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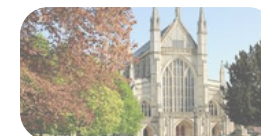
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A Note from Our Principal

At our school, we believe that learning a language should be more than just lessons in a classroom — it should be a journey of discovery, confidence, and connection. Our aim is to provide students not only with strong English skills but also with unforgettable experiences that help them grow personally, socially, and academically.

We take pride in creating a supportive, friendly, and inclusive environment where every student feels valued. With experienced teachers, modern facilities, and a wide range of engaging courses, we ensure that learning is interactive, practical, and tailored to the needs of each learner.

Beyond the classroom, our exciting programme of cultural activities, excursions, and events allows students to use their English in real-world contexts while building friendships that last a lifetime.

Giancarlo Calderini
Principal
British Learning Academy

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WHO ARE WE?

The British Learning Academy (BLA) was founded from the esteemed Brockhurst and Marlston House Schools, a prestigious preparatory institution with over a century of educational heritage. Established in 2011, the BLA is a British Council-accredited school and a proud member of English UK, offering English language programmes combined with innovative, project-based learning designed to engage both individuals and groups.

BLA offers fully residential English language courses enriched by a diverse selection of activity programmes designed for students of all ages. From the moment of arrival, our dedicated and highly skilled team ensures that every aspect of a student's stay is carefully managed — ranging from airport transfers and comfortable accommodation to immersive language lessons, engaging excursions, and enriching entertainment.

Students attending our summer camps also benefit from Business English and Presentation Skills programmes, which refine public speaking, negotiation, and interpersonal abilities essential for both academic and professional success. Afternoons are complemented by a vibrant social and cultural calendar, ensuring a balanced experience that fosters both intellectual growth and personal development.

OUR VISION

Promoting an independent learning environment, preparing students for life beyond the classroom.

OUR MISSION

To educate, inspire and enrich the lives of students of all abilities, helping them to improve their English language skills in a safe, friendly and independent environment.

OUR VALUES

Collaboration. Respect. Compassion. Strong sense of service. Be ethical, responsible and professional.



OUR APPROACH

SAFEGUARDING OF YOUNG LEARNERS

At the British Learning Academy, we look after our students welfare in every way to promote all aspects of their safety and well-being throughout their time with us. Some of the steps we take to ensure students' welfare:

All students are given an induction, highlighting the centre's rules and regulation to keep them safe.

All staff are at least Safeguarding Level 1 trained & Enhanced DBS-checked

Risk assessments are carried out and any necessary steps are taken to reduce the likelihood of problems both during students' stay at the school and when leaving school's premises.

Students are asked to wear a lanyard with the emergency numbers on, at all times.

All staff recognise their responsibility for the safeguarding of U18s and will immediately alert senior management of any concern. BLA staff are available 24 hours a day for any issue that may arise.

We require consent forms from parents who send under-age students to study English in the UK at our school.



Our Students

At the British Learning Academy, you will have the opportunity to meet like-minded friends from all over the world. Our students have come from:

France
Spain
Colombia
Hungary
Argentina
Germany

Italy
Czech Republic
Slovakia
Portugal
Ukraine
Sweden

Greece
Romania
Turkey
Russia
Belgium
Mexico



KEY INFORMATION

ARRIVAL, LESSONS, ACCOMMODATION

ARRIVAL

We ask students to arrive on a Sunday or Monday, when airport transfers are organised by BLA. On arrival, you'll be welcomed by one of our staff members and escorted by train or taxi to your chosen campus. If you choose to arrive on another day, you will need to make your own way to the campus.

LESSONS

All English courses take place in the morning, from 09:00 until 12:45. On their first day, students will be assessed on their level of English and placed into class accordingly.

ACCOMMODATION

Portsmouth University Campus offers single, standard, or ensuite rooms. Bed linens and towels are provided and changed throughout the duration of the student's visit.

KEY INFORMATION

PACKAGES AND BOOKING

BOOKING

Please email info@britishlearningacademy.org, we will respond to your request within 1 working day.

1 WEEK PACKAGE

15/20 Hours of English
Afternoon and Evening Activities
Full Board and Accommodation
1 Full Day Excursion (London), 2 Half Day Excursions

2 WEEKS PACKAGE

15/20 Hours of English
Afternoon and Evening Activities
Full Board and Accommodation
2 Full Day Excursions, 5 Half Day Excursions

ADDITIONAL REQUESTS

Airport Transfer
Entry to Arundel Castle (£12)
Isle of Wight Ferry (£15)



