



Haileybury Astana



Admissions booklet

# Message from the Headmaster



## Educating Future Leaders

Welcome to Haileybury Astana! It's great to have your child starting here with us and a very warm welcome awaits them. Their Form and Class Teachers will help them to settle and you know you are always very welcome to come and talk to us if there is anything you are worried about.

Haileybury is a very special place. We are an award winning top UK school here in Astana offering a British curriculum and the chance in the future for our pupils to go to top universities all over the world. We treat every child as an individual and help them develop in many ways - with excellent teaching, but also a wide range of extra activities which all our pupils take part in. We are proud of our rich tradition dating back to 1862, but also of our latest modern teaching approaches which make UK education some of the best in the world. We are delighted to welcome you and I hope you find this booklet helpful as you start an exciting journey with us.

Jonathan Ullmer MBE  
MA, LRAM, FRSA, F.Coll. P  
*Headmaster*



*Haileybury Astana School*



Kim Holmes  
*Deputy Head of School*



Georgios Mesazos  
*Director of Studies*

## School aims

- To develop pupils who are resilient, creative, independent, courageous, inquisitive and reflective in all that they do.
- To encourage these Haileybury Habits through a challenging curriculum which covers a broad and balanced range of subjects, co-curricular activities, visits and special events.
- To develop pupils who always try to understand the difference between right and wrong; their rights and responsibilities as global citizens and the need to give back to society, while encouraging both self-awareness and teamwork.
- To reflect in ethos and activity the traditions, values, heritage and cultural diversity of the Republic of Kazakhstan and those of Haileybury.



*Headmaster J. Ullmer with pupils during UK universities' representatives visit in October 2017*



*Prince William, Duke of Cambridge, honouring J. Ullmer for his services to education in 2014*



*Haileybury School, UK*

# Primary School

Early Years Foundation Stage is the first stage of the National Curriculum of England at Haileybury Astana and focuses on the distinct needs of children from when they start school until they enter Year 1 at age 5.

This period of life is really important both in its own right but also in preparing children for later learning. From age two to five children grow, develop and learn rapidly. Most children go through the same stages but each child is different. They choose their friends and develop their own preferred ways of learning.

Through our directed play and independent choice times in our well-resourced indoor and outdoor learning spaces children can explore, develop and use their curiosity and imagination to help them make sense of the world in a secure environment. Children practise skills, develop ideas and concepts, think creatively and imaginatively and communicate with others as they investigate and solve problems.



Jane Knight  
*Head of Primary School*



Paula McDonald  
*Head of Kindergarten*





Andrew Watkins  
Head of Key Stage 1

# Key Stage 1

During their Key Stage 1 years at Haileybury Astana (age 5-7 years), our pupils build on the broad base of experiences from Kindergarten and continue to develop their social, numeracy and communication skills through a combination of play and multi-sensory learning activities.

Counting and number games are used, with a strong emphasis on exploration and practical work. Pupils, when ready, are introduced to more formal maths concepts leading on to working with all four number processes.

Key Stage 1 pupils at Haileybury Astana begin to learn more about the world around them through a range of child-centred globally relevant topics exploring more aspects of science and introducing history and geography. With specialist teachers for physical education, swimming, music, Kazakh language, performing arts and dance pupils at Haileybury Astana experience a rich, broad and balanced curriculum within a supporting learning environment enabling every pupil to thrive.





Gareth Clarke  
Head of Key Stage 2

## Key Stage 2

As pupils enter Key Stage 2 at Haileybury Astana (age 7-11 years), more emphasis is placed on independence and taking responsibility for their own learning and behaviour. Pupils are expected to concentrate for longer periods of time and to take pride in their work.

At Haileybury Astana our Key Stage 2 pupils continue to expand upon their previous skills, knowledge and widen their horizons through child-centred globally relevant integrated topics covering aspects of history and geography as well as literacy. All KS2 pupils have lessons taught by specialist teachers for physical education, swimming, music, Kazakh, Russian, Spanish, performing arts, dance, art and design technology pupils at Haileybury Astana. Where parents and teachers work together closely children do

better. Parents are children's first and enduring educator and understand their children better than anyone else.

By sharing information about their children's interests, strengths and needs, parents help the teachers who work with them to have experiences and activities that will capture their interest and fire their imagination and enthusiasm. This helps children to make good progress in their learning.

Through parent teacher meetings, display boards, open mornings and the information on the Haileybury Portal, Haileybury teachers can help parents build on their children's learning at home in ways that are fun.

