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CHURCHILL HOUSE?

Do you want to improve your English skills? Do you want to make new friends from all around the world? Do you want to have an experience that you will remember? Do you want to have fun?

On a Churchill House course you will improve your English speaking abilities and your confidence to talk to others. During the summer we welcome students from over 30 different countries so you get the chance to speak English to new friends from all corners of the world!

Our students often tell us how much fun they have had in class, on trips and in activities with the new friends they have made. There are always opportunities to use their English with their new friends, our staff and other British people on excursions. They get to experience British culture first hand, experience new places and get to see some of the most famous sights in the UK. There are always fun activities to join like sports, arts and dance, and our friendly staff are there to keep you entertained!

Churchill House Summer Centres is proud to report that in 2023 we passed our **British Council Accreditation inspection** with flying colours, maintaining areas of strength including Care of Students, Safeguarding under 18s, Academic Management and Leisure Opportunities. This makes us one of the highest-scoring summer school's under the accreditation scheme, which independently judges how well schools meet the high standards set by the British Council.

At Churchill House we are dedicated to providing high-quality English Language education which is tailored for young learners with the goal of igniting passion for learning English in young minds! Our structured programme encourages students to express themselves confidently and connect with peers from around the world while building their academic skills through our communicative lessons and activities. Our experienced team of dedicated teachers and enthusiastic activity leaders is committed to creating a vibrant community where every learner can thrive.

Vision

Empowered and curious learners embracing language as a tool for exploration, growth and connection.

Values

- **Educational Excellence** We are committed to delivering a highstandard, engaging, age-appropriate curriculum that challenges and engages young learners.
- Interactive Engagement
 We promote social interaction through
 diverse activities that allow students to
 practice their language skills and build
 lasting friendships.

- Student Safety and Welfare
 - learning.
- Dedicated Staff

Our skilled teachers and activity leaders learning experience and supporting students' growth.

- **Supportive Work Environment**
- Continuous Professional Development We are committed to providing ongoing training and development opportunities, ensuring our staff stay at the forefront of educational practices and methodologies
- **Professional Conduct** Our team adheres to the highest standards of professionalism, ensuring respectful and responsive service for students and their families.
- **Ongoing Improvement** We actively participate in industry accreditation and continuously enhance





HOMESTAY

Staying with a local family is a great way to improve your English and Ramsgate is the perfect place to enjoy a homestay course.

Stay with a welcoming host a short walk (or bus/taxi ride) from the school. Students spend their time with their homestay hosts over

dinner and at the weekend get to know them better by spending the evening with them.

ANIMAL CARE

Join us this summer for an adventure with amazing small animals like lemurs, meerkats, and many more. Learn how they live, what they eat, and how we can care for them. Through hands-on activities, you can become a real animal caretaker. Make new furry friends and discover the importance of kindness toward animals and the environment.





DRUMMING



FOR

INTENSIVE ENGLISH





FOR

THE BEACH

Enjoy the summer sunshine on the beach! Our Ramsgate centres are a short walk from great beaches where you can enjoy games and activities

such as volleyball, beach football and creating your very own sand art! On sunny days we regularly use the beach rides and trampolines!



Have fun and learn a variety of dance styles with our modern dance lessons led by our staff. Classes are taught in

English so students improve their skills and their English at the same time!



London has so much to offer that you can't see it all in one day! With our London Experience programme see the sights through walking tours and explore major attractions whilst visiting the capital of England. See where the King lives and take a selfie next to Big Ben!

