ABBEY COLLEGE IN MALVERN

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SUMMER SCHOOL 2017-18

Let the adventure begin!

1. Administration Block
2. Library & Computer Rooms
3. Assembly Hall
4. Classrooms & Science Laboratories
5. Art Studio
6. Residential Houses
7. Dining Room
8. Sports Pitches
9. Tennis & Basketball Courts
10. Outdoor Swimming Pool
11. Sports Hall
12. Student Services
13. Common Room Area,
14. Includes; Disco, Multi Gym, Cinema Room & Snooker Room
15. Football Pitches

WELCOME

At Abbey College in Malvern you can enjoy fully-residential courses in the summer, packed with adventure. The idea is to learn, explore, make international friends, try new things and above all, have fun!

We offer a fantastic 70 acre (28 hectare) enclosed campus in central England. It has everything you need in one place, without even needing to cross a road. Our small, beautiful town, Malvern, is one of the safest locations in the country.

We've been running these courses since 1969, welcoming students from all over the world. All that experience and continuous feedback has allowed us to develop a full programme that works really well. You will have something to do from when you wake up until you go to bed. It's a great balance between lessons, sporting and social activities, and fascinating excursions.

We are innovating, too. Let us know if you'd like to take up a number of different options, such as additional 1:1 class packages, IELTS exam preparation and Sunday excursions.

Have a look inside this brochure and take your next step towards joining us!

WHY JOIN US?

Outstanding Welfare Support
Available 24 hours a day

Fully Residential
Everything you need in one place

A Genuinely Full Programme
Something to do from wake-up to lights out, even on a Sunday!

Flexibility
Travel to start and finish throughout the summer

Real England
A classical, elegant English town known for its beauty

A Safe Setting
A supervised, enclosed campus in a secure town

Two Full-Day Excursions Per Week
To famous locations and places of interest

Over 30 Different Sports & Activities
Offered in the summer, all on campus

Junior-focused
Specialising in ages 8-18, with age-appropriate activities

Learning Options
Take special extra lessons to focus on your own needs

Personalised Group Courses Available
Plan your programme how you want

History
140 year-old British school and almost 50 years' experience in summer schools

All This Is Included In The Standard Course:

- Group Tuition (minimum of 16 hours per week) Maximum 16 per Class
- Standard Accommodation
- All Meals Except Lunch on Excursions
- Two Full-day Organised Excursions per Week
- Weekly Laundry
- All Course Materials
- Internet, Library and Self-learning Facilities
- A Variety of Exciting Activities and Social Events (up to 30 per week)
- End-of-course Abbey College Certificate and Academic Report

Also available:

- Airport Transfers
- Room Upgrades
- Private Lessons
- Tailor-made Mini Group Courses
- Additional Optional Excursions
- Meals on Excursions

OUR LOCATION

Enjoy the Real **England!**

Our site is perfect for you – it's beautiful, safe and central.
We are on the lower slopes of the famous Malvern Hills in central England. Our region contains some of England's loveliest countryside. The college itself is within a government-recognised "area of outstanding natural beauty".

Our town of Malvern, with a population of around 35,000, is statistically one of the safest towns in the whole of the U.K., and is a cultural centre in its own right. It is considered an elegant, prosperous town, and is very typically English. You will be living and learning away from the dangers and distractions of big cities.

The cathedral cities of Worcester, Hereford and Gloucester are around half an hour's drive, with Cheltenham, Stratford-Upon-Avon, Birmingham, Bath and Oxford also close by. London is 2½ hours away by car or direct train.

We can arrange group and individual airport transfers for you, for a surcharge.

RESIDENTIAL CARE

WELFARE

Abbey College is a year-round boarding school hosting junior students from around the world in the summer, so your welfare is extremely important to us.

We have a Student Services department, run by experienced staff, who are responsible for your health and well-being. They also help with your accommodation and transport.

You will be individually checked into your bedroom at night and woken up for breakfast in the morning. There is always at least one house parent in residence in every house, and you can go to see them to get help at any time that you need to.

We welcome students from all religions, and we can make special arrangements for your faith, respecting the wishes of parents.

MEALS

When you're on campus you'll get meals included. We don't provide meals when you're away on an excursion, although there are always places we can show you where you can buy something locally.

At the college, we make sure we provide meals that suit international tastes in general. There's a self-service salad bar, where you can help yourself to as much as you want, for lunch and dinner. If you're still hungry after you've finished, then you can always wait until everyone has been served and then line up for more.

