

# ETHERTON EDUCATION

RESIDENTIAL ACADEMIC SUMMER COURSES FOR  
STUDENTS AGED 10-17

**ETHERTON EDUCATION - SUMMER 2022**

Preparing international students for studying in  
British boarding schools since 2002



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# WELCOME TO ETHERTON EDUCATION

The aim of our Etherton Education residential academic summer courses is to prepare students who are coming to study in British Boarding Schools. The courses are also suitable for students who just want a 'taste' of British education for the summer.

Our courses are academic, with English for Education as the main focus. In addition to the academic studies, we also focus on the personal development of students' 'soft skills' such as confidence, team work, leadership, communication, creativity and integration.

A residential summer course at Etherton Education is a memorable, intense experience that will never be forgotten.

## OUR FOUNDERS

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### Queen's College



**Pre-GCSE Course**  
Ages 13-15

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**Junior Academic Course**  
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2, 4, 6 & 8 Weeks

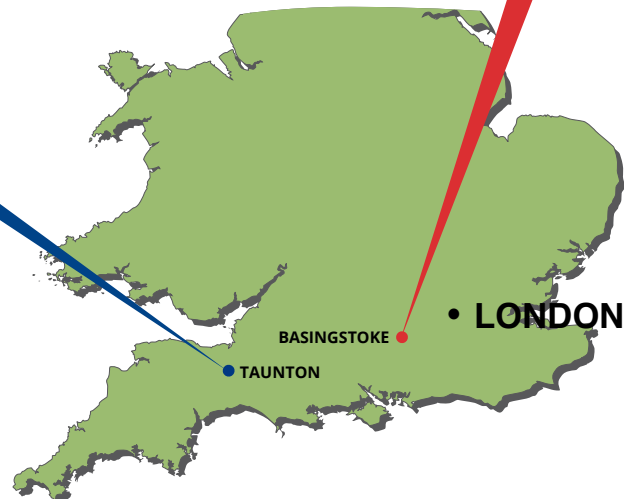
### Lord Wandsworth College



**Pre-A-Level / Pre-IB Course**  
Ages 15-17

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2, 4, 6 & 8 Weeks



# EVERY ETHERTON EDUCATION COURSE INCLUDES...



**English Language Teaching**



**Studying up to ten extra subjects**



**Practical science lessons**



**Friendly British Student Hosts**



**Exciting trips**



**Amazing social activities**



**Full sports programme**



**Good manners**



**Safe, secure schools**



**Happy students!**

## OUR HOST SCHOOLS

### Lord Wandsworth College

Our **Pre-A-Level / Pre-IB Courses** are held at **Lord Wandsworth College**. It is located in Hampshire, in the south of England. It is about 45 minutes from Heathrow Airport and one hour from London.

Lord Wandsworth College has a campus of 1200 acres. It sits in the middle of beautiful green countryside, in a very healthy and safe environment.

Students live in comfortable boarding houses. You can walk from the boarding houses to the classrooms in a few minutes. Boys and girls live in separate houses. Most of the rooms have two beds, and there are some big rooms with three or four beds. The houses have large lounges and shared bathroom facilities.

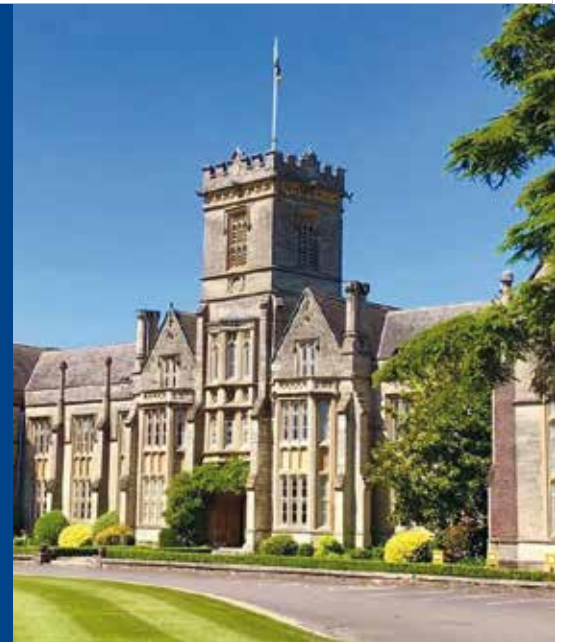


### Queen's College

Our **Junior Academic** and **Pre-GCSE Courses** are held at **Queen's College, Taunton**. It was founded in 1843 and was named for Queen Victoria.