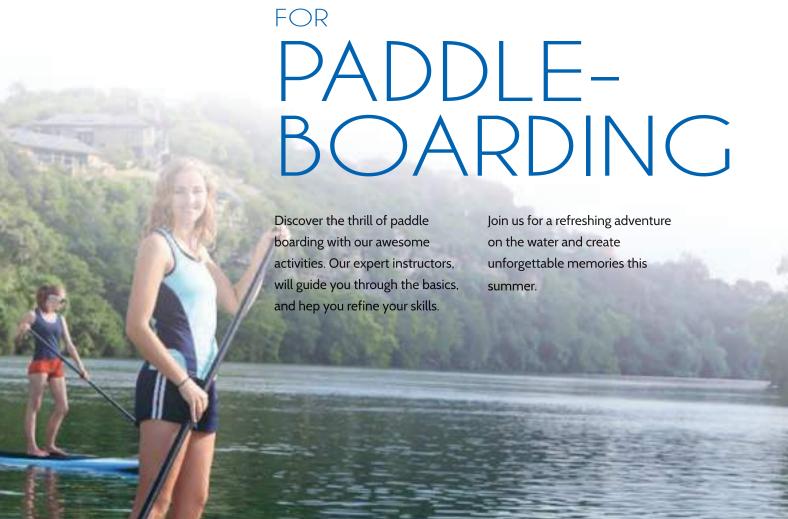
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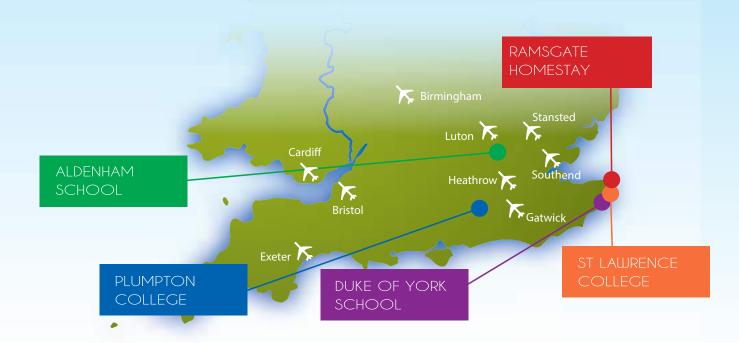








CHURCHILL HOUSE SUMMER CENTRES



RAMSGATE HOMESTAY

Staying with a local homestay gives students the opportunity to practise English in an everyday setting, outside the classroom. Students have the opportunity to share cultural experiences, learn more about Britain and improve their languages skills – an experience that will stay with them for a lifetime.

Churchill House has been providing homestay accommodation for over fifty years and understands the importance of a safe and friendly environment for our students. Homestay gives students the opportunity to experience the English way of life first hand and to practise English outside the classroom. All families providing homestay accommodation are carefully selected by our experienced Accommodation Managers and are revisited every year.

Our families do everything they can to welcome students to their friendly homes and to make their stay happy and successful. Students can choose a shared or single room – shared is usually with a student of a different nationality so they can speak English together.

Homestay is a safe and enriching way to learn English as such, families provide breakfast and evening meals each day in the family home. The families also provide a weekly personal laundry service. Many families are within 20 minutes' walk of the school or on the main bus route. As you would expect, we work closely with all our host families to ensure that all accommodation meets our very high standards.

The welfare of our homestay students is our prime concern. From the moment they arrive in the UK until they return home, our experienced staff will be available to help them with any problems they might have and encourage them to enjoy their stay with us.















CHURCHILL HOUSE SCHOOL

RAMSGATE HOMESTAY BY THE BEACH

Most of our families in Ramsgate host our students all year round and so are used to welcoming new students into their homes. Students are fully immersed into the family environment, eating with the family seven days a week, attending school based evening activities 4 nights a week and staying with their homestay family on Saturday and Sunday evenings. This allows them to get to know the family better and gives them the opportunity to improve their conversation skills in a natural environment. Most of our accommodation is within a 20-minute



walk (or a short bus ride) from the school and at the end of evening activities, our staff walk junior students home.

Churchill House is located in a quiet residential area less than 10 minutes' walk

from the town centre. The school is in an attractive nineteenth century square overlooking public tennis courts and the harbour. The main building dates from 1814 and although it has been modernised it still retains its charm. Classes and activities will take place across the square in one of our school buildings with spacious, modern classrooms. Close to the classes is our Clubroom, with a range of facilities including a self-service restaurant and in the evenings it can be the venue for our disco and karaoke nights.