If you are a vegetarian, or have some other special diet (including a religious dietary requirement) we'll be pleased to serve you with appropriate food throughout your stay.

We also have a school 'tuck shop', where you can buy snack food and drinks (and some other essentials) outside of meal times.

ACCOMMODATION

Most students choose to stay on our beautiful campus in one of our residential houses, which are all within a 3 minute walk of any main part of the campus.

Shared bedrooms are the most popular choice. These are normally in 2 to 4 bedded rooms, although we do have a few 6-bedded rooms for younger students or friends who wish to share. You will normally share your room with students of a different nationality, which is good for your English and helps you make friends. We provide a weekly laundry service for you too.

Some rooms with a private bathroom, and self-contained apartments, are also available for an extra charge. We can also provide homestay accommodation with a local family if you prefer. However we do think it is better for you to stay on-campus with us, so that you can enjoy the full programme and the fun atmosphere.

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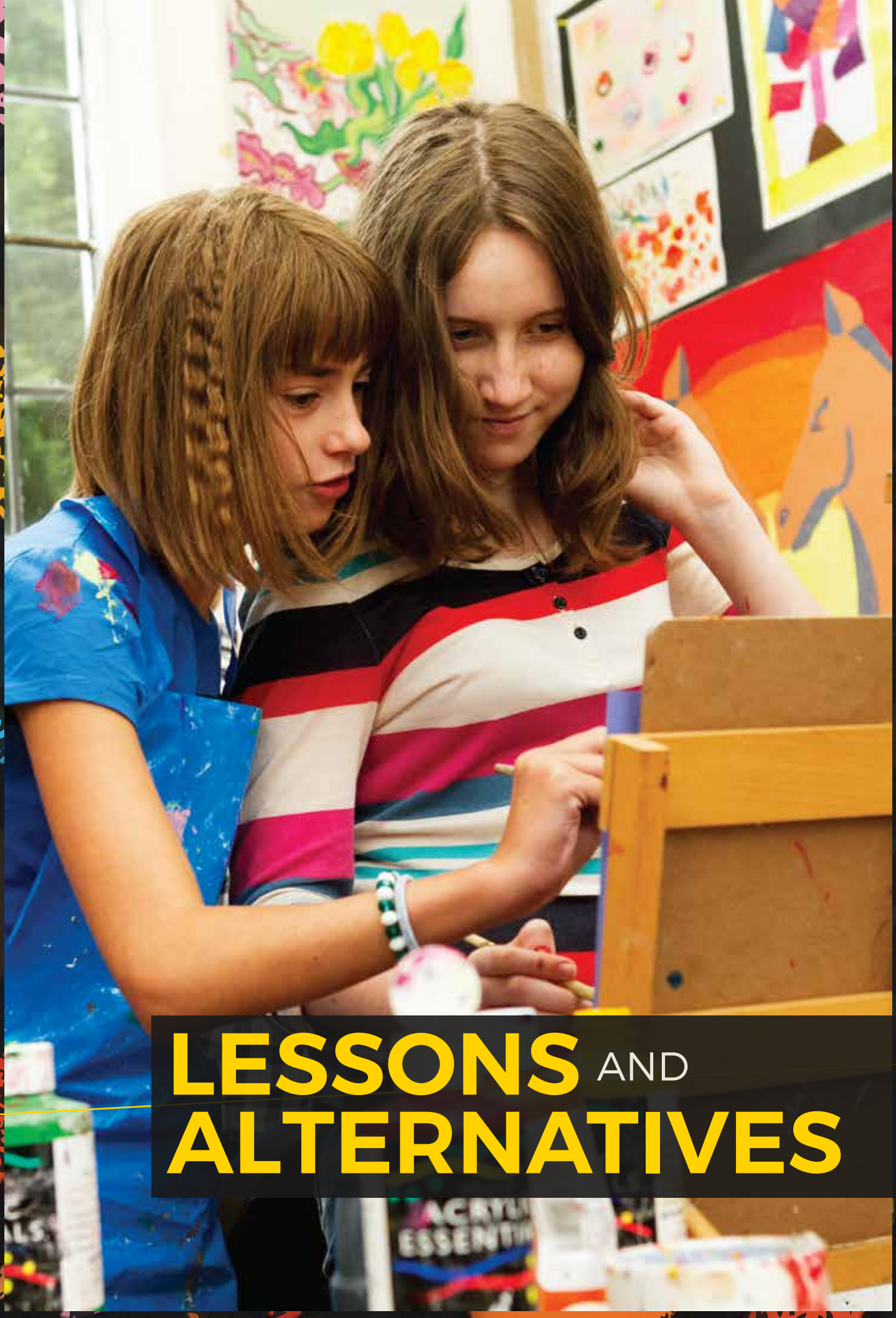

LESSONS AND ALTERNATIVES

YOUR LEARNING

The morning after the arrival date you'll take a Level Placement Test so you can be placed in the correct class according to your age and English language ability.

