



Ellesmere

Co-ed 7-18 Day and Boarding



International Immersion Programme



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Discover the Ultimate UK Boarding School Experience!

Step into a world of excitement, discovery and opportunity with the Ellesmere College Short-Term Immersion Programmes! Designed for students eager to experience life at a prestigious UK boarding school, our immersive programmes offer a perfect blend of academic excellence, cultural enrichment and unforgettable adventures.

From dynamic classroom learning with expert teachers to a wide range of sports, arts and extracurricular activities, every day is packed with new experiences. Students will make lifelong friendships, develop independence and gain a global perspective while being fully immersed in the vibrant and supportive boarding school community.

Whether you're looking to improve your English, experience the renowned British education system, or simply try something new, our short-term programmes provide an exciting and rewarding journey. Join us and create memories that will last a lifetime!



Benefits of Our Short-Term Immersion Programmes:

- **Enhanced Academic Skills:** Experience world-class teaching and a diverse curriculum that encourages critical thinking and intellectual curiosity, with our High-Performance Learning model.
- **Language Development:** Improve English proficiency through immersive learning and daily communication.
- **Personal Growth:** Build confidence, independence and resilience by adapting to a new environment.
- **Cultural Understanding:** Gain a broader global perspective through exposure to British traditions and international peers.
- **Friendship and Fun:** Forge lasting friendships and enjoy a rich variety of extracurricular activities and weekend adventures.
- **Preparation for the Future:** Develop essential life skills and a global mindset, valuable for future academic and personal success.

Come and join the adventure!

Mr Jonathan Shaw
Headmaster



Welcome to Ellesmere

Ellesmere College, located in the heart of the beautiful Shropshire countryside, is a leading UK boarding school known for its exceptional academic standards, inclusive community and holistic approach to education. With a rich history dating back to 1884, the College provides a nurturing environment where students are encouraged to achieve their personal best while developing the confidence and skills needed for future success.

Ellesmere offers a broad and balanced curriculum, including GCSEs, A-levels and the International Baccalaureate (IB), delivered by experienced and dedicated teachers.

Beyond the classroom, students can enjoy an extensive range of extracurricular activities, from sports and performing arts to leadership programmes and outdoor pursuits.

Ellesmere College is renowned for its warm, welcoming atmosphere and commitment to supporting every student's individual journey. Through the Short-Term Immersion Programme, visiting students can experience life at a top UK boarding school while making new friends, improving their English and exploring British culture in a safe and inspiring setting.



160 Acre
Campus



Outstanding
Teaching
& Learning



Indoor
Tennis Centre



Indoor
Swimming Pool



State-of-the-art
Gym



Countryside
Location



Computer
Suites



Arts
School



Arts Centre
& Theatre



9 Hole
Golf Course



Science
Labs



Terraces
Café





How does it work?

All students will be allocated an academic timetable, suitable to their age and ability. Pupils will have a complete full academic integration with the current Ellesmere students and attend, join and take part in all academic activities across the week. Lessons will include Maths, English and Sciences, along with others such as Geography, History and others that will be available and allocated to their timetable.

Co-Curricular Programme

As well as a busy academic programme, pupils will get the opportunity to take a full and active part in the wide ranging co-curricular programmes we run and deliver across the week. These will range from a wide choice of sports, to music, drama, creative arts and many more.

Boarding

One of the unique aspects of the UK school system is the boarding opportunities. Pupils will be able to experience boarding first hand and will be based in a dedicated boarding house for the duration of the stay. Each of the boarding rooms are allocated for 2 people and so this helps to form amazing and long-lasting friendships.

Cultural Experiences

Throughout the immersion programme, all pupils will have the opportunity to learn about the culture of the UK Boarding School, having the opportunity to visit an attraction as part of their week. This enables all pupils to experience and broaden their various cultural understanding and appreciation as part of the immersion programme.



Pastoral Care and The Boarding Experience

The Boarding House is a safe space for all pupils to relax and feel “at home”. This secure environment allows for great group activities and a great space to relax and unwind with friends after a busy day at Ellesmere.

