



LEWIS SCHOOL
OF ENGLISH

Your Guide to Trips

Southampton Junior Centre



Trips at the Lewis School

We believe learning should not be confined to the classroom!

That's why our trips, as well as being fun-filled, offer opportunities for you to practise your English and learn about British culture.

Linking Learning with Leisure

Each trip has a learning theme that is explored during English lessons and then reinforced during the trip. In this way, you will be prepared with the knowledge and vocabulary to help you get the most out of your visit, making it a more vivid and memorable experience.

On each trip, our Activity Leaders will bring to life the sights of the city with interesting stories and facts, as you discover British culture and attractions first-hand.

Our trips are interactive, too! You will have a Trip Passport with a specially designed multiple-choice quiz for each trip, so you can practice your English and record what you have learned.

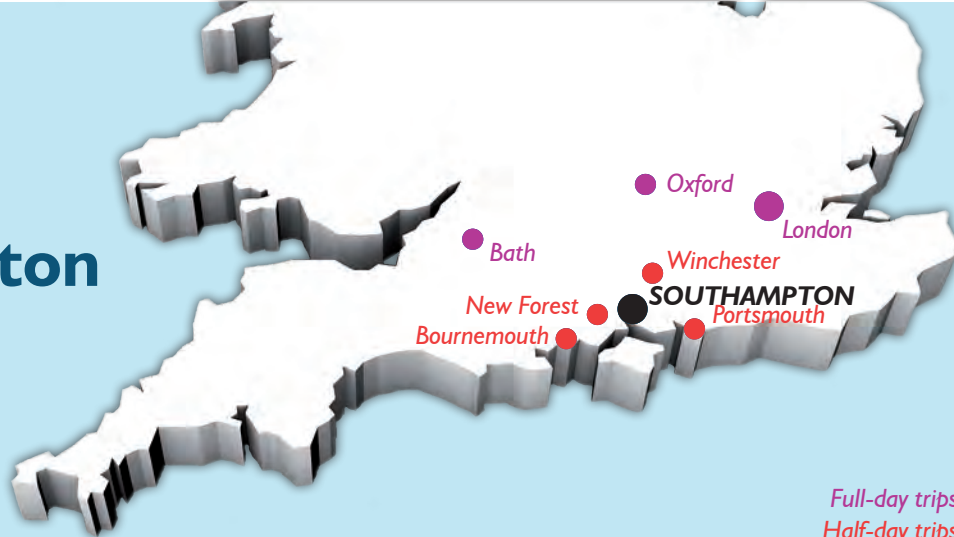
Safety and Welfare

Your safety and well-being are our top priorities. On all trips, you will be accompanied by our Activity Leaders at a ratio of 1:20. All our leaders are trained in welfare and safety issues and many have qualifications in first aid.

You will be supervised at all times. We also provide you with a map for each trip and there is a 24-hour telephone number that you can call if you are lost or in difficulty.



Trips from Southampton



Full-day trips
Half-day trips



London



Oxford



Bath



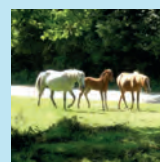
Bournemouth



Winchester



Portsmouth



New Forest

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Structure of Trips

Trips generally consist of a walking tour, followed by free time for shopping. Please turn to the relevant page to find out what is included in each trip.

Additional Entrances

If you are arriving as a group and wish to book an additional or different entrance to the one listed above, please contact us for prices prior to arrival.

Please note that trips, like all activities, are subject to change due to circumstances beyond our control.



London Trip

London is one of the world's great cities – some say the greatest! It was the Romans who first built the square mile now known as the City of London, which is the financial centre. Now 2,000 years later, it is the biggest city in Western Europe and has an economy that is larger than that of many countries.

London is famous for its architecture, with some parts - like the Tower of London - dating back to the time of William the Conqueror, while others, like the Shard, have only recently been completed. London has been badly damaged several times, notably in 1666 when much was destroyed in the Great Fire, and then in WWII when bombs flattened many buildings. The streets of London are a living museum and are best seen on foot.