The College is located in the countryside near to Taunton, in the south-west of England. It is about two hours to London by train. Although it is near to the town of Taunton, the College is surrounded by green playing fields.

Students live in comfortable boarding houses. You can walk from the boarding houses to the classrooms in a few minutes. Boys and girls live in separate houses. Most of the rooms have two beds, and there are some big rooms with three or four beds. The houses have large lounges and shared bathroom facilities.



In both of these schools, we have Etherton House Staff living in the houses to look after our students. On our courses the total staff-student ratio is about 1:3. We have very high levels of care and support for our students.



Lord Wandsworth College campus



Queen's College campus

# Pre-A-Level / Pre-IB Course at Lord Wandsworth College



Our **Pre-A-Level / Pre-IB Course** is designed for international students aged 15-17 years looking to start studying their A-Levels or the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme. The full eight week course is like an extra term of school and will give students a great start at their next school.

In addition to the academic study, students enjoy a full programme of extra-curricular activities to prepare them for the Sixth Form in a British Boarding School. This will include sports and team games, social activities, extension lectures and cultural visits.

In these courses, **English** and **Drama** are compulsory for all students. We use Drama as another way of teaching spoken English. English tuition is for ten hours a week. Students can choose three to five of these other core subjects:

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|-------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Maths</b>      | <b>Chemistry</b> | <b>Art and Design</b> | <b>Business Studies / Economics</b> |
| <b>Physics</b>    | <b>History</b>   | <b>ICT/Computing</b>  | <b>Biology</b>                      |
| <b>Psychology</b> | <b>Geography</b> |                       |                                     |

We also offer additional evening workshops in:

- Further Maths**      **Theory of Knowledge**

Recommended minimum English level: **B2 / IELTS 5.0**

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday		
8.00	Breakfast								
9.00	Business Studies / Economics	English	Physics	Drama	Physics	Full-day trip to Cambridge, including visit to the colleges of Cambridge University	10.30 – Brunch 11.30 to 3.00 – Shopping Trip 4.00 – 5.30 – Sunday Clubs and Life Skills		
10.30	Break								
11.00	English / Geography	English: Trip Preparation	Chemistry	English / Geography	Chemistry				
12.30	Lunch								
1.30	Drama	Maths	English	English	English / History / Psychology				
3.00	Break								
3.15	Biology / Art / ICT	English / History / Psychology	Business Studies / Economics	Biology / Art / ICT	Maths				
4.45	Break								
5.00	Sport Lessons								
6.00	Dinner								
7.00	Supervised Prep and Conversation Practice with British Student Hosts								
8.00	Social Activity: Speed Chatting	Lecture: How to get to a Top University	Optional: Further Maths Workshop	Optional: Theory of Knowledge workshop	Social Activity: Fashion Show	Social Activity: Movie Night	Optional: Social Activities / Sport		
9.30	Return to Boarding Houses								
10.30	Lights Out								

This is a sample timetable only. All students will have their own individual timetables based on their subject choices. Students have lessons in most core subjects for 3 hours a week, and so they will have lessons from about 25 to 28 hours a week. They will also have supervised private study times. This is a very full programme and we expect students to work hard and make good progress.

# Pre-GCSE Course at Queen's College



Working as a team



Trip to Glastonbury Tor



Art lesson

Our **Pre-GCSE Course** is designed for international students aged 13-15 years looking to study in Year 9 (Form 3) or Year 10 (Form 4). The full eight week course is like an extra term of school and will give students a great start at their next school.

