



Culford



Culford Summer School

ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND MULTI-ACTIVITY COURSE 2024

For students aged 12 - 17



Flexible



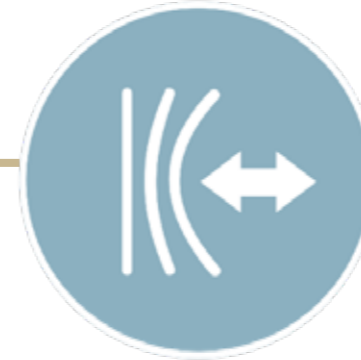
Innovative



Dynamic



Resilient



Embodying our values of innovation, flexibility, dynamism and resilience to provide a fun and educational Summer School experience for international students.

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Welcome to Culford Summer School!

I am so excited to welcome students to Culford Summer School. English is now the language of communication across the globe. It gives me great joy to be able to watch students of all ages and backgrounds using their English skills to discuss their shared experiences and learn about new cultures. I have had the pleasure of working at Culford for many years. It is an impressive and vibrant site that provides a safe environment for students to explore together.

We have a range of exciting lessons and activities to enhance students' understanding of English. Culford is close to some of the UK's most enchanting cities, from the medieval walled city of Norwich, to England's capital, London, a melting pot of cultures and history. Students can explore these iconic British cities during their time with us.

This will be an unforgettable British Summer School experience filled with adventure, where students form lifelong friendships, enhance their English skills and grow in confidence.

Steven Hirst
Summer School Programme Director



History of Culford



Voted one of the six most beautiful schools in Britain, **Tatler Magazine** summarised Culford's history as follows:



In 1889, the 5th Earl Cadogan bought a mansion house near Bury St Edmunds in Suffolk, with 400 acres of parkland and 11,000 acres of sporting land that had been built in 1790. Lord Cadogan commissioned an architect to enlarge it to provide a spacious 51 bedrooms, 15 bathrooms, 11 reception rooms and staff accommodation. The house was now suited to entertain royalty, and many notable guests followed including King Edward VII and Queen Alexandra.

In 1935, the estate became the stunning home of Culford School, whose boarders put all those bedrooms to good use. This co-educational school is situated in 480 acres of parkland, formal gardens and lakes and has managed to seamlessly blend its more modern additions, including a championship-standard indoor tennis centre, 25-metre swimming pool, two drama theatres and a music studio, into these impressive surroundings.



Bury St Edmunds

Culford School is located only 5km from the nearby town of Bury St Edmunds. The town gets its interesting name from the legend of King Edmund, who was the King of East Anglia over a thousand years ago.

According to the legend, a series of miracles happened after his death and King Edmund was made a saint. He became the first patron saint of England before St George replaced him in 1348.

Despite its small size, people visit Bury St Edmunds in great numbers. Many come for the twice-weekly food and craft markets, or to see the impressive cathedral and monastery ruins. Others visit to experience the lively atmosphere of the market town, with its beautiful gardens and boutique shops.

No visit to Culford School would be complete without the opportunity to visit Bury St Edmunds and experience the hustle and bustle of a small English market town. This is one of many exciting excursions students will embark on this summer.

For more information about our trips to Norwich, Cambridge, Southwold, and London, please visit page 16.



Empowering minds, broadening horizons.

Our academic programme is carefully crafted to offer individualised support and teaching, helping our students learn as much English as they can in a friendly and supportive environment.

Academic Enrichment

- Small class sizes (typically 6-10 students)
- Classes based on age and language level
- Levels determined by placement test on the first day of Summer School
- Bespoke learning programme tailored to individual needs
- A focus on communicative competence within lessons



Small class sizes,
Big improvements.



