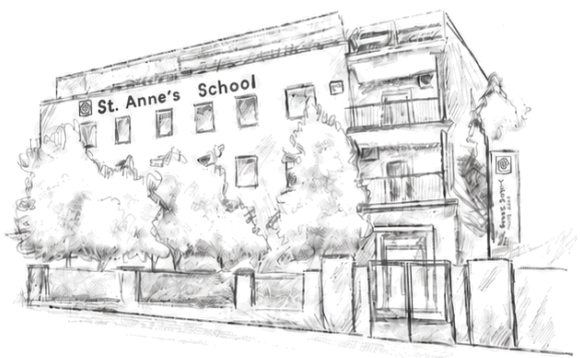
St. Anne's School

SINCE 1969

A BRITISH EDUCATION FROM 1 TO 18 YEARS OLD



British National Curriculum
From Pre-Nursery 1 to Year 11 (1–16 years old)

IB Diploma Programme
From Year 12 to Year 13 (16–18 years old)

SCHOOL BROCHURE · 2026 / 2027

WHAT MAKES **US UNIQUE?**

St. Anne's is an independent British school in Chamartín, Madrid. Children join us at one year old and can stay until they leave for university at eighteen, on a single site, with teachers who know them by name. Founded in 1969 as a family school, it is still independent, still on the same site and still small enough for the Principal to know every pupil.

We follow the British National Curriculum alongside Spanish Language, Literature and Social Studies. Pupils sit Cambridge and Pearson Edexcel IGCSEs at sixteen years old and go on to the IB Diploma Programme, which gives direct access to university. All our teachers are native speakers of the language in which they teach, and reading and mathematics are taught with Read Write Inc. phonics and White Rose Maths, the programmes used in strong British primary schools.

Every family receives a monthly call from their child's tutor and a reply to any message within 24 hours. Mobile phones are prohibited on the school premises, at every age.

FROM 1 TO 18 YEARS OLD



1969	1 – 18	7 : 1	100%	NABSS	650
FOUNDED IN MADRID	YEARS OLD, ONE SITE	PUPIL-TEACHER RATIO	PASS RATE, IGCSE & IB DP	FOUNDER MEMBER	AUTHORISED PLACES

> **"The nature and ethos of the school are clearly recognisably British in all aspects of the school, mirroring what would be found in the independent sector in the UK."**
>
> NABSS INSPECTION SERVICE · FEBRUARY 2026

OUR JOURNEY

From the very start to a world of opportunity

**Grow Minds,
Inspire Hearts,
Shape Futures**

EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE

PRE-NURSERY



**Safe
Happy
Settled**

1 to 3 years old

NURSERY & RECEPTION



**Confident
Playful
Ready to learn**

3 to 5 years old

PRIMARY

KS1

Year 1 – Year 3



**Curious
Expressive
Eager**

5 to 8 years old

KS2

Year 4 – Year 6



**Creative
Collaborative
Resilient**

8 to 11 years old

SECONDARY

KS3

Year 7 – Year 9



**Inquisitive
Reflective
Self-motivated**

11 to 14 years old

KS4 · IGCSES

Year 10 – Year 11



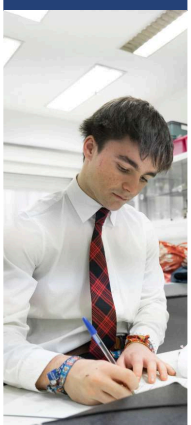
**Focused
Determined
Ambitious**

14 to 16 years old

SIXTH FORM

IB DIPLOMA PROGRAMME

Year 12 – Year 13



**Thinkers
Leaders
Global citizens**

16 to 18 years old



OUR VISION

Our vision is to be a leading British school in Madrid, recognised for excellence in teaching, innovation and student wellbeing.

We work every day to create a vibrant and challenging environment in which our students discover their passions, interests and strengths, and grow as individuals. We want them to think freely, to find the confidence to lead, and to keep the humility to serve.

Our ethos, rooted in the philosophy of Catholic education, has guided the school since 1969. St. Anne's welcomes families of all faiths and none.

OUR VALUES

Respect: we learn from our differences and look after each other and the place we share.

Kindness: noticing what someone else needs and acting on it. It is the quality families most often mention about our pupils.

Integrity: doing the right thing when nobody is checking, and having the courage to say so when something is wrong.

Curiosity: asking why, testing an idea, reading one more page. Our teaching is built to keep that instinct alive.

