in Brighton, one of the UK's most progressive and culturally diverse cities with easy access to London, Bellerbys College is an stimulating place for young people to begin their journey to academic success.

## Giving your child a head start in a secure environment

Parents around the world dream of their children attending the world's best universities. At Bellerbys College, we are here to help make that dream a reality.

Building confidence, widening horizons

The Bellerbys College GCSE Pathway Programme provides young international students with the perfect start in their progression towards a world-class university education. Based in the heart of Brighton, the purpose-built modern campus provides everything your child needs to safely settle into an exciting new life abroad.

#### A safe environment

We place as much emphasis on pastoral care as academic excellence, so you can be assured that your child's overall welfare is our priority. Our dedicated residential staff are available to provide pastoral support 24 hours a day.

"The teaching styles made it possible for me to understand perfectly and also the interaction with students was really exciting." Kazeem Khalid, Nigeria









"My teachers taught me to experience and learn from many things around me, not only at school but also in my life outside the college." Asano Tsutsumi, Japan

Giving your child a head start

Small, inclusive international classes

Studying in small classes with pupils from all over the world means there is never that feeling of being an outsider. Engaging lessons are delivered by expert tutors who specialise in teaching international children, selecting a pace and style that encourages confidence from the start.

#### State-of-the-art-facilities

Up to the minute technology, bright modern classrooms and progressive pedagogy encourage participation and independent learning that will be the mainstay of your son or daughter's learning through A Levels and onwards to degree level.



"The philosophy lessons and the debating society gave me some extra fun and knowledge outside of my course." Kana Maniwa, Japan

### Uniting the expectations of leading universities with your child's passions and interests

By the age of 13, many children have already begun to discover their own passions. Our programme gives each child the opportunity to explore their personal interests, while building a CV that will serve them well in eventual university applications.

#### Overview of the **GCSE Pathway Programme**

Our GCSE Pathway Programme aims to nurture a student's passion for their chosen subjects. Our experienced teachers can help develop and guide a student in order that they find learning enjoyable. Students will study more than the curriculum in order to gain a broader understanding and enable increased engagement in the subject area.

### The Enrichment Programmes explained

Bellerbys College has devised six different GCSE pathways with tailored enrichment programmes that help students to 'learn around the subject'. The enrichment programmes immerse the student in the subject and challenge their thinking. The breadth of the enrichment programmes stimulates lateral thinking for students and provides a number of opportunities for students to discover what really interests them.

"Bellerbys also gave me a chance to join a newly formed college newspaper team. This experience has made me think more like a journalist." Renata, Kazakhstan



Students are encouraged to choose the pathway that best fits their academic passion. In Year 9 they will have the opportunity to try out a number of modules prior to selecting their chosen pathway in Year 10. In order to best meet the challenges of their chosen pathway they will be required to study the mandatory subjects.

The student is then free to choose further GCSEs and support their studies with further English or study periods. This tailored selection is designed to suit the needs of the individual and ensure they study in the manner that will achieve the best outcomes. Tutors are there to provide guidance and support so that your child chooses the right subjects to achieve their goals.

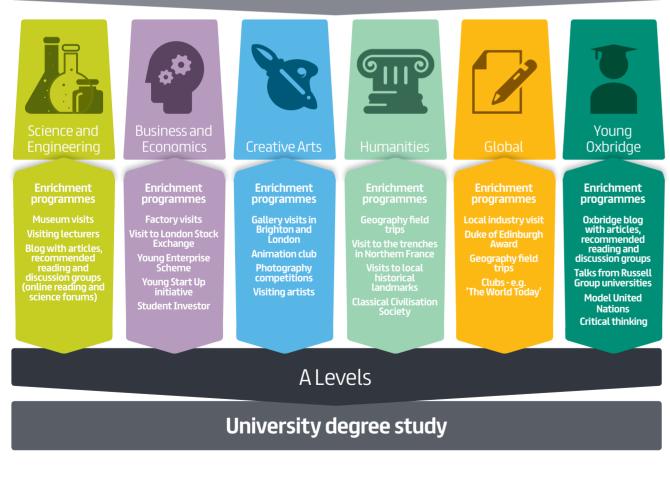
# The GCSE Pathway Programme - a comprehensive pathway to success

### Bellerbys College offers a full range of GCSE subjects with a clear path to A Level choices and eventual university study.

Through Years 9 to 11 our students get the opportunity to explore and then immerse themselves in their preferred academic pathway. The additional enrichment programmes offered for each pathway inspire students to gain a broader and deeper understanding of their chosen subjects. Early adoption of 'going beyond the curriculum' improves students learning skills and prepares them for the challenges of A Level and university studies.

