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Stamford School

Established in 1532, Stamford is a happy, welcoming and successful co-educational school for learners aged 2 - 18, located in one of the UK's safest and most historic Georgian towns. Stamford welcomes international students from around the world and values the cultural richness and diversity they add to the school community. The school also has an International Study Centre with a one year, pre-A level programme designed specifically for students aged 15 – 17. The programme is based predominantly around an English language course and prepares students to seamlessly transition to sixth form study.



Why Stamford School chose to use Password tests to assess international applicants

“We are new to using Password’s tests of academic language proficiency. We chose them because they should give us greater insight into whether international students will cope with the academic curriculum on arrival at the school. In the long term, we know they can also be used to benchmark and monitor student progress once they join us.”

What challenges are you seeking to overcome by adopting Password?

“Ensuring our incoming students have the appropriate level of English to succeed academically will help our admissions processes enormously. So far, the process has been really straightforward for us, and it was great that Helen, Head of School Partnerships at Password, went through the process of running tests with us in an online session to get started.”

About the contributor

Helen Chew is Head of EAL at Stamford School. Helen worked in EFL in her early career, training and teaching in Oxford, after which she worked in-company and for a language school in Germany. After a period running an international publishing and research business, Helen returned to teaching.



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