



CHARTERHOUSE
LAGOS

International A Levels (IAL)

A Parental Guide



● What Is Sixth Form (Years 12 and 13)?

Sixth Form refers to the final two years of secondary education, typically for students aged 16 to 18, covering Year 12 and Year 13. During this phase, students study for the International A Levels (IAL), which prepare them for university entrance and further academic study.

● What Are International A Levels (IAL)?

- International A Levels (IAL) are prestigious, globally recognised qualifications based on the English A Levels system.
- The programme is divided into two stages:
 - **AS Level (Advanced Subsidiary Level)** – studied in Year 12
 - **A Level (Advanced Level)** – studied in Year 13
- The full A Level qualification is awarded after completing both AS and A Level.
- IALs are accepted by universities worldwide, including in the UK, US, Canada, Europe, and beyond.

● Subject Structure at Charterhouse Lagos (IAL Pathway)

Students at Charterhouse Lagos follow a structured and academically rigorous programme:

- **Year 12 (AS Level):**

Students typically study four subjects, including the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ).

- **Year 13 (A Level):**

Students continue with three subjects (chosen from their AS subjects) to complete the full A Level.

● Intended Subject Choices for September 2026 Entry

- **Sciences:** Biology, Chemistry, Physics
- **Mathematics:** Mathematics, Further Mathematics
- **Humanities:** History, Geography
- **Social Sciences:** Business, Psychology, Computer Science, Economics
- **Languages:** French
- **Creative Subjects:** Art, Music
- **English:** English Literature, English Language



● What Is the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)?

- The EPQ is an independent research project completed alongside A Levels.
- Students explore a topic of personal interest and produce a written report, artefact, or performance.
- The EPQ is highly regarded by universities, develops skills in research, academic writing, and critical thinking, and is equivalent to half an A Level.

● How Are A Levels Graded?

- **AS Levels:** Graded from A to E
- **Full A Levels (AS + A Level):** Graded from A to E
- Final grades reflect performance across both subjects, unless taken as a full linear qualification.

● Careers and Higher Education Guidance (CHEG)

- Charterhouse Lagos offers comprehensive university and career guidance from Key Stage 3 to Sixth Form.
- Students receive personalised advice on subject choices, personal statements, university applications, interviews, and entrance tests.
- Support includes access to platforms like Unifrog and connections with top universities worldwide.

● How Can Parents Support?



Encourage a structured study routine and healthy habits



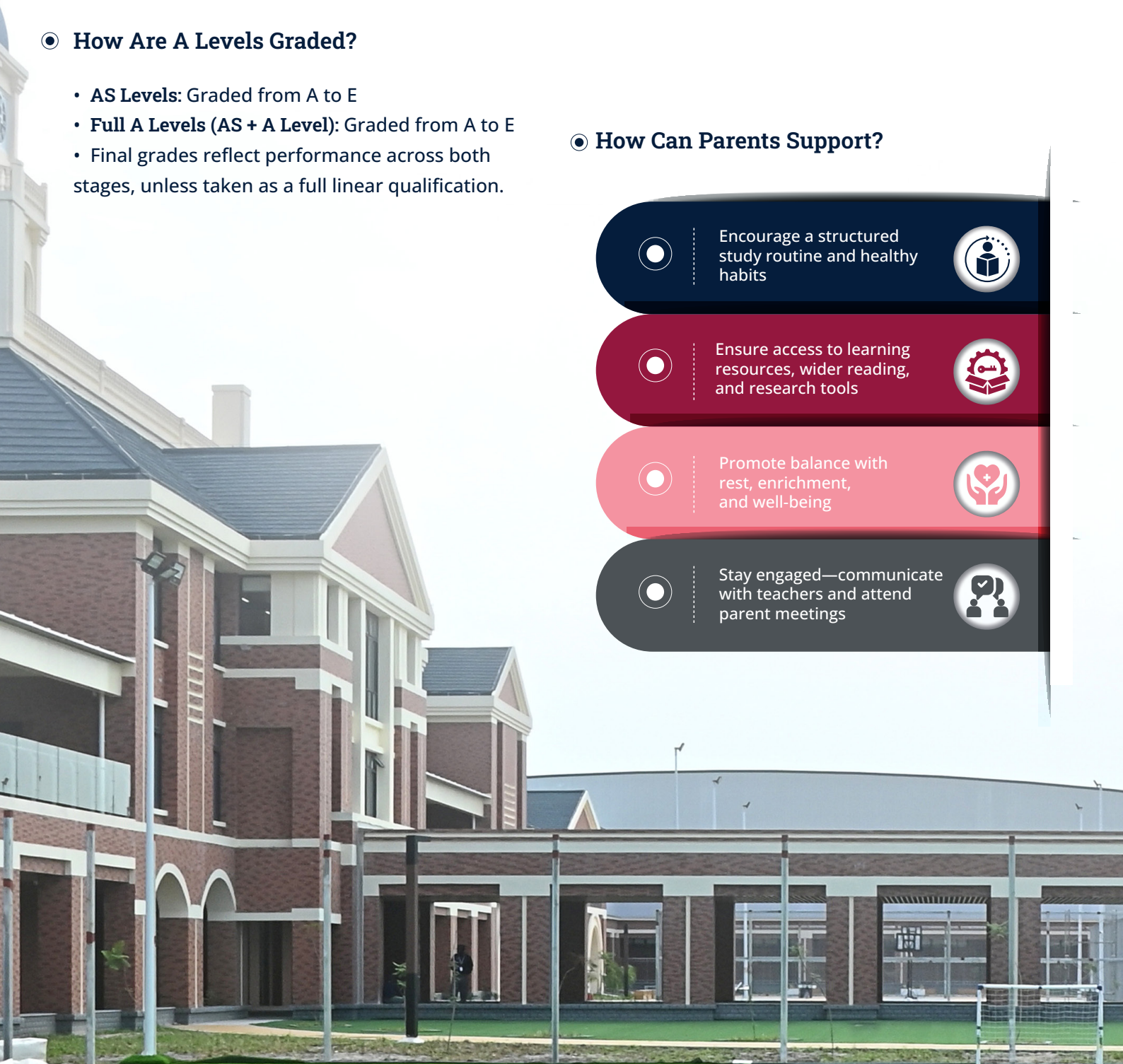
Ensure access to learning resources, wider reading, and research tools



Promote balance with rest, enrichment, and well-being



Stay engaged—communicate with teachers and attend parent meetings



Key Exam Information

Duration: 2 Years

- Year 12: AS Level + EPQ
- Year 13: A Level

Final Exams:

May-June
(resits may occur in
October-November,
depending on the exam board)

Results Day:

August
(exact dates set by
exam boards)

Admissions for **September 2026** and Our Sixth Form Are Now Open

We would be pleased to welcome your child to Charterhouse Lagos.

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