



ABOUT THE BRITISH LEARNING ACADEMY

We believe learning a language should be more than lessons in a classroom: it should be a journey of discovery, confidence and connection. We give students strong English skills and unforgettable experiences that help them grow personally, socially and academically.

Our school is supportive, friendly and inclusive, and every student feels valued. Experienced teachers, modern facilities and a wide choice of courses make learning interactive, practical and suited to each learner.

Beyond the classroom, our programme of activities, excursions and events lets students use their English in real situations while making friendships that last a lifetime.



2027

Residential summer English courses
Ages 11–18 · Portsmouth & Bristol

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2

residential centres

11–18

age range

21

nationalities so far

1:15

activity leaders to
students



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OUR VISION

An independent learning environment that prepares students for life beyond the classroom.

OUR MISSION

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

OUR VALUES

- Collaboration
- Respect
- Compassion
- A strong sense of service
- Ethical, responsible and professional

OUR APPROACH

SAFEGUARDING YOUNG LEARNERS

Every student is aged 11–18, so their safety and well-being come first, from the day we receive their booking to the day they fly home.

Before arrival

- Parents of under-18s sign a consent form
- Online placement test, so students start in the right class

On arrival

- Induction on centre rules and how we keep students safe
- Lanyard with emergency contacts, worn at all times

Every day

- 1 teacher and 1 activity leader for every 15 students
- Centre Manager and Director of Studies on site
- Staff on call 24 hours a day

Our staff

- Enhanced DBS check for every member of staff
- At least Level 1 safeguarding training
- Any concern reported to senior management at once

On and off campus

We risk-assess life on campus and every excursion, and act on what we find.



OUR STUDENTS

FRIENDS FROM 21 COUNTRIES

With students from so many countries, English becomes the language of friendship: in class, at meals and on every excursion.



Western Europe

Belgium
France
Germany
Greece
Italy
Portugal
Spain
Switzerland

Eastern Europe & Turkey

Czech Republic
Hungary
Poland
Romania
Russia
Slovakia
Turkey
Ukraine

Latin America

Argentina
Colombia
Mexico
Paraguay
Uruguay



WHY BLA?

WHY AGENTS AND FAMILIES CHOOSE US

1:15

Close supervision

1 teacher and 1 activity leader for every 15 students.

30%

High retention rate

30% of our students return in the following years.

21

Nationalities

English is the shared language in every class and activity.

11–18

Juniors only

Programmes, staffing and supervision built for young learners.

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Accredited and trusted

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TWO RESIDENTIAL CENTRES



Portsmouth · University of Portsmouth, by the sea



Bristol · Clifton College, historic boarding school

KEY INFORMATION

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW

LESSONS

Lessons run every weekday morning between 09:00 and 13:00: **15 hours a week** on General English. English & Life Skills courses (English & AI and the Young Entrepreneurs Programme) add two afternoon workshops, for **20 hours a week**. Before arrival, students take our online placement test so we can place them in the right class from day one.

ACCOMMODATION

Portsmouth: en-suite single and twin rooms in Rees Hall, or standard rooms with shared bathrooms in Burrell House.

Bristol: boarding houses at Clifton College, mostly single and twin rooms, with shared bathrooms along the corridor.

Bed linen and towels are provided and changed weekly at both centres.

ARRIVALS AND TRANSFERS

Students arrive on a Sunday or Monday. Airport transfers are available on request and quoted for each group, depending on group size and airport.

SUPERVISION

1 teacher and 1 activity leader for every 15 students, plus a Centre Manager and Director of Studies at each centre. Group leaders travel free: 1 free place for every 15 students.

SAFETY ON SITE

24-hour CCTV and security staff on site at both centres.

MEALS

We cater for all dietary requirements and allergies.

1 WEEK

- 15 hours of English (20 on English & Life Skills courses)
- Afternoon and evening activities
- Full-board accommodation
- 1 full-day excursion
- 2 half-day excursions
- Study materials
- End-of-course certificate

2 WEEKS

- 30 hours of English (40 on English & Life Skills courses)
- Afternoon and evening activities
- Full-board accommodation
- 2 full-day excursions
- 4 half-day excursions
- Study materials
- End-of-course certificate

Packages from £843 a week at Portsmouth and £870 a week at Clifton College. See our 2027 price list for 2- and 3-week rates, en-suite and course supplements.



OUR COURSES

ENGLISH & ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE · OUR STANDOUT COURSE

50%

of English & AI students come back the following summer. Five years running, families and agents trust this course because they see real results.

Why it works

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

What students gain

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

20 hours a week · £50 supplement



YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS PROGRAMME · OUR FLAGSHIP COURSE

The Young Entrepreneurs Programme (YEP) lets students step into the world of innovation, leadership and business, all while improving their English. Its aim is to inspire young people to become the leaders of tomorrow.

Why it works

Through hands-on projects, teamwork and real-world challenges, students build the skills leaders need. The programme is built on one idea: "If you can sell a product in a foreign country, you can sell yourself to universities, employers and investors."

What students gain

- Research, plan and deliver strong presentations
- Build and present convincing arguments
- Use body language and tone effectively
- Speak to an audience with confidence
- Develop creative sales strategies
- Pitch a product to the public

20 hours a week · £50 supplement



OUR COURSES

GENERAL ENGLISH

Classes are set at five levels: Elementary (A1), Pre-Intermediate (A2), Intermediate (B1), Upper-Intermediate (B2) and Advanced (C1).

