

Bath (Downside), UK

Our Bath Residential Summer Centre is based at Downside School. This classic "Harry Potter" style English boarding school is one of the oldest and most prestigious private schools in the country. Downside occupies a beautiful 500-acre estate at the foot of the Mendip Hills and offers excellent facilities. The centre is ideally situated just 30 minutes south of the city of Bath in Somerset and two and a half hours from London.

Course offered

Summer Course

This course is specially designed for juniors and teenagers and offers a perfect balance of lessons, sports, activities and excursions.

Plus Tennis: Summer Course + 6 hours of professional tennis coaching (coaching will take place on site)

Plus Horse riding: Summer Course + 6 hours of horse riding at approved local riding stables

Key information

Course length: 1 – 4 weeks

Start dates: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 July
Wednesday arrive/Wednesday depart

Course ends: 5 August

Lessons: 15 hours of English lessons per week

Minimum age – maximum age:

Summer Course: 8 – 12, 13 – 17
(Separate classes / activities for each age group)

Plus Tennis: 13 – 17

Maximum class size: 15

Minimum entry level: Elementary

Included in the price of all courses

15 hours of English lessons per week
Full-board residential accommodation
Day-time sports and activities programme
Full programme of evening activities
Full-day excursions every Tuesday and Wednesday
Two half-day excursions per week
At least one excursion entrance fee per week
Overnight stay in London on final night
Placement test
Wi-fi in most parts of the campus
End-of-course certificate
24-hour supervision
Weekly laundry service
School bank service

Included in the price of

Plus Tennis and Plus Horse Riding

6 hours of professional coaching in tennis / horse riding

Centre facilities

100 acres of sports fields for football, rugby, cricket and other games
Badminton, basketball and tennis courts
Large sports hall
Indoor heated swimming pool (25 metre)
Art room and 600-seat theatre
Student café
Large, historic dining room



Accommodation

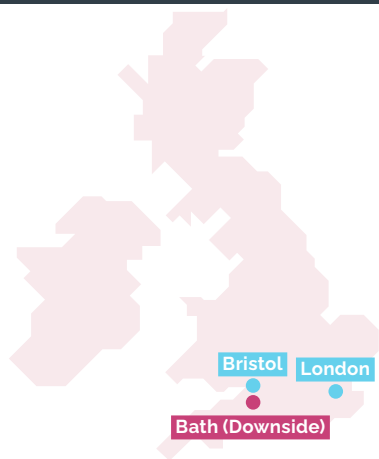
On-campus residential accommodation

Mix of single, twin and multibedded rooms with communal bathroom facilities. Mix of traditional accommodation embedded in the stunning main quad in addition to separate and self-contained boarding houses. The student:bathroom ratio is approximately 6:1 in each boarding house; boys and girls are housed in different accommodation areas / boarding houses and each area is supervised

by Kings residential staff. Please note a deposit of £50 per student is required on arrival, in case of damages. Towels are not included.

Meal plan

Breakfast, lunch and dinner every day. Lunch and dinner are usually hot (with packed lunches on excursion days) and there is usually a choice of at least two main courses. We can cater for vegetarian and other dietary requirements on request.



Airports and distances	
Bristol	18 Miles / 29 Km
Heathrow	103 Miles / 165 Km
Gatwick	129 Miles / 207 Km
Stansted	164 Miles / 264 Km

All excursions include a tour segment and some allocated shopping time. Excursion entrances are included where shown on the timetable above. All excursions are led by Kings staff. Alternative excursions and entrances may be available upon request — contact Kings Young Learners in advance for details.

Provisional Excursions 2026	
Week 1	
Bath walking tour & shopping	Half-day
Cheddar Gorge Caves	Half-day
* Portsmouth and HMS Victory	Full-day
Week 2	
Cardiff with Cardiff Castle	Full-day
Bath with Roman Baths	Half-day
Bristol walking tour & shopping	Half-day
* Oxford walking tour & shopping	Full-day
Week 3	
Bournemouth beach & shopping	Full-day
Bath walking tour & shopping	Half-day
Wooley Hole Caves	Half-day
* West Midlands Safari Park	Full-day
Week 4	
Weymouth & Sandworld	Full-day
Bath with Roman Baths	Half-day
Bristol walking tour & shopping	Half-day
* Salisbury & Cathedral	Full-day
Week 5	
Cardiff with Cardiff Castle	Full-day
Bath walking tour and shopping	Half-day
Bristol "We the Curious" Museum	Half-day
* London Westminster walking tour & Shopping	Full-day

*PLEASE NOTE:

Every week, students finishing their course will have an overnight stay in London on Tuesday/Wednesday before their departure. The stay will typically consist of:

- Westminster area walking tour
- Thames River Cruise
- Oxford Street time for shopping
- Packed lunch and hot dinner
- B&B accommodation in London
- Services of professional tour guides

For students departing later in the day on Wednesday, local visits to POIs/museums will be arranged.

London Heathrow is recommended for departure flights.

Sample timetable

	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Morning	Arrivals/ Departures	Book-based / Project-based lessons	Book-based / Project-based lessons	Book-based / Project-based lessons	Book-based / Project-based lessons	Book-based / Project-based lessons	Oxford with Walking Tour
	or	Lunch					or
Afternoon	Cardiff with Cardiff Castle	Cookery Swimming Tennis* Horse Riding*	Bath & Roman Baths	Bristol Walking Tour & Shopping	Football Dodgeball Zumba Basketball	Arts and crafts Swimming Tennis* Horse Riding*	London overnight stay for leavers
	Dinner						
Evening	Games night	Fancy dress night	Quiz night	Scavenger Hunt	Talent Show	Disco	Movie night

*These activities are only available to Summer Course Plus students and must be pre-booked for a supplement. The above is a SAMPLE timetable and Kings reserves the right to make alterations to it as/when necessary.