All students on the immersion programme will stay in the purpose-built boarding house of St Hilda’s. The Boarding House has 3 floors, with the bottom floor having a dedicated work area for pupils, TV lounge and games room along with a large kitchen area. The next two floors are residential bedrooms and these are shared rooms of 2 with a shower and bathroom at the end of the boarding room section. The opportunity to learn about boarding in a safe and happy environment is key to a success experience.

Laundry is free of charge and a schedule is available for all pupils in order to use this facility. The Boarding House is WIFI enabled throughout, allowing pupils access to academic resources for their research projects.

The boarding house community also plays a key role in helping pupils navigate the challenges of a new environment. Whether adjusting to a different educational system, learning a new language, or experiencing unfamiliar customs, pupils can rely on the support of house staff and fellow residents. Friendly conversations, group outings and collaborative study sessions create a supportive atmosphere where students can share their thoughts and ask questions without hesitation.

This sense of camaraderie helps reduce feelings of homesickness and encourages pupils to engage fully with the immersion experience. The friendships they form often extend beyond their time in the programme, fostering international connections and cultural understanding.

In addition to emotional support, the boarding house serves as a practical resource for pupils on a short-term immersion programme. Staff and senior students offer valuable advice on managing schoolwork, participating in extracurricular activities and exploring the local area. Pupils benefit from structured routines that provide stability while still allowing room for independence and personal growth. The boarding house becomes a hub for cultural exchange, where students not only learn about a new way of life but also share their own backgrounds and experiences. Ultimately, the boarding house and its community play a vital role in shaping a positive and enriching immersion experience, leaving pupils with lasting memories and valuable life skills.

Highlights:

- Diverse, safe and nurturing community
- English language development
- Academic rigour and self-reflection
- Study skills and research techniques
- Develop friendships from around the world.
- Cultural understanding and perspectives
- Soft skill development



Weekly Timetable

The timetable below is a view of a typical student weekly schedule at Ellesmere. This will be identical to the routines and timings for the whole school. All pupils on the integration programme will follow a full academic and co-curricular programme. Activities stated are for **guidance only** and the availability of the stated activities and trips will vary term to term.

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | WEEKEND | Saturday | Sunday | |
|---------|----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------|---------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 7:30am | Breakfast | Breakfast | Breakfast | Breakfast | Breakfast | | | Breakfast | Brunch |
| 8:30am | Reg & Chapel | Reg and House Meeting | Re and School Assembly | Reg and Tutor Tim | Reg & Chapel | | | | |
| 9:10am | Lesson 1 & 2 | Lesson 1 & 2 | Lesson 1 & 2 | Lesson 1 & 2 | Lesson 1 & 2 | | | On site activities and/or (EAL lessons) | |
| 10:20am | Break | Break | Break | Break | Break | | | | |
| 10:45am | Lesson 3 & 4 | Lesson 3 & 4 | Lesson 3 & 4 | Lesson 3 & 4 | Lesson 3 & 4 | | | Boarding Trip to Theme Park* | |
| 12pm | Lesson 5 & 6 | Lesson 5 & 6 | Lesson 5 & 6 | Lesson 5 & 6 | Lesson 5 & 6 | | | | |
| 1:10pm | Lunch | Lunch | Lunch | Lunch | Lunch | | | | |
| 2:15pm | Lesson 7 & 8 | Lesson 7 & 8 | Sports and Games | Activity Programme | Lesson 7 & 8 | | | | |
| 3:25pm | Lesson 9 | Lesson 9 | | | | | Lesson 9 | | |
| 4:05pm | Lesson 10 | Sports Squads | | | | | Sports Squads | | |
| 4:40pm | Tutor Time | | | | | | | | |
| 6pm | Evening Meal | Evening Meal | Evening Meal | Evening Meal | Evening Meal | | | Evening Meal | Evening Meal |
| 6:45pm | Prep (homework) | Prep (homework) | Prep (homework) | Prep (homework) | Prep (homework) | | | Boarding Activities | Boarding Activities |
| 8:15pm | Activity Time | Activity Time | Activity Time | Activity Time | Activity Time | | | | |
| 9pm | Social Time in House | Social Time in House | Social Time in House | Social Time in House | Social Time in House | | | | |
| 10pm | Bed | Bed | Bed | Bed | Bed | | Bed | Bed | |

Typical Weekly Timetable (13 to 18 years old)

*The availability and format of the external trip will vary term to term.

