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Students from 20+ countries*



Residential English Language and activity summer courses in the UK for students aged 8–17

Summer 2027

*based on actual bookings in Summer 2026

Welcoming students at ECS since 1988.



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ECS at a glance

What?

British Council accredited English Language summer camps for ages 8-17, combining learning and personal growth for a better future.





Where?

In the English countryside, at Port Regis School in Dorset, two hours from London.

When?

1 to 4 week stays are available between 4 July and 1 August 2027 (Arrivals and departures on Sundays).





Outcomes

Pupils improve their English, learn life skills, and become more confident and better prepared for life.

Welcome



Peter Bodri
Director

For over 30 years, we have offered British Council-accredited English language summer courses for children and teenagers, building a reputation for a premium summer experience with personal care at its heart.

Young people are our future and their education is an investment. In a rapidly changing world, it is essential for them to develop their skills and confidence while learning to cooperate internationally to help shape a better world.

To this end, ECS offers a respite from modern stresses, encouraging real life interaction and fostering fun, friendship and learning in a safe and beautiful rural location.

Beyond learning English, children and teenagers join an international community and return home more confident, more independent and better prepared for life.

Real learning

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At ECS, we turn every moment into a learning opportunity, from English classes through workshops to sports, boarding houses and free time.

In English lessons, students use modern materials to bring the world into the classroom. We discuss their futures and building a better world, while workshops like cookery, drama and photography help them learn real-world skills for lifelong enjoyment.

On our green campus, students discover the great feelings of energy and relaxation that come from regular exercise. They connect with nature, learn teamwork and strengthen their body-mind connection.

In our boarding houses, students learn independence, make friends from different countries and become more open-minded and respectful.

Trips and educational visits help them learn about the history and culture of the country whose language they are studying, adding meaning and motivation.

In a screen-focused world, ECS provides time, space and opportunity for young people to gather together, grow and really learn.



A safe, well-supervised environment

Port Regis is located in large private grounds near Shaftesbury in Dorset, around two hours from London.

The school offers outstanding academic, recreational and sports facilities, including a golf course and a modern dining room with attractive views across the campus.

Students stay in comfortable boarding houses, with house parents available to provide support throughout their stay. The houses also include relaxation areas with table tennis and pool tables.

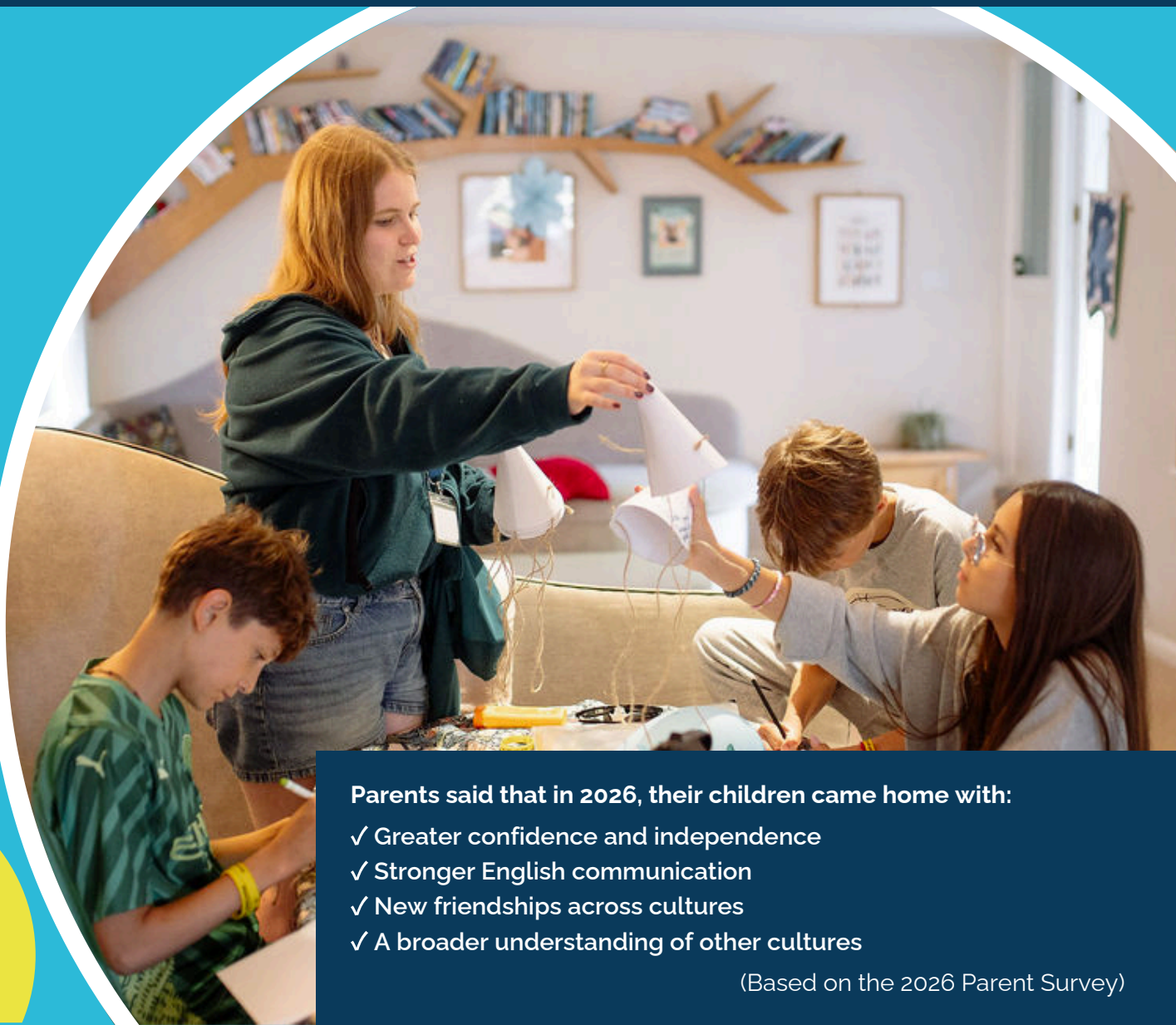
The campus with its woodlands, ponds and a small stream, provides a safe and beautiful environment for students.