Some of London's most famous attractions include Buckingham Palace (the King's official home), the London Eye, the Houses of Parliament and Big Ben. And of course, shopping! Central London is a shopper's paradise, and the city has every kind of shop imaginable if you know where to look!

Photo opportunities are everywhere - famous buildings, London taxis, double decker buses, the King's guards and the many colourful street performers. Have a great time in the capital!



Top: Thames cruise. Bottom: Buckingham Palace.

Your Trip with Lewis

Travel Information

- Full-day trip
- Distance: 130km
- Travel by train

What You'll See & Do

River Thames cruise, to see:

- Tower of London
- Tower Bridge
- The Shard
- Shakespeare's Globe Theatre
- London Eye

Walking tour, to see:

- Big Ben
- Houses of Parliament
- Westminster Abbey
- Horse Guards Parade
- St James's Park
- Buckingham Palace
- Trafalgar Square

Learning Theme

London's attractions

- Find out about the famous sights of the capital!



Oxford Trip

The University of Oxford is the oldest university in the English-speaking world. It is thought that it began in the 12th century and by the middle of the 13th century, there was an established University in Oxford. At this time, most students stayed with their masters in private houses. The first college was Merton in 1264. Today there are more than 35 colleges, which are responsible for the admission of students, their welfare and education. Many of the colleges are open to the public.

Oxford has educated 30 British Prime Ministers, including Rishi Sunak. Other famous people who studied at Oxford include actors Hugh Grant and Rowan Atkinson (Mr Bean), scientist Stephen Hawking, former US President Bill Clinton, and writers Oscar Wilde, J.R.R. Tolkien, who wrote Lord of the Rings, and Lewis Carroll, who is famous for Alice in Wonderland.

Fans of Harry Potter will love Oxford, as two of its colleges - Christ Church College and New College - and the famous Bodleian Library were used as locations in the films.

Oxford University and Cambridge University have a long history of competition with each other, both academically and in sport. At the river, you may see students practising their rowing in preparation for the famous Boat Race every spring.



Top: Radcliffe Camera. Bottom: shopping time!

Your Trip with Lewis

Travel Information

- Full-day trip
- Distance: 105km
- Travel by train

What You'll See & Do

Visit to Magdalen College (part of Oxford University)

Walking tour, to see:

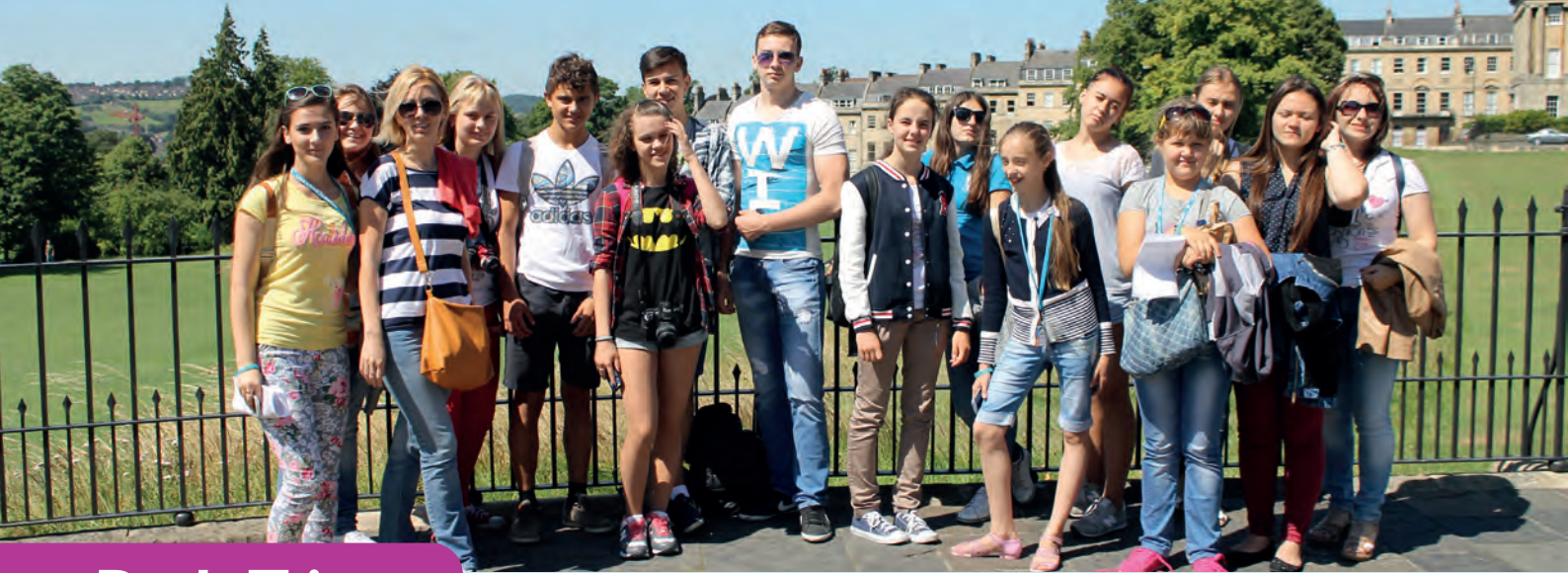
- Carfax Tower
- Christ Church College
- Merton College
- Radcliffe Camera
- Bodleian Library
- Hertford College & Bridge of Sighs

