**NEW SUMMER PROGRAMME JUNIOR** SUMMER SCHOOL BATH • 2024 BATH ACADEMY

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# WELCOME TO **BATH ACADEMY**

Bath Academy's Junior Summer School is the perfect environment for teenagers to develop their English and make new friends in a caring, supportive, and fun atmosphere. Our creative and interactive lessons motivate students to engage with topics and provide meaningful skills practice while enhancing their vocabulary and grammar.

Students are more ambitious than ever, so we've created a new summer programme to run alongside our regular activity based summer school, with options to progress in academic development if they choose.

We are very happy that for 2024 we are giving students freedom of choice with learning specialist skills, but also providing balance with fun activities outside the classroom in our beautiful city of Bath.

We look forward to seeing you this summer!

**James Knott** Vice Principal

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## **KEY INFORMATION**

## WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Full board residential or homestay accommodation.
- Full programme of excursions, activities and evening entertainment.



#### **COURSE DATES & LENGTH:**

7th July - 4th August 1 - 4 weeks



## **ARRIVAL / DEPARTURE DAY:**

Sunday



## **ACCOMMODATION:**

Homestay & Residential options



## **AGES**:

12 - 16 (17 year olds are accepted and may join the adult classes combined with the junior social programme)



## **OPTIONS:**

**Academic Specialist Skills** 



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# **COURSE OVERVIEW**

**JUNIOR SUMMER SCHOOL ACTIVE PROGRAMME** 

#### **Course Details**

#### **General English Lessons:**

- 15 hours/week of themed language skills, tasks, and vocabulary
- Placement Testing & Welcome Pack
- · Interactive classes based on current, trending topics
- Improve grammar skills, one-to-one listening and speaking skills, and writing assessments
- Certificate & personalised report at end of course

#### **Activities & Excursions:**

- One full-day and one half-day excursion each week
- Action-packed afternoon sports and activities programme each day
- Two evening activities per week
- Optional Sunday excursion



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## **Skills for Academic Development:**

- · A course designed for the ambitious student who wants to learn valuable life skills and increase confidence in communication skills
- Learn about presentations, critical thinking, digital communication and public speaking

#### **Other Details:**

- 1, 2, or 3 week programme
- Academic Skills each afternoon (apart from Wednesday)
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# **ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT SKILLS**

For students with a higher level of English who want to learn valuable communication and life skills to help build their confidence and overall personal development. This programme will help ambitious students get a head start on their academic journey and prepare them for study or work in an international world.

#### **TOPICS COVERED INCLUDE:**

- · Presentation Skills help with planning presentations with a focus on speech & body language
- · Smart Writing better planning + structure; editing skills; different styles of writing (song lyrics/poetry/journalism); improve your grades for written work
- · Critical thinking a focus on problem solving and decision making language with listening, writing & speaking techniques
- Digital Communications explore the digital communication skills needed in the 21st century, social media platforms, and how to communicate confidently, clearly and successfully online
- Debating/Public Speaking help build confidence with developing arguments and speaking in public

## WHAT THE ACADEMIC PROGRAMME CAN ACHIEVE?

- Gain valuable life skills & further self-development both inside and outside the classroom
- Prepare for examinations (Cambridge FCE/CAE)
- Build confidence with speaking and writing academic **English**
- Feel more prepared for university
- Help with career planning & preparation

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# **WEEKLY PROGRAMME** WEEK 1 SAMPLE





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# WHY **BATH ACADEMY?**

We welcome students from all over the world to join our diverse and global college. The smaller campus atmosphere gives a feeling of unity across all our nationalities, the sense of a family community, a home away from home.

INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY - The best part of being an international student at Bath Academy is the opportunity to study alongside students from all over the world and experience all aspects of British life. We get a great nationality mix on our summer school programmes with many making friendships that continue beyond the summer.

WE HAVE THE ACADEMIC ADVANTAGE - International students get to experience first-hand what learning at an academic college is like which is a great foundation for further learning. Our Academic Development Option gives ambitious students a chance to shine.

FUN & FRIENDLY CULTURE - Learning English in the UK can be daunting, but also very exciting! Making new friends, experiencing a new culture and new places is all a part of the international student experience. Our friendly team of staff will help you every step of the way.

**ENGAGING ACTIVITIES PROGRAMME** - We offer an entertaining and inspiring activities programme for all our students that takes full advantage of the many attractions of Bath and surrounding areas.

CENTRE OF THE CITY - We have two locations in the centre on the main city square, including a student cafe and rear garden, with historical attractions on our doorstep. Surrounded by so much countryside, we are able to offer our students a variety of excursions around the beautiful southwest of England.