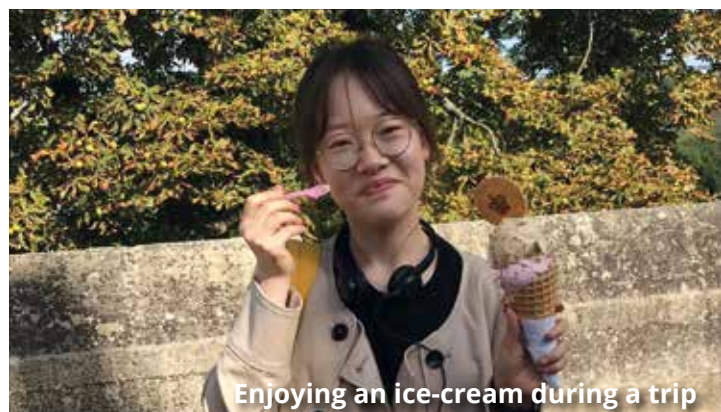
Students spend nine hours a week in **English** lessons and also study ten other subjects: **Drama, Maths, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, ICT / Computing, Art, History, Geography** and **Business Studies**.

Students follow a compulsory timetable including all the subjects. The total class time is approximately 30 hours per week.

Recommended minimum English Level: **B1 / IELTS 4.0**.

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
8.00	Breakfast							
9.00	English	Business Studies	Geography	Full-day trip to Longleat. Visit the safari park, tour the 400-year-old house, play on the tourist attractions	Art	History	Sunday Clubs: Choose One of a Variety of Clubs	
10.30	Break				English	Maths		
11.00	Physics	Chemistry	Maths		ICT / Computing	Drama		Local Trips for Shopping, Beach, or Sport, Free Time at School
12.30	Lunch				English	English		
1.30	Chemistry	Physics	English		Break			
3.00	Break				Sport			
3.15	Biology	English	Drama		Dinner			
5.00	Sport				Supervised Prep and Conversation Practice with British Student Hosts			Optional Social Activities: Movie Night, Board Games, Sport
6.00	Social Activity: Team Building Games							
7.00	Lecture: Life in Boarding Schools	Free Time for Prep, Sport or Games	Free Time for Prep, Sport or Games		Free Time for Prep, Sport or Games	Free Time for Prep, Sport or Games	Social Activity: Fashion Show	
8.00	Return to Boarding Houses							
9.30	Lights Out							
10.00								

The above is a sample timetable of one of the weeks available. Etherton Education reserve the right to make changes as required and adjustments may be made at short notice due to weather / travel / circumstances beyond our control.



Enjoying an ice-cream during a trip



Lunch at Queen's College

# Junior Academic Course at Queen's College



Climbing



Visit to a Science Museum



A trip to Longleat

Our **Junior Academic Course** is designed for international students aged 10-12 years looking to study in a British Boarding School, or who just want to have a great summer experience and try boarding life. Our students are keen to learn whilst also having fun.

The curriculum is designed with younger students in mind. Students study English, along with lessons in ten other academic subjects: **Drama, Maths, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, History, Geography, Art, ICT / Computing** and **Life Skills**. The total class time is approximately 25 hours per week.

Recommended minimum English level: **B1 / IELTS 4.0**.

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
8.00	Breakfast							
9.00	English	English	Geography	Full-day trip to Longleat. Visit the safari park, tour the 400-year-old house, play on the tourist attractions	Art	History	Sunday Clubs: Choose One of a Variety of Clubs	
10.30	Break				Break			
11.00	Physics	Biology	Maths		English	Maths		
12.30	Lunch				Lunch			
1.30	Chemistry	Half-day Trip to go Mountain Biking	English		ICT / Computing	Drama	Local Trips for Shopping, Beach, or Sport, Free Time at School	
3.00	Break		Break		Break			
3.15	Life Skills		Drama		English	English		
5.00	Sport for All				Sport for All			
6.00	Dinner							
7.00	Supervised Prep and Conversation Practice with British Student Hosts						Optional Social Activities: Movie Night, Board Games, Sport	
8.00	Social Activity: Team Building Games	Movie Night	Free Time for Prep, Sport or Games	Free Time for Prep, Sport or Games	Free Time for Prep, Sport or Games	Social Activity: Ten Pin Bowling		
9.00	Return to Boarding Houses							
9.30	Lights Out							

