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The Cambridge Academy of English was founded in 1975 and, since its opening, many thousands of people of all ages and from more than 75 different countries have studied with us.

At CAE, and on our courses, you will find a friendly, caring and hard-working environment ideal for serious language learning, but which also allows time and space for fun, friendship, games and laughter and personal development.

For us, each CAE student is special and different, with particular needs and objectives. We are small enough for every student to be important as an individual, but also big enough to provide a range of courses and levels for children and teenagers.

If you need further information, please contact us at CAE or contact a CAE representative in your country, who will be able to give you information particularly suited to your country and personal circumstances, normally including travel arrangements.

We look forward to welcoming you to the CAE family: an international community, with friends and alumni all over the world!

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Cambridge Academy of English established its distinct brand of programmes for individual young learners in 1991, and since then it has played host to many thousands of young people from some 65 countries.

We are delighted to present the three established summer courses running for individual young learners each year. Each of these three courses has its own character and characteristics, and each is tailored to children or teenagers of a particular age-range. There are however also certain important features shared by all our residential courses:

- No large groups from any one country
- Never more than 12 students per class
- Courses are quite intensive: 15-20 hours (full 60 minutes) of teaching per week but teaching of a stimulating and dynamic kind that is likely to be quite different from anything our young clients will have experienced at
- Young learners at all our centres start their courses together. Youngsters will not arrive to find that they are newcomers amongst other students who all got to know each other the previous week
- A choice of several sport and non-sport activities in the afternoons
- Excursions are to places that are both educational and great fun
- Course fees are fully inclusive: no voluntary extras or add-ons

In 2023, CAE is pleased to continue our planned expanded provision for summer groups at Riddlesworth Hall: a multinational summer centre especially for groups. The key points are as below:

- Multi-national summer centre: for groups aged 8 12, and 13 17 years old
- Group leaders join the CAE team, and are accommodated on site

For further information of 2023 summer group options at CAE Riddlesworth Hall, please contact cae@cambridgeacademy.co.uk

Our aim is simple - to send all our students back to their own countries speaking and understanding more English than when they arrived. And we believe this only happens if they are kept both busy and entertained in a friendly, English speaking environment that is not too large and where every child has the opportunity and a reason to speak English.

We invite you to have a closer look at the different courses that are described individually in this brochure. We have tried to include as much detail as we can – but if you have further questions about any aspect of the course, please contact us or your local CAE representative.

Come and join us this summer! We look forward to meeting you.

The ages given in our promotional material and on the CAE website are the recommended age ranges for our summer courses. Under special circumstances, e.g. siblings enrolling on the same course, CAE reserves the right to accept individual children outside of the published age range on these selected courses and will ensure appropriate provision and risk assessments are in place.

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- Maximum class size 12
- All costs included in the price (incl. airport transfers & insurance)
- 24-hour supervision
- 15 full hours of lessons per week
- Staff/student ratio 1:6
- Regular excursions
- Full programme of afternoon and evening activities
- Secure location
- Accommodation in shared dormitories (2-5 children)

What is MH @ Bedford School?

Bedford School is a private boarding school which in summer becomes the centre for CAE's junior residential course. It is located to the north of Bedford town centre in a leafy, quiet, residential area. The small market town is located 30 miles west of Cambridge and 60 miles north of London.

The CAE Moreton Hall course was the original residential course for children, running every summer from 1994 to 2019 when the Moreton Hall Prep School permanently closed. The same course is now MH @ Bedford School where children will benefit from the excellent facilities, accommodation and classrooms. The course name honours the history of the children's course: MH (Moreton Hall) will always remain a very special part of the CAE story: past, present and future. We look forward to welcoming you to MH @ Bedford School.

Where will I live?

This is a residential summer school which means that you will sleep in dormitories with between 1 and 4 other children from other nationalities.

Where will the other children be from?

You will meet children from all over the world – all learning English like you. In the past, children have come from many different countries including Turkey, France, China, Italy, Spain and Switzerland.

What are lessons like?

Your lessons will probably be quite different to the English lessons you have in your country. Your class group will work on a course project. You will develop your vocabulary, grammar and pronunciation as you write newspapers, produce a tourist guide or make a film. You will learn the English you need by doing the things you like to do. You will prepare a CAE portfolio as a record of what you have learnt and all the unusual and exciting activites you have tried.