Abbey College Summer School teachers are all qualified to teach English to international students. We select them for their friendliness, professionalism and enthusiasm. They teach general English, involving the key skills of reading, writing, listening and speaking.

Lessons focus on communication skills. We introduce a new topic and grammar points each week, so you can start fresh from the week you arrive. Teachers make the classes interactive and exciting, so you'll have a rewarding and fun experience.

You'll receive at least 16 hours per week in class.

The maximum class size is 16, with 12 being the average.

At the end of the course you'll receive an Abbey College Certificate, together with your teacher's report on your progress.

OPTIONAL EXTRAS

ONE TO ONE AND MINI-GROUP CLASSES

We can now offer you packages of one to one or mini group classes for you to focus on a specific English language skill or develop a particular area. These could include:

IELTS OPTIONS

We offer the chance to take some IELTS preparation classes. These classes focus on improving your ability to take the IELTS examination. Classes are delivered by teachers experienced in IELTS teaching.

ACADEMIC SUBJECTS

Students can also choose to take academic subjects in English. Subjects include: Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Computing and Business Studies.

Example
Summer School Timetable

	Monday		Tuesday	Wednesd
08:00 – 08:30	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAS
	New Students	Old Students		
08:40 – 08:55	Assembly	Assembly	Assembly	Assemble & S
09:00 - 10:30	TEST & Introduction Activities	Review of the Weekend & Learner Training	Topic Based Lesson using Integrated skills	
10:30 - 11:00	BREAK			
11:00 - 12:30	Learner Induction / Introduction to Pronunciation	British Culture	Project Work	Full Day Excursion
12:30 - 13:30	LUNCH			
13:30 - 14:30	Campus Tour, Orientation & Consolidation	Teacher's Choice	Excursion Preparation	
14:45 - 15:00	Assemble & Sort		Assemble & Sort	
15:00 - 16:15	Activity 1 or Extra Lessons **		Activity 1 or Extra Lessons **	
16:15 - 16:30	BREAK		BREAK	
16:30 - 16:45	Assemble & Sort		Assemble & Sort	
16:45 - 18:00	Activity 2 or Extra Lessons **		Activity 2 or Extra Lessons **	
18:00 - 18:30	Relaxation		Relaxation	Relaxation
18:30 - 19:15	DINNER		DINNER	DINNER
19:15 – 19:45	Room Check		Room Check	
19:45 - 20:00	Assemble & Sort		Assemble & Sort	Assemble & S
20:00 - 22:00	Activity 3		Activity 3	Activity 3
22:15	Bed Check		Bed Check	Bed Check
22:45				