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Teamwork during a Social Event



Queen's College

## Student Hosts



Our Student Host team

After students finish their lessons every day, they will be able to practise speaking English with lots of British Student Hosts. They work every day after classes, and all day when there are no classes. Students can spend over 50 hours a week chatting in English if they want to do so.

Our Student Hosts are kind and friendly. Student Hosts help to explain British culture and are usually very good students at top universities themselves. Every day they will play sport, have dinner, help with homework in the evenings, arrange many of our social activities and clubs, and also go on all the trips.



## Social Events



Superhero Fashion Show

We have unique activities designed by Etherton Education which are carried out by the Student Hosts so our students can relax and enjoy themselves after a full day of studying. We have two big social evenings a week with varying activities from a Fashion Show, a Business Game, Speed Chatting and many more.

These evenings bring out students' creativity and give them a chance to develop their team spirit. The social aspects of the summer are a really important time to boost English speaking skills.



## Sports



Learning to play croquet

Sport is a very important part of the Etherton Education summer courses. The aim is to encourage and inspire students to take up sports in their future schools. Sport is a fantastic way for international students to make friends and integrate in their new environment. We give them the chance to learn some basic rules and sport specific vocabulary to get them started.

With the excellent facilities that our schools have, students have the chance to participate in many different sports including – **football, netball, rugby, hockey, basketball, tennis** and **cricket**.



Drama has a special place on Etherton Education Summer Courses. Most students take part in Drama classes to help improve their confidence in speaking in English. We believe Drama is an ideal way of helping to practise speaking in English in a non-classroom environment. Participating in the Drama Show increases confidence and strength in performing in front of all their friends and teachers. Being involved in something like this is an enormous achievement for our students, pushing them outside their 'comfort zones' and showing them what they are truly capable of!



## Trips Included on Each Course

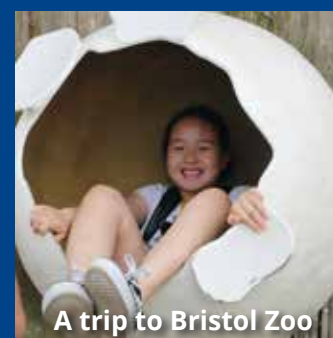
### Pre-A-Level / Pre-IB Trips:

There is one full-day trip every week, on a Saturday. The trips are different each week. All of the trips have an educational side to them so our students can experience British culture whilst also exploring the UK. The trips may include **Portsmouth, Cambridge, London, Winchester, Bath, Oxford** and **Windsor**. The students also have the opportunity for small local shopping trips on a Sunday.



### Pre-GCSE and Junior Academic Trips:

There is one full-day trip every week, on a Thursday. The trips are different each week and are chosen for our students to learn more about the culture of Britain. The trips may include: **Oxford, Longleat, Bath, Bristol, Dartmoor** and **Cardiff**. The Junior Academic Course also has an additional half day trip on a Tuesday. These half day trips may include: mountain biking, exploring beaches and learning to climb.



*The trips advised above run throughout the courses so the trips students actually take will depend on the weeks they attend. The trips advised above are correct at the time of brochure print. Etherton Education reserve the right to make changes as required and adjustments may be made at short notice due to weather / travel / circumstances beyond our control.*



# Frequently Asked Questions

## We are delighted that you are interested in a Summer Course with us in 2022.

Etherton Education is a family-run company, with a strong reputation for caring for and educating international students. We will do everything possible to make sure that children under our care are safe and have a great summer course. Here are some Questions and Answers to help you.