*“The direction in which education starts a man will determine his future in life.”*

*Plato*



# Secondary School

In Years 7 to 9 our pupils study a wide range of subjects including art, drama, maths, sciences, English, History, Geography, Kazakh and music. This is backed up by a strong co-curricular programme where pupils do extra activities during the day to develop themselves and broaden their experiences. Trips and visits take place and the challenge of the English curriculum and our extra activities really help pupils to develop into happy and confident young people

In Years 10 to 11 pupils focus on examination courses called iGCSE. These are rigorous English exams which help prepare pupils as they head towards the International Baccalaureate programme in Years 12 and 13. There is a lot of work to do and pupils focus in on the core subjects they need for the rest of their school career. There are some options, but the focus in the UK is very much to make pupils cover the ground they need for a successful future so they have good qualifications in English, Maths, Science, Humanities and the other choices we offer here.



Jason Hung  
Head of Key Stage 3



Ross Ellison  
Head of Key Stage 4

*If Secondary school pupils have pastoral questions or worries they shall see their form tutor or Housemaster who will be pleased to help.*

## Housemasters



Shelly Williams  
Kipling Housemaster



Mark Ramsey  
Attlee Housemaster



Anuar Sharipov  
Bartle Frere Housemaster



Paul Oliver  
Edmonstone Housemaster

# International Baccalaureate

## IB Subjects/Options

The International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) is an assessed programme for pupils aged 16 to 19. It was established in 1968 to provide pupils with a balanced education, to facilitate geographic and cultural mobility and to promote international understanding.

The IBDP enables the development of pupils who:

- Have excellent breadth and depth of knowledge;
- Flourish physically, intellectually, emotionally and ethically;
- Study at least two languages;
- Excel in traditional academic subjects; and
- Explore the nature of knowledge through the programme's unique theory of knowledge course.

International research shows, among other things, that IBDP pupils are better able than their peers to cope with demanding workloads, manage their time and meet the expectations placed on them. We, at Haileybury Astana, believe the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme to be the best pre-university experience on offer today. It is the gold standard in international Sixth Form education and has been shown to provide the best preparation for the most competitive universities.

The following table outlines the subjects/options that we have on offer for the 2018/2019 academic year:

Group 1	Language A	English, Russian.
Group 2	Language B	English, Russian, French, Spanish, Russian Ab (SL Only), Spanish Ab Initio (SL only)
Group 3	Individuals & Societies	Business & Management, Economics, Geography, History
Group 4	Experimental Sciences	Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental Systems and Societies (SL only), SEHS
Group 5	Mathematics	Mathematics Higher, Mathematics Standard (SL), Mathematical Studies (SL)
Group 6	The Arts & Electives	Visual Arts, Music or A second subject from Groups 3 or 4

*N.B: Please note that subject offerings in the table above are provisional and are dependent on pupil numbers teacher availability and final timetable arrangements.*



Paul Rowe  
IB Coordinator

## IB Diploma Requirements

In order to gain the full IB Diploma, pupils are required to study six (6) subjects:

- Three (3) subjects must be studied at Higher Level (HL)
- Three (3) subjects must be studied at Standard Level (SL)

Each of the six subjects is awarded a grade on a scale of 1 to 7, with 7 being the highest grade. In addition, a maximum of 3 bonus points may be gained from a candidate's combined Extended Essay and Theory of Knowledge grades.

Maximum number of possible points to be obtained on an IB Diploma:

[(6 subjects x 7 points) + 3 bonus points] = 45 points



## Entry requirements at Haileybury Astana: International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP)

Boys and girls are welcome to apply for entry to the Haileybury Astana Sixth Form to undertake the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP). The IBDP is open to all pupils, regardless of previous educational experience, and is an extension of our mission to provide our community with an educational experience which enables our pupils to fulfil their potential academically, physically, culturally and socially within a global and future context.

In order to be eligible to apply, candidates must have successfully completed (with grade "C" and higher) or must be predicted to successfully complete at least five IGCSE subjects including English First Language (English B or ESL at B or above) and Maths or five subjects in the equivalent of Year 11 in non-British education systems. Should the final IGCSE (or the equivalent of Year 11) transcripts show that an applicant did not satisfy the above-mentioned requirement, the school reserves the right to annul any offer of a place made based on predicted results.



## Process For existing Haileybury Astana Key Stage 4 pupils

- 1) Key Stage 4 pupils express their interest in the IBDP by informing the school registrar by the end of the first term of Year 11.
- 2) Pupils are then interviewed by the IBDP Co-ordinator
- 3) Decisions on entry made on the pupils academic record and their future plans. The choice of subjects must be agreed by the school.