Lesson Content

- Vocabulary improvement for describing, communicating, and daily tasks
- Engaging and interactive lessons
- A focus on teaching practical English
- Lesson content designed for a fulfilling summer experience
- Grammar instruction with a clear communication purpose



Lesson Format

- Students will receive four lessons daily, five days a week
- Early morning lessons are input-based and provide students with vocabulary, grammar knowledge and pronunciation practice
- Late morning lessons encourage creativity, building confidence in English and using language in context



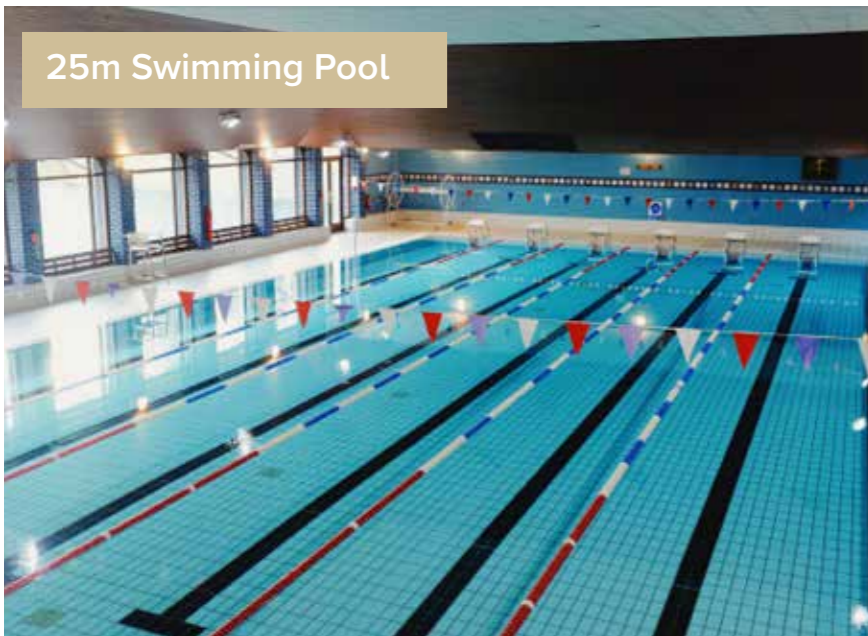
Teachers

- Highly qualified and certified
- Diverse backgrounds with extensive experience
- Teachers have lived and worked abroad
- Understand challenges students face in new environments
- Language tutoring tailored to individual student needs



Facilities

Our state-of-the-art facilities offer students the space to try new sports and excel at those they already love. Our highly experienced activity leaders are ready to help students unlock their full potential.



25m Swimming Pool



Modern Dance Studio



Large Classrooms Across Campus



Four Boarding Houses



Six Indoor Tennis Courts



Sports Hall

Sports Facilities

- 25m heated indoor swimming pool
- Fitness studio and strength and conditioning suite
- Archery training equipment
- Golf swing studio with Trackman technology
- On-site golf driving range and short game area
- Indoor climbing wall
- Two floodlit AstroTurf hockey pitches
- Grass pitches for football, rugby and other games
- Fully equipped sports hall

Educational and Creative Facilities

- Modern library
- Patterson Centre for Creative Technology and The Art Centre
- Studio Theatre
- State-of-the-art recording studio
- Dynamic classrooms with smart board technology

A Day in Summer School

Example Timetable - Week 1

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Breakfast							
Arrival Day with Team Building Activities and Site Orientation	Placement Testing	English Lessons	English Lessons	English Lessons	English Lessons	Full Day Trip to Norwich	
	Lunch						
	Specialism	Specialism	Half Day Trip to Cambridge	Specialism	Specialism		
	Break			Break			
Group Activities	Group Activities	Group Activities	Group Activities				
Break							
	Evening Social Programme	Evening Social Programme	Evening BBQ and Mini Olympics	Evening Social Programme	Evening Social Programme	Evening Social Programme	
Roll Call and Bedtime							

Example Timetable - Week 2

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Breakfast							
Full Day Trip to Southwold	English Lessons	English Lessons	English Lessons	English Lessons	English Lessons	Full Day Trip to London	
	Lunch						
	Specialism	Specialism	Half Day Trip to Bury St Edmunds	Specialism	Specialism		
	Break			Break			
Group Activities	Group Activities	Group Activities	Group Activities				
Break							
	Evening Social Programme	Evening Social Programme	Evening BBQ and Mini Olympics	Evening Social Programme	Presentation Evening	Packing and Optional Activities	
Roll Call and Bedtime							



07:30
Students start their day by enjoying a delicious breakfast with friends.



