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# STUDIO CAMBRIDGE ENGLISH IN ENGLAND

## English Language Courses for Adults in Cambridge

65 YEARS 1954-2019

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# Why choose Studio Cambridge?

### INDEPENDENT AND PRIVATELY OWNED
Studio Cambridge is not part of a chain of schools.
We are privately owned and managed.

All of our central services – Accommodation, Welfare, Activities, Academic Support, Sales and Senior Management – are based at our main school in Cambridge.

In this way, we all get to meet and to know our students and are able to respond quickly to queries without needing to contact "head office".

### BIG BUT FRIENDLY
Although we are not a small school, we treat our students as individual people. We typically have between 180 and 250 students at school each day. This allows us to have between 12 and 20 classes running at the same time, so we can teach at all levels from beginner to advanced.

### EXPERIENCE AND REPUTATION
One of the longest-established English language schools in Britain, we have been part of Cambridge's education scene since 1954.

### EFFECTIVE TEACHING
A proven curriculum taught by qualified teachers.

### SPECIALISED COURSES
A range of intensive courses with specialised options, plus examination courses, for adult students and teenagers aged 16+ years.

### PERSONAL CARE
24-hour Studio Cambridge emergency telephone number, health insurance at no additional cost, specialist welfare staff.

### CHOICE OF ACCOMMODATION
Choose to live with a local family or in a student residence: they are all carefully inspected by us.

### FREE AFTER-CLASS ACTIVITIES
Large social programme with activities included in the fees. Plus lots to see and do during free time.

### SUPERB LOCATION IN CAMBRIDGE
Our main school is open year round in central Cambridge and is supplemented in the summer by facilities at Hills Road Sixth Form College.

### CLASSMATES FROM AROUND THE WORLD
We welcome students from over 65 countries each year.

# Our mission

Our goal is to provide students with an effective and enjoyable experience of studying English in England. In so doing, we aim to treat them and our partners (overseas representatives, host families, colleagues) with the professionalism, respect and personal attention they deserve.

## MEMBERSHIPS AND ACCREDITATIONS

Studio Cambridge is inspected and accredited by, or a member of, the following organisations:

- British Council
- English UK
- Education UK
- Independent Schools Inspectorate (ISI/PFE)
- Home Office Tier 4 Sponsor
- IELTS
- Cambridge Assessment English
- IALC - International Association of Language Centres

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# Cambridge

## CITY FESTIVALS

Cambridge is famous for its many festivals held throughout the year, some of which are the oldest or biggest in the UK. The city hosts excellent annual festivals of science, history, beer, music (Folk, Classical, Rock & "Pop in the Park"), film, literature and Shakespeare.

## THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

Our city is known throughout the world for its mediaeval university colleges, impressive architecture, the peaceful River Cam, and its green parks and gardens. With its historic buildings and beautiful setting, the city of Cambridge is the ideal place in which to learn English.

The university is a centre of exciting and innovative scientific research, and key local companies such as Microsoft, Apple and ARM.

But Cambridge is not only about tradition; it is modern, too. With a population of around 100,000 residents and 20,000 university students, Cambridge is an exciting place in which to live and study. It is small enough to get around easily on foot or by bicycle, but big enough to have all the shops, restaurants, cinemas, theatres, clubs, museums, galleries and sporting facilities that you may need.

Of course, if you want to visit a really big city, London is just 50 minutes away by train.

Our main school is just 15 minutes' walk from Cambridge's historic centre, and our summer school is 20 minutes' walk away.

## CAMBRIDGE'S UNMISSABLE ATTRACTIONS

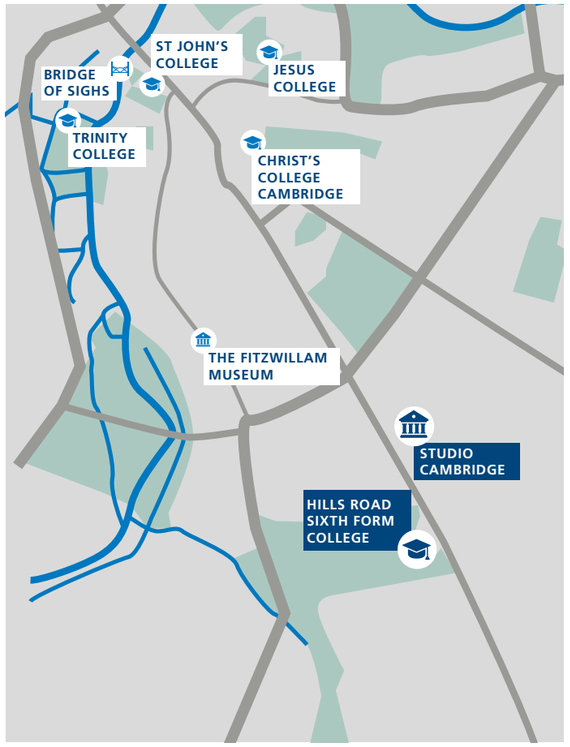
Cambridge has so many beautiful buildings, green parks, open spaces, museums and attractions, it is difficult to name them all, but here is a sample of things not to be missed.

- ✓ Punting on the River Cam
- ✓ The many stunning Cambridge University colleges such as King's, Trinity, Jesus and St John's College
- ✓ Fitzwilliam Museum & Gallery
- ✓ The University Botanic Garden
- ✓ Traditional English afternoon tea in Grantchester Meadows

## OTHER CAMBRIDGE PLACES OF INTEREST

- ✓ Centre of Computing History
- ✓ St Mary's Tower
- ✓ King's College Chapel & Choir
- ✓ Anthropology & Archaeology Museum
- ✓ Scott Polar Exploration Museum
- ✓ Geology and Zoology Museum
- ✓ Whipple History of Science
- ✓ Kettles Yard Art Gallery
- ✓ Cambridge Museum
- ✓ Museum of Technology
- ✓ Castle Hill Mound
- ✓ The Bridge of Sighs
- ✓ Mathematical Bridge
- ✓ The Wren Library
- ✓ The Eagle Pub
- ✓ The Corpus "Grasshopper" Clock
- ✓ Parker's Piece Football Monument

# Our Facilities




## STUDIO MAIN SCHOOL

Our main school is open year-round. It is located in impressive 19th century buildings belonging to Cambridge University. It is in easy walking distance to the centre of Cambridge and the main railway station, from where there are frequent direct train services to London.