Classes

Our updated syllabus focuses on speaking and communication. Students also complete a project to class about the excursion locations every week.

Students learn in classes with a maximum of 15 students. Throughout the week, students receive 15 hours of tuition where they are encouraged to develop and practise their English skills through activities that will help them to communicate more confidently.



Activities and Excursions

All of our students are encouraged to actively use their English, not only through classes, but also through the activity programme and excursions. Each student visits fun and educational places on one half day and one full day trip a week, which allows them to interact with other British people and use their English.



Possible Excursions

Possible Full Day: Oxford, Cambridge, Windsor Castle, London, Brighton

Optional trips: for groups only. Thorpe Park, London Zoo, Madame Tussauds, London Science Museum, London Eye, London Aquarium, London Dungeon, Chelsea Football Stadium, Victoria & Albert Museum, Harry Potter World.



ALDENHAM SCHOOL

THE LONDON EXPERIENCE



Accommodation:

Mostly twin bedrooms for girls and boys. Some larger sized rooms. Maximum 5 boys sharing to a room. Maximum 5 girls sharing to a room. Limited number of each. Shared bathrooms as standard

School Facilities:

Large sports hall, tennis courts, football pitches, Astroturf sports pitches, WiFi, theatre.

Teaching:

Maximum 15 students in the class, average of 13 students. Levels from A1-C2.

Aldenham School is just North West of London and is a traditional independent school in the quiet countryside. Over 400 years ago Queen Elizabeth I herself gave permission for the school to be built. The school mixes tradition with modern facilities and provides the benefits of a countryside campus with easy access to central London, which is less than an hour away on public transport.

All the school's facilities are in a compact, closed campus, so the accommodation, dining room, classrooms and sports facilities are all a short walk from each other.

London Experience Programme

The London Experience programme offers students the perfect opportunity to experience all that London has to offer; museums, sights, galleries and culture! The programme includes two afternoons and one evening in London per week plus one full day excursion to London for students staying 2 weeks.

Excursions

Half day excursions may include:

China Town, London Science Museum, Covent Garden, Camden, Hyde Park, British Museum.

Full Day Excursions may include: Oxford, Warwick Castle, Cambridge, Brighton.



For Harry Potter:











DUKE OF YORK SCHOOL

JUNIOR PROGRAMME, CLIMBING AND ARCHERY

Accommodation:

Hostel style accommodation in spacious multi-bedded rooms with shared bathrooms. The Junior Houses have up to 9 students sharing a large, well decorated room.

School Facilities:

Football pitches, swimming pool, professional theatre, dance hall, sports hall, WiFi, modern teaching areas, extensive playing fields, tennis courts, climbing wall.

Teaching:

Maximum 15 students in the class, average of 13 students. Levels from A1-C2. Separate course for the Junior Programme (8-10 year olds).



Duke of York School is a large campus in the countryside just outside the historic port town of Dover and within sight of the famous Norman castle that protects the harbour. The school is 200 years old but has extremely modern facilities including the new junior accommodation buildings and a state-of-the-art theatre. There are also huge playing fields, a beautiful Edwardian swimming pool and a terrific sports hall.

This centre allows students to mix and make new friends from different cultures with ease in spacious multi-bedded rooms, allowing them to learn from each other and the experience. Older students will also benefit from the wide range of facilities the school has to offer.









The programme takes full advantage of the superb facilities while offering weekly full day excursions to popular destinations such as London and Brighton. Half day excursions allow students the opportunity to visit a wide range of local places.

Junior Programme

8-10 year olds

This special course is for groups only. Students from 8 years old enjoy a fun way to learn English in a safe environment and focuses on learning through classes, discovery activities, along with sports, excursions and arts and crafts for students to enjoy.

Climbing and Archery

Try climbing for the first time or conquer a new wall during your stay. Learn the ropes with a professional instructor and experience new heights. Practice your

Archery skills like the Medieval Knights with our Archery classes.

Excursions

Half Day excursions may include:

Canterbury, Dover Castle, Margate.

Full Day excursions may include: London,

Brighton, Cambridge.

