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Danni, from China, leaver 2024
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Danni has an unconditional offer from Glasgow University and St Andrews University to study Chemistry and is waiting to hear from Edinburgh and Strathclyde.



"My name is Danni and I'm from Baoding City, Hebei Province in China. I'm in my fourth year at St George's. At first, I was nervous about studying in English and making new friends in a foreign country. However, there is an excellent ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) programme that helped me tremendously with improving my English. The ESOL teachers are so supportive and patient. My grades have improved a lot thanks to their guidance.

I was already familiar with Edinburgh before starting here as my brother studied here. I had visited him several times and always loved the gorgeous views of the city and the friendly people. Edinburgh has all the historic charm of the UK but is not nearly as busy as London.

I plan to study Chemistry and continue on to university in the UK after graduating from St George's. The school has provided me with an excellent academic foundation. We have help sessions for different subjects, so if we have questions or need clarification



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on course material, teachers are available for individual support. Before exams, teachers even come to the boarding houses to offer last-minute help.

Along with my academics and a whole range of other co-curricular activities, I've gained lots of confidence. I was quite introverted when I first arrived, but I'm proud to say I've stepped out of my comfort zone and become Head of Boarding this year. The leadership opportunity has helped me come into my own.

I've also tried some new sports at St George's, like rugby, hockey, and lacrosse. The school has so many clubs and activities to choose from. It's a great way to make new friends who share common interests. I was worried at first about fitting in, but my classmates are so friendly and welcoming. The teachers encourage us to work together and help each other. I've made some wonderful friends from all over the world.

Studying abroad in Edinburgh has been an amazing experience so far. Between the supportive ESOL programme, fun weekend activities, and diverse array of clubs and sports, St George's offers so many ways to learn English, engage in new cultures, and make lifelong friends. I would encourage any Chinese student thinking about studying overseas to consider Edinburgh. It's a beautiful, historic city with so much to offer. I'm learning so much here every day and loving my British adventure!"