Teamwork: Houses, the Student Council, Debate Club and CAS projects: pupils learn to lead and to follow.

BE PRESENT

Mobile phones are prohibited on the school premises, for every pupil from Pre-Nursery to Year 13. Break times are for playing and talking; lessons are for the people in the room.



THE HISTORY OF ST. ANNE'S SCHOOL

St. Anne's School was established in 1969 and is a co-educational independent school which provides a British education for children from one to eighteen years old in Madrid. The school is located on Avenida de Alfonso XIII, in Chamartín, one of the most attractive residential areas of the city, and is easily accessible from most of Madrid.

St. Anne's has been part of the British school community in Spain since 1969, as a founder member of the National Association of British Schools in Spain (NABSS). The school is accredited by the British Council and inspected by the NABSS Inspection Service at every stage, from Pre-Nursery to Year 13, with authorisation for 650 pupils, and is an authorised IB World School for the Diploma Programme.

That accreditation is what assures families that the curriculum, the teaching and the facilities meet the standards expected of a British school in the United Kingdom. At the last inspection, the inspectors wrote that the nature and ethos of the school are "clearly recognisably British in all aspects of the school, mirroring what would be found in the independent sector in the UK".

THE BRITISH EDUCATION SYSTEM

We follow the British National Curriculum from Early Years to Year 11, with Spanish Language, Literature and Social Studies taught alongside it, and the IB Diploma Programme in Years 12 & 13. External examinations include Cambridge and Pearson Edexcel IGCSEs, the IB DP and Cambridge English qualifications.

Progress is measured with the assessment tools used in British schools: Cambridge BASE and CEM in Primary and MIDYIS in Secondary. Most of our teachers are UK qualified and all are native English speakers, and our pupil-teacher ratio of 7:1 allows every child to be known, supported and stretched.

PRE-NURSERY

Children join us from one year old, for a morning session (09:00 to 12:30) or a full day (09:00 to 16:00). English is the language of the classroom from the first morning, and the room is built around a very small child: routines, play, songs, and adults who notice everything.

Our objective is a caring, nurturing environment in which children feel safe enough to try things. We work closely with each family during the settling-in period, and the tutor calls home every month.

St. Anne's is accredited by the British Council as a British school from Pre-Nursery upwards, for children from one year old, and we accept cheque guardería from the main providers in Spain. Four years ago there were four children in Pre-Nursery. This year more than seventy families have chosen it.

What a child takes from Pre-Nursery

Understanding and first words in English, confidence with other children and with adults, independence in small everyday things, and the building blocks for Nursery: listening, sharing, holding a crayon, finishing a task.

1 TO 3 YEARS OLD



EARLY YEARS

Our Early Years Foundation Stage comprises Nursery (3 to 4 years old) and Reception (4 to 5 years old). We learn through play, with clear goals behind it. Reading begins with **Read Write Inc.** phonics and mathematics with **White Rose Maths**, the programmes used in strong British primary schools, so that every child builds secure foundations in English from the very beginning.

By the end of their two years with us, children have formed strong bonds with their peers, a real awareness of what they can do and a desire to learn more. They leave Reception reading, writing, adding and subtracting, ready for Year 1.

Classes are led by early-years specialists who are native English speakers, supported by our school psychologist. We make a special effort to ensure that children feel at home and adapt to school life easily, while encouraging autonomy and independence.

How we teach reading

Read Write Inc. teaches children the sounds of English before the letters, in small groups matched to each child's stage. Progress is checked every few weeks, so no child is left waiting.

3 TO 5 YEARS OLD





WHAT WE PROMISE

1. Children feel safe and happy, have fun and enjoy learning, knowing that they are cared for.
2. Pupils are immersed in English from the moment they enter St. Anne's; it is the vehicle for their learning.
3. Children develop their confidence and abilities with our expert staff through creative, imaginative, physical and academic activities, nurturing their social and emotional intelligence.
4. We make a special effort to ensure that children feel at home and adapt to school life as easily as possible, while encouraging autonomy and independence.
5. We encourage a positive attitude to study which will benefit each child throughout their school years and beyond.
6. We tell parents, plainly and often, how their child is doing: a monthly call from the tutor and a reply to any message within 24 hours.