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## **EXCURSIONS**

## **EXPLORE SOUTHWEST** ENGLAND

We are located in one of the most beautiful parts of England, surrounded by gorgeous green countryside and historical wonders.

As an exquisite Georgian city, Bath has the best of old and new. Students can step back in time visiting the Jane Austen Museum just next to the college, shop in our modern Southgate centre, or relax in the gardens in front of the Royal Crescent.

- · Roman Baths
- Bristol Interactive Science Centre
- Graffiti Workshops in Bristol home of Banksy
- Visit historical village of Lacock where Harry Potter was filmed
- Mill on the Brue Activity Centre
- Stratford-upon-Avon Shakespeare's birthplace
- Trips to London, Stonehenge, Oxford, Salisbury









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### **Favourite Student Activities include:**

- · Cycling on the canal path
- Meeting Georgian royalty
- The Fashion Museum
- Bath Ghost Walk
- Historical Treasure Hunt
- Mini-golf
- Rollerskating
- University Challenge
- Trampolining
- · Paddle Boarding



## ACTIVITIES

Students can enjoy a great range of attractions within walking distance from our centrally located college in Bath.

They can visit the ancient Roman Baths, climb the tower at Bath Abbey, boat on the river, visit the Jane Austen museum, Bridgerton film tours, enjoy a British cream tea at the oldest teahouse in Bath, and step into the dark world of Frankenstein House!



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## STUDENT

## WELFARE

Students' welfare, safety and well-being is our top priority during their stay with us. To ensure students feel safe and secure, we provide the following:

- · Extremely safe campus with security at all times
- Excellent student to staff ratio (average)
- · All staff are first-aid trained, DBSchecked and trained in welfare and safeguarding issues
- · Regular meetings with group leaders to ensure safety of students
- · Wristband with emergency phone numbers
- · A student guide, map, bus timetable, information on what to see and do in Bath

# TRAVEL & TRANSPORT INFORMATION

We know travel is a concern, especially with younger teens, so we provide all students with helpful pre-arrival information to make their journey as easy as possible.

Once in Bath, students are given all the information they need to get safely around the city. Bath is small and easily walkable with frequent city buses and trains to other cities such as Bristol and Oxford



Gatwick 2.5 hrs Heathrow 2 hrs Bristol 45mins



Train to London



1 hour 20

Coach to London e 3 hrs

## **BOOK WITH CONFIDENCE** GUARANTEE

Students can book courses at the main school, the Junior Summer Programme, or online with a 100% guarantee of a full refund for cancellations made up to 8 days before the course start date. Alternatively, students have the choice of deferring their place for up to 12 months with no penalty fees.

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## **ACCOMMODATION**

We know that finding somewhere you can call home is important, and the Bath Academy Team is happy to provide advice and guidance on the options available to our students.

## **STUDENT RESIDENTIAL HOUSE (AGES 12-17)**

Our residential accommodation consists of a charming, Georgian residential house set in the heart of the city. At Oxford house we offer safe, full board, residential accommodation for Junior Summer School students.

## **Student Residential Accommodation Details:**

- Full-board accommodation with resident members of staff and experienced, in-house chef
- 10-minute walk to the college
- Room cleaned once a week
- Bed linen and towel change once a week
- Laundry arrangement once a week
- Wi-Fi connection provided



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## ACCOMMODATION

#### **HOMESTAY ACCOMMODATION (AGES 12-17)**

Bath Academy arranges accommodation in Bath with caring and responsible homestay providers. Living in homestay accommodation, students are able to learn more about British customs and traditions and gain additional conversational practice. All homestays are visited personally and interviewed in order to ensure they satisfy our criteria.

### **Homestay Accommodation Details**

- · Single room or shared rooms with an adequately sized bed (bunk beds may be used by students under 16 years old)
- Full board (breakfast, packed lunch & dinner with lunches provided by Bath Academy)
- Located within the city of Bath (can be reached by walking or 20 minutes by public transport)
- Daily access to a bathroom with a bath or shower
- Room cleaned once a week
- Bed linen and towel changed once a week
- Wi-Fi connection provided
- English is spoken as the main language in the family home

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# HOW TO FIND US

Bath Academy is located in the historical centre of the small, but lively city of Bath, in the South West of England.

Shops, museums, two universities, parks and all the Roman and Georgian sites are located within walking distance of the College.

The city also has excellent bus and railway links with the larger city of Bristol, which is only 11 minutes away by train.



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