

HATHEROP CASTLE SUMMER SCHOOL



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PREP SCHOOL





AGES 8-12 years
DATES: 9 July-6 August 2023
COST: £1245 per week (minimum 2 weeks per student)
15 hours per week high quality English Learning with maximum class size of 12
Limited to 50 students
Time spent with UK host students

WELCOME TO HATHEROP CASTLE SUMMER SCHOOL

Discover an exciting, fun and educational summer school for international students aged 8-12 years, with high-quality English language provision and a broad range of brilliant co-curricular activities. Hatherop Castle dates back to Tudor times, and has an incredibly exciting history. It has been a boarding school for the past 50 years. The castle is set in 22 acres of landscaped grounds in the Cotswolds, one of the most beautiful parts of England and a popular tourist destination, within easy reach of the historic cities of Bath and Oxford, and just 90 minutes from London.

Here young students at every level will make huge progress with their English language, with lots of opportunities to put it into practice with our UK host students. Boys and girls can also choose from three exciting Academies – Horse Riding, Tennis and Performing Arts – or opt for the Multi-Activity Programme, to ensure your child has a summer to remember.



WHY CHOOSE HATHEROP CASTLE SUMMER SCHOOL

Hatherop Castle is a successful and high-achieving prep school, with strong academic standards and a focus on ensuring children are able to enjoy the adventure of childhood.

- Lots of time spent with UK host students from Hatherop Castle School and other Wishford schools, who join international students for afternoon Academies and social activities, having fun, building on their English language learning and increasing confidence
- Dedicated and inspiring staff
- A magnificent castle in 22 acres of beautiful grounds where children can explore and play in safety
- Fantastic facilities, including brand new all-weather pitch, tennis courts and an impressive modern Performing Arts Centre
- The opportunity to play typical English school sports, including netball, rounders and cricket
- High-quality English language learning
- Over 50 years' experience in supporting international boarders
- 3 exciting, high-quality coaching Academies to choose from
- Lots of fun social evening and weekend group activities
- Comfortable, cosy boarding rooms, with 4-8 person dormitories.
- Delicious food with lots of choice
- 3 excursions a week, including Bath, London, Oxford and Harry Potter studios
- An exciting and fun opportunity to experience life in a British boarding school





WEEKLY TIMETABLE

We have created the perfect summer holiday for students aged 8-12. Mornings are for our high-quality English language course, carefully tailored to young learners. In the afternoons, international students are joined by UK host students, to take part in a choice of fantastic Activities and Academies, with lots of opportunity to put their English into practice. Finally, there are the trips to top English tourist sites, to ensure your son or daughter will have a holiday to remember.

LEARNING

Students are grouped for their English language lessons depending on age and experience. Ages, number and ability of students change from week to week, with flexible groupings to meet their needs. We ensure that all students are happy, challenged and grow in confidence.

THE WEEKLY TIMETABLE ALLOWS FOR:

- 15 hours of English lessons
- Up to 8 hours of Academy or Multi-Activity coaching

EVENINGS

After dinner there are lots of social activities to entertain and allow students to continue using their English in a fun and relaxed atmosphere, including quizzes, team games, movie nights and discos.



TIMETABLE								
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
8:00-8:45		Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	
8:50-9:35	Mid Morning Brunch	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	FULL-DAY EXCURSION	
9:35-9:45		10 min Break	10 min Break	10 min Break	10 min Break	10 min Break		10 min Break
9:45-10:30		Lesson 2	Lesson 2	Lesson 2	Lesson 2	Lesson 2		Lesson 2
10:30-10:50		20 min Break	20 min Break	20 min Break	20 min Break	20 min Break		20 min Break
10:50-11:35		Lesson 3	Lesson 3	Lesson 3	Lesson 3	Lesson 3		Lesson 3
11:35-11:45		10 min Break	10 min Break	10 min Break	10 min Break	10 min Break		10 min Break
11:45-12:30		Lesson 4	Trip orientation			Lesson 4		Trip orientation
12:30-13:30		Lunch	Lunch			Lunch		Lunch
13:30-16:30		ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE DAY GARDEN PARTY AND/OR EXCURSIONS TO BURFORD	Academies/ Multi Activities	Academies/ Multi Activities	1/2 Day Trip	Academies/ Multi Activities		Academies/ Multi Activities
16:30-17:15			Tea Break & Tuck shop	Tea Break & Tuck shop		Tea Break & Tuck shop		Tea Break & Tuck shop
17:15-18:15	Activities & Games		Activities & Games	Activities & Games		Activities & Games		
18:15-19:00		Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner		
19:15-20:45		Evening Social Programme & Activities		Evening Social Programme & Activities				
20:45-21:15		House time & Bed	House time & Bed	House time & Bed	House time & Bed	House time & Bed		

