

# Junior Summer Course

21 hours English lessons per week,  
after-school activities and sports, and great excursions



In summer, younger students can improve their English and make lots of new friends on our Junior Summer Course. The course takes place on a college campus near Stratford-upon-Avon town centre.

An intensive General English programme for students aged 11-17 combined with a programme of fun activities and excursions, our Junior Summer Course is perfect for motivated young students of English who also like to have fun!

The full day course (09.30-17.15 on weekdays) includes 21 hours of English per week, a programme of after school activities, and excursions on Wednesday afternoons and Saturdays. The maximum class size for junior courses is

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### Course fact file

**Available:** Stratford-upon-Avon

**Age Range:** 11 - 17 years

**English Level:** Elementary or higher

**No. of weeks:** 1 - 7

**Hours:** 21 hrs English + 6 hrs activities + excursions

**Start date:** Any Monday in July and August (except last week of August)

**Accommodation:** The College can arrange Homestay accommodation for students aged 14 or over. Students 11-17 who are with a parent can live on campus in the College Summer Residence.



## Sample weekly timetable - Junior Summer Course

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
09:30 — 10:15	Language Skills	Language Skills	Language Skills	Language Skills	Language Skills
10:20 — 11:05	Language Skills	Language Skills	Language Skills	Language Skills	Language Skills
11:05 — 11:30	COFFEE BREAK				
11:30 — 12:15	Language Skills	Language Skills	Language Project	Language Skills	Language Skills
12:20 — 13:05	Language Skills	Language Skills	Language Project	Language Skills	Language Skills
13:05 — 14:00	LUNCH				
14:00 — 14:45	Reading Skills	Vocabulary	Excursion	Vocabulary	Reading Skills
14:45-15:30	Topic	Speaking Skills		Speaking Skills	Topic
15:30-17:15	Organised sports or other activity	Organised sports or other activity		Organised sports or other activity	Organised sports or other activity

## Excursions in July and August, 2010

### Wednesday, 7th July

### Wednesday, 4th August

10-Pin Bowling fun at Leamington Spa; 14.00 – 17.00

### Saturday, 10th July

Day Trip to Bath by coach – walking tour & free time for shopping or visit to the Roman Baths; 08.30 – 19.30

### Wednesday, 14th July

Visit to 'Think tank' in Birmingham 'where science & history come alive' in a variety of exhibitions. (Including coach & entrance ticket); 14:00 – 18:00

### Saturday, 17th July

### Saturday, 7th August

Day Trip to Drayton Manor Theme Park & Zoo – a fun day out for all ages! (Including coach & entrance ticket); 09.00-18.00

### Wednesday, 21st July

### Wednesday, 11th August

Visit to Warwick Castle, the finest medieval Castle in England, (Including transport by coach & entrance ticket); 14.00 – 18.00

### Saturday, 24th July

Day Trip to Birmingham – including visit to National Sea Life Centre & Cadburys World; 09:00 – 18:00

### Wednesday, 28th July

Visit to Ragley Hall Stately Home with beautiful gardens & woods; 14.00 – 17.00

### Saturday, 31st July

### Saturday, 14th August

Day trip to Oxford by coach – walking tour, including some of the University Colleges & free time for shopping; 09.00 – 18.00

### Wednesday, 18th August

Walk to the 'Welcombe Hills', with beautiful views over Stratford-upon-Avon & surrounding countryside; 14:00 – 17:00





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## Frequently Asked Questions

### The Junior Summer Course campus

#### Location?

The Language Centre, Stratford-upon-Avon College.

#### What is Stratford-upon-Avon College?

A College of Further Education.

#### Surrounding area?

The campus is very near the town centre (5 minutes on foot); opposite the train station and a large supermarket.

#### Facilities?

Restaurant, Computer Room, picnic area, shop.

#### How far is it from the town centre?

10 minutes on foot.

#### How do students go to the College / town centre?

On foot.

