



# Live and Learn Sipienti

One Student, One Education

With a Cambridge qualification, the world is within your reach!

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## WHERE ARE WE?

The school office is open from 08:30 to 16h00 each weekday during term.

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The key contact at the school for international parents and financial queries is

Mr. Paulo Mendonça (Executive Head & Exames Director) | [pm@sapienti.one](mailto:pm@sapienti.one)

## WHY Sapienti? Ethos and Pedagogy

**At Sapienti we place the individual and their families first. We provide high quality, focused and individualized education, in a family environment.**

Our aim is to create a caring learning environment, provide expertise and guidance, whilst allowing each individual to flourish and discover where their skills and interests lie. We are not driven solely by results in the conventional sense, but by instilling an attitude that leads to outstanding achievement in all areas of a student's academic interest.

We seek to offer a **welcoming, safe, creative and stimulating learning atmosphere** for a lifelong love of learning. We expect all members within the Sapienti Unum family to encourage harmony and understanding, respect difference and individuality in a positive and enriching environment.

Our aim is to develop each individual's skills to the highest possible level and promote a healthy environment where everyone can enjoy their path to success.

*“A SAPIENTI education prepares candidates for life, teaching them to develop an informed curiosity while instilling a lasting passion for learning. Sapienti can shape the Cambridge curriculum accordingly, helping our candidates develop critical thinking skills, discover new abilities while considering and appreciating a global perspective. These skills will equip them to excel both academically and professionally.”*

Every year, nearly a million Cambridge learners prepare for their future with an education from Cambridge International. We develop Cambridge learners who are confident, responsible, reflective, innovative and engaged – **equipped for success in the modern world.**



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## WHO is the Team?

*A welcoming environment  
where you are incentivized  
to **Live and Learn!***



Lisa Frasco  
Head of Teachers



Ana Ferreira  
CEO & Founder



Paulo Mendonça  
Executive Head & Founder



Neiza Andrade  
Admissions Officer



João Amaral  
Pedagogical Head

Every day, SAPIENTI's team is aware that we are teaching a group of unique individuals with different needs and dreams. We will continue to reach our common goals of:

***Achievement, Teaching, Behaviour and Safety, and Leadership in inclusive education.***

These are the objectives reached during the twenty-year history of SAPIENTI, a certified Cambridge International Curriculum School (with an appropriate building in Cascais), which helped to prepare many of our graduate candidates to enroll at international Universities.

***An experienced and dedicated Team,  
here for you!***



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# Our School



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## WHAT we do?

We are a licensed Cambridge International School, with Curriculum from **IGCSE -> AICE Diploma or AS & A Level** education, receiving candidates either for full curriculum frequency or part-time: high competition athletes; candidates looking to improve their results, or in the process of resolving unexpected challenging life issues.

Our experienced multidisciplinary team is committed to integrating and collaborating with parents' knowledge and cooperation in ensuring a successful pathway for our candidates.

### UNITED IN KNOWLEDGE

Sapienti is devoted to teaching, learning, and sharing so our future leaders can be effective locally and globally.

- ▶ International focus – our candidates come from across the globe.
- ▶ Ongoing courses – we encourage learning and growth.
- ▶ People, not profits – Education is a right not a privilege.

The stages of the Cambridge Pathway lead seamlessly from primary through secondary to pre-university years.

## Courses

**Cambridge Upper Secondary** is typically for learners aged 14 to 16 years. Cambridge Upper Secondary builds on the foundations of Cambridge Lower Secondary while securing strong foundations for the next level.

**Cambridge Advanced** is typically for learners aged 16 to 19 years who need advanced study to prepare for university and higher education.

*One student,*

*One education!*



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*How* do we do it?

*With honesty, commitment, and  
dedication.*

**Life at SAPIENTI.**



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# Your Child's Education at SAPIENTI

## Student Digital Application

Every candidate is issued with **access to the SAPIENTI Student Digital Application** at the start of the academic year. This means of communication is fundamental in uniting school and home, which **ensures candidates' access to their schedules, homework and assignments, as well as time management and, by extension, their learning and progress.**

Candidates should use their SAPIENTI Student Digital Application **to submit and record their homework, Interim grades, and academic targets** but also stay up-to-date with any important notices.



**We are here  
for you!**

## Arrival, Registration and Lateness

Attendance and lateness are registered on the SAPIENTI Student Digital Application after classes. This information is automatically available for parents.



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## IGCSE: Years 10 and 11

In Years 10-11, the three compulsory subjects are: Mathematics, Languages, Science.

Candidates also opt for a further three or four subjects, chosen from the following: Business Studies | Computer Science | Design and Technology | Economics | Geography | Global Perspectives | History | Literature in English.

