



LEWIS SCHOOL OF ENGLISH

Southampton

Summer Junior Centre

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LET YOUR ENGLISH COME TO LIFE!

Your Summer Junior Centre

Lewis School of English, Southampton



Southampton is a vibrant university city on the south coast, and is internationally famous for sailing, cruise ships and the Titanic. It is one of the greenest cities in England, has a Premier League football team and, with a population of 250,000, is neither too big nor too small. We're located right in the centre, opposite a big, beautiful park and just 3 minutes from the main shopping area and bus stops - an ideal location!

- ✓ Based at our main school – ideal for parent/child bookings
- ✓ City centre location, opposite a beautiful park
- ✓ Free General English course for Group Leaders



**“Lewis School was fantastic...
people are so lovely.”**
Roger, Spain



Key Facts



Location
City centre



Dates
22 June - 3 August 2025



Ages
11-17*



Accommodation
Homestay (twin room)



Weekly Trips
| full-day trip
| half-day trip
| local visit
| optional Sunday trip (additional fee)



Distance from Airports
Southampton (SOU) 6 km
London Heathrow (LHR) 110 km
London Gatwick (LGW) 140 km
London Stansted (STN) 195km

**We may accept a younger or older student from the same school year as someone else in the group.*

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Front cover: local visit to the New Forest
Above right: certificate ceremony in the park
Below right: passing a cruise ship on our boat trip

Welcome to Southampton

With cruise ships, Titanic history, beautiful parks and two universities, Southampton (population 250,000) is a great place to stay, and our school is right in the centre. London is only 75 minutes by train, and it's an easy journey to Oxford, Bath, the Isle of Wight and many more of England's treasures.

Southampton is best known for the Titanic, which sailed from here in 1912. The excellent SeaCity Museum explores Southampton's maritime past and features an exhibition on the Titanic. Today, the city is still the 'cruise ship capital' of England. Although modern and dynamic, Southampton has a rich history, and many of its medieval walls still stand today. The city also has an excellent shopping centre, a vibrant high street and over 50 parks and green spaces, making it one of the greenest cities in the UK. We can't wait to share our city with you!

Lots to see and do!

You'll love WestQuay Shopping Centre, Watermark (a fabulous new £85m restaurant and entertainment complex - see below), the Titanic Exhibition in the Sea City Museum and the charming Tudor House Museum in the Old Town. But perhaps Southampton's biggest surprise are its big, beautiful parks right in the city centre.



WestQuay Shopping Centre, Watermark and Old Town walls

Our School

Established in 1976, we welcome students from over 50 countries every year to our school, and we look forward to welcoming you too! We're based in four 18th-century buildings with a garden at the back and a friendly atmosphere throughout. We're lucky enough to be right in the centre of Southampton, opposite a beautiful park. Everything you need is nearby - the city centre shops and the bus stops for homestay students are just a few minutes' walk from the school.



- ✓ 15 classrooms
- ✓ Computer room and free Wi-Fi
- ✓ Garden with table tennis
- ✓ Coffee room with snacks/drinks machine
- ✓ Prayer room
- ✓ Convenient city centre location

Above: table tennis, school patio, classroom. Below: front of school.



Your Programme



- ✓ 23 June - 4 August (join for 1-6 weeks)
- ✓ All levels of English welcome
- ✓ 15 hours of lessons per week
- ✓ Average 12-15 students per class (maximum 18)
- ✓ Engaging lessons with a focus on communication
- ✓ Weekly trips and a variety of afternoon and evening activities

Programme Details

Our Classic Programme combines fun and challenging lessons with a full activities programme. As both a tourist and a language learner, you'll have a truly unforgettable experience!

Lewis School lessons are productive and fun. They are designed to help you express yourself, develop soft skills and make friends. We cover all language skills but focus on speaking and listening, as we believe that staying in Britain gives you an ideal opportunity to develop these skills.

Each week there is a new theme and at the end of each week you will complete a project. Some lessons are designed to link to your trips and other activities, helping you to make the most of your programme and to learn more about British culture.