#### Can students go to the town centre?

The students must stay on campus during the College day. Outside these times, students can go to the town centre when there is a scheduled activity supervised by the Student Supervisor or by themselves if they ensure their homestay provider knows of their whereabouts.

### Homestay

#### How do you select Homestay providers for junior students?

Our Accommodation Secretary inspects all Homestay providers and selects suitable hosts for our junior students.

#### How do you place junior students in Homestay?

We try to place students as close as possible to the campus where the lessons take place — Stratford-upon-Avon College. We never place two students from the same country in the same Homestay, unless they are part of a group or we are requested to do so. Similarly, we do not place two students who have the same mother tongue together. We do not place junior and adult students in the same Homestay.

#### What are the room facilities?

Students have a single room with study desk and storage space for their possessions (shared room if requested or if the students are part of a group).

#### Do you provide soap, shampoo, etc?

These may be available but we do not require the host to provide these.

#### Do you have any rules for your Homestay providers?

The Homestay provider should be aware at all times of the whereabouts of their student and should inform Oxford House College immediately if a student does not return when expected, or if they have any concerns about the welfare of their student. The host should make time for conversation with their student and should eat the evening meal together with their student.

#### How do you make sure these rules are followed?

The Principal, Summer Course Director and Student Supervisor check regularly with students and our Accommodation Secretary keeps in regular contact with our Homestay providers.

#### Does the Homestay provider offer a laundry service for students?

Yes.

#### How often can students wash their clothes?

#### Can they use the washing machine?

We have no fixed rule about how often, and the Homestay providers can decide whether or not to charge their student for this service. Junior students are not normally allowed to use washing machine by themselves. The Homestay providers may or may not provide a laundry bag.

#### Does the Homestay provider provide towels for students?

Yes, if requested.

### Management staff & office hours

School Principal - Cathy Beesley

Office Manager - Gilly Talbot

Office tel.: +44 (0) 1789 269497 (09:00-17:00, Monday – Friday)

Junior Summer Course students are also given a 24-hour school emergency contact number.

### Meals

#### Are there any restaurant facilities?

There is a modern student restaurant which serves freshly prepared hot and cold food.

#### Do the Homestay providers make packed lunches for their student when they go on excursions?

No, students eat in a restaurant or buy sandwiches, or we can provide Luncheon Vouchers (14 days notice required).

### Lessons and Activities

#### What kinds of placement tests do you give for students?

Grammar and writing test, and assessment of speaking/listening skills

#### How many levels do you provide?

There are 4 levels on the Junior Summer Course: Elementary, Lower-Intermediate, Upper-Intermediate and Advanced.

#### Do all the English teachers have qualifications in teaching English to non-English speakers?

Yes

#### What areas of English does the course focus on?

Speaking (pronunciation and fluency), listening skills, vocabulary and grammar, project work (e.g. British life and culture)

#### Do the students use a course book?

Yes, a course book is included in the tuition fees.

#### Who supervises the activities and excursions?

All activities and excursions are supervised by College staff, which may include the Summer Course Director, Student Supervisor and teachers.

#### What kinds of after-lesson activities can students participate in?

After lessons finish at 15.30 there are scheduled activities until 17.15 including sports, shopping and local sightseeing. There is a weekly DVD film evening is included in the fees and there is normally another weekday evening activity each week such as a party, disco, or games evening. The Junior Summer Course evening social activities take place in the main Oxford House College school building at 8, Tiddington Road from approximately 19.00 – 21.00. Students under the age of 14 must be accompanied to the College and taken home by a parent, adult relative or group leader.

#### Evening going home times

Oxford House College has rules about going home times in the evenings - 14 years old - 21.00; 15 years old - 21.30; 16 or 17 years old - 22.30. If there is a College evening activity, 14 year olds may return home a little after 21.00.

If you go out in the evening you must tell your Homestay host where you are going and what time you will return.

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