



RATCLIFFE COLLEGE
LANGUAGE
SUMMER SCHOOL
2019

Welcome

The opportunity to study at Ratcliffe College Language Summer School is unique and one that you will not want to miss.

You will instantly recognise the warm, friendly and welcoming atmosphere that pervades our community. We employ Ratcliffe College staff during the summer courses so there is continuity with our school's excellent academic standards and outstanding pastoral care.

As an HMC boarding and day school with over 170 years' experience of educating young people and excellent facilities set in 200 acres of beautiful grounds, this is the perfect environment to develop your skills in English, socialise with students aged 11-15 from other countries and immerse yourself in a wide variety of cultural, musical and sporting extra-curricular activities.

Although you may only be part of our special community for just a few weeks, our home is your home during your summer stay, and we are confident you will have a fulfilling experience and will want to return each year, or perhaps as a boarder!

Mr J. P. Reddin
Headmaster



About Ratcliffe College

Ratcliffe College is a co-educational Catholic independent school based in Leicestershire, England. The College was founded in 1847 and is situated in 200 acres of beautiful rolling countryside in a safe and secure rural environment.

Ratcliffe College Language Summer School aims to support students of all abilities to improve their English in a friendly, caring, comfortable and encouraging environment. The courses are taught by permanent members of the Ratcliffe College staff who work in the English as an Additional Language Department. Our staff are highly experienced in language tuition and are enthusiastic to engage and motivate young learners.



Facilities

Ratcliffe College boasts excellent facilities, including a sports centre, 25m heated indoor swimming pool and synthetic running track as well as sports pitches, tennis courts, Music Centre and Theatre. The College also has state-of-the-art computer suites and well-equipped classrooms.



Course Programme

The English Language Programme at Ratcliffe College Summer School combines challenging, yet rewarding Communicative English Language classes together with a fun and exciting mix of excursions and activities.

Lessons throughout the programme focus on developing communication skills in English by using techniques and activities to improve fluency, listening and vocabulary. The course aims to help students feel more confident using English in everyday situations, as well as to support academic study.

Academic Programme:

- 15 hours of English language lessons a week
- All course materials provided
- Certificate on completion

Sample Week 1

	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
08:00	B R E A K F A S T							
09:00 - 12:30	Arrivals and Airport Pickup	English Lessons					Full Day Trip: Outdoor Pursuit Centre	Full Day Trip: Cambridge
12:30								
13:30 - 17:30		Walking Tour of Leicester and Newark Museum	Half Day Trip: Coventry Transport Museum	Sport or Drama Workshop	Half Day Trip: Birmingham	Arts & Crafts		
18:00		D I N N E R						
19:30 - 22:00		Welcome Party	Bowling	Laser Tag	Film Night	Treasure Hunt		
22:00	B E D T I M E							

“The boarding staff are warm, welcoming and friendly. They are involved. It is a real home from home for her and I couldn't be happier for her”

Parent - 2017



Sample Week 2

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
B R E A K F A S T						
English Lessons					Full Day Trip: York	Departures and coaches to Airport
L U N C H						
Adventure Golf	Half Day Trip: National Space Centre	Sport or Drama Workshop	Half Day Trip: Rutland Water Aqua park	Talent Show Preparation		
D I N N E R						
Quiz Night	Bowling	Laser Tag	Talent Show Preparation	Talent Show		
B E D T I M E						

“Universal cultural experience”

Parent - 2017

“The quality of the boarding staff is exceptional”

Parent - 2017

Activities Programme

To complement the morning English Language Programme, Ratcliffe College Summer School offers a range of engaging and enjoyable activities designed to give students opportunities to practise and improve their English. Many of the activities utilise the College's impressive grounds and facilities, while full and half-day excursions provide cultural and historical experiences for the students.

Activities & Excursions:

All excursions are included as part of the programme.

- 1 full day trip on Saturday and Sunday of week 1
- 1 full day trip on Saturday of week 2
- 2 half day excursions per week

- Full afternoon and evening activity programme for all students, including:
 - treasure hunt
 - quizzes
 - karaoke
 - sport – football, tennis, badminton, table tennis, basketball and more
 - talent show
 - bowling
 - mini-golf
 - trampolining
 - outdoor activity centre



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Sample full-day trips:

- Rutland Water Aqua Park
- Cambridge, including river punting
- Oxford, including Christ Church College
- York, including entrance to York Minster

Sample half-day trips:

- Coventry Transport Museum
- Walking Tour of Leicester + Newarke Museum
- National Space Centre
- Abbey Pumping Station



Cambridge



Oxford



Space Centre



Transport Museum



Rutland Water

Accommodation and Meals

Meals are served in the splendid College Refectory, which has been described as Leicestershire's answer to Hogwarts! Catering staff provide a wide selection of healthy meal choices. All students are given a selection of vegetables or salad to accompany their meal and special diets and/or vegetarians are catered for.

Students at Ratcliffe College Language Summer School are accommodated in the comfortable and homely Boarding Houses, where they live in either single or double rooms.

The Boarding Houses enjoy a range of impressive facilities, including common study areas, lounges for relaxing and playing games, kitchenettes for making drinks and snacks, and a laundry room.



Course Dates and Fees

Age range: 11-15 years

Week 1: Sunday 7th July 2019 - Sunday 14th July 2019

Week 2: Sunday 14th July 2019 - Sunday 21st July 2019

Week 3: Sunday 21st July 2019 - Sunday 28th July 2019

Students must stay for a minimum of two weeks with an option of all three weeks available.

This includes all teaching materials, all excursions and transport to airports on arrival and departure dates.



Option Leetham: Week 1, 2 & 3

Option Arundel: Week 1 & 2

Option Emery: Week 2 & 3

Shared Room Accommodation

£2400

£1600

£1600

Single Room Accommodation

£2700

£1800

£1800



Airport Transfer Times



Ratcliffe College is conveniently situated in the centre of England close to the cities of Leicester and Nottingham.

- London Gatwick:** 3 hours
- London Heathrow:** 2½ hours
- London Stanstead:** 2½ hours
- Birmingham:** 55 minutes
- East Midlands:** 45 minutes





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