English classes take place year-round at Studio main school and occasionally during peak times are supplemented by classrooms within easy walking distance. During July most classes are held at Hills Road College (see below).

Facilities at main school and Hills Road include:

- ✓ 22 classrooms
- ✓ Learning Centre with self-study library (at main school), multimedia facilities, free internet & Wi-Fi access
- ✓ Director of Studies Office for help and advice with academic work
- ✓ Accommodation Department. We arrange all homestay and residential accommodation ourselves
- ✓ Student Services Department for activities and excursions
- ✓ Welfare Department with qualified welfare personnel
- ✓ Cafeteria for hot or cold lunches, snacks, drinks
- ✓ Garden
- ✓ Our main school is just 15 minutes' walk from Cambridge's historic centre, and our summer school is 20 minutes' walk away

## HILLS ROAD COLLEGE

During the summer, classes are also held in Hills Road Sixth Form College (HRSFC), one of the most outstanding schools in Britain. It is renowned for sending more students to Oxford and Cambridge university than any other state college in Britain. It is just 10 minutes' walk from our main school and we have been successfully running summer classes here every year since 2005.

## ACCESSIBILITY FOR STUDENTS

Our main school in Cambridge is in buildings over 100 years old, with four floors and no lifts. We unfortunately, therefore, have limited facilities for people using wheelchairs. Accessibility to our summer centre at HRSFC is also limited. Please let us know before you enrol if you have any special needs. We will be able to advise you on the suitability of our schools, courses, activities and accommodation for your particular requirements.

## OUR FACILITY PROVIDERS

We have been offering our courses on the campuses of colleges for many years. However, these institutions are not responsible for our courses. Studio Cambridge is solely responsible for the design and management of these programmes, which are accredited by the appropriate government-recognised organisations.

CB1 Residence





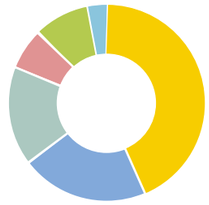
# Studio Cambridge Students

## STUDENT NATIONALITIES

Students come to Studio Cambridge from over 65 countries per year and speak dozens of languages.

The average age of students taking our courses is 22 years. 15% are aged under 18, 70% aged 18-29, 15% aged 30+

The mix of nationalities changes from year to year and according to the time of year. However, here are the typical nationalities of our adult students taking intensive courses:



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|---|---|
| Argentina | 2% |
| Brazil | 3% |
| China | 5% |
| France | 6% |
| Germany | 8% |
| Netherlands | 5% |
| Italy | 9% |
| Japan | 9% |
| Korea | 2% |
| Russia | 3% |

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| Saudi Arabia | 4% |
| Spain | 6% |
| Switzerland | 8% |
| Taiwan | 2% |
| Thailand | 4% |
| Turkey | 8% |
| Rest of the world | 16% |

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| Western Europe | 43% |
| Asia / Far East | 21% |
| Eastern Europe | 17% |
| Latin America | 7% |
| Middle East | 9% |
| Africa | 3% |

## STUDIO SUMMER CAMPS FOR AGES 8 TO 19

Studio Cambridge runs 7 summer camps for different age groups, including 3 summer camps in Cambridge. Please see our "English Language Camps" brochure for details.

## A PROVEN HISTORY

We have been running English language camps for many, many years. Our "newest" camp started ten years ago and our oldest has been running for over 50 years.

The camps are run at our own school in Cambridge, at Cambridge University colleges, and at some of the best schools and colleges that England has to offer.

## DESIGNED FOR DIFFERENT AGES

Each of our English Camps is intended for a specific age group. The academic, social and sports content, the accommodation, and the level of welfare and supervision, are carefully designed according to the camp participants.

## ACTIVITIES

All our camps feature a variety of activities, in addition to the English language lessons. The programmes are busy - ensuring that there is always something happening, and always under the supervision of responsible adults.

Activities include sports, arts and crafts, local visits, language games, and parties.

## ACADEMIC OPTIONS AND THEMES

Many of our camps have academic options and activity themes. These include:

- ✓ Harry Potter
- ✓ Coding
- ✓ Global Leaders
- ✓ Creative Social Media
- ✓ London Discovery
- ✓ Cambridge University Discovery

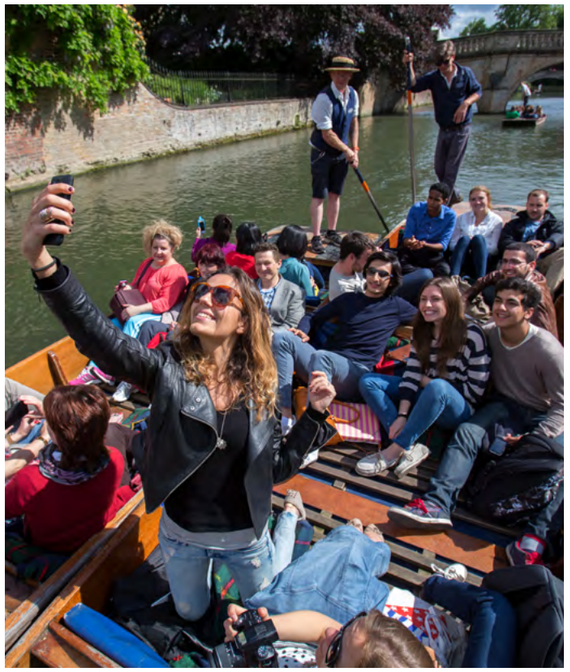
**Visit www.Studiocambridge.co.uk for more details**

## AIRPORT TRANSFERS

Cambridge is very easily reached from all of London's airports by bus, train or taxi. Transfers are not included (except on our "Camps") but can be arranged for you by us at additional cost. We will send you full information when you enrol. The distance to Cambridge is:

- London Heathrow....113 km
- London Stansted.....47 km
- London Gatwick.....150 km

# Studio Cambridge activities



## SAMPLE ACTIVITIES

- Football
- Basketball
- Ten-pin bowling
- Punting
- Badminton
- Volleyball
- Traditional English afternoon tea
- University College and Museum visits
- Traditional food tasting
- Art & design
- Dance workshop
- Swimming
- Cricket or Rounders
- Botanic gardens visit
- Movie and popcorn
- Conversation club
- Grammar club
- Studio missions

## ACTIVITIES FREE OF CHARGE

To take full advantage of living and studying with us here in the UK, you should continue to speak English after your classes are finished for the day. This will help to learn as much as you can about our way of life, the food we eat, the festivals we celebrate and the sports we play.