## The process For External Applicants

1. Applicants must express their interest in the IBDP by contacting the school registrar.
2. The registrar requests copies of the candidate's previous transcripts for the last two years (Years 10-11) and enters the candidate's information in the IBDP registry. The expression of interest is forwarded to the IBDP Coordinator via email.
3. The candidate is interviewed by the IBDP Coordinator. When a candidate is not physically present in Astana, the interview may be conducted via Skype. Admission to the IBDP may be denied if a candidate's command of the English language is considered insufficient to successfully cope with the requirements of the programme.
4. The IBDP Coordinator requests a confidential reference from the candidate's current school.
5. Based on the candidate's existing academic records, post-Key Stage 5 plans and IBDP, character traits and other applicable parameters, a combination of IBDP subjects is suggested to the candidate who should discuss it with his/her parents.





David Levi  
*US universities counsellor*

## University Guidance Counselling and Careers Advice

We offer every pupil a comprehensive university guidance and careers advice programme. We have two designated counsellors, Paul Rowe and David Levi, who advise on Europe (rest of the world) and North America respectively. We use the latest technology, BridgeU, to give pupils support and guidance with choosing a university, writing personal statements, writing essays and practising for interviews.

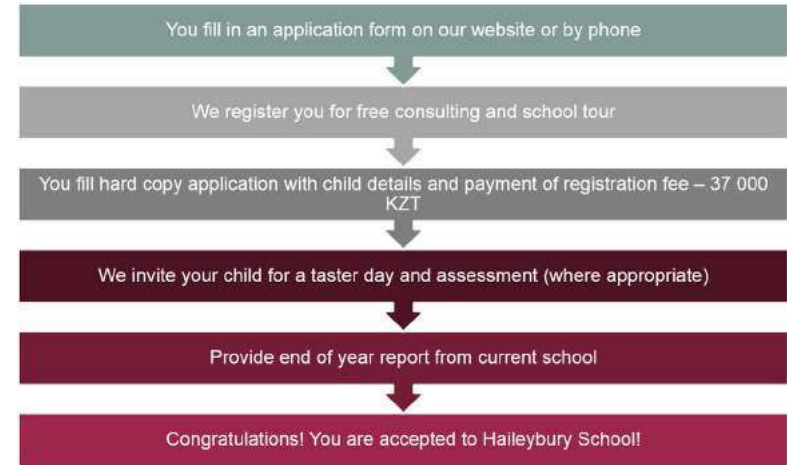
Our aim is to give impartial advice; however, while we are happy to give advice, it is the pupils' responsibility to ensure that any necessary entry requirements are met. We are always happy to discuss our programme, so please feel free to contact us with any questions, or arrange to meet us in person.



# Admissions Procedures

The best way to understand the amazing place Haileybury is, is to come and visit us! We warmly welcome parents to come to the school and see our staff and facilities and everything we do here. It will give you real impression of everyday life here and just why we are such a special place.

Once you have enrolled your child here, we hold regular coffee mornings for parents of younger pupils to help you understand the way we teach Maths and lots of other useful information. We also run information sessions and parents evenings for all our parents over the year.



## Admissions team

When you first call the school, you will speak with Dinara or Aigerim who are very happy to explain things to you in English, Russian or Kazakh and they will give you all the information you need as you consider coming to Haileybury or as you wait for your child to attend the school. We are all here to help and support you as you make these really important decisions



*Admissions managers Aigerim and Dinara*

## Individual visits

Many families arrange a private visit to come and see us, and you are very welcome to bring anyone from your family with you. This gives you a chance to ask any detailed questions you may have, and to meet some of the important people who will be looking after your child.

We expect our pupils to be fully involved in the life of the school and they will have special extra activities provided during the day as well as after school. These extra activities are some of what makes us unique. In the future, universities like students with a well rounded education who have got involved in many different activities during their time here. Pupils should take leadership awards, get involved in service to others and understand what leadership and working with others is all about. Haileybury has produced many great leaders including film directors, a UK Prime Minister, world famous writers and scientists and is a name known all over the world.

## Entry to the school

We accept pupils at all ages, but are less likely to accept pupils in the middle of examination courses such as IBDP and iGCSE as pupils need a full two years to complete these qualifications. We are sympathetic to applications from brothers and sisters so that they can both be educated in the same school. However, it is also important that pupils are able to cope with and meet the requirements of being at Haileybury in terms of English levels and general ability.

Pupils are usually tested in Maths and English as well as having a CAT 4 test of their general ability. It is not possible to prepare for the CAT 4 Test. For younger pupils where this is not appropriate, we have them in school for a taster day when experienced staff can assess whether they would be suitable for entry to Haileybury.