OUR COURSES

ENGLISH AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

OUR STAND OUT COURSE - 4 YEARS RUNNING

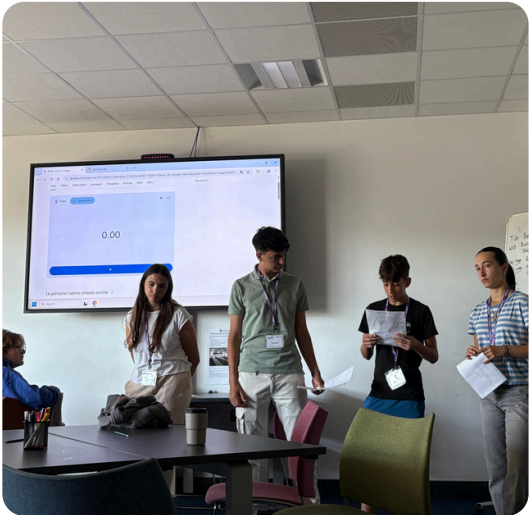
For the past four summers, our English & AI has been one of the most popular options at BLA. With a 50% return rate, families and agents trust this course because they see real results: stronger English, sharper thinking, and students who come back year after year for the next level.

Why It Works

Artificial Intelligence can feel intimidating — but we make it exciting, practical, and useful. Students learn how to use AI as a tool for creativity, problem-solving, and self-expression, all while improving their English in every lesson.

What Students Gain

- Confidence in speaking, presenting, and debating in English
- Hands-on experience with AI tools for real-life projects
- Skills that transfer to school, university, and future careers
- Motivation to keep learning long after the summer ends



OUR COURSES

ENGLISH AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

The Experience


Mornings are dedicated to dynamic English lessons, while afternoons focus on AI projects — from designing presentations with smart tools to exploring how technology is shaping the world. Evenings are filled with activities, sports, and excursions, where students continue to practise English in fun, natural settings.

Who It is For

This course is open to students with at least a B1 (Intermediate) level of English, and above all, a curiosity about the future. It's perfect for learners who want to combine language learning with creativity, innovation, and big ideas.

Sample Timetable for the English and Artificial Intelligence Course



 BRITISH LEARNING ACADEMY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
7:30 - 9:00	ARRIVAL	BREAKFAST IN OTTER'S RESTAURANT				FULL DAY EXCURSION TO LONDON OR BRIGHTON	CHECK OUT BY 10AM
9:00 - 13:00	ENGLISH AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE CLASSES						AIRPORT DROP-OFF
13:00 - 14:00	LUNCH IN OTTER'S RESTAURANT						
14:00 - 17:30	TRIP TO CHICHESTER & ROMAN WALLS	AI WORKSHOP SPORTS	TRIP TO PORTSMOUTH HISTORIC DOCKYARD	AI WORKSHOP SPORTS	TRIP TO ARUNDEL CASTLE OR BOGNOR		
17:30 - 19:00	FREE TIME						
19:00 - 20:00	DINNER IN OTTER'S RESTAURANT						
20:00 - 22:00	ICE BREAKERS	ZOMBIE NIGHT	FASHION SHOW	KARAOKE	MURDER MYSTERY	MOVIE NIGHT	
22:00 - 23:00	LIGHTS OUT!						

OUR COURSES

YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS PROGRAMME


The Young Entrepreneurs Programme (YEP) is a unique opportunity for students to step into the world of innovation, leadership, and business — all while improving their English.

Through hands-on projects, teamwork, and real-world challenges, students gain the skills to become tomorrow’s leaders. The programme is built around a powerful idea: “If you can sell a product in a foreign country, you can sell yourself to universities, employers, and investors.”

Research, plan, and deliver powerful presentations

- ✓ Craft and present convincing arguments
- ✓ Use body language and tone effectively
- ✓ Speak to an audience with confidence
- ✓ Develop creative sales strategies
- ✓ Pitch your product to the public

Sample Timetable for the Young Entrepreneurs Programme

 BRITISH LEARNING ACADEMY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	
7:30 – 9:00	ARRIVAL	BREAKFAST IN OTTER'S RESTAURANT				FULL DAY EXCURSION TO LONDON OR BRIGHTON	CHECK OUT BY 10AM	
9:00 – 13:00	YOUNG ENTREPRENEUR PROGRAMME						AIRPORT DROP-OFF	
13:00 – 14:00	LUNCH IN OTTER'S RESTAURANT							
14:00 – 17:30	TRIP TO CHICHESTER & ROMAN WALLS	YEP WORKSHOP SPORTS	TRIP TO PORTSMOUTH HISTORIC DOCKYARD	YEP WORKSHOP SPORTS	TRIP TO ARUNDEL CASTLE OR BOGNOR			
17:30 – 19:00	FREE TIME							
19:00 – 20:00	DINNER IN OTTER'S RESTAURANT							
20:00 – 22:00	ICE BREAKERS	ZOMBIE NIGHT	FASHION SHOW	KARAOKE	MURDER MYSTERY	MOVIE NIGHT		
22:00 – 23:00	LIGHTS OUT!							



OUR COURSES

GENERAL ENGLISH COURSE

Our General English course is designed to support learners at every stage, with classes carefully tailored to five levels: Elementary (A1), Pre-Intermediate (A2), Intermediate (B1), Upper-Intermediate (B2), and Advanced (C1).