Experienced staff take care of our pupils from arrival through to departure. All ECS staff live on site at Port Regis during the summer, ensuring students receive attentive support throughout their stay. The atmosphere is friendly and caring, with medical assistance available 24/7.

ECS is accredited by the British Council and is a member of Young Learners English UK.

Why ECS?

- 30+ years of tradition and experience
- 1:5 staff to student ratio and high levels of care
- 20+ different nationalities with only 5 boys and 5 girls from the same mother tongue in each age group
- Safe, exclusive and authentic countryside location in a leading British boarding school



Parents said that in 2026, their children came home with:

✓ Greater confidence and independence
✓ Stronger English communication
✓ New friendships across cultures
✓ A broader understanding of other cultures

(Based on the 2026 Parent Survey)

Timetable

"Every part of the day is an opportunity for fun, friendship and real learning"

8:30 Breakfast
9:15 Daily meeting
9:30 English lessons and workshops
13:15 Lunch
14:30 Sports and activities *
16:15 Refreshments
17:00 Tournaments / swimming / leisure time *
18:30 Evening meal
19:30 Social programme
20:45 Drink and snack
21:00 Optional evening sports / leisure time
21:30 Bedtime 8–12 year olds
22:30 Bedtime 13–17 year olds

*or sports in the morning, lessons in the afternoon





Age-appropriate activities

8 - 12 Year Olds

This course combines language lessons with fun activities, games, sports and trips for 8–12-year-olds. There is a maximum of 60 children, with a staff:student ratio of 1:5.

Boys and girls live in separate areas of a comfortable modern building on the school grounds, in single or double rooms.

House parents create a warm, well-supervised environment where children will feel secure while they speak English and make new friends. There are excellent indoor and outdoor recreation areas suitable for the age group.









13 - 17 Year Olds

This course has maximum 70 teenagers from more than 20 different countries, with a 1:5 staff to student ratio.

A balanced programme of lessons, workshops and fun activities allows teens to improve their English, develop lifelong friendships, grow personally and relax.

They stay in a modern boarding house with separate floors for boys and girls, with house parents who support them.

Each bedroom has a private study, a washbasin, a desk and a wardrobe. Shared rooms and girls-only accommodation are available on request.

Comfortable relaxation areas offer space to enjoy free time speaking English together.

Sustainability

An accredited member of Green Standard Schools

Because we care about the future we put sustainability at the heart of our courses, encouraging a closer connection to nature and raising awareness of environmental issues among pupils. In recognition of this we have earned the Green Standard Schools award. Learn more here.



Effective English learning

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On the first teaching day, students are assessed and placed into international classes of up to 15 students according to their age and ability. Learning alongside students from different countries gives them plenty of opportunities to practise English while discovering other cultures. Lessons use attractive, engaging materials designed to "bring the world to the classroom and the classroom to life."

For younger learners aged 8–12, lessons are led by teachers who are experienced in working with children in this age group. Older children explore topics from science, geography and history, as well as environmental projects, helping them develop their English naturally through meaningful subject-based learning. Lessons for 13–17-year-olds also feature TED Talks, giving students opportunities to practise presentation skills, while collaborative project work helps develop communication and interpersonal skills.

Songs, games and music add variety and encourage students to interact, participate and move during lessons. Teachers rotate between classes to keep the learning experience fresh and engaging. Parents can follow their child's progress through weekly online reports, and online English lessons are also available for students of all ages outside the summer period.

Pupils choose a different workshop each week. Workshops may include poetry, filmmaking, songwriting, forest school and environmental studies.

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Academic Workshops and Online English

Grammar and Pronunciation workshop
For students who have reached a plateau or want to improve specific English skills and learn the phonetic alphabet.

Course Journal workshop
Students become editors and journalists to create a weekly school journal. It helps them focus on writing content, style, and accuracy.

Digital Photography workshop
Pupils learn to avoid common mistakes and take better photos. They develop their aesthetic sense while practising speaking and writing.