There are many opportunities to experience the wide co-curricular programmes at Ellesmere as part of the International Immersion Programme. These clubs and sports will run across the various school terms and availability will vary term to term.

Examples of Clubs:

Debating Club
Choir
Computer Club
Arts Award
Combined Cadet Force (CCF)
Green Team
Chess Club
Dance
Drama
Essay Competitions
Ethics Club
Film Club
Tech Club

and many more

Examples of Sports:

| | |
|---------------|------------|
| Archery | Pentathlon |
| Athletics | Rounders |
| Badminton | Rugby* |
| Basketball | Sailing |
| Cricket* | Shooting* |
| Cross-country | Squash |
| Fencing | Swimming* |
| Football* | Tennis* |
| Golf* | Volleyball |
| Gym & Fitness | |
| Hockey | |
| Netball | |

**academy sports*



Campus Map and Facilities

Ellesmere College is fortunate to have such a wealth of fantastic facilities all on campus. All students will benefit from access to these areas within their typical weekly routines, clubs and activity programmes.

The co-curricular programme is a key component of Ellesmere life and one that all short-term immersion students will be able to take full advantage of. Not only will this form part of the pupil's weekly routine, but many of these facilities will be available to use during the pupils free/social time.



Other facilities include:

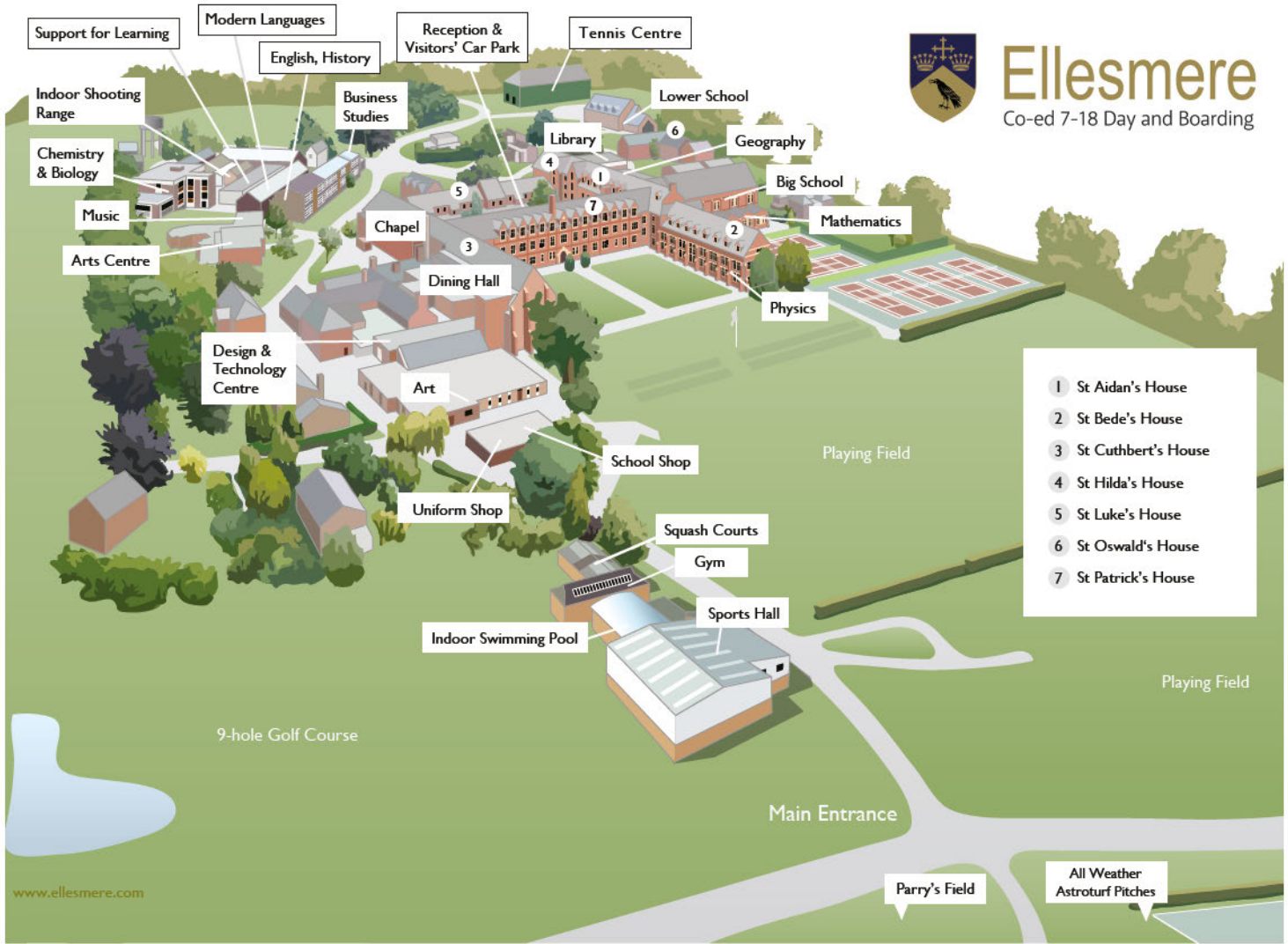
- Nine-hole golf course
- Two fitness suites
- Indoor tennis centre
- Floodlight Astro hockey pitch
- Indoor swimming pool
- 2 shooting ranges
- Numerous playing fields & sports pitches
- 200 seat theatre
- Recording studio
- Art and Music school