08:50
A morning of learning begins. Students take part in enriching lessons, working with our experienced teachers to elevate their English language skills. A morning break takes place between lessons.



12:50
A range of delicious foods from around the world will be served for lunch in Ashby Dining Hall.



14:00
Students enjoy an hour and a half of Golf, Tennis, Football, Horse Riding or the 'Summer Sports' multi-activity course. Please see page 18 for more details.



16:00
After a 30 minute break, students enjoy an exciting group activity. This is the perfect time to build connections with new friends. Dinner is served in Ashby Dining Hall at 17:45.

LIGHTS OUT!

During Summer School, a bedtime of 22:00 every night ensures that each student gets a restful night's sleep, to prepare them for the exciting adventures the following day.



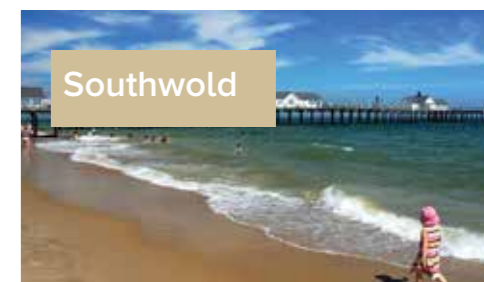
19:00
The evening social programme begins. Students can take part in activities such as talent shows, discos, treasure hunts, team challenges, and more! This is followed by a 'roll call' at 21:30 before students settle for bedtime.



Cambridge



Norwich



Southwold



London

Social Programme

Our all-encompassing social programme ensures every student stays thoroughly engaged during their time at Culford. The activities provide students with opportunities to practice their English skills, whilst making memories with new friends from around the world.



Culford is filled with opportunities. This environment has opened doors I never knew existed, and I've made memories to last a lifetime.

Lily, 16, from Germany





EVENING SOCIAL PROGRAMME

Social events enable students to get to know each other better and practise their English.

These may include:

- Talent Show
- Disco
- Karaoke Night
- Treasure Hunt
- Pamper Night
- Robot Battle
- Obstacle Race
- Casino Night

PRESENTATION EVENING

At the end of each two week course, students will take part in a spectacular presentation evening in the stately Culford Hall.

After a delicious meal, there will be music, dancing and a prize-giving ceremony. We want students to feel extra special for this event, so please ensure they pack a suit, dress or a smart shirt. It will be a night to remember!



SPECIALISMS

Our sports specialisms offer eight tailored sessions to unlock your child's potential in the following sports:

- Tennis
- Golf
- Football
- Horse Riding

Please see page 18 for further information and pricing.



London Full Day Trip

London is an iconic city known for its classic symbols like red double-decker buses, phone boxes, and landmarks such as the Tower of London, Buckingham Palace, and Big Ben. During our visit, students will explore these sites and discover the city's rich history.



Cambridge Half Day Trip

Cambridge boasts one of Europe's oldest and globally renowned universities. Students will have the opportunity to discover punting along the beautiful River Cam and explore prestigious colleges during their visit.



Norwich Full Day Trip

In medieval times, Norwich was England's second-largest city, known for trade. Today, it retains medieval walls, hosts a lively food market, offers great shopping, and features two cathedrals and a 900-year-old castle in its rich cultural landscape.



Southwold Full Day Trip

Southwold is a postcard-perfect seaside town in Suffolk with an award-winning beach, a 100-year-old pier and delicious fish and chip shops. Students may get the opportunity to try catching crabs with nets (crabbing) or a range of water sports.