TRIPS

There are 3 excursions each week. Full-day excursions take place on Saturdays, with half-day trips on Wednesdays and an optional short shopping trip to a local town on Sunday if the children aren't leaving that day.

The timetable is busy, but we are confident that the students will have a great balance of time in the classroom, outside activities and social events, ensuring that they have a fantastic experience during their summer holidays. At all times they will be cared for by experienced and friendly staff.





ENGLISH LANGUAGE TUITION

KEY FACTS

Age: 8-12 years old

Hours per week: 15 hours per week core English lessons

Maximum class size: 12 per class

Course content: General English lessons in the morning with a focus on:

- Grammar in real-life contexts
- Pronunciation practice
- Written and spoken accuracy
- Skills – reading, writing, listening and speaking

Course materials: A mix of our General English text books and authentic materials

On arrival: Students will be assessed to decide the best class level for their needs. We stream English Proficiency into groups of Beginner and Elementary (A1 & A2), Intermediate and Upper Intermediate (B1 & B2) and Advanced (C1).

MONDAY-FRIDAY MORNING CLASSES

Morning classes begin with reading, writing and listening skills. Focus on Fluency sessions are designed to encourage every student to speak with confidence and ease, and all tasks provide optimum speaking and pronunciation practice.

PLUS

2 x 1 hour per week on a research task, learning about up-and-coming cultural visits and developing local and historical knowledge of the UK.

OVERVIEW

- Qualified and experienced teachers who will encourage and support students to succeed
- Continuous monitoring by your class tutors to check your progress
- End of stay English language report
- A balanced programme of communication and comprehension
- Hatherop Castle English Language Certificate on completion



ACADEMIES AND MULTI-ACTIVITY OPTIONS

Hatherop Castle's beautiful grounds, fantastic facilities and specialist staff allow us to offer up to 8 hours of professional tuition in a selection of high-quality Academy options. Students are joined by their UK host students, so as well as enjoying their chosen activity, there are plenty of opportunities for them to use and extend their English language skills.



All students can choose one Academy each week. (Please note that Horse Riding is only available in Weeks 1, 2 and 3.) Anybody who would prefer not to specialise can choose the Multi-Activity option. There will be between 2 and 4 activities per afternoon with an element of choice. Students who choose an Academy that doesn't run each afternoon will join the Multi-Activity programme on those days.

HORSE RIDING

The Cotswolds is famous horse-riding country, and home to the internationally-renowned Badminton and Gatcombe Horse Trials.

What is involved: This Academy gives students the chance to develop their riding skills for 4 hours per week (2 x 2-hour sessions with a guaranteed 1 ½ hours riding in each session). Students will take lessons in the riding school, working on walking, trotting and cantering. In the second session students will enjoy a hack in the beautiful Gloucestershire countryside. All abilities welcome. Additional charge (£120 a week)

WEEKS 1,2,3



PERFORMING ARTS

Hatherop Castle has a great reputation for the performing arts and boasts a fantastic modern Performing Arts Centre. Students will be able to take part in a combined drama, music and dance academy, leading to performance on stage at the end of the week.

WEEKS 1,2,3,4



TENNIS

Expert coaching for players of all abilities in this hugely popular sport, using Westonbirt's hard courts.