Students who continue to study at Bellerbys will reap the benefits of the additional skills that they have acquired, as our A' Level programme will build on the enriched and focused progression to university.





### The Academic Curriculum

	Science & Engineering	Business & Economics	Creative Arts	Humanities	Global	Young Oxbridge
			Eng	glish		
			Ma	aths		
			Science			
			Physical education			
				ign languages		
			Informatio	ntechnology		
			Each module sub	ject lasts 4 weeks		
	Module Subjects: (each module subject is covered twice through the year) Economics - Business Studies - Psychology - Art - History - Geography - Drama - Global Perspectives					
			Plus PSHE - Tuto	orials - Assembly		
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	Years 10 and 1	<b>11</b> : Academic P	athway			
	Science & Engineering	Business & Economics	Creative Arts	Humanities	Global	Young Oxbridg
	English	English	English	English	English	English
	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths
3	Biology	Science1	Science1	Science1	Science1	Biology
б Г	Chemistry	Science 2	Science 2	Science 2	Science 2	Chemistry
	Physics	<b>Business Studies</b>	Art	History	History or	Physics
	Geography	Economics	ICT	Global Perspectives	Geography Global Perspectives	History or Geography Modern Foreign Languages
÷	Option1	Option1	Option1	Option1	Option1	Option1
	Option 2 or	Option 2 or	Option 2 or	Option 2 or	Option 2 or	Option 2
2	English +	English +	English +	English +	English +	or English+
	Option 3 or Study Period	Option 3 or Study Period	Option 3 or Study Period	Option 3 or Study Period	Option 3 or Study Period	
	Pathway Progr	amme Option	S			
		Option 1, 2 & 3 selected from: Art - Drama - History - French - Business Studies - Psychology - Spanish - Economics - ICT - Global Perspectives - Geography - Photography				
			Plus PSHE - Tuto	orials - Assembly		
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### Selecting an entry point to suit your child

Bellerbys College welcomes young students from the age of 13 for the Pathway Discovery GCSE Programme and 14 for the Academic Pathway GCSE Programme. Our A Level courses can then take your child through to university enrolment.

#### Pathway Discovery (Year 9 Entry)

Although we know a lot of students are ready to make their pathway decision at an early stage, we also recognise the importance of encouraging students to step outside their comfort zone and try a number of subjects before making their decision. Year 9 offers the opportunity for students to trial a number of modules prior to pathway selection in Year 10.

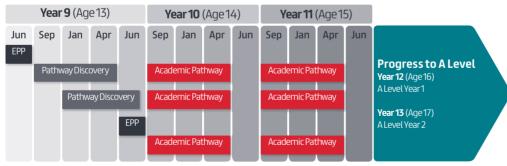
A student may decide at any stage to switch pathways, or may simply choose to join enrichment programmes on other pathways. Wherever possible we aim to ensure the student has the opportunity to enrich their studies to achieve their ambitions.

#### Academic Pathway (Year 10 Entry)

Students will be required to choose one of the pathways on arrival into Year 10. As they will have missed the opportunity to trial modules in Year 9, there will be regular reviews with tutors to ensure that the correct pathway has been chosen. If necessary we will support a change of pathway to support the ambitions of the student and ensure that their studies inspire and interest them to achieve excellent results.

#### English in Preparation for Pathways (EPP)

The EPP programme has been designed to provide 3 hours intensive English teaching each morning with a varied academic programme each afternoon. Students will also have full access to the Enrichment Programme as well as all sports and activities.





#### A range of scholarships available Bellerbys College offers scholarships to the most able for the GCSE Pathway Programme.

The acquisition of English language will underpin the whole programme and it is important that students have a strong level of English on arrival.

## Quality A Level and university progression

A Levels are every students passport to the very best UK universities and Bellerbys College has consistently delivered exceptional results for international students. Since 2005, Bellerbys College has placed over 670 students into the top 10 ranked universities in the UK. In 2013, 57% of all A Levels taken by our students were graded A\* or A, this is more than double the national average.

#### **Financial Times ranking**

FT Rank	School	Town	School type
1	Westminster School	London	Independent
2	Magdalen College School	Oxford	Independent
9	Winchester College	Winchester	Independent
17	Eton College	Eton	Independent
29	Bellerbys College (Brighton)	Brighton	Independent
53	Harrow School	Harrow	Independent
81	Charterhouse	Godalming	Independent
104	Dulwich College	Dulwich	Independent
136	Roedean	Brighton	Independent

"The University of Bath counts Bellerbys among a small, select group of partner institutions with whom we work particularly closely. Bellerbys students adapt quickly to the transition to university life.'