In the afternoons and evenings, you'll join students on the other programmes for activities such as trips, local visits, dance, music, drama, barbecues, team challenges and more!

Your Course Objectives

- To develop your confidence in communicating in English,
- To improve your skills in listening, speaking, reading and writing, as well as your grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation
- To learn about British culture, particularly in relation to trips and other activities
- To develop your soft skills such as problem-solving and teamwork
- To showcase what you have learnt through weekly projects

Activities

- ✓ 1 full-day trip, 1 half-day trip and 2 local visits per week
- ✓ Optional extra Sunday trips (additional fee)
- ✓ Wide variety of daytime and evening activities

Our activities are exciting and varied. They're designed to encourage communication in English between you and your classmates, and to introduce you to the local culture. Each trip has a learning theme that we explore during English lessons and then reinforce during the trip. In this way, you're prepared with the knowledge and vocabulary to help you get the most out of your visit, making it a more vivid and memorable experience. From city treasure hunts to social events, music, drama and team challenges, there's plenty of fun to be had throughout the week!

See page 7 for trip destinations.



Photo: Pier train on a local visit to Hythe

Sample Weekly Timetable

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On your first school day, you'll have a placement test, your first lesson and a welcome tour of the city.

Homestay students spend the evening with their host four times a week. There are evening activities on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Activities are varied and fun. You'll go on trips and local visits and you'll develop your creative, physical and team-building skills with enjoyable challenges.

At busy times, lessons alternate between morning and afternoon on a weekly basis.

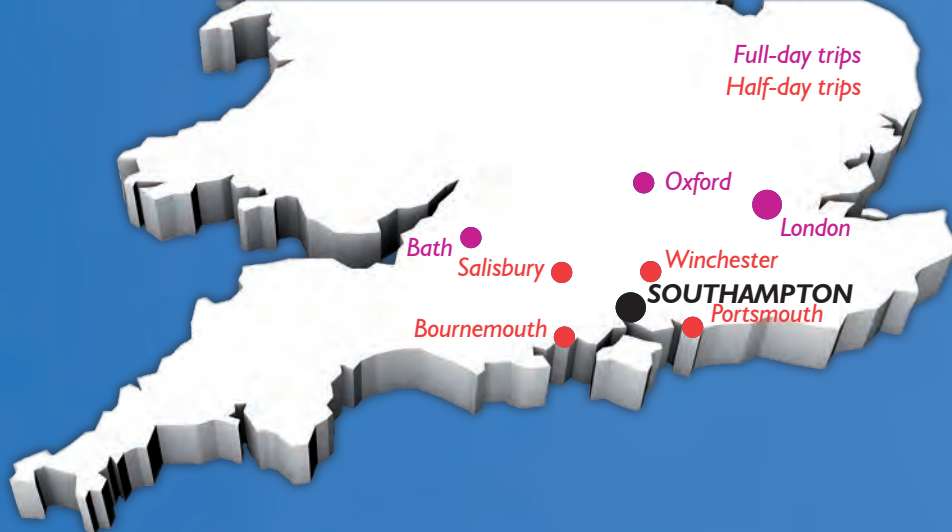
On Sundays, homestay students spend the day with their hosts. You can also book an extra full-day trip for an additional fee. Homestay students aged 15+ who have permission from their parents and the Centre Manager can have free time on Sundays.



Download the full timetable from our website

*Parents/guardians of homestay students aged 15 or above may give permission for their child to go out unaccompanied on Sundays. Please note that we require the student to be in regular contact with their homestay host and Group Leader or Lewis School Guardian during their free time. The student must return to their accommodation no later than 20.00.