What is involved: Students will learn all aspects of the sport, from understanding the grip, forward and backhand strokes, serving, volleying, and court positioning. At the end of the week, children will take part in the Westonbirt Summer School Open.

WEEKS 1,2,3,4



MULTI-ACTIVITY OPTION

Those students not wishing to specialise can take part in this Multi-Activity Academy. Each afternoon they will have the opportunity to take part in up to 4 different activities. Where possible, a choice will be given. Options may include: Basketball, Archery, Survival skills, Football, Touch rugby, Badminton, Kwik cricket, Art & craft, Rounders and Volleyball.

WEEKS 1,2,3,4



EVENINGS AND WEEKENDS

Evenings and weekends at Hatherop are full of fun and entertainment, with lots of opportunities to build friendships, spend time with UK host students and put their English to good use.

- Talent shows
- Discos
- Film nights
- Capture the flag
- Camp fire and marshmallows
- Quiz night
- Mini Olympics
- Team Games

Every Saturday, all students take a full-day excursion to London or Oxford.

Sundays are either a day to prepare for the journey home, or to relax at beautiful Hatherop Castle. After a late breakfast, staff organise students into groups for activities including traditional English garden party games, or a shopping trip to the pretty Cotswold town of Burford.



DISCOVERING THE BEST OF ENGLAND:

TRIPS AND EXCURSIONS

Hatherop is perfectly placed to access some of England's most popular tourist spots. Bath and Oxford are a short trip away, and London only 90 minutes, so our students enjoy rich cultural experiences.

LONDON

Dates: weeks 2,4
England's exciting and vibrant capital city offers a thrilling day out for our students. Taking in iconic sights including the Tower of London, Buckingham Palace and the Houses of Parliament, this full-day trip is a highlight of our Summer School.

OXFORD

Dates: weeks 1,3
The cosmopolitan and bustling city of Oxford is most famous for its 12th century university, still a world-leading place of learning and research. The beautiful medieval architecture, museums and shopping opportunities make this a popular option for our international students.

BURFORD

Dates: weeks 1,3
Close to Hatherop Castle lies Burford, one of the most picturesque towns in England and known as the gateway to the Cotswolds. The beautiful medieval High Street is full of interesting shops and tea shops, a perfect place to wander and find souvenirs of a happy holiday.

BATH

Dates: week 4
The beautiful, historic World Heritage City of Bath is a fantastic day out. Famous for its beautifully preserved Roman Baths, stunning Abbey and beautiful Georgian architecture, the city closely associated with author Jane Austen also has wonderful shopping opportunities.



COTSWOLD WATER PARK

Dates: week 1,3
The Cotswold Water Park is an area of over 40 square miles of nature reserves and 180 lakes, and is an important wildlife habitat, particularly for migrating birds. Students will have the brilliant opportunity to kayak and paddle board in a beautiful natural environment.

HARRY POTTER STUDIOS

Dates: week 2
A brilliant opportunity to take a look behind the scenes of the hugely successful Harry Potter film series. The Studios house many of the backdrops and props that helped create the world of JK Rowling's series of books, and visitors find out about the creativity and engineering that went into turning her magical world into screen reality.





STAYING WITH US

ACCOMMODATION

Living in an English castle is one of the most exciting things about being a boarder at Hatherop. Our cheerful 3-8 bed dorms are comfortable and relaxing, and our experienced and friendly house staff make this a safe and reassuring home from home for international students. Medical support is available if necessary.

FOOD

Food at Hatherop Castle is delicious and popular with all our pupils. Top school caterers Holroyd Howe provide a wide range of nutritious, freshly prepared meals, with plenty of choice for different tastes and diets. We are able to cater for all cultural and religious requirements. Each day, students enjoy a big breakfast, morning snack, lunch, afternoon tea and evening meal, ensuring that students have plenty of energy for learning and fun.