Best Value for Money:

Different to our other centres, accommodation at the Duke of York is hostel style with spacious multi-bedded rooms. Everything else is of the same high standard as our other centres but the simpler accommodation means we can offer courses at the Duke of York at very economical prices.

Intensive English:

Five hours extra lessons per week. Supplement applies. Groups only.









ST LAWRENCE College

SUMMER BY THE BEACH

Accommodation:

Mostly single bedrooms with some twins and a few multi-bedded rooms. En-suite and Premium en-suite rooms available (at supplement).

School Facilities:

Well-equipped classrooms, football pitch, theatre, swimming pool, tennis courts, sports hall, astroturf, WiFi.

Teaching:

Maximum 15 students in the class, average of 13 students. Levels from A1-C2.

St. Lawrence College is situated in Ramsgate, a historic seaside town on the southeast corner of England. Ramsgate has a picturesque harbour, some lovely Regency architecture and a sandy beach – perfect for enjoying the long summer days!

St Lawrence is in the area known as the Isle of Thanet, which includes several Blue Flag beaches and the seaside towns of Margate and Broadstairs. Thanet has been home to several artists and writers: Charles Dickens, the artist J.M.W Turner and Vincent Van Gogh taught French at a school in Ramsgate.

The famous cathedral town of Canterbury is a short journey away and London is just 70 minutes away.



Summer by the beach

We make full use of the sandy beach within walking distance. On sunny days we take our students to the beach to play beach volleyball and build sand sculptures. We also offer walks around the scenic coastline.

Drumming

At St Lawrence students have the opportunity to try drumming with African Djembe drums and other percussion instruments to make amazing music together in a group!

Modern Dance

Have fun and learn a variety of dance moves with your new friends and members of our staff.

Excursions

Half Day excursions may include:
Dover Castle, Canterbury Cathedral,
Margate beach and the Turner Gallery

Full Day excursions may include: London, Cambridge, Oxford

Premier Football Experience:

Includes 4 hours of professional football coaching per week and Premier League stadium tour every 2 weeks.

Supplement applies. Groups only.



St Lawrence Homestay

Enjoy the best of both worlds. Stay with a local family in Ramsgate with lessons and activities with your residential friends at the College. Most families are within 20 minutes' walk of the College; some a short bus/taxi ride away. Full board is 7 breakfasts, 2 lunches & 5 evening meals with your family and 5 lunches & 2 evening meals at the College. 5 afternoons and 2 evening activities a week on campus plus a half day & full day excursion. For groups only on selected 2 week courses.















PLUMPTON COLLEGE

AWESOME ADVENTURES

Accommodation:

Mostly single bedrooms with shared bathrooms.

School Facilities:

Climbing wall, paddle boarding, horse care, archery, small animal care.

Teaching:

Maximum 15 students in the class, average of 13 students. Levels from A1-C2.

The school's facilities are excellent, offering everything an adventurous student may need to feel at ease in their surroundings whilst having a memorable experience.

In additional to the 900 acres of land, the school offers a fully fitted training kitchen, volleyball and basketball courts, table tennis, a games room, climbing wall with horse stable, an animal care centre and a forest!

Plumpton is located in the pretty village of Plumpton in East Sussex, just 30 minutes from the vibrant and creative seaside town of Brighton. An amazing setting for an adventurous summer for those who love animals and being outdoors. It is also only 8km from Lewes voted the Prettiest town in England- It has medieval streets, old English churches and tiny alleys and remains of a Norman castle and the town house of Anne of Cleves (fourth wife of King Henry VIII).



Climbing Wall

Reach new heights and conquer challenges with indoor climbing – where every ascent is a triumph, and the climbing wall becomes your vertical playground.

Paddle-boarding

Dive into the excitement of paddleboarding, an exhilarating blend of adrenaline and tranquillity.

Archery

Discover the thrill of precision and focus with archery!

E-Sports

Unleash your competitive spirit and strategic prowess in our summer school e-sports program, while honing teamwork and digital skills in a fun and dynamic environment!

Bake Off!