Join in our activities and you will find yourself using the English you have learned in the classroom, in a relaxed setting with friends from around the world.

Our courses* - EFL-20, EFL-28, CE-28, IELTS-28 & CAM-28 - all offer at least five afternoon activities, and one evening activity, each week, completely free of charge.

We have some other clever ways of keeping you talking. For example:

### Studio "missions"

We set missions for you, with the goal of finding out information and encouraging you to practice your conversation skills around the city. Studio missions are fun, out-of-school assignments, which help you to explore Cambridge while practising and improving your English - for example, visiting Cambridge University colleges, reviewing a local restaurant or attending a local football match. You will receive a special certificate for each mission you complete, but the real reward will be making use of your free time to learn more about this great city.

### Studio Conversation & Grammar Clubs

As part of the activity programme, we invite you to our free weekly after-school clubs. A teacher will be on hand to make introductions and help with questions, stimulate conversations or solve your grammar worries. All of this will get you talking, improving your accuracy and networking with other students.

## FROM CAMBRIDGE TO LONDON & EUROPE

Trains depart Cambridge for London every 15 minutes. Since the journey takes as little as 50 minutes, London is easy to visit for a day's sightseeing, serious shopping or to visit the theatre or attend a concert.

There are also direct trains from Cambridge to the Eurostar at St Pancras Station and London's Stansted Airport, which offers cheap flights to 30 countries in Europe and other continents.

It is easy to travel independently from Cambridge by train or coach to all destinations in the UK. There is direct transport to London, Birmingham, the seaside, and all of the London airports.

During the weekend, student excursions can be booked at Studio to destinations such as London, Windsor Castle, Stratford-upon-Avon, Oxford, York, Bath, Canterbury, Warwick Castle and Stonehenge. Longer trips to Scotland and other European countries on the continent also leave regularly from Cambridge.

These are all at extra cost. A full-day excursion to London, for example, costs approximately £25. Some excursions are available exclusively to students aged 18 years or more.

*Please note that our Sir George teenage camp has its own activity schedules (see page 17)





# Studio Cambridge Welfare

## YOUR WELFARE

Your well-being, comfort and safety are our most important responsibility and we take it seriously.

### For students of all ages:

1. We have experienced and trained welfare staff.
2. You will be given a 24-hour emergency telephone number to contact Studio Cambridge staff at any time.
3. You will have – at no additional cost – an insurance policy which provides you with cover in case of problems (details available on our website).

### For students under 18 years of age

We pay particular attention to the welfare of students aged under 18 years attending our English courses and Sir George Camp.

1. You will have a dedicated Welfare Officer who is concerned specifically with your well-being.
2. As a homestay student aged under 18, you must be home in the evening earlier than over 18s. Your hosts will ensure that this rule is followed.
3. You will need to travel independently between the school and your accommodation, (by bus, bicycle or on foot).
4. You will have some unsupervised free time outside of classes and activities every day, and a free schedule at weekends.
5. You may only take our intensive courses with a minimum of 28 lessons. The morning-only option (EFL–20) is not available to under 18s.
6. You must be in school to attend your first lesson each day.
7. Your transfer arrangements, from or to the airport, must be made in communication with us. We will arrange these transfers for you unless we have written assurance from your parents to say that suitable alternative arrangements have been made.
8. You must stay in homestay or in privately-arranged accommodation. Residential accommodation is not available to under 18s (except on our summer camps).
9. Due to these additional measures for students under 18, the Registration Fee for Intensive and Examination courses is higher than it is for students aged 18+. Please see our "Dates and Fees" list. (There is no additional fee for registration on our Sir George camp).

# Homestay accommodation

## HOMESTAYS - LIVING WITH LOCAL PEOPLE

Living with a host family in their private home - a homestay - is the best way to practise English in a relaxed and social environment outside of classes.

All our hosts are known to us personally and we visit all of them at least once every year. They provide a friendly environment, a clean and comfortable bedroom, good food, and a quiet place for study.

Homestays are located less than 40 minutes from school on foot, by bicycle or using the frequent bus services. Our hosts are typical of British and Cambridge society as a whole, with different ages and occupations, and from a variety of ethnic and cultural backgrounds.

If we place another student in your homestay, he or she will not be a native speaker of your language, so your only means of communication will be English.

### THERE ARE THREE TYPES OF HOMESTAY ACCOMMODATION:

**Homestay Three Star**
Good, clean accommodation in Cambridge.

**Homestay Four Star**
As above, but of a particularly high standard, in a larger home or with additional facilities.

**Homestay Five Star**
Executive-standard, usually in a large house and typically providing a bathroom for your private use. Available exclusively to students aged 18 or more years.

**Your bedroom, laundry and meals**

- ✓ You will have your own private (single) room. Shared rooms are provided for Sir George camp students and are available for couples
- ✓ Your clothes will be washed once per week
- ✓ Your bed linen and towels will be changed once per week
- ✓ Your homestay hosts will provide you with 16 meals per week:
  - Breakfast and dinner every day; and
  - Lunch on Saturdays and Sundays
- ✓ Hot or cold lunch is available in the school cafe every day from Monday to Friday

> "My time in the homestay has been excellent. It is a unique experience and I feel lucky to have my host mother here. We talk about every topic and the family is very friendly."

*Martina, Uruguay*

> "My hosts are incredible. The house is always clean and warm – it is really nice to go back every day, practise speaking English and share a tasty dinner."

*Alex, Chile*





# Residential accommodation

Tripos Court

## SUMMER RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION FOR AGES 13+

Summer Residential accommodation is available on our summer camps. This includes 2 camps based in Cambridge University (see our English Language Camps brochure for details)

CB1 Residence

> "I really like living in Tripos Court - I prefer the freedom I have to go where I want. It is so close to school and I have everything I need here, with the shops and leisure park across the road."