KEY INFORMATION

DATES

- Week 1 09-16 July
- Week 2 16-23 July
- Week 3 23-30 July
- Week 4 30 July-6 August

AGES

8-12 years

COST

£1245 per week
Minimum of 2 weeks booking

ADDITIONAL COST

Horse Riding £120 per week

WHAT'S INCLUDED IN THE PRICE

- Transfers from the airport between 09.00 and 18.00
- Holiday insurance
- Up to 15 hours of classroom lessons
- All Academies and activities, except Horse Riding
- 3 meals a day and snacks
- 3 excursions per week
- Laundry twice a week
- Accommodation in comfortable 3-8 bed dormitories

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- Flights
- Pocket money
- Horse Riding
- Gatwick transfer £50

TRANSFERS

Escorted transfers from London Heathrow and Bristol airports between 09.00 and 18.00 on Sundays are included in the price of the course. Transfers from London Gatwick will be £50 extra.

HOW TO BOOK

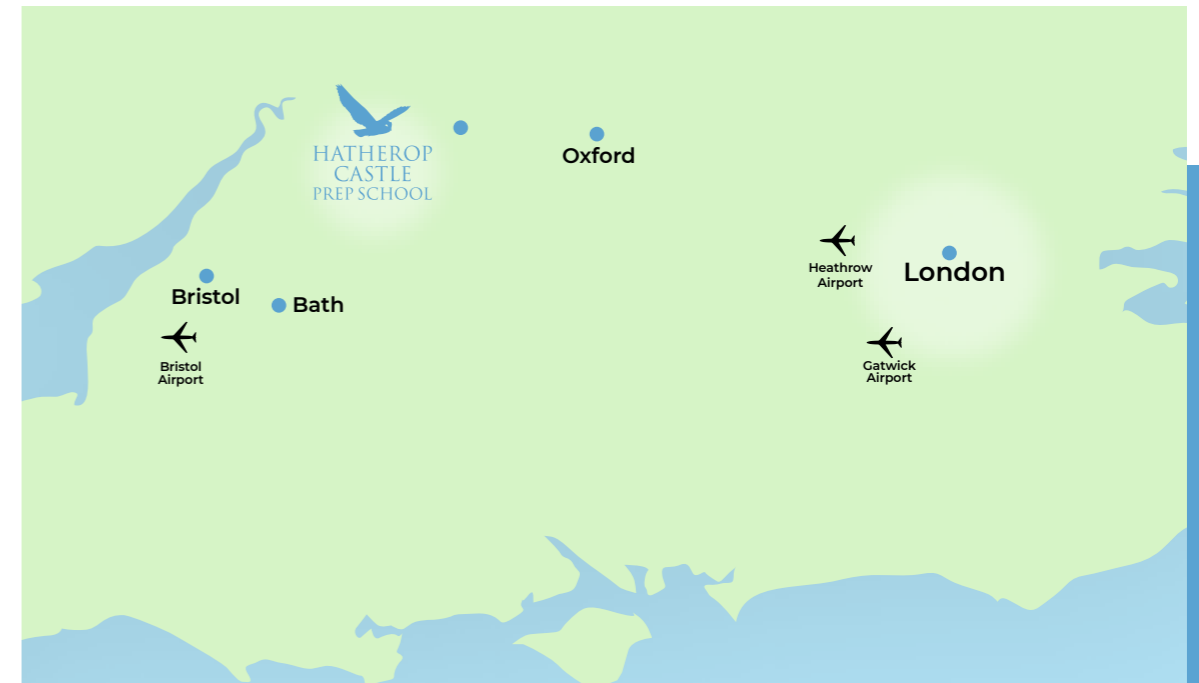
Bookings can be made on the website by filling out our online form. We will then be in touch to confirm your booking, and arrange for payment of the deposit.

A deposit of £500 per student secures a place at Hatherop Castle Summer School. The balance is due 6 weeks before the student arrives.



If you require any further information, we would be delighted to help.

Please email summerschool@hatheropcastle.co.uk or telephone +44(0)1666 881414



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