Free time for shopping

Learning Theme

The University of Oxford

- The history and traditions of this world-famous university.



Bath Trip

The beautiful and compact city of Bath is set among the rolling hills of the Avon Valley, and wherever you walk you can enjoy views of the surrounding countryside.

Bath is named after the Roman Baths, which are located in the heart of the city next to the medieval abbey. The Romans built the baths in AD43 around the main hot spring and used the waters for cleansing, healing and worship.

Most of the stunning architecture in Bath comes from the Georgian period of the 18th and early 19th centuries. One of Bath's most famous residents in this period was Jane Austen, who wrote many famous novels such as *Pride and Prejudice* - you may have seen the film!

Although small, the city is full of life and culture. Street musicians play in the abbey square, boat trips take visitors along the river, and tourists can enjoy the excellent shops, museums and restaurants, or relax in the beautiful parks. It's easy to see why Bath is one of Britain's best-loved cities and a UNESCO World Heritage Site.



Top: Royal Crescent. Bottom: Pulteney Bridge.

Your Trip with Lewis

Travel Information

- Full-day trip
- Distance: 105km
- Travel by train

What You'll See & Do

Walking tour, to see:

- Bath Abbey
- Pulteney Bridge
- The Circus
- Royal Crescent

Visit Bath Abbey

Free time for shopping

Learning Theme

Georgian Britain

- Find out what life was like here in Georgian times.

Bournemouth Trip

Bournemouth is one of the best seaside resorts in the south of England, with seven miles of golden, sandy beaches. It's very popular and very busy on hot, sunny days!

The beach is a hive of activity, with people enjoying swimming, sunbathing, beach games and watersports. It also has some very nice parks. One of them has a hot air balloon offering a 'birds-eye' view of the city.

Bournemouth is located directly to the east of the 'Jurassic Coast', where lots of dinosaur fossils have been found. The nearby coastline was also very important during World War 2, for example as a departure point in the D-Day landings.

With its pretty parks and beautiful beach, we're sure you'll like Bournemouth. It's the perfect place to enjoy an ice cream in the sun!



Top: Bournemouth beach and pier. Bottom: Boscombe beach

Your Trip with Lewis

Travel Information

- *Half-day trip*
- *Distance: 55km*
- *Travel by train*

What You'll See & Do

- We'll visit the beach, either in central Bournemouth or Boscombe.
- We'll play games on the beach.

Learning Theme

The seaside

- *Learn words connected to the coast*



Winchester Trip

Winchester is a small historic city that was formerly the capital of England, during the 10th and early 11th centuries.

Winchester Cathedral. This was built in the 11th century. It was recently used in the filming of *The Da Vinci Code*. The famous 19-century novelist Jane Austen is buried here.