Parents are expected where relevant to show the school a copy of their academic reports from their previous school. Entry is also dependent on places being available.

## Houses at Haileybury

All of our pupils belong to a 'House' and they have a Housemaster and either a Secondary School Form Tutor or Primary School Class Teacher who looks after them during their time at the school. There are four Houses, all named after famous Haileybury former pupils who served in different types of leadership all over the world:

Attlee	Named after the great reforming UK Prime Minister Clement Attlee
Bartle Frere	Former Governor of Bombay and who developed the Indian postal system
Edmonstone	A former Foreign Secretary in India who helped make use local languages
Kipling	Named after one of the most famous and popular British poets

## Admissions Policy

Haileybury welcomes candidates from different ethnic groups, backgrounds and creeds. Your nationality, religious faith, area of residence or socio-economic group will not be taken into account when assessing a pupil for admission to Haileybury.

## Disability

We will continue to do all that is reasonable to ensure that the school culture, policies and procedures are such that the educational opportunities at Haileybury are made accessible to children with disabilities. When a disability or special educational need is made known to us, we will consult with parents and make reasonable adjustments to our admissions procedures and at the school to enable a pupil to satisfy our admission requirements. We have made very considerable adjustments to our buildings and facilities to provide access to the school for those who are disabled.

## Other school policies

Equal opportunities policy
Disability policy
Child Protection Policy
Admission policy
Pastoral Care and Pupil Welfare Policy
Teaching and Learning Curriculum Policy
Language Policy
SEND Policy
Academic Honesty Policy
Anti-Bullying Policy
Health & Safety Policy

# Scholarships

You need to be aware that a number of UK and international schools will offer scholarships as they need to fill places in difficult financial times. Haileybury Astana is the first choice for a wide range of Diplomats, Business leaders and Government officials as well as many influential parents, and we are not the kind of school which needs to do this.

We do however recognise our commitment and responsibility to the Kazakh people and welcome a small number of those of high ability who would not otherwise be able to afford a Haileybury education.

Our admissions staff will let you know if you qualify for any special rates. There are a limited number of half scholarships in Years 7-10, but these will be reserved for those who are not able to afford full fees. Parents may be expected to attend a Bursary Committee meeting and provide personal financial information to make a case that they are

eligible or if they are facing financial hardship.

A limited number of 100% Scholarships are available for IBDP in the 6th Form, and to qualify for these you will need to enter one of the two STEM Olympiads held in the city over the year.

## Honorary Scholars

On recognition of excellence in attitude and hard as well as strong academic progress and achievement, each year we do offer a limited number of Honorary Haileybury Scholarships. These pupils are given a medal and certificate and a special Headmasters Award. They will be expected to attend regular sessions after school and have the right to wear a special Honorary Scholars scarf. They will also contribute to supporting school events and functions.



# Why study at Haileybury

## Our values

- Qualified UK and overseas native English-speaking teachers
- Focus on pupils' holistic personal development
- Comprehensive support for second language learning
- Access to the world's top universities

HIGHLY  
QUALIFIED  
EXPAT  
TEACHERS

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- QTS (Qualified Teacher Status)
- PGCE (Postgraduate Certificate in Education)
- M.Ed. (Masters in Education)
- Ph. D. (Doctor of Philosophy)

GRADUATES  
ENTER  
WORLD  
TOP 100  
UNIVERSITIES

100%

- University of Cambridge
- University College London
- Heriot Watt University
- University of Bath
- Queen Mary University
- Royal Holloway University of London



In 2016 Hadi from Haileybury Kazakhstan was awarded the Woods Studentship in Mathematics from Cambridge University



## Haileybury Astana (I)GCSE results

We are pleased to share with you our first set of International GCSE Results. Please join us in congratulating all our (I)GCSE students and in celebrating their success!

Our results in numbers:



19 out of 23 (87%) candidates achieved 5 or more A\* - C grades  
17 out of 23 (74%) candidates achieved 5 or more A\* - B grades

2 Students achieved 7A\* Grades

Our top Scorer achieved 7A\*, 3A and 1C grades

10 Subjects with 100% A\* - C grades:

- Art & Design
- German First Language
- Russian First Language
- French
- Spanish
- History
- English Literature
- Mathematics
- Music
- Physics



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# Meals at Haileybury Astana

Meals are nutritious and offer a healthy balanced selection of foods. Pupils are invited to have breakfast, lunch and 2 snack servings every day. Pupils do not bring food or snacks in from home.



