# SHERBORNE

LANGUAGE & TENNIS

# CENTRE GUIDE

Sherborne Language School, Sherborne, Dorset, UK

# SUMMARY:

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#### Why Sherborne?

- A Safe and picturesque setting in the Southwest of the UK
- Held at a prestigious UK boarding school with excellent facilities and campus setting

• Premium English Teaching, Professional Tennis Coaching

#### Local attractions:

- Sherborne Abbey & Sherborne Castle
- Jurassic Coast (45mins)
- Bath (1hr10), Stonehenge & Salisbury (1hr)

• Age range: 9-17

**KEY FACTS** 

- Centre Capacity: 120
- Nearest station: Sherborne
- Nearest town/city: Sherborne
- Time to the town and method: 5 minute walk to the centre of town
- Main nationalities: Italy, Spain, Malta, Turkey, Germany
- Time to central London: 2hr 10 by train
- Transport: mainline train station; excellent road links
   (A303; A30)
- Gatwick: 2hrs30
- Heathrow: 2hrs 15
- Other: Bristol 1hr 30

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## **CAMPUS FACILITIES**

#### Accommodation

There are six boarding houses on site; and students will be housed exclusively in either in Aldhelmsted East or Aldhelmsted West, in a mixture of individual, double and 4-bed dormitory rooms. All rooms have single beds with a wardrobe, desk and chair and plenty of space. Individual rooms are cubicle-style, shared rooms are spacious with two single beds and 4-bed dormitories also have lots of individual space. Shared bathrooms are available on every floor.

The boarding houses all have their own dining room and communal spaces including a common room, lounge area and outdoor patio/garden.

Residential buildings are close to teaching and sporting facilities and all have Wi-Fi available throughout the campus.

Additional Costs:

- Deposit of £30 (cash) required upon arrival to cover accidental damage
- Replacement of lost access keycard £10

#### Cleaning

- Rooms are cleaned weekly
- Common areas are cleaned daily.
- Student bathrooms are cleaned each weekday

#### **Linen and Towels**

- Clean sheets are provided weekly
- Students must bring their own towel

#### Laundry

- Washing machines and dryers are located in each residence building.
- There is no charge for laundry facilities; students should bring a laundry bag and ensure all clothing is labelled clearly.

#### **Sports**

- 4 competition standard grass tennis courts
- 5 competition standard hard tennis courts
- 12 astro tennis courts
- 25m indoor swimming pool
- Multi-purpose sports hall and climbing wall
- Large multi-purpose rooms available
- · Outdoor areas and sports pitches for games and activities

#### **Onsite shops**

• There are no onsite shops, but students aged over 12 are able to visit the local "Budgens" convenience store in groups of 2/3 with permission.

#### Meals

 All meals are served in the residence dining hall; in a selfservice buffet.

#### **Food options**

**Breakfast**: Continental including coffee, toast, jam cereal and fruit; yogurt and one hot option daily

Lunch: 2 courses, 2 options including vegetarian;

Evening: 2 courses, 2 options including vegetarian;

Fresh fruit is available throughout the day, and a salad bar is available at lunch and supper times daily. Allergies and dietary requirements can be catered for if notified in advance.

Packed lunches are provided for excursions and day trips, consisting of water, fruit, sandwich, crisps, biscuits/cake or similar.

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## PROGRAMME INFORMATION

#### **Arrival:**

Students will be welcomed upon arrival at the front of the school and escorted to the boarding house where they will register, receive access cards and check-in to their rooms.

#### Welcome:

On the first evening there will be a welcome activity and tour, which is designed to ensure that students meet the staff and other students. They will learn about the campus, its facilities, the centre rules and other information which will help them during their stay.

#### Academic programme:

Our Intensive English Programme is designed for students who wish to progress as quickly as possible and improve their accuracy and fluency in a short space of time. With two sessions of English per day, students will have the opportunity to fully immerse themselves in the four basic skills of speaking, listening, reading and writing all day. Using their English skills inside and outside the classroom, students will progress quickly and increase their confidence and communication ability noticeably.