Sports and activities?

Bedford school has opportunities for some great sports: an indoor swimming pool; 'all-weather' tennis courts and a large sports hall for playing basketball, volleyball, badminton and other indoor sports. There are hectares of fields for football, baseball, cricket and rugby.

... then there are the other activities

- art, dance, juggling, T-shirt painting, face-painting, craft work, acting and music \dots

... and then in the evening

- ten-pin bowling, theme parties, treasure hunts, quiz nights, karaoke and film evenings!

What about excursions?

Regular excursions and study visits are a very important part of your week. You will visit London and Cambridge as well as the local town of Bedford. When you are out and about you will get a chance to put your new English skills into practice! Good luck!

What about the food?

All your meals will be in the school along with your friends and teachers. If you go out on a full-day excursion, we give you a packed lunch.

What will my teachers be like?

They will all be energetic, qualified and experienced in looking after children of your age. They will not only teach you English, but also sports and other activities.

How much money will I need?

You only need to bring enough money for sweets, souvenirs and presents. Everything else has already been paid for. We will keep your money safe until you need it.

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Information especially for parents

No doubt you will have a lot of guestions about this course too – particularly about the safety and welfare of your children. Here are some of the most common questions we receive:

What happens at the airport?

All children are met at the airport by CAE representatives carrying boards to identify themselves. They will wait at the airport until either they have met your child, or they receive confirmation from you or your agent that your child will not be arriving. Children are then taken direct to Bedford School. At the end of the course, children are taken back to the airport, and CAE staff do not leave the airport until the plane has departed. The inclusive airport transfers service is available to/from London Stansted and London Luton airports, Heathrow and Gatwick, and for flights arriving between 0900 and 1900 on the Sunday before the course begins, and for flights departing between 0900 and 1900 on the Saturday after the course ends. If, however, you wish to arrive or depart at a different time or at a different airport, please allow for an extra charge for your transfer. Our staff will contact you to confirm your child's safe arrival at Bedford School.

How safe is the centre?

The school itself is set in spacious grounds to the north of Bedford town centre. It is a quiet residential area with a secure site. Children are supervised 24 hours a day (our staff are on site throughout the night) and they are not allowed out of the school grounds unaccompanied. School excursions are also closely supervised.

How large are the English classes?

Classes never contain more than 12 children. Children learn most outside of the classroom and our staff/student radio of 1:6 ensures individual attention at all times of the day.

What is the nationality mix?

We do not allow more than a certain number of children of the same mother-tongue. Above all, we do not accept large groups of children from one country. Your child will be in classes with children from other countries, share dormitories with children from other countries and enjoy activities with children from other countries. We encourage them all to use English at all times.

What happens in the case of illness?

We have staff with first aid training available at all times to deal with emergencies. All but the most minor problems are referred to the local doctor. In more serious cases arrangements are made to fly the child home (and your included insurance policy covers relevant expenses incurred).

What if my child is homesick?

This is quite normal for the first day or so, especially if your child has never been away from home before. Our staff are experienced in dealing with this problem. A full and varied schedule almost always means that homesickness is quickly forgotten.

And laundry?

Children's clothes and towels are cleaned regularly.

MH @ Bedford School - A Typical Day

07.30 "Good morning! Time to wake up."

08.00 Breakfast

08.30 Meetings and morning assembly

09.00 English lessons: new language game

10.00 Break "Snacktime

10.15 Lessons: listening and speaking activity

11.15 Break: "Snacktime"

11.30 Lessons: London preparation: read and write

12.30 Lunch "Yummy! that looks delicious."

Afternoon

13.30 Afternoon assembly

13.45 You choose: swimming, tennis, juggling, let's sing

15.15 Break "Tea and cakes

15.45 Weekly Activity class: your choice of magazine, crafting British sports, photography

1715 Break

18.00 Portfolios. Homework. Computer time.

Evenina

18.30 Dinner and free time

19.30 Pirate Party Treasure Adventure 21.00 Bedtime "Goodnight. Sleep tight"

Exact timings are subject to change Full timetables are available on request

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- Maximum class size 12
- All costs included in the price (incl. airport transfers & insurance)
- Secure environment with 24-hour supervision
- 15 full hours of lessons per week
- Staff student ratios of 1:6
- Excellent nationality mix, no large groups from one country
- Private tennis courts, indoor swimming pool, sports hall and football pitches
- Accommodation in single rooms and shared dormitories (2-5 children)

OBH @ Bedford School

This course is designed for young people aged 12-15. Bedford School is a private English boarding school in the market town of Bedford, not far from Cambridge and within easy reach of the main airports.

