Preparation Course for the C1 Advanced Cambridge Certificate

Wildermuth **students in years 11 and 12** have the chance to enrol in a course that prepares you for the C1 Advanced Cambridge English Certificate.

Cambridge English certificates are recognised by universities, employers and governments around the world. They can open doors to higher education, improve employment opportunities and because they are globally accepted, can increase your choices for study or work. The certificate is valid your whole life.

Regular attendance at the preparation course is also likely to improve your performance in your English classes and in the Abitur. However, **the course is not designed as a remedial class (***Nachhilfe***)** but is strictly geared towards preparing you for the official Cambridge examinations.

The exam tests your competence at

- a) Reading and Use of English (= vocab + grammar)
- b) Writing
- c) Listening
- d) Speaking

The official exam takes place in Reutlingen at the end of the school year and currently costs 185 €. It takes 4 hours. The preparation courses at Wildermuth Gymnasium are free of charge and include a mock exam to make sure you are ready to sit the official exam.

The preparation course for the C1 Advanced Certificate is **suitable for students in J1** and **J2** with above average language competence (Basisfach AND Leistungsfach), who take an interest in the English language beyond school classes and are comfortable with reading advanced texts in English. The C1 Advanced Certificate officially proves your ability to study at an English-speaking university. The preparation course therefore focuses on advanced vocabulary and grammatical structures that are characteristic of academic English. It is normally necessary to attend the course for two school years before you are ready to take the exam in the course of J2.

Classes will take place on Tuesdays from 1 to 1:50 p.m. in Room 314 and are taught by Ms Erdmann-Schwarze. The course starts on 19 September 2023.

What are the requirements throughout the course?

- regular attendance
- no homework
- you should be prepared to read advanced texts in English beyond your school assignments if you want to pass the exam

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact

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For further information on the exams and for a list of the international educational institutions that accept/require the CAE you might also like to consult the website of the Cambridge English assessment centre http://www.cambridgeenglish.org