*Lizette, Netherlands*

CB1 bedroom

CB1 kitchen area

## RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION FOR AGES 18+

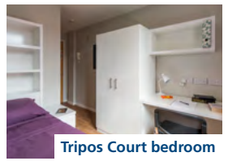
If you are aged 18 years or more, you may choose accommodation in a residence. This will give you more privacy and independence than a homestay. Our Residential warden is there to answer questions. Living in the residence requires that:

- ✓ You buy and cook your own meals
- ✓ You wash your own clothes
- ✓ You pay a deposit of £100 on arrival and be responsible for damages

You will share the residence with other students and you will be expected to be mature and responsible. You must keep your bedroom and other parts of the residence clean and tidy.
We have two student residences available:

**Year-round at "Tripos Court"**
Tripos Court is a modern, purpose-built student apartment complex. It has a high standard of facilities and a young, lively international atmosphere. It is just a few minutes' walk from a cinema, bowling, gym, bars and restaurants.

- ✓ 10 minutes' walk from Studio Cambridge main school and 5 minutes from the Hills Road summer centre
- ✓ Single bedrooms with private shower and toilet
- ✓ Well-equipped shared kitchen and dining area
- ✓ Bed linen provided weekly
- ✓ Laundry facilities (at extra cost)
- ✓ Room cleaning weekly
- ✓ Secure entry system and CCTV
- ✓ WiFi at no extra cost
- ✓ Available year-round



Tripos Court bedroom

**Summer at "CB1"**
These are two large, modern student residences next door to each other. They are just 5 minutes' walk to our main school and Hills Road Sixth Form College and 15 minutes' walk to the centre of Cambridge.

The residences are in an area called "CB1" which is designed specifically for students, with shops, cinema, bowling, gym, bars and restaurants.

- ✓ 5 minutes' walk from Studio Cambridge main school and 3 minutes from the Hills Road summer centre
- ✓ Single bedrooms with private shower and toilet
- ✓ Well-equipped shared kitchen and dining area (or kitchen within a studio room)
- ✓ Bed linen changed weekly
- ✓ Laundry facilities (at extra cost)
- ✓ Room cleaning weekly
- ✓ Secure entry system and CCTV
- ✓ WiFi at no extra cost
- ✓ Available in July and August only

CB1 bedroom

COURSE INFORMATION

# Courses at Studio Cambridge.

| Ages from | Course code | Course name | Number of lessons | Number of hours | Morning lessons | Afternoon lessons | Availability | | Number of afternoon activities per week | Number of afternoon guided study sessions per week | Number of evening activities per week | Personal tutorials | Personal study plan | Placement test | Progress test | Exit test | Certificate | Academic report | [3]Average class size | [4]Average age in class | [3]Average percentage of students aged 25+ | Homestay | Residential for age 18+ |
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| 18+ | EFL-20 | Standard English | 20 | 15 | General English | | Start dates every Monday year round[1] | | 5 | 0 | 1 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | Mornings: 13 | Mornings: 21 | Mornings: 13% | ✓ | ✓ |
| 16+ | EFL-28 | Intensive English | 28 | 21 | General English | Options of English for Culture, English for Work or English for Academic Examinations | Start dates every Monday year round[1] | | 5 | 0 | 1 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | Mornings: 13<br>Afternoons: 12 | Mornings: 21<br>Afternoons: 22 | Mornings: 13%<br>Afternoons: 20% | ✓ | ✓ |
| | CE-28 | Combination English with 1-to-1 | 28 | 21 | General English | 1-to-1 private tuition | Start dates every Monday year round[1] | | 5 | 0 | 1 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | Mornings: 13<br>Afternoons: 1 | Mornings: 21 | Mornings: 13% | ✓ | ✓ |
| | IELTS-28 | IELTS Examination | 28 | 21 | IELTS exam preparation | IELTS exam preparation | Set Monday start dates (see p15) | | 5 | 0 | 1 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | Mornings: 12<br>Afternoons: 12 | Mornings: 21<br>Afternoons: 23 | Mornings: 13%<br>Afternoons: 16% | ✓ | ✓ |
| | CAM-28 | Cambridge Examination | 28 | 21 | Cambridge exam preparation | Cambridge exam preparation | Set Monday start dates (see p16) | | 5 | 0 | 1 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | Mornings: 12<br>Afternoons: 12 | Mornings: 21<br>Afternoons: 22 | Mornings: 13%<br>Afternoons: 14% | ✓ | ✓ |
| 14 to 17 | SG-28 | Sir George | 28 | 21 | General English | A combination of Academic skills, Global Leaders or Creative Social Media | Start dates every Monday[1] except between June 22nd and August 25th[2] | | 1 | 4 | 0 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | Mornings: 14<br>Afternoons: 10 | Mornings: 16<br>Afternoons: 16 | | ✓ | |

[1]The school is closed to all courses between: 2018, December 22nd and 2019, January 6th
2019, December 21st and 2020, January 5th

[2]Sir George closes in the summer and is replaced by the Sir Michael summer camp (see our English Language Camp brochure for details)

[3]Averages are taken from April 2018 and are subject to change

[3]Maximum class size is 16

**[4]Ages**

- Ages 16 & 17 must be in class in the mornings and afternoons, therefore they may not book morning-only lessons (EFL-20)
- If you are aged 18 + years, all your classmates will be aged at least 16 years.
- At certain times of year morning classes are also attended by our Sir George camp students aged 14 to 17. At this time, if you are aged 16 or 17 years, some of your classmates may be aged 14 or 15.

**Levels**

Students attending our Sir George camp must be at pre-intermediate level or above. For all other courses we welcome students from beginner to advanced levels of English. On the rare occasion that there are not enough students to form a beginner's class, we will offer private lessons (at a reduced ratio) until a suitable class is available. See our Terms & Conditions for details.

## EFL–28: INTENSIVE ENGLISH

After 20 standard morning lessons you will study a further 8 lessons per week from a choice of specialised options in the afternoons. You also receive a free tutorial with your teacher each month, and access to the full free activities programme.

Levels **1 2 3 4 5 6**

## CE–28: COMBINATION ENGLISH WITH 1-TO-1

After 20 standard morning lessons you will study a further 8 lessons per week with your own private teacher in the afternoons. You will also receive a free tutorial with your teacher each month, and access to the free activities programme.

Levels **1 2 3 4 5 6**

## EFL–20: STANDARD ENGLISH

Morning classes make up the whole 20 lessons for Standard English each week. It is ideal if you prefer to have your afternoons free. You will also receive a free tutorial with your teacher each month, and access to the full free activities programme.