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PRIMARY

Primary runs from Year 1 to Year 6 in two Key Stages: Key Stage 1 from Year 1 to Year 3, and Key Stage 2 from Year 4 to Year 6. Reading and writing continue with **Read Write Inc.** and mathematics with **White Rose Maths**, and progress is measured each year with Cambridge BASE and CEM assessments, so we can show parents exactly where their child is and what comes next.

Our guiding principles throughout the Primary school are:

Academic Excellence: high levels of achievement through targeted goal setting and a "can do" attitude.

Creative Thinkers: stimulating practical tasks in which pupils challenge ideas, predict outcomes and draw conclusions.

Communicative Participators: carefully planned pair and group tasks in which children discuss, debate and reach decisions every day. The Debate Club now starts in Primary.

Growth Mindset: children learn that their abilities grow through effort, application and experience.

Integrated Role Models: older pupils look after younger ones as House Captains, Playground Monitors and Special Friends.

Beyond the Curriculum: trips, workshops and residentials, the House System with House Points, and a redesigned programme of after-school activities.

Close to Families: continuous monitoring of each child's academic and social development, a monthly call from the tutor, a reply to any message within 24 hours, and a school psychologist who works with individual children and whole classes.

5 TO 11 YEARS OLD





KEY STAGE 1 (YEARS 1–3)

An engaging curriculum delivered by an experienced, fully qualified team of native English-speaking teachers. Our approach is designed for children to enjoy a happy and secure learning environment where they are valued; to develop lively, enquiring minds where they question rather than merely accept; and to acquire knowledge and skills they can transfer to other subjects and situations.

We recognise that emotional health is important for academic achievement, therefore PSHE forms an integral part of our school week.

KEY STAGE 2 (YEARS 4–6)

Upper Primary develops children's established skills and widens their experience across every subject. Here the British National Curriculum is brought alive through a passionate and creative approach, while academic excellence stays at the forefront of our teaching.

At the end of Key Stage 2 our pupils sit the English SATs.

END OF KEY STAGE 2 SATS · 2025

Mathematics	Writing	Grammar & spelling	Reading
97%	**96%**	**89%**	**77%**

Pupils at or above the expected standard.

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SECONDARY

11 TO 16 YEARS OLD



After their preparation in Primary, the Secondary department delivers a British education to students in Years 7 to 11. Subjects are taught by specialist teachers in subject rooms, and pupils are supported by a tutor who follows their academic and personal progress closely and keeps in regular contact with their family.

In the final two years of Secondary, our students prepare for the official Cambridge and Pearson Edexcel IGCSE examinations, recognised worldwide. St. Anne's is an examination centre for both boards. The Student Council, Debate Club and the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award give pupils responsibility beyond the timetable, and the school day is phone-free.

IGCSE RESULTS · JUNE 2026

Pass rate	9–7 · A*–A	9–6 · A*–B	9–4 · A*–C
100%	**42%**	**63%**	**95%**

Each student sat nine or ten subjects. 44% of our students achieved four or more A*–A grades and 52% achieved three or more. The UK average for GCSE grades at 7/A or above in 2026 was 22.0% (JCQ).



KEY STAGE 3 (YEARS 7–9)

In Key Stage 3, pupils develop a deeper knowledge and understanding of the subjects taught and acquire more complex skills. They are taught by our team of specialist teachers in subject-based rooms and learn to organise their books and materials in a more independent way.

Small class sizes allow teachers to focus on each individual and to develop a working partnership with pupils and parents through feedback and reporting. During these years pupils find out which subjects they enjoy most and where their talents lie, which helps them choose well for IGCSE.

KEY STAGE 4 (YEARS 10–11)

IGCSE courses are taught through Years 10 and 11, with examinations in May and June of the second year, set and marked by Pearson Edexcel and Cambridge. Most pupils study nine or ten subjects, some compulsory and others optional, and our aim is to help each of them achieve as many quality passes as possible before the IB Diploma Programme.

Our teachers focus on the set syllabi and required standards, while pupils continue to learn through exploration, investigation, creativity and practical application. Small groups mean teachers know their students well and give them the individual attention they need to reach their goals.

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SIXTH FORM

IB DIPLOMA PROGRAMME · YEARS 12 & 13

During their two years in Sixth Form, our students follow the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme, a rigorous and internationally recognised pre-university course. Students study six subjects, three at Higher Level, together with Theory of Knowledge, the Extended Essay and Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS). Spanish A is offered, so students can earn the Bilingual Diploma.