Following our distinctive house style, lessons place a strong emphasis on developing speaking fluency and building confidence in real-life communication. Alongside this, students work on key areas of language learning — including grammar, vocabulary, listening, reading, and writing — adapted to the needs of each level.

The course is interactive and dynamic, ensuring that students not only improve their English but also gain the practical skills and confidence to use it effectively in everyday situations, academic contexts, or international settings.



CAMBRIDGE AND TRINITY EXAMINATION PREP

Our exam preparation courses are tailored to young learners and taught by experienced teachers. Students practice with real exam-style tests to gain confidence and improve performance. Along the way, they expand their vocabulary, strengthen grammar, and develop communication skills. Students can choose to prepare for either the Cambridge Exams or the Trinity GESE, gaining internationally recognised qualifications that showcase their English skills.

ACTIVITIES

From 14:15 each day on campus, students will have a range of afternoon activities to choose from. Our Activity Leaders deliver sports sessions; football, basketball, volleyball, and many more.

There are alternative indoor sessions available; arts and crafts, talent show workshop and t-shirt logo design as an example. Each activity is an opportunity for our students to immerse themselves in English, and practice their speaking skills with our Activity Leaders and peers.

From 20:00, students participate in a range of evening activities. To name a few, our Activity Leaders are experienced in leading Murder Mystery, Zombie Night and Trashion Show.



HOUSES

Each of our students will be assigned a House as they arrive at the British Learning Academy. The purpose of Houses is to create a strong sense of belonging, teamwork, and friendly competition. During lessons and activities, students can earn points for their House, and winners are announced at the end of each two week period.



EXCURSIONS



Twice a week our students enjoy exciting excursions, giving them the chance to explore new places, practise their English in real-life settings, and experience the culture beyond the classroom.

FULL DAY EXCURSIONS

London
Brighton
Winchester*
Isle of Wight*

HALF DAY EXCURSIONS

Chichester
Portsmouth
Arundel
Bognor Regis Beach*
Winchester*

*Excursions are subject to campus, interest and availability.

BURRELL HOUSE 28TH JUNE - 27TH AUGUST
REES HALL 1ST JULY - 27TH AUGUST

Campus Highlights

Located on the South Coast, overlooking the seafront and Southsea Common
Modern university city with shopping, cafes, and attractions nearby
Comfortable residence with direct access to the seafront promenade
Easy access to teaching rooms, sports facilities, and city excursions

Accommodation

Rees Hall Residence, with single and twin rooms, all en-suite

Burrell House offers shared bathroom facilities

All meals served in the residence dining hall on the ground floor of Rees Hall

Weekly cleaning, fresh bedding and towels provided

Safe, supervised environment with staff on hand 24/7

Facilities

Teaching rooms: modern classrooms within a short walk from Rees Hall

Sports & recreation: use of Ravelin Sports Centre for football, volleyball, swimming and more

Dining: hot meals, salad bar, and vegetarian options served daily at Rees Hall

Social spaces: Rees Hall common rooms, University Student Union, and seafront areas perfect for gathering and relaxing.




SAMPLE TIMETABLES



See below the sample timetables for a typical stay at BLA. It is an example of how your stay at the British Learning Academy could look, however activities and excursions may vary due to availability and interest. Our Advanced English courses also hold classes after lunch twice a week.

If you require any additional information regarding scheduling, please email info@britishlearningacademy.org

ONE WEEK

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7:30 - 9:00	ARRIVAL	BREAKFAST IN REE'S HALL				FULL DAY EXCURSION TO LONDON (BY COACH) WITH PACKED LUNCH	BREAKFAST
9:00 - 13:00	ENGLISH LESSONS: GENERAL, AI, YOUNG ENTREPRENEUR						FREE MORNING
13:00 - 14:00	LUNCH AT REE'S HALL						LUNCH
14:00 - 17:30	TRIP TO GUNWHARF AND SPINNAKER TOWER	SPORT ACTIVITIES ON CAMPUS	TRIP TO CHICHESTER	SPORT ACTIVITIES ON CAMPUS	TRIP TO ARUNDEL CASTLE		SWIMMING AT ARAVE-IN SPORTS CENTRE
17:30 - 19:00	FREE TIME						FREE TIME
19:00 - 20:00	DINNER IN REE'S HALL					DINNER	
20:00 - 22:00	ICE BREAKERS	ZOMBIE NIGHT	FASHION SHOW	KARAOKE	MURDER MYSTERY	MOVIE NIGHT	QUIZ NIGHT
22:00 - 23:00	LIGHTS OUT!						

TWO WEEKS

 BRITISH LEARNING ACADEMY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	 BRITISH LEARNING ACADEMY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
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17:30 - 19:00	FREE TIME					FREE TIME	17:30 - 19:00	FREE TIME							
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22:00 - 23:00	LIGHTS OUT!							22:00 - 23:00	LIGHTS OUT!						