Levels **1 2 3 4 5 6**

## IELTS–28: EXAMINATION COURSE

You will study 28 lessons per week of intensive IELTS examination preparation - 20 lessons in the morning and 8 in the afternoon. You also receive a free tutorial with your teacher each month, and access to the full free activities programme.

Levels 1 2 3 **4 5 6**

## CAM–28: EXAMINATION COURSE

You will study 28 lessons per week of intensive Cambridge examination preparation - 20 lessons in the morning and 8 in the afternoon. You also receive a free tutorial with your teacher each month, and access to the full free activities programme.

Levels 1 2 3 **4 5 6**

## SG-28 - SIR GEORGE COURSE FOR AGES 14 TO 17 YEARS

During the academic year (August to June) we run our Sir George course for teenagers at Studio main school. After 20 standard morning lessons you will study a further 8 classroom lessons per week, followed by 4 supervised guided study lessons. You also receive a free tutorial with your teacher each month, and a free local visit organised by Studio on Friday afternoons.

Levels 1 2 **3 4 5 6**

# English Lessons at Studio Cambridge

## CLASSES INCLUDE

- ✓ Emphasis on speaking
- ✓ Multinational classes from a range of countries
- ✓ Individual attention from your teacher
- ✓ Experienced teaching team
- ✓ Clear, friendly and understandable lessons for students with low levels
- ✓ Challenging and stimulating lessons for students with high levels
- ✓ Flexibility to change class as you progress

### Methodology

We adapt our teaching to the needs and learning styles of our students, following three guiding principles:

- The teaching will be balanced with practice - you will learn and practise English, with an emphasis on speaking.
- Lessons will be centred around you - you will not spend all your time listening to the teacher but will be busy using English in the classroom.
- The language we teach will be recycled - we will not allow you to forget what you have learnt.

| Studio Level | Skills | CEFR* | Cambridge | IELTS | TOEFL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Beginner 1 2 3 4 5 6 | No ability, except, perhaps, for a few isolated words | None | None | 1.0 - 2.0 | 0 - 31 |
| Elementary 1 2 3 4 5 6 | Can understand and use familiar expressions, and communicate in simple terms if the other person speaks slowly | A1 | None | 2.0 - 3.0 | |
| Lower Intermediate 1 2 3 4 5 6 | Can take part in simple exchanges in everyday life with a sympathetic native speaker | A2 | Key KET | 3.0 - 4.0 | |
| Intermediate 1 2 3 4 5 6 | Can understand main ideas of texts, discuss past and future projects and understand limited social conversation | B1 | Preliminary PET | 4.0 - 5.0 | 32 - 45 |
| Upper Intermediate 1 2 3 4 5 6 | Good command of English, with some inaccuracies; can understand implicit ideas in complex texts and use English effectively | B2 | First FCE | 5.0 -6.5 | 46 - 93 |
| Advanced 1 2 3 4 5 6 | Fully operational command of English; can express ideas coherently and precisely but still missing cultural nuances | C1 C2 | Advanced CAE Proficiency CPE | 6.5 - 8.5 | 94 - 117 |

*Tim Essex*
*Director of Studies*

*Melissa Barrett*
*Director of Studies*

### Our Directors of Studies

We have a team of teaching professionals, led by our Academic Manager and Directors of Studies.

The most important role of the Director of Studies (DoS) is to help you succeed. You will meet Tim or Melissa on your first day and you will be able to discuss your academic progress with them at any stage of your course.

The DoS is available to advise you about which courses or exams to take, help you with any problems or worries you might have or just listen to you if you feel the need to talk to somebody about your time studying with us.

*CEFR – the Common European Framework of Reference (for languages





### Classes at the right level

Classes are at all levels from beginner to advanced. You will be tested on your first day by a qualified teacher, with a written and speaking test and then placed in a class at the level which is right for you. You will be able to change level as you progress by discussing with your teacher and the Director of Studies.

The table (left) shows the six main levels we use and the equivalent levels in the Cambridge Assessment Examinations, TOEFL and IELTS.

### Progress test

At the end of each week you will take a test to make sure that you have understood the work covered during the week. You will be able to see your improvement.

### Exit test

At the end of your course you can take an exit test. This will measure your level of English at the end of your course and, by comparing the results with those of your placement test, your overall progress. We will give you an additional certificate to show this progress.

### Modern technology

Lessons regularly incorporate modern media, such as video clips, webpages, social media and the latest news, through which we can bring the English-speaking world into our classrooms.

## OUR TEACHERS

- ✓ Qualified
- ✓ Knowledgeable
- ✓ Enthusiastic
- ✓ Friendly
- ✓ Interested in you

### Tutorials

A tutorial is a private meeting with your teacher, in which you can discuss the progress you have made and what you need to do next to reach your goals.

### Your Study Plan

Based on the personal goals identified in your tutorials and your work in class, your teacher will give you a personalised Study Plan. This will guide you to work on those areas of English which you need to focus on to improve your command of the language.

### Certificate of Studies and Academic Report

At the end of your course you will receive a certificate showing the course you have studied and the dates of that course.

Your teacher will also write a personalised Academic Report which shows not just your progress but also the level you have attained in each area of English. This is a very useful document for your future studies or work.

## STUDY LONGER FOR LESS

Our courses cost less per week the longer you study. See our Dates and Fees list for information. If you are staying for 4 weeks or more, you can move from the EFL 28 course to our examination courses as you progress in your studies.

### Self-study in the Learning Centre

You can visit our main school Learning Centre before or after lessons to work on the areas identified in your Study Plan. We have 20 PCs with free internet access and Wi-Fi, printing facilities, and a range of materials including CDs, books and newspapers.

### Guided study sessions

If you are attending our Sir George camp, we offer 4 sessions of guided study per week after your lessons. The work is set by your teachers and there is help available from a member of staff. The guided study will reinforce and extend what you learn during your lessons, thereby helping you to make faster progress.

### Homework

Homework is set daily by your teacher and is designed to complement your classroom studies, helping you to retain and practise the new language from your lessons and to make faster progress.

### Activities and out-of-school assignments

Our courses – EFL-20, EFL-28, CE-28, IELTS-28 & CAM-28 - all offer at least 5 afternoon activities, and 1 evening activity, each week, completely free of charge.