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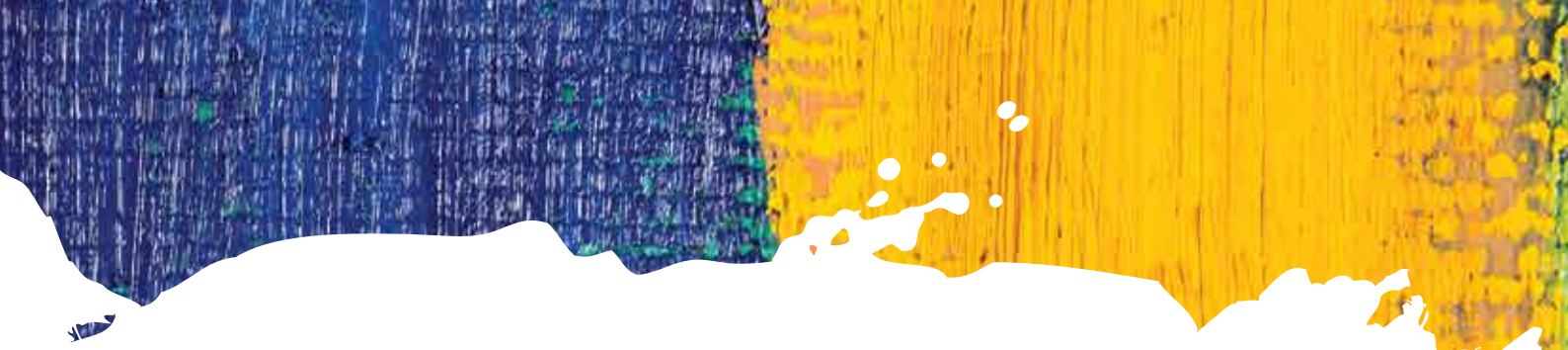
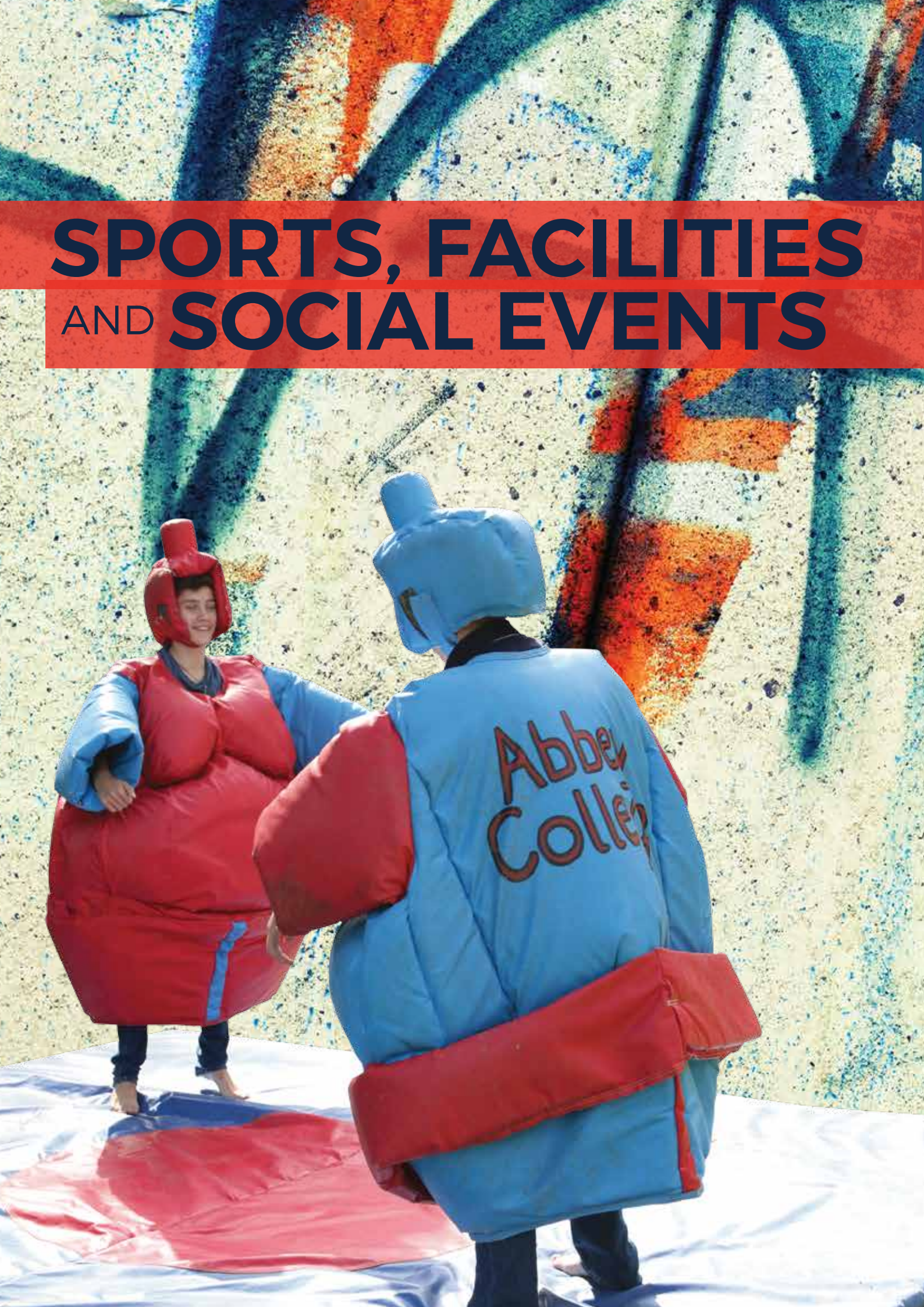
This is a sample programme and subject to minor changes