Specialisms

Culford is recognised around the world for its sports programmes. Students have the exciting opportunity to receive four tailored coaching sessions per week, alongside peers of similar ability. This optional two-week course will culminate in a tournament or event that showcases their new skills and progress. Don't worry if you do not wish to choose an additional specialism. Your child will enjoy our 'Summer Sports' programme, a diverse multi-sports experience featuring activities such as basketball, football, tennis, table tennis, archery, climbing and more!



Tennis · £200



Golf · £200



Football · £150



Horse Riding · £300



Summer Sports · Included in programme cost



I've definitely realised when I go to other fixtures that there are shots I wouldn't have had if I wasn't at Culford. The facilities they have here, particularly the new short game area has significantly improved my game. My coach, Lawrence, has played golf at such a high level that I can ask him anything.

Nellie
Upper Sixth Student, GB Golfer

Head of Golf, Lawrence Dodd, shares how Culford has supported Nellie's sporting journey.

"For a self-motivated student like Nellie, Culford and its outstanding facilities have proved invaluable. Here, she can practice golf daily while managing her academics with the support of our teaching staff. Our coaching teams across all sports programmes share a deep passion for nurturing each individual's potential and are fully committed to helping students reach their best.

Within a short walk of our boarding facilities, we have the capability to teach our specialisms to a high standard, catering to all skill levels from beginners to experienced players. We are ready to support any student who wants to try a new sport and make it an enjoyable and enriching experience."



Food and Accommodation

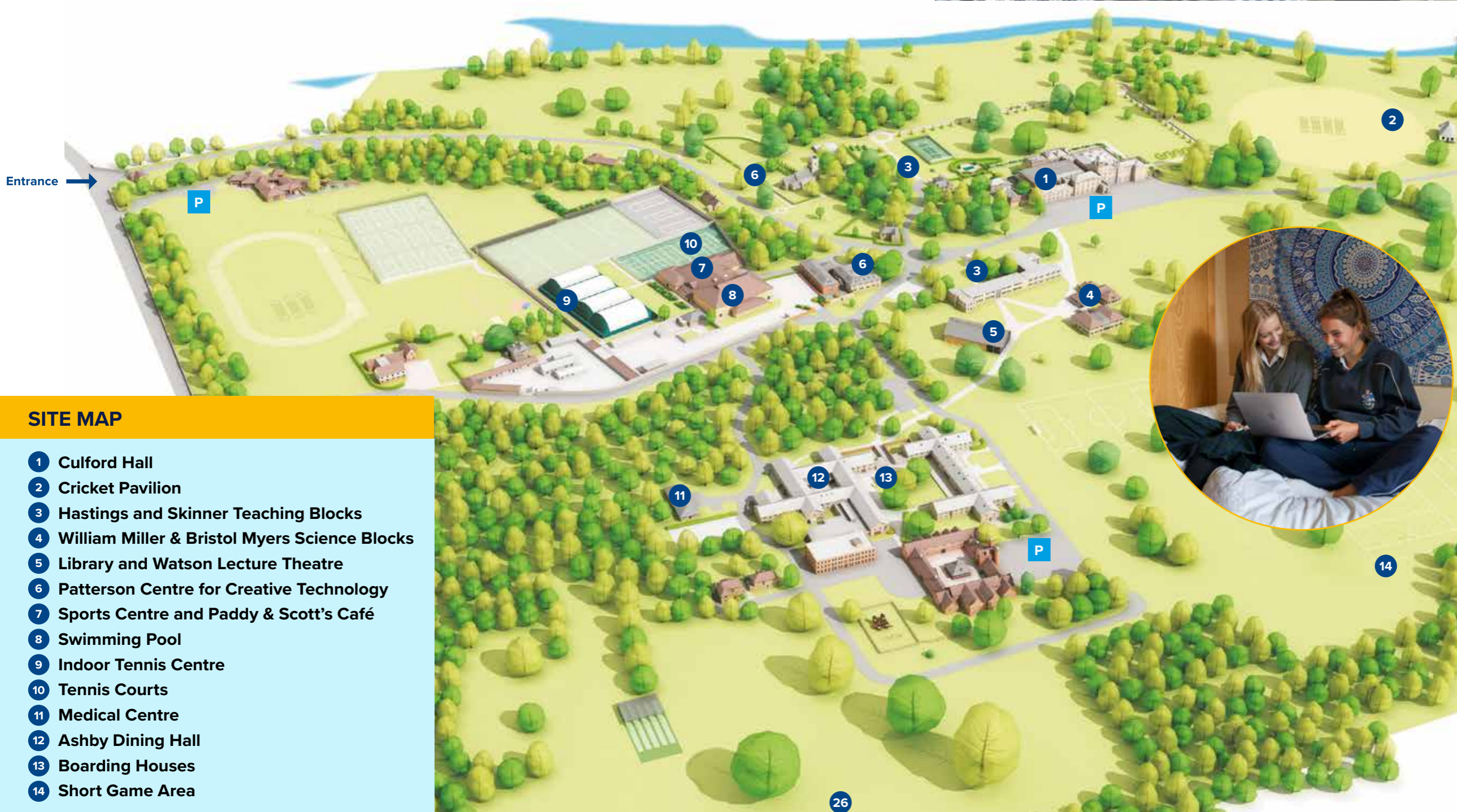
Our campus offers modern and vibrant accommodation. Our dedicated staff stay on site with the students as House Guides, providing support for their health and well-being.