Placement tests are sent in advance to assist in correct placing in levels, and checked on the first day.

- Students are placed in an international class with different nationalities
- Class size is maximum 16 students
- English lessons are scheduled in blocks with breaks to allow the teachers to best utilise the time. Additional shorter classes in conversation, pronunciation and project work take place in the afternoons.
- Students taking the English plus Tennis option will have their professional tennis coaching sessions in the afternoons.
- Qualified teachers use a communicative teaching methodology to engage students in a fun and dynamic way
- Particular focus is on improving listening and speaking skills

- Classrooms are set out with plenty of space and modern AV equipment and white boards.
- During peak periods, some students may be operating on a reverse timetable with English classes in the afternoon.

#### **Activities**

Activities are organised in afternoons and evenings where there are no pre-organised excursions or day trips. These may take place in the centre/on campus or in the local area and include:

- Sports such as football, mini Olympics, rounders, table tennis, volleyball and basketball, quick cricket, tennis
- Afternoon activities include sports, swimming, cookery
   and art
- Evening activities include karaoke, talent show, team games and movie nights

#### **Trips and Excursions:**

- Half day excursions include Dorset Water Park; Salisbury and Weymouth.
- Whole day trips include Bath; Salisbury & Stonehenge; and London
- Students on the English plus Tennis programme have the option to visit Wimbledon Tennis Museum in the final week.

#### **Optional excursions**

Optional excursions can be arranged on request for changeover/non-teaching days.

#### **Student Welfare**

Sherborne Language School takes the safeguarding, welfare and pastoral care of its students seriously. We want all students to feel happy and safe throughout their stay.The Director of the camp has extensive experience in safeguarding and student welfare and is available 24/7 throughout the camp for emergencies.

#### **Student Services:**

Our student support staff on campus can help you with:

- Accommodation
- Airport transfers
- Information about local services
- · Assistance with individual and personal problems
- Emergency contact

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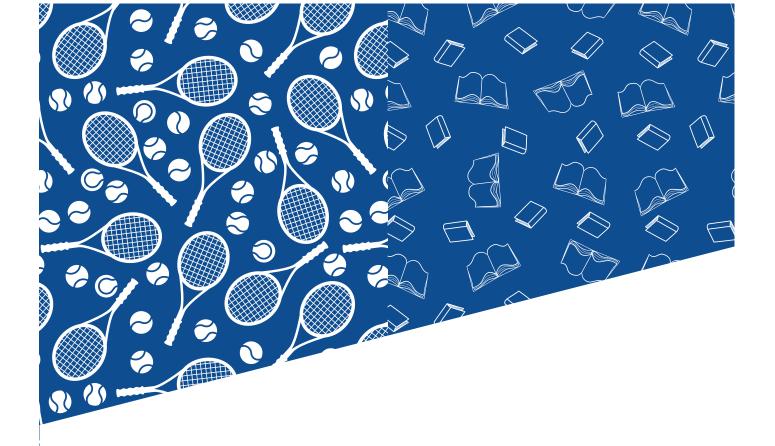
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#### **Agent Enquiries**

To become an agent for us in your country, please contact antonia@sherbornelanguageschool.co.uk

For agent sales enquiries please contact us at info@sherbornelanguageschool.co.uk

#### **Medical information:**

If a student needs medical attention a Sherborne Language School staff member will help make an appointment. Group leaders must accompany the student to an appointment. Individual students will be accompanied by a member of Sherborne Language School staff.

#### Local doctor

The Grove Medical Centre, Wootton Grove, Sherborne, DT9 4DL

#### Local hospital

The Yeatman Hospital (minor injuries), Sherborne, DT9 4DL Yeovil Hospital (major trauma centre, A&E), Yeovil, Somerset, BA21 4AT

#### Insurance

Students must be covered by medical insurance for the duration of their stay. Insurance with Endsleigh Insurance Ltd is included in your booking.

#### Safe

A safe will be available for the storage of passports, travel documents and deposits.

#### In case of emergency:

A 24 hour emergency telephone number is available all summer: +44 07590 579800 (Antonia)

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