We also have some other clever ways of keeping you talking through our Studio "missions", Conversation club and Grammar club (see page 5).

*For details of Sir George camp activities see page 18*

# Studio Cambridge course choices

## EFL-20

**Morning lessons only**
Our morning classes are attended by all students on Standard, Intensive, or Combination courses. All offer General English skills, with no specialisation. They consist of 20 lessons each week, typically from 09:15 to 12:45 each day, Monday to Friday. The content of the morning classes differs according to the level, interests and age of the students in each class. However, all include the study of grammar, speaking, listening, pronunciation, writing skills and reading comprehension.

## CE-28 COMBINATION ENGLISH WITH 1-TO-1

**Morning lessons plus afternoon 1-to-1 tuition**
Each week CE-28 offers 20 morning English lessons in international classes, plus 8 afternoon lessons of 1-to-1 tuition with your own private teacher. You also receive access to the free activities programme. Your 1-to-1 lessons can focus on any specific areas of grammar, skills or topic of interest to you (to be requested at the time of booking). It is the most effective way to improve your own specific areas of English while still having the advantage of mixing with other students in the morning lessons.

## EFL-28 INTENSIVE

**Morning lessons plus afternoon option lessons**
Each week EFL-28 offers 20 morning English lessons plus 8 lessons from a choice of specialised afternoon options. The EFL 28 course is the most effective way to improve your English in the shortest possible time and can be combined with the full-time examination courses (page 15 & 16).

### THE SCHOOL DAY TIMETABLE

Classes are held each day, Monday to Friday.
A typical day is as follows:

**Morning lessons**
**09:15 - 10:45** Two lessons (90 minutes)
**11:15 - 12:45** Two lessons (90 minutes)

**Afternoon lessons**
(if chosen)
**13:45 - 15:15** Two lessons* (90 minutes)

**Activities**
**15:30** Activities begin*

*On Friday afternoons there are no lessons and activities begin at 14:00

# EFL-28 Afternoon options

## EFL-28 **OPTION 1** | ENGLISH FOR CULTURE

Levels **1** **2** **3** 4 5 6

### 1.A. English for Living in England

The focus is on functional English to help you communicate with the numerous people you will speak to in Cambridge, such as your host family, shop assistants and receptionists. In additional, you will learn about aspects of British and local culture. Topics include:

- Living with a host family
- Shopping
- Going out
- Ordering meals
- Buying tickets
- Filling in forms
- Etiquette and customs
- Everyday idioms
- Cambridge life
- London and the Royals
- Regional Britain
- Famous Britons
- Seasonal celebrations

Levels 1 2 3 **4** **5** **6**

### 1.B. Cultural Studies

For students at a higher English levels the focus is on cultural awareness and cultural trends, as well aspects of British and local culture. Topics include:

- International communication
- Etiquette and customs
- Regional Britain
- Mini-UN debates
- Cambridge life
- Seasonal celebrations
- London and the Royals
- Current affairs
- Global Leadership (in July & August for ages 16 to 20 only)

## EFL-28 **OPTION 2** | ENGLISH FOR WORK

Levels 1 2 3 **4** **5** **6**

This option is for students who want to use English in a work or business setting. It is a practical course that includes real-world scenarios, simulations and tasks. It looks at areas such as:

- Jobs and careers
- CV and job applications
- Effective interview techniques
- Presentation skills
- Greetings and small talk
- Formal English for meetings
- Negotiating and persuading
- Styles of management
- Teamwork
- Workplace simulations
- Cultural awareness in international enterprises
- Case studies of companies
- Using social media to promote businesses
- Writing emails, letters and reports.

## EFL-28 **OPTION 3** | ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC EXAMINATIONS

Levels 1 2 3 **4** **5** **6**

This option is for students who wish to take an English language exam while at Studio or once they return home. Gaining an internationally-recognised English Language qualification is particularly useful if you are planning to study on a Foundation, Bachelor's or Master's degree course at an English-speaking university. However, this option is also suitable for students who don't need a qualification but would like a very structured and demanding course. The aim of this option is to improve your academic language skills together with your exam techniques. Most medium to long-stay students take this option before moving to the full-time examination course nearer to the date of the exam (see pages 15 & 16).

This option is divided into two or three exam streams, which have some different focuses and also some common areas:

### 3.A. IELTS preparation

Topics include:

- Delivering a short monologue
- Reacting to a difference of opinion during discussion
- The formal lexis and structures used in academic writing
- Writing reports on graphs, charts and diagrams
- Taking notes from lectures
- Identifying the writer's claims in scientific texts

### 3.B. Cambridge exam preparation - B2 First (FCE) and C1 Advanced (CAE)

Topics include:

- Describing and comparing pictures, making suggestions and cooperative dialogue
- Use of grammar e.g. gap-fills, paraphrasing
- Use of vocabulary e.g. synonyms, affixes, phrasal verbs
- Writing letters, reports, reviews and stories
- Reading comprehension of fiction, magazines and newspapers
- Listening comprehension of news, presentations and everyday conversations

### Topics included in both options:

- ✓ Delivering a short monologue
- ✓ Reacting to a difference in opinion during discussion
- ✓ Planning, organising and writing formal essays
- ✓ Syntax and word order
- ✓ Formal language and the passive voice
- ✓ Linking words – adverbs and conjugations

# IELTS Examination Course (IELTS-28)

## IELTS EXAMINATION COURSE (IELTS-28)

Levels 1 | 2 | 3 | **4** | **5** | **6**

The IELTS examination is an internationally recognised qualification, accepted for entry into universities and colleges throughout the English-speaking world.

Our IELTS-28 examination course is designed specifically to cover the skills needed in the IELTS exam and during your university studies.

It has proved to be highly successful, and as all lessons concentrate exclusively on the exam, we only recommend this course to those who intend to take the exam.

### SPECIAL FEATURES OF THE COURSE

**Specialised vocabulary for IELTS**: you will learn and memorise words that typically appear in IELTS exams, in topics such as the environment, technology and geography.

**Exam training and practice:** As the exam date approaches, you will receive increasingly more examination practice, including speaking tests and evaluation. We will give you detailed feedback on your performance in each area and will identify the areas you need to improve on in order to achieve your target IELTS score.