### Should I apply for a place now?

Yes, if you are interested, please send us an application so we can reserve you a place.

### When will I have to pay?

We will review the date for the deposit payment on **01 March 2022**. We will then send you an invoice, or we will advise when the next payment review date will be.

### When should students arrive and depart?

Our first arrival day every summer is a MONDAY. After that, our Arrival/Departure days are on certain SUNDAYS for the rest of the summer. The start and end dates of your course are on the Application Form and will also be on the invoice for the course fee.

### How do students get to the schools for their course?

We offer free airport transfers for London Heathrow and Gatwick airports on the first day of our published course dates subject to terms and conditions and also to Government and World Health Organisation rules. A Travel Information Sheet will be available closer to the start of the courses. For other days and times or other arrival/departure destinations, we can arrange transport for you at extra cost. Please contact our Travel Co-ordinator on +44(0)1823672388 or at info@ethertoneducation.com for further information.

### Where do students live?

Students live in single-sex boarding houses on the school campuses. House staff live in the boarding houses and look after students. The boarding houses have comfortable lounges with Wi-Fi, television and games. A basic laundry service for clothes is provided once per week.

### How old are the students and what level of English is necessary?

Location	Course	Min/Max Ages	Recommended Minimum English Level
Lord Wandsworth College	Pre A-Level / Pre I.B.	15 - 17	B2/IELTS 5.0
Queen's College	Pre GCSE	13 - 15	B1/IELTS 4.0
Queen's College	Junior	10 - 12	B1/IELTS 4.0

We ask all students to complete an online test to help us form classes with students of similar ability. Please note that our courses are not suitable for complete beginners.

### How many students are there in a class and what is the Staff-Student ratio?

Our maximum class size is 16, but the average recently has been 12-13 students. There are plenty of staff to look after students and the ratio is around one member of staff to three students.

### Are students supervised all the time?

Students are supervised almost all of the time but have some freedom to move around when they are in the campuses of our host schools. On trips, students 15 and over may have periods of up to two hours' shopping time in groups of three. Students 14 and under are always supervised on trips.

### Where do students eat?

Students eat all of their meals in the school dining rooms. Students are provided with three meals per day at Queen's College. At Lord Wandsworth College there are also three meals per day except on Sundays when students are able to get up later for a mid-morning brunch, and then evening dinner. Food is of good quality with a choice of different healthy main dishes and a salad bar. For day trips, students are provided with a packed lunch. Etherton Education runs a snack shop at both schools selling soft drinks and snacks. Our host schools will provide food for most specialist requirements. Please check with us when you apply.

### What is the Sports Programme?

We have a sports lesson every teaching day to introduce British sports. Students can also play sports in the evenings and other days. Our schools both have grass playing fields, Astro pitches, tennis courts, sports halls and heated swimming pools.

### What is the Leisure Programme?

Twice per week there are exciting social activities for all students. These may include such things as the Business Game, the Fashion Show, a Murder Mystery, the Drama Show, and a formal Dinner and Dance. These activities will help students practise their English and develop their confidence. On Sundays, students choose a club to join which may include such activities as Team Building Games, Dog Walking, Art, Crafts, Singing, Cooking, Zumba, Boxercise and more. There are also social activities on some evenings in the boarding houses.

### What clothes should I bring?

No uniform is needed for the summer course. Students will need casual clothes for everyday use and plenty of sports clothes. There will be formal events so all students should bring formal wear, such as a suit or an evening dress. Bed linen and duvets are provided but students must bring their own towels.

# Frequently Asked Questions

## What is included in the fees?

We try to make sure that almost everything is included in the course fees, other than visa costs, air tickets and pocket money. Here is a summary:

- Accommodation in a residential boarding house, all meals and weekly laundry.
- All teaching, text books, basic stationery items, and sports coaching.
- Social activities, Sunday Clubs, all trips including transport and entrance fees.
- Arrival and departure transfers to and from London Heathrow and Gatwick airports on the first and last days of our published course dates. There are restrictions to this service so please refer to our Travel Information sheet before you book travel.
- A Certificate and Report at the end of the course. For students attending 4, 6 or 8-week courses, they will receive a detailed report on their work in each subject. For 2-week taster courses, a short-form report is provided.
- A basic insurance policy. Please see our website for details.