The CAE team takes over at Bedford School in the summer as a residential summer camp for children from other countries. We have sole use of the beautiful building, with spacious classrooms, a library, IT centre and safe, comfortable accommodation in the school boarding houses. We also have access to the sporting facilities and school grounds.



Getting you there safely

CAE representatives will meet you and take you directly to Bedford School. We will be wearing brightly coloured CAE identification and carrying CAE welcome boards. At the end of the course, you will be taken back to the airport. CAE representatives will remain at the airport until the plane has departed. Our inclusive airport transfers service is available to/from London Stansted and London Luton airports, Heathrow and Gatwick, and for flights arriving between 0900 and 1900 on the Sunday before the course begins, and for flights departing between 0900 and 1900 on the Saturday after the course ends. If you wish to arrive or depart at a different time or at a different airport, please allow for an extra charge for your transfer

Your summer course

We run 2-week courses at Bedford School, but you can come for all 4 weeks if you want to. You might find that the classes are very different from your English classes at home. There will never be more than 11 other students in your class and on this course you can be sure you will meet lots of people from other countries. So far, students from more than 75 different countries have studied at CAE! All this means you will have the maximum opportunity to practise your English with all your classmates ... and we can teach any level from elementary to advanced (but not absolute beginners).

Your classes

In your classes you will spend a lot of time speaking and listening - though you'll get the chance to do reading and writing as well. We know that people learn language best when they are doing interesting things, so our team of qualified and energetic teachers will help you to choose the activities which you enjoy most. You'll be busy from morning to night, with lots of opportunities to use your English in real situations. It's amazing how quickly you'll learn to communicate better in English.

During the course you'll complete your own CAE portfolio - a wonderful record of lessons, activities, trips and new friendships made. We hope you will show it off to family and friends and be proud of your English achievements.

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Your accommodation

Bedford School is a residential summer school with several boarding houses close to the main school building. Each boarding house has its own great facilities: common areas, games rooms, mini kitchens and music equipment. You will sleep in single rooms, or in shared dormitories with up to four other young teens. All your meals are served in the school dining room along with your friends and teachers. On excursion days, we will give vou a packed lunch.

Activities at OBH @ Bedford School

Bedford School has great activity and sporting facilities. If you prefer to learn English by doing things rather than just studying, then we think this is the course for you. Each week, you get the chance to specialise in a chosen sport or activity, and to try lots of others too.

- Your afternoon is divided into two halves. In the first half you can try something you have never done before – perhaps film-making or squash- while in the second you can move on to your favourite activity for the whole week- such as baseball or model making. It would be impossible to list all the things you'll be able to do here, because there are always new ideas! - but you will always find football, tennis, baseball, volleyball, swimming, basketball, badminton, as well as art, craft, drama, music and dance.
- In the evening we have films, theme parties, discos, quiz nights and talent competitions - you'll be kept so busy that you won't even notice that you're doing all these things in English and enjoying it too.
- On every course there are excursions during the week. Your closely supervised excursions may be to Cambridge or London, where you'll be able to see the famous sights and do some souvenir shopping.

Welfare

On every CAE course you will find a friendly, hard-working and, above all, safe environment.

Children are supervised 24 hours a day and are not allowed out of the school grounds unaccompanied, or without permission.

Homesickness at the start of the course is quite normal but our staff are experienced in dealing with this problem. A full and varied schedule mean that homesickness is soon forgotten.

We have staff with First Aid training available at all times to deal with emergencies. All but the most minor problems are referred to the local doctor. In more serious cases, arrangements are made to fly your child home (and your included insurance policy covers relevant travel expenses incurred)

What is included?