**Success at University:** The language and study skills you will develop during the course won't just help you gain entrance to university, but will help you to successfully manage the demands of a university course.

### LEVEL

The minimum IELTS score for entry to a UK University is usually 6.0 and this course is designed to help you achieve at least that level. You must already be at a strong intermediate level (IELTS 5.0) to start the course. However, it is also suitable for students aiming for 7.0 or even higher.

If your level of English is below IELTS 5.0 you may wish to start your studies on the EFL-28 Course with the afternoon option 3 – English for Academic Examinations: IELTS. You can then transfer to the IELTS-28 course when you are ready.

**Teaching knowledge and experience:** We have helped thousands of students achieve the examination scores they have needed for entry to university. Our instructors have received specialist training in IELTS and have expertise and years of experience in helping students achieve their maximum possible scores.

Previous Studio participants taking IELTS-28 have gained successful admission to Oxford, Cambridge and Russell Group Universities.

### ADDITIONAL COSTS

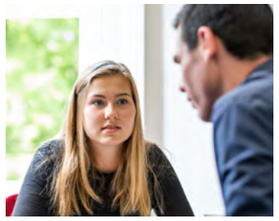
The cost of the IELTS examination (which is optional) is not included in the course fees. It is estimated at £170. The course uses specialised textbooks and there is an additional cost of approximately £50 per course. The exam and book fees can be paid at the school.

### START DATES:

**See below**

### DURATION:

**3 or 4 weeks**



### THE TIMETABLE

Classes are held Monday to Friday.

**09:15 - 10:45** Two IELTS lessons (90 minutes)

**10:45 - 11:15** Break

**11:15 - 12:45** Two IELTS lessons (90 minutes)

**12:45 - 13:45** Lunch

**13:45 - 15:15** Two IELTS lessons (90 minutes)

**15:30*** Activities begin*

*On Friday afternoons there are no lessons and activities begin at 14:00

### THE COURSE INCLUDES:

- ✓ Delivering a short monologue
- ✓ Reacting to a difference of opinion during discussion
- ✓ The formal lexis and structures used in academic writing
- ✓ Writing reports on graphs, charts and diagrams
- ✓ Identifying the writer's claims in scientific texts
- ✓ Taking notes, planning, organising and writing essays
- ✓ Linking words – adverbs and conjugations
- ✓ Fulfilling the exam question criteria
- ✓ Managing your time in an exam
- ✓ Independent study skills

| Course starts | Number of weeks | Course ends | Exam date |
|---|---|---|---|
| January 07 | 4 | February 01 | February 02 |
| February 04 | 4 | March 01 | March 02 |
| March 04 | 3 | March 22 | March 23 |
| April 01 | 4 | April 26 | April 27 |
| May 06 | 4 | May 31 | June 01 |
| June 03 | 4 | June 28 | June 29 |
| July 01 | 4 | July 26 | July 27 |
| July 29 | 4 | August 23 | August 24 |
| September 2 | 4 | September 27 | September 28 |
| September 30 | 4 | October 25 | October 26 |
| October 28 | 4 | November 22 | November 23 |
| November 25 | 3 | December 13 | December 14 |





# Cambridge Examination Courses (Cam 28)

Cambridge Assessment English

## B2 FIRST (FCE)

Levels 1 | 2 | 3 | **4** | **5** | 6

## C1 ADVANCED (CAE)

Levels 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | **5** | **6**

These qualifications are among the most prestigious and widely recognised English language qualifications in the world. They are accepted for entry to UK universities - B2 First for Foundation courses and C1 Advanced for Degree courses. The course prepares you for the examinations and they are timed so that the examination takes place shortly before or after the course ends. The speaking examinations are held during the final week of the course. However, some students take the courses without wishing to sit the examinations. The fee for the exams is, therefore, not included in course fees.

### SPECIAL FEATURES OF THE COURSE

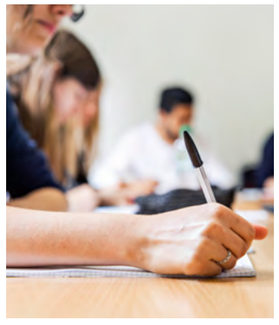
**Detailed knowledge of grammar and vocabulary:** Use of English is a crucial part of the exam and the course provides you with a detailed grounding in grammar and vocabulary.

**Exam training and practice:** As the exam date approaches, you will receive increasingly more examination practice, including speaking tests and evaluation. We will give you detailed feedback on your performance in each area and will identify the areas you need to improve on in order to achieve your target grade in the exam.

**Success in your career:** Cambridge exam qualifications remain valid forever and so you will not have to retake the exams years later. However, more than the qualifications, the language and study skills you will develop during the course will help you, whatever your future studies and career.

### ADDITIONAL COSTS

The cost of the FCE and CAE examination (which is optional) is not included in the course fees. It is estimated at £190. The course uses specialised textbooks and there is an additional cost of approximately £50 per course. The exam and book fees can be paid at the school.



### START DATES:

**See below**

### DURATION:

**5, 6, 7, or 8 weeks**

(You may combine some courses. Please contact us for details)

### THE COURSE INCLUDES:

- ✓ Making suggestions and cooperative dialogue
- ✓ Writing letters, reports, reviews and stories
- ✓ Reading comprehension of fiction, magazines and newspapers
- ✓ Listening comprehension of news, presentations and everyday conversations
- ✓ Planning, organising and writing formal essays
- ✓ Spelling and punctuation
- ✓ Formal language and the passive voice
- ✓ Fulfilling the exam question criteria
- ✓ Independent study skills

| Course number | Course starts Monday | Course ends Friday | Duration (weeks) | FCE written | Paper or computer based | FCE Speaking | CAE written | Paper or computer based | CAE speaking |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 7 Jan | 22 Feb | 7 | Sat 23 Feb | computer | Sat 23 Feb | Wed 27 Feb | paper | Wed 27 Feb |
| 2 | 14 Jan | 22 Feb | 6 | Sat 23 Feb | computer | Sat 23 Feb | Wed 27 Feb | paper | Wed 27 Feb |
| 3 | 25 Feb | 5 April | 6 | Tue 9 April* | computer | Tue 9 April* | Sat 6 April | computer | Sat 6 April |
| 4 | 8 April | 17 May | 6 | Sat 18 May | paper | Sat 18 May | Sat 18 May | paper | Sat 18 May |
| 5 | 20 May | 21 Jun | 5 | Sat 22 June | paper | Sat 22 June | Sat 22 June | paper | Sat 22 June |
| 6 | 1 Jul | 09 Aug | 6 | Fri 9 Aug | computer | Fri 9 Aug | Sat 10 Aug | computer | Sat 10 Aug |
| 7 | 9 Sep | 18 Oct | 6 | Sat 19 Oct | computer | Sat 19 Oct | Sat 19 Oct | paper | Sat 19 Oct |
| 8 | 21 Oct | 13 Dec | 8 | Sat 14 Dec | paper | Sat 14 Dec | Sat 14 Dec | paper | Sat 14 Dec |
| 9 | 4 Nov | 13 Dec | 6 | Sat 14 Dec | paper | Sat 14 Dec | Sat 14 Dec | paper | Sat 14 Dec |