Andy Howman, International Office, University of Bath



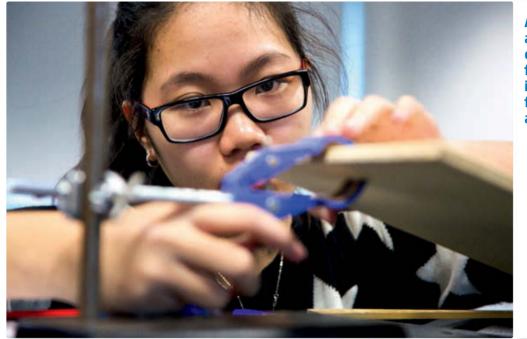
After successfully completing the GCSE Pathway, students are able to move on to A Level education offered by the leading international provider in the UK.

#### Awards and recognition

Bellerbys College Brighton has achieved recognition for its academic achievements, including being ranked the top international college in the most recent *Financial Times* Secondary Schools Rankings. We are also proud to be awarded the STM Star High School Award for 2013, a highly prestigious award amongst International Schools. In addition, the College has been awarded 21 Good Schools Guide Awards for GCSE and A Level subjects since 2005.







At Bellerbys we offer activities to suit everyone. All activities for students provide an ideal way to meet with friends and keep fit and active in the process









the UK, sampling different cuisines and experiences. I feel like I really understand the culture here now." Joshua Chien Chou, Taiwan

deductive way

• Dance and music clubs



# Inspiring young minds

We want our younger students to have an exciting and stimulating time. We put a strong emphasis on personal development, helping your child to access and experience the best of international and British culture, arts and sport.

### A range of clubs and activities

From team sports to debating societies from photography to cookery and a wide range of theatre visits, exhibitions, shows and events, we offer a busy social calendar with lots of activities for students to choose from including:

• Young Enterprise – inspiring young people to succeed through business opportunity • Duke of Edinburgh Award – a leading youth Charity which gives all young people the chance to develop skills for work and life • Intermediate Maths Challenge – an exciting national competition testing students' ability to think around the problem in a logical and

• Team sports including football, basketball

#### Linking extra-curricular with chosen studies

We offer a host of extra-curricular activities to excite, stretch, challenge and entertain teenagers. Unlike traditional public schools however, we proactively encourage activities that are not only fun and engaging, but will also support their future academic aspirations.

### Cultural exchanges with local British schools

While your child thrives in an international learning environment, we also arrange cultural events with local British schools, so that your child gets to regularly mix with English children and really grows to understand the British way of life.

# "I really enjoyed visiting different parts of

### An exceptional learning environment

Bellerbys College offers the very best learning environment, with modern classrooms, state-of-the-art labs and high tech learning resources in one compact, secure campus.

#### A modern interpretation of the English public school

We have not only developed our teaching styles and programme configuration to reflect the needs of future academic endeavours but have also utilised modern technology to improve the student experience. In the classroom we share online resources and use software specifically designed for each individual subject. Electronic handsets make lectures interactive, enabling teachers to post questions and elicit responses at key points of the lessons.



Our online Learning Management System, StudySmart, enables students to access learning materials at any time





"Bellerbys gave me the motivation to compete with other students and achieve my personal goals. I loved the atmosphere of freedom and equality." Anna Bilan, Ukraine



### Technology for studying

Our online Learning Management System, StudySmart, enables students to access learning materials at any time. Students can review their class work, listen to audio files, watch videos and make use of the materials their teachers use in class. This opportunity to consolidate their learning in an engaging online environment helps to ensure success in assessed coursework and their final exams.

#### Perfect preparation for university

Independent study skills are critical for success at university and using an online Learning Management System is a key part of studying at university.

### A home from home

# London by the sea

# The safety and security of your child is of upmost importance to us and we have introduced a number of additional security measures to ensure their wellbeing.

#### Safe, secure, modern accommodation

All our students will live in our newly configured residence in the comfort of their own space within single en-suite rooms. Boys and girls are accommodated in separate 'wings' but will have access to common areas.

#### No need for a British Guardian

As our campus remains open throughout term time and is permanently staffed your child will not require a British guardian. Our term schedule does not include exeats like many public schools as we have found this does not suit the needs of our international students.

#### 24/7 support

Our on campus residence is highly safe and secure, with staff permanently on site to provide support and guidance to all our students. Providing a traditional boarding school experience, a house master/mistress makes sure that a structured programme of evening activity is followed within the residence and that your child's welfare needs are fully addressed. House parents, a resident matron and tutors all work together to ensure all our students have a fulfilling and enjoyable time at Bellerbys College and see the college as a home from home.