Be our top baker in Plumpton's world class training kitchens!

Animal Care

Learn how to take care of Plumpton's onsite animals (meet Barry the puffer fish!)

Excursions

Full day excursions may include: London, Windsor and Brighton

Half day excursions may include: Lewes and Royal Tunbridge Wells.

Awesome activities:

Choose five hours per week of our awesome adventure activities.

Groups only

Accommodation

Our excellent residential facilities accommodate up to 120 students in modern comfortable rooms. Plumpton College provides mainly single bedrooms in separate male and female accommodation blocks, and all bathrooms are shared between 4-6 students. Laundry is available onsite and free of charge.

Students are housed dependent on their age and gender. Our bedrooms have communal bathing and toilet facilities.













TEACHING & LEARNING

Our Summer English courses concentrate on improving a student's level of fluency and to raising their confidence in speaking English. We do this by focussing on speaking and listening activities to bring out what they already know and develop their skills. Students are actively encouraged to practise their English with students from other nationalities, both in class and outside.

Students are tested on arrival to the centre so that we can accurately assess the student's level and place them in an appropriate class. We keep class sizes small; average 13 students per class but 15 maximum. This allows us to pay more attention to each individual student.

Our teachers are qualified and enthusiastic,

helping the students to learn as much useful English as possible. They make lessons interesting and fun, using a wide range of language activities designed to improve their ability to communicate fluently.

Our Classic English courses include 15 hours of English tuition per week including fluency practice, project work where students work together on topics such as the environment, well being and British Culture, which allows them to use a range of language skills to deliver a presentation at the end of the week. The project is based on the excursion locations encouraging the students to get the most from their trips. Most of our schools have lessons in the morning, though in

some schools we may operate a zig-zag programme, which means classes can be in the morning or afternoon. At the end of the course the student receives an individual progress report written by their teacher and an end-of-course achievement certificate.



STUDENT WELFARE

The welfare of our homestay and residential students is our prime concern, from the moment they arrive in the UK until they return home. Our staff ensure that our students are safe, happy and cared for during their stay; providing full and attentive supervision. The centres have at least two first-aid trained staff available at all times.

Food

On our residential courses, all meals are prepared by the centre and eaten in the dining hall. On full day and extended day excursions, packed meals are provided. The food is always high quality, offering

a good variety of the necessary wellbalanced and healthy diet students' require.

Most dietary requirements can be catered for with advance notice. Please tell your sales consultant of any allergies or requirements needed at the time of booking.

Insurance

All students, whether an individual or group student, are strongly advised to have insurance for the duration of their stay covering them for medical expenses, course cancellation, personal accident, personal liability, loss of baggage, personal effects, money and tickets.

Churchill House can provide information on an insurance package designed specifically for international language school students. Please contact us for full details.



ACTIVITY PROGRAMME

HAVING FUN IS IMPORTANT FOR LEARNING!

Students don't just learn English in class; meeting new people from different countries is an important part of the learning process! Our activity programme provides the opportunity for students to meet and learn together. We offer a range of activities, sports and excursions, all led by our team of enthusiastic staff.

Daytime activities

During the day students take part in a variety of fun activities including sports (e.g. tennis, basketball, football, swimming); arts and cultural activities, such as painting, crafts, drama and dance. Centres in cities or by beaches will also offer local walking tours and time in the town.

Evening Activities

Our evening activities include shows, discos and quizzes, with the emphasis on student participation and enjoyment.

Excursions

There are at least two excursions per week at all centres: one half day (4-5 hours) and one full day (9-10 hours) to a major attraction. The most popular excursions are shown on the page for each centre.

Please ask for the Weekly Programme of activities and trips for each centre. Below is a sample - the actual programme for each centre will vary.

Groups can enhance the trips on the Weekly Programme by including additional attractions (London Eye, Royal State Rooms, Tower of London, Brighton Aquarium....). We can also arrange a wide range of optional trips and activities just for one group (Thorpe Park, Bath & Stonehenge. Please see price list for more details.