The Great Hall. This is the only surviving part of the old Winchester Castle. It was rebuilt in the 13th century and still exists in this form. It is best known for the Round Table, which has hung in the hall for over 700 years. According to myth, the wizard Merlin created the original Round Table for King Arthur. This is an imitation believed to be made in the 13th century for Edward I, who was interested in the legend of King Arthur.

Statue of King Alfred. Perhaps the most important person in Winchester's history was King Alfred. He was a Saxon king, and established Winchester as the capital of the ancient kingdom of Wessex in 827.



Top: Winchester Cathedral. Bottom: student outside the Great Hall.

Your Trip with Lewis

Travel Information

- *Half-day trip*
- *Distance: 20km*
- *Travel by train*

What You'll See & Do

Visit to the Great Hall to see the Round Table

Walking tour, to see:

- *Buttercross*
- *Winchester Cathedral*
- *Riverside Walk*
- *Statue of King Alfred*

Learning Theme

King Arthur & King Alfred

- *Find out about the legend of King Arthur and the real history of England in the time of the Saxons, Vikings and Normans.*



New Forest Trip

The New Forest is a National Park with approximately 150 square miles of unspoilt, natural beauty. As well as forest, it is also made up of heathland, and is notable for its wildlife

Most famous are the New Forest ponies. There are about 5,000 ponies roaming wild across the forest, as they have done for at least 2,000 years. The ponies are quite accustomed to people and you can actually get close to them. As you explore the forest, you may also see cows, donkeys and possibly even deer.

The forest is not actually 'new' at all. It was created as a royal forest in 1079 by King William I (William the Conqueror), particularly for hunting deer. It was first recorded as 'Nova Foresta' in the Domesday Book in 1086.

The New Forest became a National Park in 2005 and is a popular tourist destination.

Your Trip with Lewis

Travel Information

- Half-day trip
- Distance: 22km
- Travel by train

What You'll See & Do

- Visit Brockenhurst village
- Explore the National Park
- Play games in the countryside

Learning Theme

- The countryside
- Learn about the local wildlife



Top: spotting some New Forest ponies. Bottom: exploring the forest.



Portsmouth Trip

Portsmouth (population 196,000) is the UK's only island city. It used to be the largest naval base in the world in the heyday of the British Empire. Nowadays, it is still home to the Royal Navy and attracts many tourists.

The Historic Dockyard is Portsmouth's best-known attraction. There you can see the 19th century HMS Warrior (below), and the HMS Victory (above), with which Nelson defeated Napoleon's navy at Trafalgar in 1805. The dockyard also houses the new Mary Rose Museum (not included in the trip), which displays the remains of Henry VIII's warship, which sank in 1545.

The most spectacular landmark in the city is the Spinnaker Tower, which opened in 2005. It is 170m high and provides a fantastic view of the city. The tower is situated next to a very modern shopping area called Gunwharf Quays, which is full of outlet shops, fashion stores and restaurants.



Top: Spinnaker Tower and Gunwharf Quays. Bottom: view from the tower.

Your Trip with Lewis

Travel Information

- Half-day trip
- Distance: 30km
- Travel by train

What You'll See & Do

Entry to Spinnaker Tower

Walking tour, to see:

- Round Tower
- Square Tower
- Gunwharf Quays

Free time for shopping

Learning Theme

Towers of the World

- Find out about the Spinnaker Tower and other famous towers



Thorpe Park

Optional Sunday Trips

For Groups

Optional Sunday trips are available to groups on request at extra cost. Details about our most popular trips and a guide to prices are provided below. If you wish to visit somewhere not listed, please contact us. All optional trips are offered subject to availability and we recommend booking your trip as soon as possible. The deadline for all bookings is the Wednesday prior to the trip.

For Individuals

On certain dates we may offer an optional trip at extra cost. See the noticeboard at our Junior Centre each week for details of the trip. You will need to book your place by the Wednesday before the trip. Please note that all optional trips are subject to availability numbers and will be cancelled if not enough students book.