# Brighton, known locally as London by the sea, is a vibrant cultural hub, just 55 minutes from central London and less than half an hour from London Gatwick International airport.

Bellerbys College Brighton is the longest established of all Bellerbys Colleges and has earned a reputation of consistently high academic achievement for international students for over 50 years.

We aim to maintain its position as the leading International School for academic achievement for international students. Our students have the opportunity to immerse themselves in British culture in a city that has a rich and varied history.



"The pastoral care of our young students is our number one priority. From the moment each child arrives we settle them in, encourage friendship groups and make sure they are safe, comfortable and confident right from the start." Emer Nicholson, GCSE Programme Manager, Bellerbys College Brighton





Brighton is home to a number of iconic attractions and offers our students the energy of a city and the freedom of the sea. From the heritage of the Royal Pavilion and Regency architecture to the entertainment of Brighton pier and the Brighton wheel, the city offers a well rounded introduction to British life.

> "I've been to other parts of the UK but nowhere else seemed more comfortable or enjoyable." Bob Yong, Malaysia

### The application process

# A proud heritage

Applying could not be easier

Your local agent will be able to help you with the application process. The student's application needs to include:

- Completed Application Form, signed by parents or guardians
- Copies of current or last year's transcripts, both in the original language and translated into English
- Academic reference from current school
- Completed Bellerbys Pre-arrival English
  Language Test
- Copy of Passport

After carefully reviewing the application, if successful we will send out a formal Offer of a Place.

Once we have received the confirmation payment, we will reserve a place on the course and send you a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) to apply for a visa.

Bellerbys have the systems in place to help you every step of the way. Our Student Enrolment Advisers can speak English, Mandarin/Cantonese, Italian, Arabic, French, Spanish, Polish, German, Russian and Farsi, so please don't be afraid to get in touch.

If you wish to apply directly visit **bellerbys.com/admissions/apply-now** or contact:

Bellerbys College Student Enrolment Advisers 1 Billinton Way, Brighton, BN1 4LF United Kingdom + 44 1273 339 300

	Discovery + Academic Pathway Year 9 Entry – 3 Years	Academic Pathway Year 10 Entry - 2 Years	Academic Year 11 Entry – 1 Year Available from September 2015
Course Content	17 subjects + tutorial	17 subjects + tutorial	17 subjects + tutorial
Subjects	9 core + 8 taster	Between 7 and 9	Between 7 and 9
Enrichment	Mandatory from 6 pathways	Mandatory from 6 pathways	Mandatory from 6 pathways
Age	13+	14+	15+
English Requirements (Assessed through Bellerbys Pre-Arrival English Test)	IELTS 4.5 level or equivalent	IELTS 5.0 level or equivalent	IELTS 5.0 level or equivalent
Academic Requirements	Completed Year 7 and Year 8 (own country). Strong grades and excellent academic reference	Completed Year 8 and Year 9 (own country). Strong grades and excellent academic reference	Only for students studying GCSEs at a British International School. Strong grades and excellent academic reference
Start Dates (3 Terms)	September to June January to August	September to June	September to June
Tuition Fees	£7,580 per term	£7,580 per term	£7,580 per term
English Preparation for Pathways (EPP)	1 Term (30 June) for September entry only	1 Term (30 June) for September entry only	N/A
EPP English Requirements (Assessed through Bellerbys Pre-Arrival English Test)	IELTS 3.5 level or equivalent	IELTS 4.0 level or equivalent	N/A
EPP Fees	£7,580 per term	£7,580 per term	N/A

Significant scholarships are available for outstanding students, please ask for further details.

The UK's **No. 1 ranked** exclusively international school\*

Voted Best High School 2013<sup>†</sup> STM Awards

11 Good Schools Guide awards for GCSE since 2011 With more than 50 years of teaching excellence and over 20 years of experience helping international students achieve their ambitions, Bellerbys College is a great place for your son or daughter to realise their full potential.

<b>51%</b> of A Level students graduated to the top 15 universities in 2012	
<b>37 Good</b> Schools Guide awards since 2005	<b>50%</b> of Bellerbys teachers are Oxford or Cambridge taught, or educated to Masters or PhD level

"Bellerbys College, Brighton is ranked 29th in the *Financial Times* secondary schools 2012 – higher than any other exclusively international school "Bellerbys College Brighton voted Star High School 2013 at the *Study Travel Magazine Star Awards 2013* 

### StudyGroup

#### Quality education worldwide

Bellerbys is part of Study Group, a quality global education provider that invests in international students' futures and enhances their prospects by focusing as much on the way they learn as the qualifications they achieve.

#### Study Group provides:

- · Higher Education
- · English Language
- · Career Education

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