Drama workshop
Pupils create, rehearse, and perform short plays, boosting their linguistic confidence.

Cookery workshop
Students learn cooking basics, hygiene and safety. They compete to be 'master chef' and develop independent living skills.

Online English lessons (extra charge)
Blocks of 5 or 10 lessons, taught by our qualified teachers at your own pace. Combine with English Focus. Learn more here.

English Focus (extra charge)
Online diagnostic test and academic consultation for 13 – 17 year olds. Learn more here.





A full programme of activities

The Course Fee includes a programme of sports, social activities and excursions for each age group. Excellent facilities include extensive sports fields, a sports hall, tennis and squash courts, an all-weather sports pitch, and two performance halls.

Sports

volleyball • water polo • tennis • football • basketball • dodgeball • circuit training • frisbee • badminton • unihoc • handball • table tennis • cricket

Social events

discos • karaoke • camp fires • parachute games • international evenings • crazy sports • team challenges • treasure hunts • quizzes • fashion shows



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'The school is surrounded by interesting places to visit, from nearby Stonehenge to the beautiful Dorset coast and the busy Roman city of Bath. Excursions are arranged for each age group to provide an enjoyable mix of sightseeing, shopping and culture.'



...and excursions

Places to visit may include:

- Roman city of Bath
- Oxford
- Local town of Shaftesbury
- Durdle Door and Lulworth Cove
- Corfe Castle and Swanage
- Weymouth beach & Sea Life Centre
- Lyme Regis (Dorset coast)
- Longleat Safari Park
- Bournemouth (beach and shopping)
- Stourhead House & Gardens



Optional Sports Coaching (extra cost)

Four hours of sports lessons per week are available with qualified instructors for all ability levels:

Golf: Lessons include chipping, driving, tee shots and bunker play. Maximum of 8 pupils per instructor.

Tennis: Lessons include fun exercises to develop agility, balance, coordination, strength, speed and technical skill. Maximum of 8 pupils per instructor.

Optional excursions (extra cost)

Stonehenge

World-famous Stonehenge is around 40 minutes from the school. Educational tours are available for all pupils at a cost of £50 including transport.

London Weekend

To really see this great city, we arrange a 2-night visit for teenagers 13 – 17. The cost includes bed and breakfast twin-room accommodation in a good hotel close to the main tourist sights, Thames river cruise, packed lunches, two evening meals and transport by train between London and the school.

Our 2027 Offer

Dates and Prices

(4 July to 1 August 2027 - see start dates below)

1 week (from 4, 11, 18, 25 July, ages 8-12 only): £1,990

2 weeks (from 4, 11, 18 July): ..... £3,680 Popular

3 weeks (from 4, 11 July): £5,250

4 weeks (from 4 July): £6,420

(Airport transfers are included for stays of 2 to 4 weeks.)

Optional extras

London Weekend (age 13+) £745

Stonehenge (all ages) £50

Golf lessons (4 hours per week) £145

Tennis lessons (4 hours per week) £115

Discounts

Siblings attending together ..... 10% each

Returning students 10%

Referral ..... 10% each

Online students with ECS 5%

Maximum combined discount* 20%

**May be exceeded through multiple new student referrals.*

More info about Prices & Discounts online.

ECS Online English

5 hours of 1:1 lessons £270

10 hours of 1:1 lessons £475

Diagnostic test and consultation (age 13+) £145

ECS online pupils receive a 5% discount to attend the summer school.

More info about ECS Online.



Course fees include:

- Accommodation at the school, including all meals, weekly laundry and use of sports, academic and recreational facilities.
- Fully international, British Council accredited, age-specific courses, with a maximum of 5 boys and 5 girls sharing the same mother tongue in each age group.
- Professional English programme with 15 hours of teaching per week, and weekly progress reports
- Daily sports and social activities for each age group. Trips include transport, packed lunch, and entrance fees.
- Airport transfers are included for stays of 2 to 4 weeks. See details here.
- Medical and travel insurance, attendance certificate, and course photo in print.

Booking

A deposit of 30% of the tuition fees is required to confirm bookings made by 30 April 2027. For bookings made from 1 May 2027, a 50% deposit is required. The remaining balance is due by 1 June 2027.

If you cancel, the following charges apply:

- By 30 April 2027: £100 administration fee. Any remaining deposit will be refunded.
- 1 May to 15 June 2027: 50% of the tuition fees.
- From 16 June 2027: 100% of the tuition fees, as all camp arrangements have been made and the costs committed.

Bookings can be made online at www.countryschools.co.uk or by contacting us directly.

Arrivals & Departures

Port Regis School is in Dorset, about 2 hours from London. Parents can bring their child to the school or we can arrange transfers on arrival and departure as follows.

For stays of two weeks or longer, transfers from Bournemouth, Bristol, Exeter, Gatwick, Heathrow and Southampton are included in the course price when arranged in advance. Some waiting may be required while students are grouped together for their transfer. For other airports, see our transfer price list on the website.

For one week stays, individual transfers can be arranged. Please see our website for prices.

More info about Arrivals & Departures online.

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