Lessons focus on speaking fluency and confidence in real-life communication, alongside grammar, vocabulary, listening, reading and writing at each level. Classes are interactive, so students leave with English they can use every day, at school and abroad.

15 hours a week · included in the package price

CAMBRIDGE AND TRINITY EXAM PREPARATION

Experienced teachers prepare young learners for the Cambridge exams or the Trinity GESE. Students practise with real exam-style tests to build confidence and improve their results, while expanding vocabulary, grammar and communication skills.

Ask us for prices and availability at each centre.



ENGLISH & SPORT

English lessons every morning, then three afternoons a week of sport: football, basketball, swimming, volleyball and more. The perfect mix for students who want to improve their English and stay active with friends from around the world.

NEW

TENNIS ACADEMY

English lessons every morning, then three tennis sessions a week with a dedicated professional coach who works only with Tennis Academy students. Students improve their technique and confidence on court while improving their English.

Ask us for prices and availability at each centre.



ACTIVITIES

EVERY AFTERNOON AND EVENING

Afternoons, from 14:00

Activity leaders run sports such as football, basketball and volleyball, plus indoor options like arts and crafts, talent show workshops and T-shirt design. Every activity is a chance to speak English with friends and staff.

Evenings, 20:00–22:00

Scavenger Hunt, Karaoke, Murder Mystery, Zombie Night, the Trashion Show and many more.



EXCURSIONS

1 FULL DAY + 2 HALF DAYS EVERY WEEK

	Full-day excursions (Saturday)	Half-day excursions
Portsmouth	London, Brighton, Isle of Wight, Winchester	Chichester, Arundel, Southsea
Bristol	London, Bath, Cardiff	Clifton and the Suspension Bridge, Bristol city centre

A 2-week stay includes 2 full-day and 4 half-day excursions. All transport is included.



BLA PORTSMOUTH

UNIVERSITY OF PORTSMOUTH

Dates	Sunday 20 June – Saturday 31 July 2027
Ages	11–18
Rooms	En-suite single and twin (Rees Hall) or standard with shared bathrooms (Burrell House)
Lessons	15 or 20 hours a week
Excursions	1 full day + 2 half days a week
From	£843 a week, full board

The campus

- On the south coast, overlooking the seafront and Southsea Common
- A modern university city with shops, cafés and attractions nearby
- Residence with direct access to the seafront promenade

Living and facilities

- All meals in the Rees Hall dining room: hot meals, salad bar and vegetarian options daily
- Modern classrooms a short walk from Rees Hall
- Ravelin Sports Centre for football, volleyball, swimming and more
- Common rooms, the Students’ Union and the seafront for relaxing
- Weekly cleaning, fresh bedding and towels; staff on hand 24/7



BLA BRISTOL

CLIFTON COLLEGE

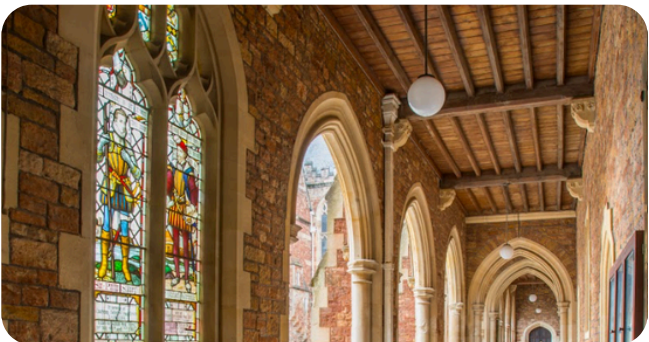
Dates	Monday 12 July – Monday 30 August 2027
Ages	11–18
Rooms	Boarding houses, mostly single and twin, shared bathrooms; en-suite singles for group leaders on request
Lessons	15 or 20 hours a week
Excursions	1 full day + 2 half days a week
From	£870 a week, full board

The campus

- A prestigious boarding school in Clifton, Bristol’s most beautiful area
- Historic quads and modern facilities set around The Close
- A safe, self-contained campus: classrooms, houses, dining hall and sports all within walking distance

Living and facilities

- Rooms allocated by age and gender; bathrooms cleaned daily; common rooms for socialising and quiet study
- All meals in the main dining hall: hot options, salad bar, vegetarian and vegan choices
- Bright language classrooms with AV equipment for presentations and projects
- Indoor pool, sports hall, tennis courts and playing fields



SAMPLE TIMETABLE

A TYPICAL WEEK · GENERAL ENGLISH

Day	Morning	Afternoon (from 14:00)	Evening (20:00–22:00)
Sunday	Arrivals	Arrivals and campus tour	Welcome evening
Monday	English lessons	Induction and sports	Scavenger Hunt
Tuesday	English lessons	Half-day excursion	Karaoke
Wednesday	English lessons	Sports, arts and crafts	Murder Mystery
Thursday	English lessons	Half-day excursion	Zombie Night
Friday	English lessons and certificates	Sports and T-shirt design	Trashion Show
Saturday	Full-day excursion (for example London)		Talent Show

Lessons run between 09:00 and 13:00. English & Life Skills, English & Sport and Tennis Academy students have their workshops or sessions on set afternoons. Timetables vary by week and centre.



HOW TO BOOK

FOR AGENTS AND GROUP LEADERS

- 1 Choose your centre, dates and course, and send us the group application form.
- 2 Pay a 20% deposit to confirm the booking. We confirm by email.
- 3 Pay the balance at least 2 weeks before arrival.

Group leaders travel free

1 free place for every 15 students. Single en-suite rooms for group leaders are available on request.

Full terms, cancellation policy and 2027 prices are in our agent price list.



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