

Contact Information

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Transfers

We can arrange your transfer to and from our school. Our trained staff will greet meet you at the airport on arrival and then help you check-in and see you safely through passport control on departure. Students can travel to the school alone but we recommend that they use our Meet and Greet service.

To qualify for our group transfer price your flights must land and depart between the following times:

Arrival: between 09:00 and 17:00

Departure: between 09:00 and 16:00

Bringing and/or Collecting from the School

You should aim to arrive at the school on Sunday between 12:30 and 18:00. Please let us know the time you are planning to arrive by email or telephone at least 2 weeks before the start of your stay so we can plan for your arrival.

The programme ends on Saturday morning. Please arrange your departure from the school before 10:30. In exceptional cases we can organise an extra night's accommodation at the end of your stay if you cannot travel on Saturday. You must check availability before booking.

Insurance

Medical treatment in the UK is not free of charge to non-EU citizens, students from these countries should make sure that they organise their own travel insurance to cover medical and repatriation costs in the case of illness or accident. Residents of EU countries and Switzerland should bring their European Health Insurance Card.

Smoking

In accordance with English law, smoking is not permitted on any part of the school campus. It is illegal for anyone under 16 to smoke in the UK.

Pocket Money

All entrance fees during excursions are included in the price of the programme. The currency in the UK is Pounds Sterling (GBP). We advise that you bring £75-100 pocket money per week for excursions and personal purchases.

Internet and Electrical Items

WiFi internet is available free of charge across the school campus. UK adapters for electrical items are available from the Office for a £5 deposit.

Academic Programme

Before the start of your course we will send you a link to the Oxford Online Placement Test. It is very important that you complete the test at least 2 weeks before the start of your course as the results help us to correct class, helping you to make the most out of your stay with us. We will also evaluate your level on the first Monday when you arrive and your group may change slightly each week.

If you have any specific language needs, you can book some Individual Lessons as a supplement to the group programme. Each lesson is an hour long with one of our teachers and is tailored to your specific requirements. Contact us for more information.

Activities

At the beginning of each week you will be able to choose your favourite activities for the afternoon and evening activity slots. There is an average of 15 different activity choices per week, sometimes more! All of the activities on offer will only be organised if a sufficient number of students wish to participate.

Appropriate footwear and clothing must be worn for all our sports activities. **Please bring with you: trainers, tracksuit bottoms or shorts, T-shirts, jumper or hoodie, waterproof jacket, swimming**

costume/trunks, cap and towel. All the equipment you will need for the sports and leisure activities will be provided by us. You are welcome to bring your own equipment too if you wish.

If you have booked our Golf or Tennis Academy, these sessions will take place instead of the afternoon multi-activity slots during the week. You will take part in the evening activity programme as normal. We will provide all the necessary equipment and you are of course welcome to bring your own if you would prefer. You should make sure to bring appropriate clothing and footwear for your chosen academy.

Supervision and Excursions

All lessons and activities will be supervised by our teachers or activity organisers. We have a ratio of 1 staff member for every 3 students on campus to ensure quality, progress and safety.

We organise excursions three times a week, during which students may be given some free time, unaccompanied, in groups of at least 4. Students aged 12 years old and under will always be accompanied on excursions (at the discretion of the Centre Manager if there are older siblings and/or friends present). All students will be given emergency numbers and staff will remain in the area to supervise. Please inform us in writing if you do not want your child to be unaccompanied on excursion.

Leaving the Campus

Students are strictly not permitted to leave the school campus without a member of staff. If your family wish to visit you and/or take you off campus during your stay, this must be organised in advance and notified in writing by your parent/guardian.

Meals

All our meals are prepared fresh on-site. We serve an international cuisine and can, of course, cater for special dietary requirements. Please inform us of any special requirements or allergies before you arrive to allow us time to prepare. There is also a tuck shop on campus where you can buy snacks at break times.

Accommodation

Accommodation is provided on-site at the School. Boys and girls are in separate accommodation in their age groups. Accommodation types are subject to availability and include single, double, triple and quad rooms as well as single cubicles.

Laundry

Bed linen is provided by the school. Please bring your own towels. We provide a free laundry service (washing and drying) at least once a week. We recommend that you label your clothes. Absolutely English Young Learners cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage to clothing that has been handed in to be washed.

Welfare

We have an experienced Welfare Team who reside in our on-site Medical Centre. You can speak with them anytime and stay at the centre supervised overnight if you are feeling unwell. Please make sure you have fully completed the 'Welfare' section on the registration form for your child's safety.

Valuables

On arrival at the school, you must hand in your pocket money, plane tickets, passport, insurance documents and any other valuables to the office for safekeeping. We recommend you bring a lockable case as bedrooms are not lockable. Absolutely English Young Learners cannot be held responsible for any loss of money and/or personal items that are not handed in to the office.

If you would like any more information, please visit our website or contact us by e-mail or telephone. We would be happy to advise you on any aspect of our young learners programme.

We look forward to welcoming you to Absolutely English Young Learners!