Supervised study sessions are also available and consist of lessons where candidates work independently whilst under the supervision of a teacher.

IGCSE requirements vary greatly from one country to the next. For some of our candidates there are very strict requirements as to what subjects they must follow at IGCSE in order to reintegrate with their home education system. For others, the IGCSE course is merely an access course to the Sixth Form and an opportunity to familiarize themselves with the British education system and to improve their English prior to their Y12-13.



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studies. It is very important that these intended outcomes are clearly communicated when planning your child's curriculum plan.

## Post-16 Provision

In February candidates are asked to make choices for the subjects that they wish to study in the Sixth Form. Candidates will be looking to take THREE or FOUR subjects for A Level.

There are several university courses that will require particular A Levels to be taken in order to pursue those courses (i.e most Medicine degrees require Biology and Chemistry at full A Level, most Engineering degrees require Physics and Maths and so forth).

## Schedules

For Aice/ A-Levels and IGCSE the daily schedule is concentrated mainly in the morning and in the afternoon period. Extra activities are also available.

*Schedules may be adjusted according to the requirement of candidates, namely for external sports activities and commitments.*

## Applying to Universities

Y12 candidates receive advice on the university application process throughout the year.

This intensifies in the summer term when candidates attend career advice, which lead to the production of their personal statement with the support of their respective Teachers.

## Assessment, Examinations and Reports

Candidates are assessed during the academic year.

The examination calendar is published by Cambridge Assessment.



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Candidates have the following assessment in each of their subjects:

IGCSE/A&AS: 2 Assignments per month.

All courses: 1 test per term.

### **Student Reports (in the smart school app)**

Parents and candidates will receive four reports a year.

They are published electronically through the Digital Application. Candidates and Parents will be sent login details when they join the school.



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## Assembly and Teaching Time

There are group and individual sessions available with subject teachers.

Parents also have a tutorial support system available, namely for Portuguese second language sessions.

## Clubs and After-Lesson Activities

The Co-Curricular Program runs in the afternoon after formal lessons.

This unique program forms an important part of every student's daily timetable. It is an opportunity for candidates to go beyond the classroom and experience a range of activities and develop new skills:

*Action activities (kickboxing); Creative activities (art, design); Leadership and Personal Development; Academic support (homework club, revision classes); Aviation, IT, and many more.*

## Academic Access

These are sessions where candidates undertake private study and homework. However, individual time is needed after school to complete the homework or revise for assessments. There are homework sessions held at the school to support candidates with their learning.

## Homework

Candidates would be expected to work for an average of two hours / session, outside of the classroom, and often more. The emphasis is on candidates developing an independent approach to their studies.

## What Should My Child Bring to School?

Candidates should bring a pencil case with pens, pencils, a ruler, a rubber and felts. Y10-13 candidates and some candidates will need a calculator, a square, a compass and a protractor. Some plain paper will also be useful.

Candidates will need to purchase their textbooks which they then keep in their lockers or take home.

## Use of ICT

On arrival, candidates will be issued with a login and password to be able to access the school application.

Personal laptops can be used by candidates in lessons.

## Personal Belongings

Each student is provided with a locker. SAPIENTI accepts no responsibility for personal items held in the lockers.



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## Communication with Parents

**Change of Details:** Please inform the School Office (Ms Neiza Andrade-na@sapienti.one) immediately, in writing, of any change of address, telephone number or email to ensure our records are consistently kept up to date.

**Communication:** Important letters regarding your child's life at the school, newsletters and school reports will be sent directly to parents unless you inform us otherwise.

**Student Health Form:** If any new health issue arises, please inform Ms. Neiza Andrade (na@sapienti.one)

**Parents' Meetings and Information Evenings:** There are various opportunities throughout the school year for parents to meet teachers.

There will be one formal parents' meeting for each year group during each academic year. If you are unable to attend those events but wish to be forwarded some information, please contact Ms. Neiza Andrade (na@sapienti.one).

**Complaints:** Those wishing to make a complaint are directed to the Complaints Policy, which can be obtained on request.



## Student Welfare

**Bullying:** Sapienti does not tolerate bullying and any candidates who are found to be bullying may be expelled. If your son or daughter is experiencing any form of bullying or is concerned about a friend or peer who is experiencing bullying, then please encourage them to talk to an adult as soon as possible.

**Health and First Aid:** A number of members of staff have undergone First Aid training.

**Safety Rules and Student Personal Safety:** Any activity which may endanger any member of the School or School property and any members of the general public or their property is forbidden.

**Parents' Visits:** If you wish to visit your child during term time, please make prior arrangements with Mr. Paulo Mendonça ([pm@sapienti.one](mailto:pm@sapienti.one)).

## Emergency

In case of emergency, evacuation to a designated area will be performed. Evacuations are practiced with a fire drill.

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