Students enjoy their meals in Ashby Dining Hall, located near the boarding houses. While most meals are served here, there are occasional evenings when dining outside will be an option. Breakfast includes a diverse selection of cooked dishes alongside cereals and pastries. Both lunch and dinner feature hot meal choices and salad options. On excursion days, a packed lunch prepared by our kitchen is provided.

All dietary requirements are catered for. Parents are asked to alert us to their child's food allergies, sensitivities or religious requirements. Morning and afternoon snacks include a selection of fruit and biscuits.

Students may purchase extra snacks at the tuck shop if they desire. Outside these times, such as evenings in the boarding houses, food options will be simple, with access to refreshments.



SITE MAP

- 1 Culford Hall
- 2 Cricket Pavilion
- 3 Hastings and Skinner Teaching Blocks
- 4 William Miller & Bristol Myers Science Blocks
- 5 Library and Watson Lecture Theatre
- 6 Patterson Centre for Creative Technology
- 7 Sports Centre and Paddy & Scott's Café
- 8 Swimming Pool
- 9 Indoor Tennis Centre
- 10 Tennis Courts
- 11 Medical Centre
- 12 Ashby Dining Hall
- 13 Boarding Houses
- 14 Short Game Area

WHAT ABOUT SPENDING MONEY?

Culford Summer School takes care of all expenses related to excursions. Should your child wish to have spending money for outings and to buy snacks at the tuck shop, they are welcome to do so. We recommend bringing no more than **£200** in cash per week for this purpose. Cash can be kept in the office safe.