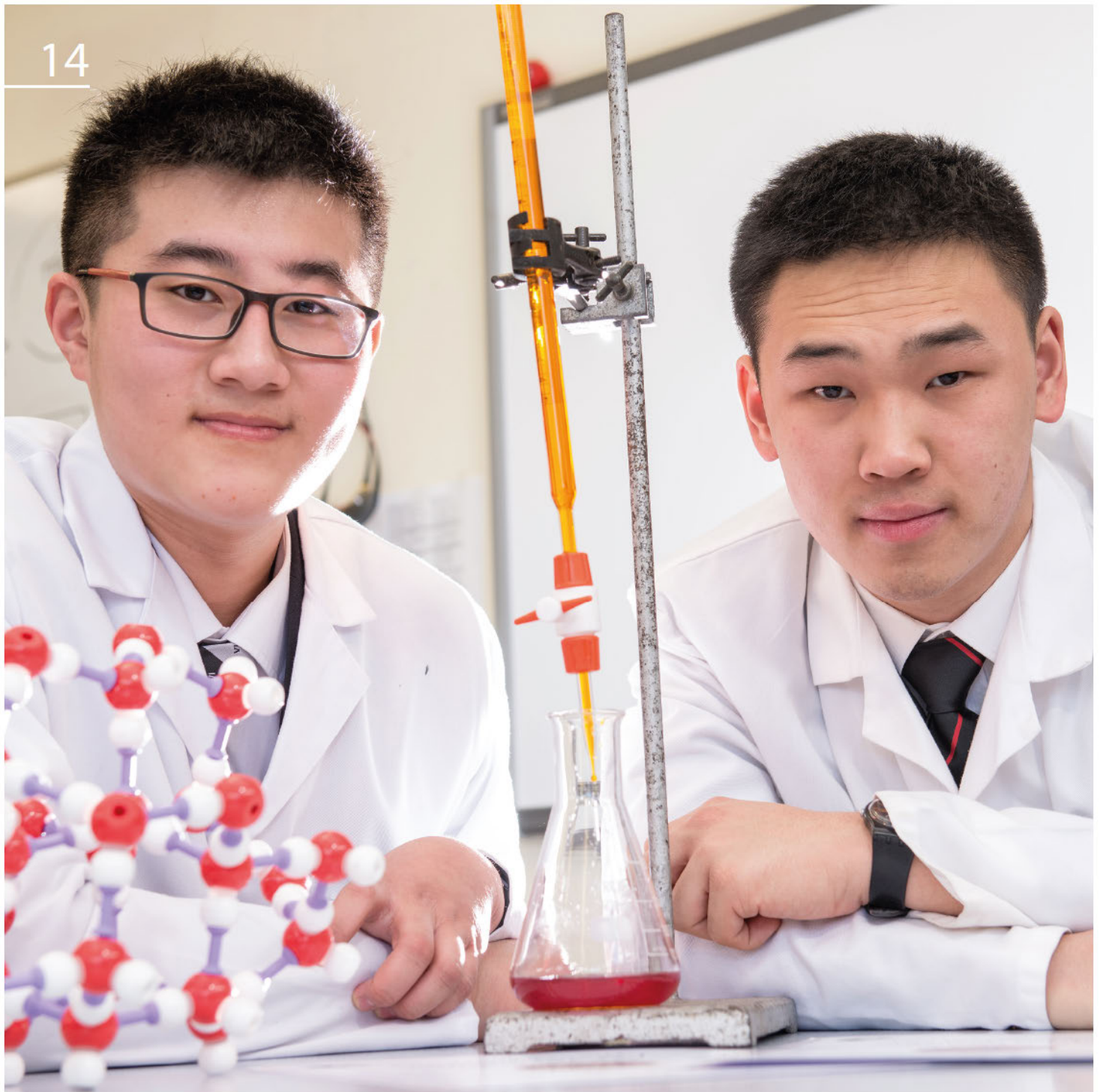
We would encourage all pupils to take full advantage of the many options and opportunities available throughout the Immersion Programme, to ensure the experience is one they will never forget.