day	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
T	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	
				ARRIVAL or DEPARTURE DAY
Sort	Assembly	Assembly	Assemble & Sort	
	Topic Based Lesson using Integrated skills	Topic Based Lesson using Integrated skills		BREAKFAST
				Relaxation
	BREAK		Full Day Excursion	Activity 1
	Project Work or Drama	Drama or Song Analysis		Assemble & Sort
	LUNCH			LUNCH
	British Culture & Local Knowledge	Excursion Preparation		Activity 2
	Assemble & Sort			
	Activity 1 or Extra Lessons **	Activity 1 or Extra Lessons **		Activity 3
	BREAK	BREAK		
	Assemble & Sort	Assemble & Sort		Activity 4
	Activity 2 or Extra Lessons **	Activity 2 or Extra Lessons **		
	Relaxation	Relaxation	Relaxation	Relaxation
	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER
	Room Check	Room Check		
Sort	Assemble & Sort	Assemble & Sort	Assemble & Sort	Assemble & Sort
	Activity 3	Activity 3	Activity 1	Activity 5
	Bed Check			Bed Check
		Bed Check	Bed Check	

SPORTS, FACILITIES AND SOCIAL EVENTS



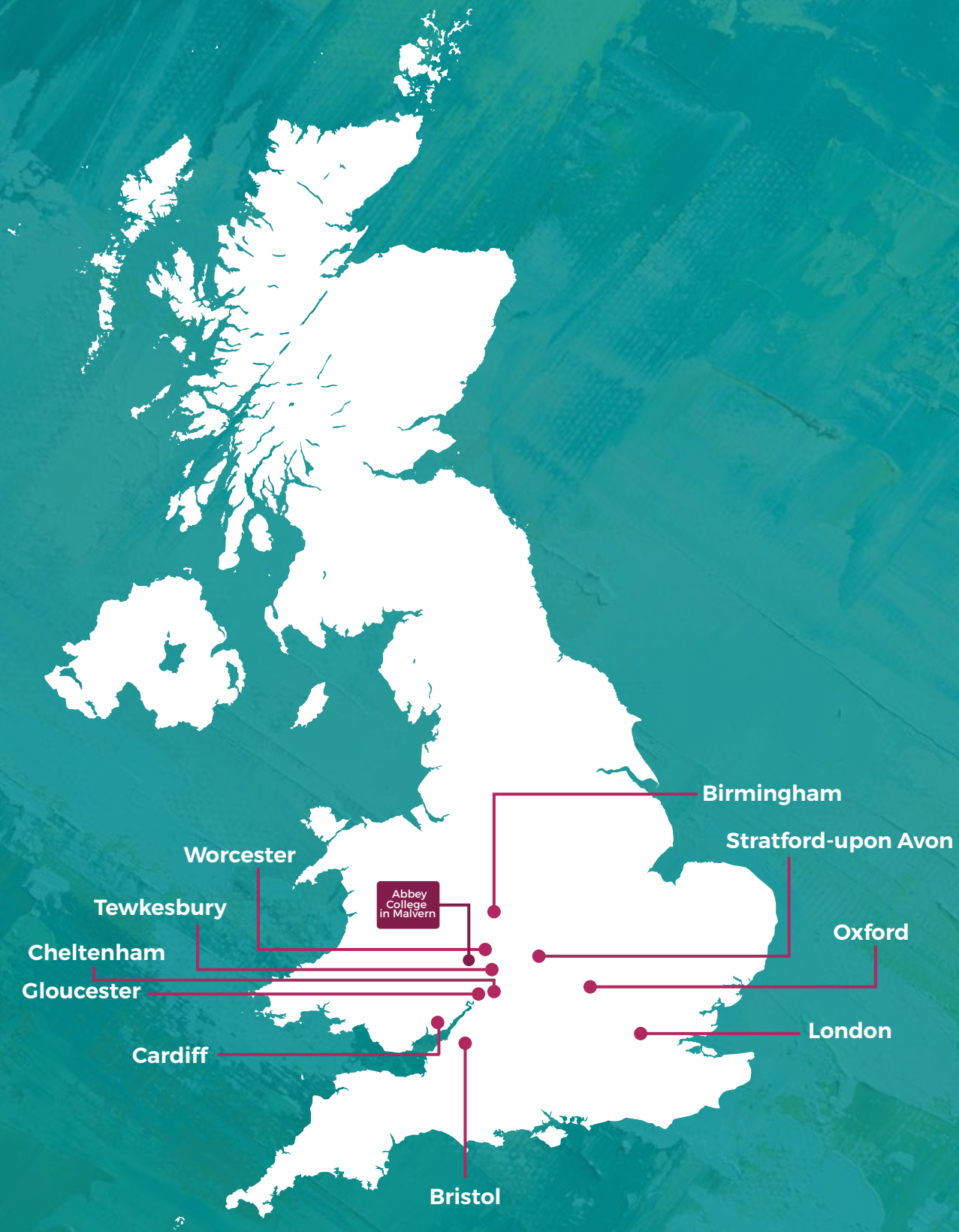
One of the greatest advantages of Abbey College is our magnificent campus. It is one of the most spacious in the country for an independent residential language school. In our 70 acres (28 hectares) of private grounds we can offer you a well-stocked library, a computer room (for academic and personal use), 15 classrooms, games/common room areas, a sports hall, disco, fitness centre, large assembly hall, our own on-campus cinema and various other specialist rooms.