Only bring your pocket money, pens and pencils! Everything else – airport transfers, your accommodation, your course, your meals, excursions, sports, admissions and travel insurance - is included in the fee.

How do I enrol?

Just fill in the Young Learner Enrolment Form and send it to CAE. We will confirm your booking and send you all the information you need. We'll start getting things ready for your course at Bedford School You'll never forget your time there - or the new friends you make from all over the world.

OBH @ Bedford School - A Typical Day

07.30 Get up "Good morning! Enjoy your day!"

08.00 Breakfast

08.45 Morning meeting

09.00 English classes: language and vocabulary

10.00 Break

10.15 English classes: reading and writing skills

11 15 Break

11.30 English classes: London visit preparation

12.30 Lunch and free time

Afternoon

13.30 Afternoon meeting

13.45 Daily Activities: sport and creative arts

15.15 Afternoon tea

15.45 Weekly Activitles: specialise and progress

17.15 Free time

18.00 Portfolios. homework. student committee.

Evening

18.30 Dinner

19.30 Mini Olympics: Go for Gold!

House meetings: relax, unwind, read and breathe

22.00 Bedtime "Goodnight! Sleep well"

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- 24-hour supervision
- 20 full hours of lessons per week
- Regular excursions
- Wide choice of afternoon and evening activities
- Secure school site and great location within easy distance of local town centre
- Accommodation in singles, twins and shared dormitories (2-5 teenagers)

Bedford School

Would you like to have lots of fun learning English this summer? Would you like to spend your time studying with teenagers of your age from all over the world – making new friends, doing sports and activities, and doing all these things in English? If you would, then Bedford School is the right place for you!

It is a private boarding school, which in summer becomes the centre for the CAE young learner residential courses. The school is a beautiful and safe building, and is surrounded by its own large picturesque park and gardens. There are great learning and sports facilities, including a library, computer rooms, swimming pool, gym and sports hall ... and this fine building has been recently modernised and refurbished to provide accommodation of a high standard. Bedford School is in a leafy residential location, just to the north of the historic town centre. It is 30 miles west of Cambridge and 60 miles north of London and in easy reach of London airports and our most popular excursion destinations.

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Activities, sports and excursions

Bedford School offers you some great activities and sport. There's an indoor swimming pool, 'all-weather' tennis courts and a large sports hall for playing basketball, volleyball, badminton and other indoor sports. On the 50 acre site there are facilities for football, cricket, rugby and many other outdoor activities. Favourite afternoon activities include art, craft, drama, model-making and music.

What about the evenings? We've got some great things for you to do then, too. Films, theme parties, discos, games, quiz nights and talent competitions - don't worry, our residential activities team will keep you entertained and you probably won't even notice that you're doing all these things in English!

On every course there are excursions during the week. Your closely supervised excursions may be to London, where you'll be able to see the famous sights and do some shopping. There are also excursions to attractions near the school, such as the city of Cambridge or Stratford upon Avon.

Your accommodation

Bedford School is a residential summer school, which means that you'll sleep in single, twins or shared dormitories with up to 4 other teenagers. All your meals will be in the school along with your friends and teachers, unless you go out on a full-day excursion, when we will give you a packed lunch. There are great spaces in the boarding houses where you can relax, complete team project work, socialise, read or share your favourite music.

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Bedford School - A Typical Day

Morning

07.30 Get up "Good morning! What a beautiful day!"

08.00 Breakfast

08.45 Morning meeting

09.00 Wake up activities: nature walk, swim, workout, music and more

09.45 Break

10.00 English classes: language and vocabulary

11.10 Break

11.25 English classes: develop your skills: reading and writing

12.30 Lunch and free time

Afternoon

13.30 English classes: excursion work: prepare to visit Cambridge or London

14.15 Break

14.30 Electives: your weekly choice of special classes

15.30 Afternoon tea

16.00 Activity classes: sport, art, music and more ...

Free time 17.30

18.00 Portfolios. student committee. computer time.

Evening

18.30 Dinner

19.30 Talent show – your chance to shine!

22.00 House meeting: time to relax with your friends

22.30 Bedtime "Goodnight! Sweet dreams

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