The IB Diploma Programme gives our students direct access to university. Our first cohort graduated in May 2026 and every one of them was placed at their first-choice university, in Spain and in the United States.

We help our students develop the skills they will need in the world ahead, where empathy, creativity, teamwork and a critical spirit will be especially prized. We do this by making sure every student is valued and given strong individual support, including:

1. A strong team of subject specialists: most of our teachers are UK qualified and all are native English speakers.
2. Regular one-to-one meetings with tutors for individual guidance.
3. Preparation for Cambridge Proficiency and IELTS.
4. Small class sizes.
5. Personalised university and careers guidance, so that students know the opportunities open to them and choose well.

16 TO 18 YEARS OLD





IB DIPLOMA PROGRAMME

AN AUTHORISED IB WORLD SCHOOL SINCE 2023

St. Anne's School is an authorised IB World School for the Diploma Programme (school code 062947), authorised in November 2023. IB World Schools share a common philosophy: a commitment to the rigorous, quality international education that St. Anne's believes is important for students.

The IB Diploma Programme at St. Anne's offers a broad and balanced curriculum while maintaining the school's mission: to educate well-rounded young men and women who can adapt personally and professionally to the society in which they live. The IB Diploma Programme gives our students direct access to university.

FIRST IB DP COHORT · MAY 2026

Diploma awarded	Bilingual Diploma	30 points or more	First-choice university
100%	**77%**	**>60%**	**100%**

Subjects offered

Language and Literature: English, Spanish A. **Language Acquisition:** English B, Spanish B, French B, Spanish ab initio. **Individuals and Societies:** History, Business Management. **Sciences:** Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental Systems and Societies. **Mathematics:** Analysis and Approaches, Applications and Interpretation. **The Arts:** Visual Arts.

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ACADEMIC RESULTS

IB DIPLOMA PROGRAMME · MAY 2026 · FIRST COHORT

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100%	77%	over 60%	100%

IGCSE · JUNE 2026

Pass rate	9–7 · A*–A	9–6 · A*–B	9–4 · A*–C	UK average, 9–7
100%	42%	63%	95%	22.0%

END OF KEY STAGE 2 SATS · 2025 · AT OR ABOVE THE EXPECTED STANDARD

Mathematics	Writing	Grammar & spelling	Reading
97%	96%	89%	77%



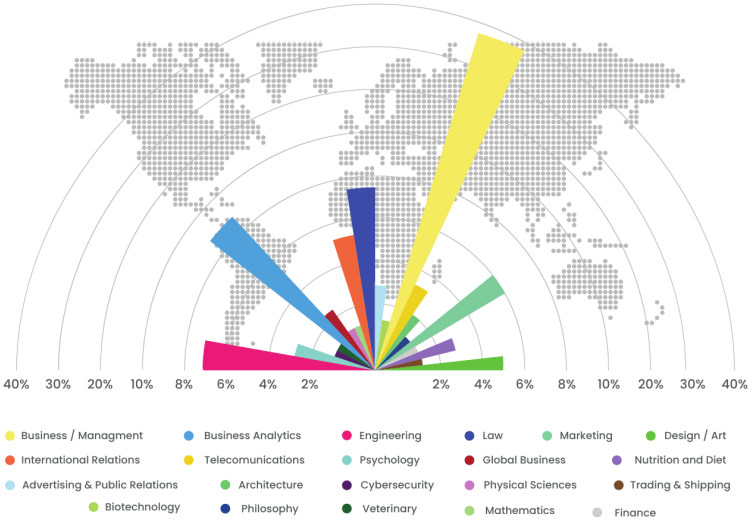
How we measure progress

Cambridge BASE and CEM in Primary, MIDYIS in Secondary, and Read Write Inc. and White Rose Maths checks throughout, so that every report to parents is based on evidence, not adjectives.



STUDIES & UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS

OUR RECENT GRADUATES



UNIVERSITIES

Some of the best universities our pupils have chosen in the USA, UK & Spain

Top 50 Universities in the US

#41

Top 10 Universities in the UK

#9

Best Private University in Spain

#1

University Destinations

Class of 2026, our first IB DP cohort, was placed at their first-choice universities, including **Syracuse University** (USA), **IE University**, **ICADE** and **CUNEF** (Spain).