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Programme Cost and Booking Information

Group Bookings are welcome.

Programme Duration:

1 or 2 weeks

Dates:

Selected weeks across Michaelmas / Lent and Summer Terms (see website for dates)

Age Range:

11 – 17 (group booking)

Please contact us directly if your group booking involves younger students (11 years – 12 years old)

Accommodation:

Full Boarding, all meals and laundry included

Excursions:

Included (1 trip per week)

Transfers:

Included to and from Manchester (MAN)

Cost per week per student is: £750*

* Note: Some additional weekend activities will incur a separate charge

How to Apply (Group Booking)

- Step 1** Contact the Admissions Team: immersion@ellesmere.com with your group request – indicating which weeks you would like to book and the age and gender combination of the visiting group and numbers of accompanying staff. (max of 18 pupils (rooms of 2) and if 2 staff are sharing – or 16 students (rooms of 2) and 2 staff with individual rooms)
- Step 2** Upon confirmation of the chosen week's availability, complete the online Booking Form and agree to our Terms and Conditions for the visit – completed forms to be returned to the admissions email.
- Step 3** Names, dates of birth and passport details of each student and staff member travelling. ID of accompanying staff/confirmation of English levels of each pupil AND staff and school and legal confirmation that the staff are checked/approved as responsible to look after children.
- Step 4** 50% of group deposit payable at time of booking. Remaining 50% payable 14 days before arrival.
- Step 5** Confirmation of the booking will be made and flight arrival and departure times will be shared with the school for airport transfers.
- Step 6** Final arrival and departure details sent on confirmation of final payment for groups booking.

All pupils visiting Ellesmere as part of a group/school immersion booking will be based in a dedicated boarding house called St Hilda's for the duration of the stay. Group bookings will be allocated on the chosen weeks of the programme on a first come first served basis.

No booking is confirmed until the College has received the completed booking form and the agreement to the Terms and Conditions of the programme. Following a successful application and confirmation of a group booking, the College will request 50% of the duration fee at time of booking and the remaining 50% 14 days before the day of arrival.

For all general enquiries about the short-term immersion programme please email immersion@ellesmere.com in the first instance.



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