*For course 3 please note: The exam is held on the Tuesday after your course finishes on the previous Friday. There are no lessons on the day before the exam. However, you may use the school facilities for preparation and our Director of Studies is available for assistance. You can extend your accommodation until after the exam. Please contact us for details.

# Sir George Camp for ages 14 to 17

This is an intensive course available during the academic year (January to June & August to December). During the summer, students can enrol on the Sir Michael summer camp, also at our main school, (see our "English Language Camps" brochure). This makes year-round study possible for students from 14 years of age.

### WHY CHOOSE SIR GEORGE?

- ✓ Intensive English language programme
- ✓ Available in the winter, spring and autumn
- ✓ At our main school with full facilities
- ✓ Homestay accommodation
- ✓ Designed for teenagers
- ✓ Creative afternoon study sessions

### AFTERNOON LESSON OPTIONS

Afternoon lessons will depend on your level:

**Communication skills and Culture** Levels 1 2 **3** 4 5 6

You will have further practice of English, particularly in speaking, including information exchanges, class surveys, role plays and communicative games. You will also learn about how to speak with your host family and about Cambridge and London attractions.

**New World skills** Levels 1 2 3 **4 5 6**

This course has three strands:

**1. Academic skills:** lessons will provide you with the English you need to succeed in future school and college exams. It teaches you the skills you need to be confident in lectures, seminars and assignments. They include:

- Preparing and delivering mini-presentations
- Debating
- How to carry out effective research on the internet
- Writing essays successfully.

**2. Global Leaders:** lessons will develop your personal skills in an international setting and help you become a successful and culturally-aware leader and team member in the future.

- Leadership & teamwork skills
- International cultural awareness
- Finding creative solutions
- Negotiating and persuading.

**3. Creative Social Media:** lessons will teach you how to use social media, such as blogs, Youtube, Twitter, Instagram and Facebook, in creative ways. They will provide you with skills which will be in demand by the employers of the future. The lessons are based around practical projects which are completed over a week.

- ✓ Producing high-quality picture and video content
- ✓ Writing text for your target audience
- ✓ Privacy and restrictions
- ✓ IT skills & Editing.

### ENGLISH CLASSES

- ✓ Classes from pre-intermediate to advanced levels
- ✓ 20 lessons (15 hours) of General English language teaching per week
- ✓ 8 lessons (6 hours) of Cultural Studies per week including Academic skills, Global Leaders or Creative Social Media
- ✓ 4 sessions (3 hours) of guided study per week
- ✓ International classes
- ✓ Average class size 10 Maximum class size 16
- ✓ All educational materials
- ✓ Placement test
- ✓ Certificate of Studies
- ✓ Academic Report

### WELFARE

Sir George has a dedicated Welfare Officer who is concerned specifically with your well-being. Each evening you will be required to be home at your homestay by a set time - "curfew" and we liaise with your host to ensure that this happens.

### EXCURSIONS

Excursions are usually available for Sir George students as an option every other weekend, at additional cost. A full-day excursion to London, for example, costs approximately £40.

### WHAT'S INCLUDED

- ✓ Homestay accommodation
- ✓ All meals, including hot weekday lunch at school
- ✓ English classes
- ✓ 1 After-class activity per week
- ✓ Transfers from and to London's main airports
- ✓ Welfare and supervision with high staff-to-students-ratio
- ✓ Medical insurance
- ✓ 24-hour emergency telephone number

### AIRPORT TRANSFERS

Sir George students will be met at the airport of arrival in London by a Studio Cambridge representative on the Sunday of the start of the course. He or she will arrange your transportation to your accommodation by taxi. You will then be taken back to the airport on the Sunday at the end of your course and helped to check-in.

The cost of this service – from London Heathrow, Gatwick or Stansted airports – is included in the fees. If you plan to arrive on a different day or at a different airport please contact us. Additional fees will apply.

We must know your travel arrangements in advance. You can choose to make your own arrangements to come to Cambridge but we will need to know the details in advance.

### ACTIVITIES

We offer an activity for Sir George students each Friday afternoon included in the fees. This is usually a cultural visit to a place of interest in the city such as punting on the river Cam, King's College chapel or the Fitzwilliam museum.

### GUIDED STUDY

The Sir George camp offers 4 sessions of guided study per week after your lessons.

The work is set by your teachers and there is help available from a member of staff. The guided study will reinforce and extend what you learn during your lessons, thereby helping you make quicker progress.

### HOMESTAY ACCOMMODATION

Bedrooms are usually shared with another Studio student of similar age and different nationality. Some singles are available. Your host will wash your clothes once per week and bed linen and towels will be regularly changed.

Your homestay hosts will provide you with 16 meals per week:

- Breakfast and dinner every day; and
  - Lunch on Saturdays and Sundays
  - A hot or cold lunch is available every day from Monday to Friday in the school café at no additional cost.

Special dietary requirements can usually be met if requested in advance.

Homestay accommodation is suitable for teenagers who can travel independently between the school and their accommodation.

### THE SCHOOL DAY TIMETABLE

Classes are held each day, Monday to Friday. A typical day is as follows:

**Morning lessons**
**09:15 - 10:45** Two lessons (90 minutes)
**11:15 - 12:45** Two lessons (90 minutes)

**Afternoon lessons**
**13:45 - 15:15** Two lessons* (90 minutes)

**Guided study**
**15:30 – 16:15** One session*

*On Friday afternoons lessons are replaced by a local visit starting from 14:00