UK	**Lancaster**
UK	**Warwick**
UK	**Coventry**
UK	**Exeter**
UK	**Bristol**
UK	**Northampton University**
UK	**University of Nottingham**
UK	**University of Bath**
UK	**Aston**
USA	**Syracuse University**
USA	**Boston University**
USA	**South Florida**
USA	**Endicott College**

France	**Istituto Marangoni**
Spain	**ICADE**
Spain	**ICAI**
Spain	**IE University**
Spain	**CUNEF**
Spain	**CEU San Pablo**
Spain	**Villanueva**
Spain	**Francisco de Vitoria**
Spain	**IE Business School**
Spain	**CIS University**
Spain	**IEB**
Spain	**ESIC Business School**
Spain	**ESNE**

Spain	**Universidad Complutense**
Spain	**Carlos III**
Spain	**Universidad Autónoma**
Spain	**Universidad de Vigo**
Spain	**UPM**
Spain	**Rey Juan Carlos**

SCHOOL LIFE

A school of 300 has to choose what it does well. This year we have redesigned the extracurricular programme with a specialist provider with more than thirty years' experience, for every age, including yoga and pilates for parents.

Sport and Houses: a new PE model in which neighbouring year groups train together, and the House System with House Points across the whole school, from Reception to Year 13.

Voice and Service: the Debate Club runs from Primary to Sixth Form; the Student Council gives pupils a real say; the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award and the IB DP's CAS programme take them into Madrid, working with eight community organisations.

The Building: two science laboratories, three IB DP classrooms, a gymnasium, an art room and a library: fifteen specialist rooms in all. Meals are cooked in our own kitchen, a school bus serves the city, and a medical service and school psychologist are on site.

Be Present: mobile phones are prohibited on the school premises, at every age, so that attention stays in the room.

BEYOND THE TIMETABLE



This year's activities

Sport: football, with or without a league; volleyball from Year 3 to Sixth Form; athletics; chess; and multi-sports for Nursery, Reception and Year 1. **Arts and music:** Drama Club, modern dance, street dance, flamenco for Primary and Secondary, fine art, arts and crafts, foam craft, guitar and piano. **Beyond that:** robotics, French for Primary and Secondary, and Discover Your Emotions. **For parents:** pilates and yoga.

Twenty-five activities in all, from 16:45 to 17:45, 1 October to 18 June.

How we keep in touch

A monthly call from your child's tutor. A reply to any message within 24 hours. An open door to the leadership team.

SCHOOL FEES 2026 / 2027

Year group / service	Monthly	1st term	2nd term	3rd term	Annual
TUITION FEES					
Pre-Nursery (09:00 to 12:30)	535	2,140	1,605	1,605	**5,350**
Pre-Nursery (09:00 to 16:00)	610	2,440	1,830	1,830	**6,100**
Nursery & Reception	835	3,340	2,505	2,505	**8,350**
Year 1	875	3,500	2,625	2,625	**8,750**
Year 2	915	3,660	2,745	2,745	**9,150**
Year 3	970	3,880	2,910	2,910	**9,700**
Year 4	1,020	4,080	3,060	3,060	**10,200**
Years 5 & 6	1,085	4,340	3,255	3,255	**10,850**
Years 7, 8 & 9	1,195	4,780	3,585	3,585	**11,950**
Years 10 & 11 (IGCSE)	1,310	5,240	3,930	3,930	**13,100**
Years 12 & 13 (IB DP)	1,595	6,380	4,785	4,785	**15,950**
MEALS					
Pre-Nursery	205	820	615	615	**2,050**
Nursery & Reception	220	880	660	660	**2,200**
Year 1 to Year 13	235	940	705	705	**2,350**
SUPPLIES					
Pre-Nursery	62	248	186	186	**620**
Nursery to Year 13	92	368	276	276	**920**
MEDICAL SERVICE, INSURANCE & PSYCHOLOGIST (PRE-NURSERY TO YEAR 13)					
Medical service	5	20	15	15	**50**
Insurance	5	20	15	15	**50**
Psychologist	13	52	39	39	**130**
SCHOOL BUS					
One way	–	500	500	500	**1,500**
Two ways	–	1,000	1,000	1,000	**3,000**

REGISTRATION FEE

1,800 €
Non-refundable single payment,
applicable to new students.

SIBLING DISCOUNT

Applicable to tuition fees only
Third child: **10%**
Fourth child: **20%**
Fifth child and onwards: **25%**

CHEQUE GUARDERÍA

Accepted for Pre-Nursery from the main providers in Spain.

All fees in euros. Fees are reviewed annually. Day trips and other activities are billed separately.



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