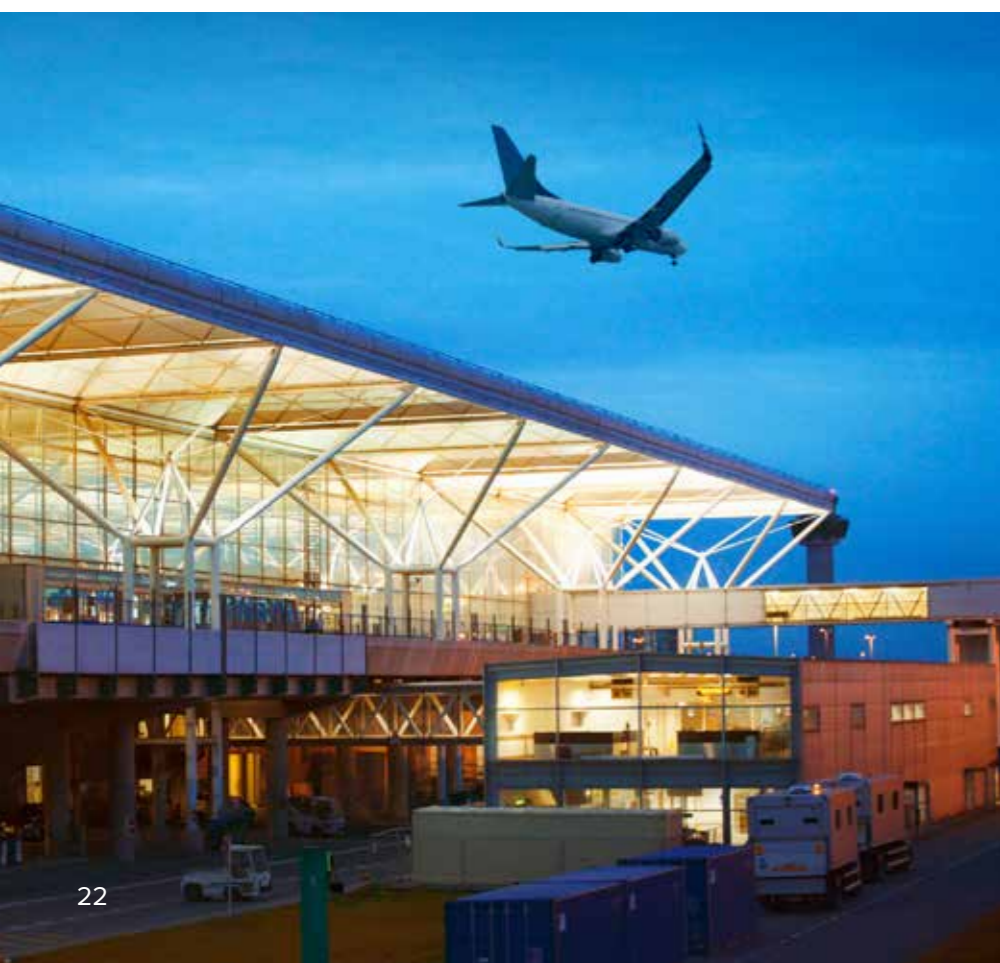
Travel

We are committed to supporting students throughout the travel process, guaranteeing their safety at every stage. Culford is easily accessible to all London airports: Stansted (1 hour), Luton (1.5 hours), Heathrow and Gatwick (2 hours).

Arrivals and departures are arranged on Sundays only and transportation to flights arriving or departing between 10:00 and 18:00 are included in the course fees. For all trips outside the provided transfer days or designated times, or originating from locations other than those provided, parents or agents must make their own arrangements or opt for the school's assistance at an additional cost.

Please send flight details to summer@culford.co.uk at least one month before arrival.

Our Culford Summer School staff members will welcome students at the airport and are easily identifiable by their blue uniforms and signs. We will promptly greet and collect students. Depending on flight schedules, students may need to wait at the airport until others arrive, before departing as a group.



ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE DATES

ARRIVALS

Sunday 7 July and Sunday 21 July

DEPARTURES

Sunday 21 July and Sunday 4 August

Book Now for 2024!

Summer 2024 courses run from **Sunday 7 July** to **Sunday 21 July** (Course One), and **Sunday 21 July** to **Sunday 4 August** (Course Two).

FEES (PER TWO WEEK COURSE)

Culford Summer School	£2,590
Tennis Specialism	£200
Golf Specialism	£200
Horse Riding Specialism	£300
Football Specialism	£150
Summer Sports Specialism	Included in course fees



READY TO BOOK?

To enquire or book your child's place for summer 2024, please call 01284 385 372 or email summer@culford.co.uk.

We are here!



Cambridge



Stansted



Luton



Heathrow



London

Gatwick



AIRPORT TRANSFER TIMES

1 hour, London Stansted

1.5 hours, London Luton

2 hours, London Heathrow

2 hours, London Gatwick



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