## What happens at the end of the course?

Students must leave our schools by 11.00am on the last day of their course. Travel arrangements are the responsibility of parents or guardians. Our Travel Co-ordinator must have these details in advance. Our Travel Information sheet provides details of the free transfer service we provide to London Heathrow and Gatwick airports. For other destinations and times, we are able to arrange transport at additional cost.

## Where can I find out more about the content of the course?

Please see our website [www.ethertoneducation.com](http://www.ethertoneducation.com) for further details.

## What happens if students are sick?

Many of our staff have First Aid qualifications. If students have minor problems, our staff will look after them. If we have any concerns, we will take them to a nearby medical centre, or to hospital. We strongly advise all students to have comprehensive private insurance including medical cover.

## What effect may Covid-19 have upon the course?

At present, we hope that we will be able to run our summer courses in 2022, but we cannot be certain, and therefore we need to consider possible changes.

The safety of your child is the most important thing for us and we will follow the UK Government and World Health Organisation updates and guidelines. Currently, the situation and the guidelines change regularly so it is not possible to outline exactly what we may or may not have to do in the event of a continuation of the pandemic. We have outlined some of the changes we may make:

- We will review the date for the deposit payment on 01 March 2022 and may delay this and the final balance payment.
- We may require students to have a negative Covid-19 test result before arrival.
- We may have to change the operation of our courses to follow Government and World Health Organisation guidelines. This may include reducing the number of students in a boarding room. We may need to change the boarding accommodation or even the school.
- We may have to reduce the class sizes and some interactive lessons may not be possible.
- We may have to change or cancel our normal trips in the event of Government "lockdown" or travel restrictions.
- We may not be able to provide a full range of sports or social activities but will try to choose other sports and activities to help students stay healthy, to challenge them, and to learn essential skills.

## What happens if Etherton Education cancels the course?

If we have to cancel your summer courses, you can choose from these three options:

1. Transfer any fees paid to a summer course in 2023.
2. Transfer any fees paid to an Etherton Online course in 2022/2023.
3. Receive a full (100%) refund of any fees that have been paid. We will need your bank details for this. We aim to make the payment within 10 working days.

## What happens if my country border is closed or the UK border is closed?

If either your home country is closed, or the UK border is closed to entry from your country, when you need to travel for your course, we will offer the three options listed in the previous answer.

## A final note

We have prepared this information carefully and in good faith. We are always trying to make our courses better. We may need to make changes to our courses at any time due to things such as Coronavirus, bad weather, travel or security problems. The information in this brochure does not form a contract between Etherton Education Ltd and students, parents, guardians or agents.

# ETHERTON EDUCATION RESIDENTIAL ACADEMIC SUMMER COURSES





A Chemistry Lesson

Etherton Education deliver high quality academic summer courses for international students aged 10-17 years.

We focus on intensive English, academic preparation and very high levels of student care. All our courses are based in safe, modern boarding schools.



LOCATION	COURSE	AGES	DURATION	DATES	RECOMMENDED MINIMUM ENGLISH LEVEL
 <b>Lord Wandsworth College, Hampshire</b>	Pre-A-Level / Pre-IB Course	15-17	2, 4, 6 or 8 weeks	11 July – 04 Sep 2022	B2/IELTS 5.0
 <b>Queen's College, Somerset</b>	Pre-GCSE Course Junior Academic Course	13-15 10-12	2, 4, 6 or 8 weeks 2, 4, 6 or 8 weeks	11 July – 04 Sep 2022	B1/IELTS 4.0

**Ready to book your place with us? Or have any questions?**

Contact our admissions team today on the details below. We would be delighted to hear from you. We can explain our application process or answer any queries you have, on the phone or via email.

**We hope to see you in 2022!**

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