*Salad bar*



*Dining Hall*



*Lunchtime*

# Medical Care

The welfare and health of all pupils is our primary priority. There is an onsite Medical Centre which is staffed during school hours by qualified Doctors.

Doctors administer medication for any pupil with a CHRONIC medical condition on receipt of a medical certificate specifying the illness and prescription from a registered physician.

The medical centre provides pre-hospital care should an accident occur at school during the school day.



*School doctors Saltanat and Assel*



*Mantoux test*

# What parents say about Haileybury



**Caroline Armitage** (Year 2 parent)

Our son Thomas (now 6) first joined Haileybury Astana at the age of 4 in 2015 when we arrived in the city. He settled in immediately and was fully immersed into Haileybury life by the end of his first week. As a British family living in Astana we are delighted that Thomas can follow the English school curriculum so that he can slot straight back into the system when we eventually return home. Children at Haileybury Astana benefit from much more than an English education; they are exposed to a wider variety of subjects, opportunities, languages, cultures and other learning experiences than they otherwise would be.



**Ainora Ashim** (Year 2, Year 4 parent)

Choosing a school is a very important step in every parent's life. From the first months of study, we realized that we had made the right choice. Our children enjoy going to school every day! The school fully complies with the British education system. I really like that teachers pay attention to the personality and talents of each child. In addition, the system of rewarding and creating motivation to study is very pleasing. For example, the presentation of certificates for 100% school attendance. I can say a lot about the advantages, because I sincerely love our school and I'm proud that my children study here. I hope every parent makes the right choice of school.



**Alua Yessimbekova** (Year 5, Year 11 parent)

Our children have studied at Haileybury since the day it opened firstly in Almaty, and then in Astana. I am happy that my children study in such a friendly environment, which promotes their full potential development. We really appreciate that the educational process encourages children to learn how to express their views independently. Here, children have an opportunity for all-round development and along with the academic knowledge, great attention is paid to the overall development of a child. High standards of British education that the school uses, allow us to hope that our children will successfully continue their education in the best world universities.



# Fees

School's fees are fully inclusive of all tuition, exercise and text books and meals at school. Secondary school pays extra for the text books. The cost of most CCAs and local trips are also included in the fees. There is a charge for overseas trips and individual CCAs provided by a specialist (music, swimming).

<b>Registration fee:</b>	37 000 KZT is paid before entrance tests
<b>Guarantee fee:</b>	365 000 KZT (refundable) is paid after students admission
<b>Year Group</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>
Kindergarten (ages 2 – 4)	2 122 242 KZT
Reception (ages 4 - 5)	3 941 181 KZT
Key stage 1 (ages 5 – 7)	5 778 545 KZT
Key stage 2 (ages 7 – 11)	6 776 063 KZT
Key stage 3 (ages 11 – 14)	7 734 752 KZT
Key stage 4 (ages 14 – 16) (IGCSE)	8 819 123 KZT
Key stage 5 (ages 16 – 18) (IB)	8 819 123 KZT



# School Calendar 2017-2018

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Colour codes

National Holidays	School Holidays	Teaching Days	Day of Knowledge	Haileybury Day	Speech Day
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# School Day 2017-2018

Time	KS1	KS2	KS3	KS4	KS5
7.45 – 8.15	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
8.20 – 8.30	Registration	Registration	Registration	Registration	Registration
8.30 – 9.25	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1
9.25 – 10.20	Lesson 2	Lesson 2	Lesson 2	Lesson 2	Lesson 2
10.20 -10.40	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
10.40 – 11.35	Lesson 3	Lesson 3	Lesson 3	Lesson 3	Lesson 3
11.35 – 12.30	Lesson 4	Lesson 4	Lesson 4	Lesson 4	Lesson 4
12.30 – 14.00	Lunch, Enrichment or Assembly	Lunch, Enrichment or Assembly	Form time/Assembly / CCA Lunch	Form time/Assembly / CCA Lunch	Form time/Assembly / CCA Lunch
14.00– 14.55	Lesson 5	Lesson 5	Lesson 5	Lesson 5	Lesson 5
14.55 -15.50	Lesson 6 and snack (till 3.30pm)	Lesson 6	Lesson 6	Lesson 6	Lesson 6
15.50 – 16.05	-	Snack	Snack	Snack	Snack
16.10 – 17.00	Optional sporting, Performing Arts and musical CCAs	Optional sporting, Performing Arts and musical CCAs	Optional sporting, Performing Arts and musical CCAs	Optional sporting, Performing Arts and musical CCAs	Optional sporting, Performing Arts and musical CCAs



# Contact us

You can book a tour of the school by contacting the admissions office:

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