Optional Trips from Winchester

Please note:

- All prices below are per person and are approximate.
- Prices are based on a minimum of 30 students with child tickets (age of child ticket depends on venue).
- Free group leader places are available at a ratio of 1:15. Additional group leaders will assume full price.
- If you would like a Lewis Activity Leader to accompany you, an extra £100 will be charged.

Brighton without entrances £40-50



A visit to the scenic seaside resort of Brighton. Popular with tourists from all over the world, this vibrant city has been a favourite holiday destination for over 200 years. As well as its beach, there is a very popular pier full of rides and attractions. The city is also home to some of the most fashionable shops and cafes in England.

Distance: 105km

Brighton & Sea Life Centre £50-70



Included in this trip are both the coach to Brighton and the entrance to the world's oldest operating aquarium. Discover a magical underwater world filled with amazing creatures from turtles to seahorses. Every step will reveal something new, from a face to face encounter with sharks to a hands-on rock pool experience.

Distance: 105km

Windsor Castle £65-80



Included in this trip are both the coach and entrance to Windsor Castle. This magnificent building is the longest-occupied palace in Europe, being for nearly 1000 years the home of the Royal Family when not in London. Although now a tourist attraction, the Queen still comes here to relax at weekends, but we can't promise you will see her on your visit!

Distance: 95km

Thorpe Park £95-105



Considered one of the best theme parks in Britain, Thorpe park has been delighting children and adults alike for over 30 years. With thrilling rollercoasters, splashing water rides and many great places to eat and drink, Thorpe Park is a day out that is not soon forgotten. The price includes travel and entrance.

Distance: 100km

Legoland Windsor £95-105



Included in this trip are both the coach and entrance to Legoland Windsor. Legoland has been a top UK theme park for nearly 20 years. It has something for all ages with rollercoasters and kids areas all themed around Lego.

Distance: 95km

London without entrances £45-60



Many visitors find that they simply do not have as much time in London as they want. Why not extend your visit with another trip and visit anything your heart desires? We have prepared tours of historic and modern shopping locations, historical monuments and other parts of London tourists rarely see. Alternatively, you can choose whatever you want to make your visit to the capital complete.

Distance: 130km

London Eye £70-80



Enjoy the best view in England! No other attraction offers such a unique and complete view of modern-day London. Included in this trip are both the coach to London and 30 minutes on the London Eye. An unforgettable experience!

Distance: 130km

Madame Tussauds £85-100



Have you ever wanted to take a photo with Harry Styles or Robert Pattinson? Well this is the next best thing. Meet the wax versions of celebrities from all over the world. If you are feeling particularly brave then you can even go into the Chamber of Horrors. Travel to London included in fee.

Distance: 130km

London Eye & Madame Tussauds £95-110 - Special Deal!



For extra value, why not visit enjoy the London Eye and Madame Tussauds in one day. See the city in style on the world-famous London Eye and then meet the stars at Madame Tussauds, all in one amazing day! Travel to London included in fee.

Distance: 130km

Stratford-upon-Avon £75-80



Included in this trip are both the coach and entrance to Shakespeare's Birthplace. Few people in history have inspired so many others as Shakespeare. He has become an integral part of the English identity. Come to Stratford-upon-Avon to see the home of our greatest author through a variety of museums, all included in the price!

Distance: 190km

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Trip Passport

You'll receive a trip passport for your full-day and half-day trips. It contains a map of each destination, facts and a quiz.

Please note: this does not apply to optional Sunday trips.



Magdalen College on our Oxford trip



View from cruise boat on our London trip



A walk in the New Forest



Sea City Museum on our Southampton trip.



KEEP OFF
THE
GRASS

Ten Reasons to Choose Lewis

- 1 Challenging and motivating lessons
- 2 Innovative range of programmes
- 3 Strong links between language and leisure
- 4 All centres British Council accredited
- 5 Attractive locations within easy travelling distance of London
- 6 Excellent level of welfare
- 7 Homestay and residential centres
- 8 30+ nationalities per year across our centres
- 9 Choice of summer and year-round programmes
- 10 Specialists in English through theatre

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