We offer considerable sports fields and equipment too. The following supervised sports, activities and social events are available to you on the college campus and free of charge:

- Outdoor swimming
- Tennis
- Basketball
- Football
- Badminton
- Volleyball
- Archery
- Fencing
- Unihoc
- Softball
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Bouncy castle
- Aerobics / Zumba
- Dancing
- Yoga
- Tai Chi
- Weight training (16+)
- Table tennis
- Table football
- Art
- Music
- Drama
- Discos
- Karaoke
- Bracelet Making
- Dodgeball
- Tag Rugby
- Photo Challenge
- Cabaret/shows
- Campfires
- Barbeques
- Themed parties
- Quick cricket
- Croquet

We can also offer you other activities off-campus, for an additional charge; these include horse riding, golf, hill walking (no charge), indoor swimming, squash, climbing, canoeing, bowling, go-karting and paintball. These will always depend on demand, student age, weather and the time of year.

EXCURSIONS



OUR FAVOURITE DESTINATIONS INCLUDE:

- London, England's exciting capital
- The university city of Oxford
- Cardiff, capital of Wales
- Birmingham, England's 'second city', with Cadbury World chocolate factory
- Shakespeare's Stratford-upon-Avon
- The cathedral cities of Worcester and Gloucester
- The Roman city of Bath
- Traditional English events like Tewkesbury Medieval Festival

SUNDAY OPTIONAL TRIPS (ADDITIONAL FEES APPLY) MIGHT INCLUDE:

- Alton Towers Theme Park
- Oxford with Blenheim Palace
- Stratford-Upon-Avon with Warwick Castle
- Birmingham with Cadbury World
- Bath with Roman Baths
- Salisbury with Stonehenge
- Bicester Village Shopping Centre
- The Cotswolds Tour and Birdland

Please ask for further information as well as prices for optional excursions.

FOR ALL JUNIORS

Abbey College categorises students broadly according to age:

Senior Teens
16 - 18 Years

Young Teens
12 - 15 Years

Pre-Teens
8 - 11 Years

Some activities, and the type of supervision we provide, will depend on age. For example, younger students may be participating in a 'Treasure Hunt' or Bracelet Making, whilst Senior Teens enjoy Archery and Fencing.

If you're a younger student, you'll be in a highly structured and closely supervised environment. Teachers, activity leaders and welfare staff are all chosen for their ability to deal sympathetically with young students.

Whatever your category, you'll improve your English language skills, experience life in Britain and participate in fun and social activities with international friends.

Courses for Groups

It is increasingly popular for groups of students from the same country to travel and stay together with us. Group bookings also allow us to create tailor-made courses for you, depending on what you want. For closed groups, we can even run full summer school-style courses at other times of the year. Please contact us for further details.

Interested in an academic course?

- **GCSEs**
- **AS/A Levels**
- **Foundation Courses**
- **English All Year**

Please visit our website or ask us for our academic brochure.

Want to apply?

Just fill in our Application Form (enclosed or on our website) and email it to us. We'll be happy to advise and support you, for example if you need a visa. We have authorised representatives around the world who can also help you.

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