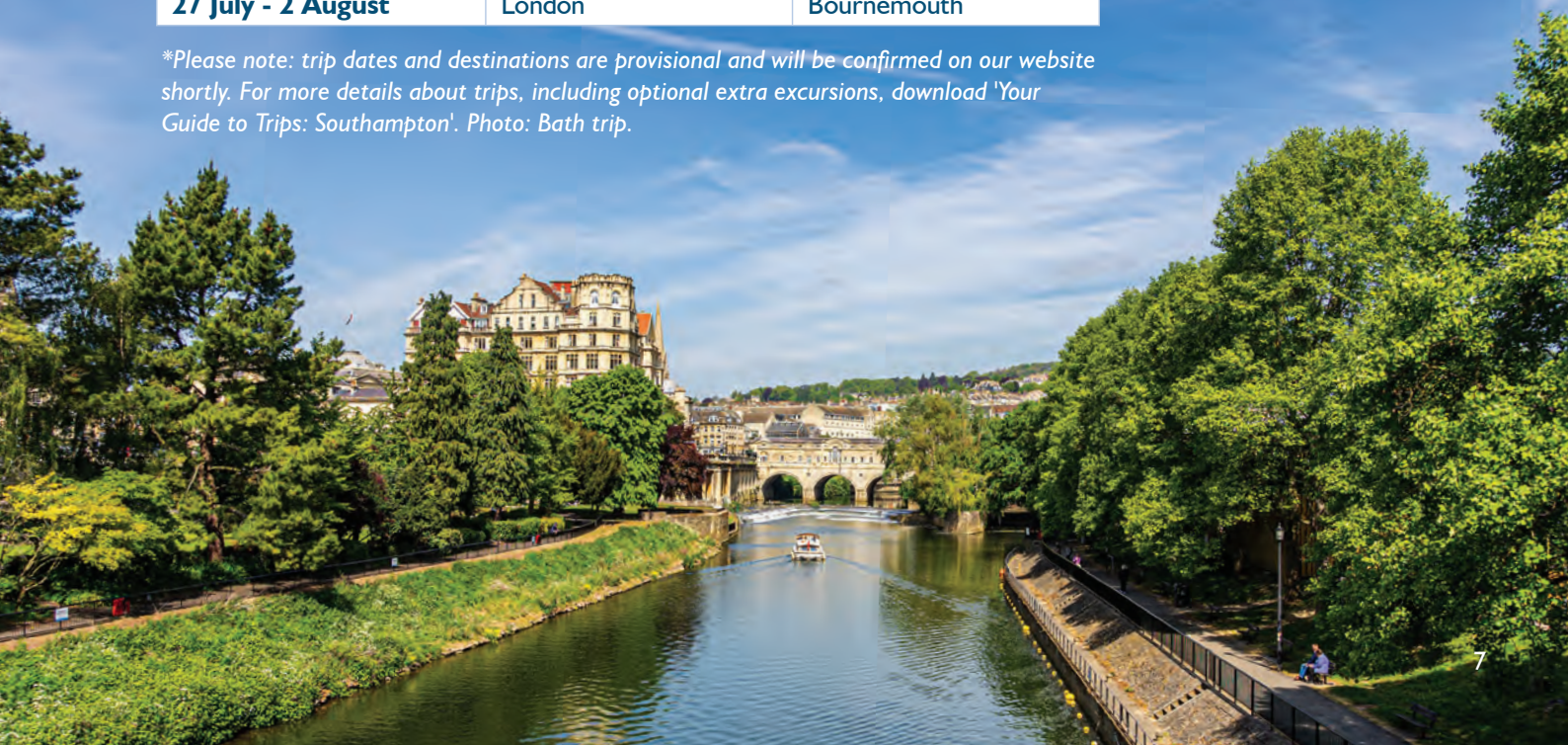
Trips



	Destination	Includes	Learning Theme
Full-Day	London	Walking tour and Thames cruise	Famous attractions
	Oxford	Walking tour and entry to Magdalen College	University of Oxford
	Bath	Walking tour and entry to Bath Abbey	Georgian Britain
Half-Day	Bournemouth	Walking tour and games on the beach	The seaside
	Salisbury	Walking tour and entry to Salisbury Cathedral	Magna Carta / Cathedrals
	Winchester	Walking tour and entry to Great Hall (Round Table)	King Arthur & King Alfred
	Portsmouth	Walking tour and entry to Spinnaker Tower	Towers of the world