SAMPLE PROGRAMME

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday Arrivals/ Departures
Morning	English Lesson	English Lesson	English Lesson	English Lesson	English Lesson	Full day excursion	Onsite activities or Optional
Afternoon	Basketball, Football or Dance	Tennis, Swimming or arts & crafts	Excursion: Canterbury and Cathedral visit	Arts & Crafts or Kwik Cricket	Preparation for the evening activity	to London including Thames boat tour	Excursion to Brighton with Brighton Pavilion Tour
Evening	Welcome party for new students	International Quiz	BBQ Night and games	Olympic Games night	Zombie Apocalypse	Film night	Scavenger Hunt



TRANSFER SERVICE

Travelling to a new country is exciting but it can also be stressful. We understand this and have many years experience in providing a transfer service to make travel to your centre easy and safe.

Our 'Meet and Greet' transfer service is a safe and secure way to reach your centre. We have a transfer team at the two main London airports (Heathrow & Gatwick) so there is always a friendly face to meet you. There is no need to worry if your flight is delayed – we guarantee there will be someone waiting for you no matter how long it takes. After being met a transfer team member will guide you safely through the airport to your coach or taxi and make sure you travel smoothly on to your centre. We provide the same level of care on departure and one of our transfer team will always be with you through check-in to security, even if your flight is delayed.

For groups we can provide private coach transfers from any UK airport. Individual students can choose private taxi transfers from all airports or shared transfers (which are cheaper) from Heathrow & Gatwick. Shared transfer students are met on arrival by one of our transfer team and supervised until boarding their transport. For children who fly as Unaccompanied Minors we provide a personal meeting and accompanying service at the airport on arrival and departure during our shared transfer times.

For residential centres arrival and departure day are on Sundays. Homestay students should arrive on a Sunday and leave on a Saturday.

Individual Students please note

Our shared transfers leave the airport between 09:00 and 17:00 so choose your flight time to match. On departure days your return flight must leave between 11.00 and 18.00. Our taxi service is available on any arrival or departure

days for flights between 08:00 & 20.00 (flight arrival & departure times) although other times may be possible. Private transfers can be arranged to/from any location (airport, railway station, ferry port etc.) - please contact our Transfer Department for details.

For Groups

All Group members should arrive and leave together. Your flight should arrive between 09:00 and 18:00 and leave between 11.00 and 22.00. There will be a member of our transfer team at Heathrow and Gatwick between 09:00 & 18:00 to greet your group on arrival. For other airports we provide clear instructions on how to meet your transfer coach.

Our transfer service guarantee

For full details and prices please see our Price List. All our prices are guaranteed – there are no extra charges for waiting times or delays.

Thank you for everything. You have been fantastic.
Thanks to your young, enthusiastic team that do all in their power to let the kids have a good time.
Nothing was too much for them, they were always willing to help.

Eugénie, Italy. Ramsgate Homestay

An amazing experience in Ramsgate. Meeting new people, studying, having great weekend tour, the attention of all Churchill House staff. Sweet memories I'l keep forever. Next year we'll be back.

Rosalia, Brazil. Ramsgate Homestay

We wish to express our sincere thanks to you all for taking care of our two kids. They've learned a lot from the trip and are more confident to travel the world on their own and speak more English. They will never forget their time with you and their host family.

As a teacher, I am super happy that everything went well from beginning to end.

Paradee, Thailand. Ramsgate Homestay

The parents were amazed by your daily program and the excellent quality of the classes, the activities and the friendliness of all your staff - very professiona and very caring indeed. Surely next year, we will stay again in one of your colleges.

Paulo, Portugal. St Lawrence College

Your service has been impeccable at all times. Alba is delighted with everything in this first experience of travelling abroad on her own.

Maria, Spain. Aldenham School

As group leaders we were so happy to see the students being mixed into different groups so that they were forced to mix with students outside of their group. Particularly on the first night with the scavenger hunt as it set the tone brilliantly.

As a result they practiced their English more outside of the classroom and also made many friends which was great. The accommodation was organised brilliantly.

Louisa, Spain, Aldenham School



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