Week	Full-Day Trip*	Half-Day Trip*
22-28 June	Bath	Winchester
29 June - 5 July	London	Portsmouth
6-12 July	Oxford	Bournemouth
13-19 July	London	Salisbury
20-26 July	Bath	Winchester
27 July - 2 August	London	Bournemouth

*Please note: trip dates and destinations are provisional and will be confirmed on our website shortly. For more details about trips, including optional extra excursions, download 'Your Guide to Trips: Southampton'. Photo: Bath trip.



Homestay Accommodation

Staying in a homestay can be a valuable part of your language course. Your host welcomes you into their home and gives you a comfortable and friendly base during your stay. You live as part of the household, taking meals together and sharing the common living areas. All homestay hosts have been personally approved by the school and are regularly inspected. Homestays are 10-35 minutes by bus from the junior centre. Our recommended minimum age for homestay accommodation is 13.

- ✓ Twin room shared with student of same or different nationality
- ✓ You spend Sundays and 5 evenings per week with your host
- ✓ Bus pass included
- ✓ Accommodation arranged by Lewis School



Photos show four different homestays.

What can I expect in a homestay?

You will have a shared room. This can be with a student of the same or different nationality. Travel to school is by bus. Your host will show you the journey on your first morning. We give you a bus pass and every day after school our activity leaders will take you to your bus stop.

Your host will welcome you, provide you with a comfortable room where you can study and relax, and explain the household arrangements. They will give you a change of towel and bed linen every week, and will wash your clothes. However, please remember that it is a home and not a hotel, so we ask you to respect the house rules.

Homestay can be an extremely rewarding experience. Our hosts receive excellent feedback, and many students stay in touch with their hosts long after they return home.

*“My host family are very nice,
and I love my room.”
Panna, Hungary*

Meals

Homestay Students

Breakfast: In homestay.

Lunch: Provided by school on lesson days. Packed lunch on full-day trips. In homestay on Sundays.

Dinner: Provided by school on evenings with an activity. In homestay on other days.

If You're in Private Accommodation

Lunch: Provided by school on lesson days. Please bring a packed lunch for the full-day trip.

Dinner: Provided by school on evenings with an activity.



Photo right: lunch on school day
Photo below: Oxford trip



Welfare



Your safety and well-being are our top priorities. Here's how we ensure this.

- ✓ Welfare officer & 24-hour emergency phone number
- ✓ 1:20-supervision ratio on all activities
- ✓ All staff are DBS-checked and trained in welfare and safeguarding
- ✓ Regular meetings with group leaders
- ✓ Lewis School guardian for students without a group leader

A Warm Welcome!

As part of our warm welcome, you'll be given an introductory talk, a welcome pack and a tour on your first day. You're also given a card with your accommodation address and the emergency phone number. We can also provide an optional 'meet and greet' service (additional fee) to welcome you on arrival at the airport and ensure a smooth transition to the centre.

Caring for Groups & Individuals

We work closely with Group Leaders to ensure their students are happy and are getting the most from their stay. Our management staff are always available to discuss any issues, and we organise regular meetings between Group Leaders and our Centre Manager, Head Teacher and Activities Manager. We also welcome many students who arrive unaccompanied. These students are placed under the care and supervision of a dedicated Lewis School guardian.

Safeguarding

We take great care to ensure the safety and well-being of all our students, and for this reason we have very robust safeguarding procedures. For example, all of our staff, all homestay hosts and all adult members of the household are DBS-checked (police-checked). All staff and hosts also receive training in safeguarding issues. You can read our Safeguarding Policy in full on the School Policies page of our website.

Let Your English Come to Life!

*Innovative language programmes for adults, juniors and teachers
Attractive locations within easy reach of London
Warm and welcoming atmosphere*



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