

COVID-19 Statement

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Dear Parent / Guardian,

Following our temporary closure last summer due to the global pandemic, I am pleased to inform you that our team are now back and are busy preparing for summer 2021.

Despite the second wave and emergence of new strains of the virus, the UK has now started its largest vaccination programme of all time and by the summer, a large proportion of the population, including all vulnerable people, will have been vaccinated.

With this in mind, and considering that our boarding school partners have been operating for much of the academic year, we are absolutely expecting that our summer school will run in 2021 and we are now open for bookings.

Book with Confidence

For your peace of mind, we have extended our free cancellation window for 2021. This means that if you cancel your course before 1 May 2021, we will offer you a full refund.

If you do not cancel your course before 1 May 2021 but are unable to travel due to the unavailability of flights or due to international travel restrictions, we will offer you a voucher to the value of all fees paid for use in 2022.

If we decide to completely cancel the summer school for 2021, we guarantee that we will offer you a full refund of all fees paid or a voucher for use in 2022.

Insurance

Insurance is automatically included for all attending students. Our new student travel insurance provider **Endsleigh** now provides cover for medical expenses in the UK and for repatriation if a student falls ill with COVID-19 while at summer school.

COVID-19 Safety

Following national guidance and working very closely with our boarding school partners, we will take all the measures necessary to protect our staff and students, which may include:

- Having systems in place to avoid large queues at check-in, pocket money and at meal times and creating one-way systems where possible;
- Applying physical social distancing rules of at least 1m for all staff and students;
- Ensuring the regular deep cleaning of all bedrooms and communal areas at school;
- Making sure there is sufficient space between beds and reducing the number of beds in larger bedrooms;
- Ensuring that all equipment is washed and disinfected regularly after each use;
- Removing whole-school meetings and social events and adapting our programme to maximise the use of outdoor space in order to ensure social distancing;
- Creating student bubbles (for example boys/girls in the same class are in the same boarding house) in order to limit the amount of unnecessary mixing within the student body;
- Having a dedicated space in each boarding house in case we need to immediately isolate any students;
- Taking the temperature of all students when they arrive at school and immediately isolating them if they have a fever, continuous cough or loss of taste/smell;

- Requiring all staff to complete a medical questionnaire before arrival and immediately taking action if there is any cause for concern;
- Promoting symptom awareness to all students and training staff on what to do if they suspect that they, another staff member or a student has COVID-19;
- Ensuring that all students wash their hands regularly and providing the equipment and materials for them to do so;
- Requiring staff and students over the age of 12 to wear a face mask or covering during certain off-site activities such as on transport, inside excursion venues and in shops;
- Reviewing our Risk Assessments of all sporting and recreational activities and cultural trips and removing those activities which are considered to present higher than acceptable risks for contracting the virus;
- Requiring staff to subscribe to the UK Government's Track and Trace system to alert them if they come into close contact with any person who tests positive with the virus.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Do I still need to pay a deposit in order to book my course?

Yes, all bookings are still subject to a deposit payment of £300 per week for a residential course.

2. If I decide to cancel my course, can I get a refund?

If you cancel before 1 May 2021, we will offer you a full refund. If you cancel after this date or are not able to travel, we will provide you with a voucher to the value of all fees paid for use in 2022. If we cancel the summer school, we will offer you a voucher or a full refund.

3. If my child gets sick while at summer school, what will happen?

If we suspect your child may have COVID-19, we will immediately isolate them and designate a staff member to look after them. We will contact our National Health Service for advice and inform our insurance provider Endsleigh, who provide cover for medical expenses in the UK and for repatriation.

4. What does your insurance policy cover?

Our student travel insurance policy with Endsleigh covers medical expenses in the UK and repatriation costs if a student falls ill with COVID-19 while at summer school.

5. How do I know my child will be safe at your summer school?

Our boarding school partners have been open during the pandemic so they have significant practical operational experience. We will work closely with each school and follow all UK guidance to make sure our courses are run as safely as possible.

6. I do not want my child to go on off-site for any sporting activities, trips or excursions.

If this is your preference, let us know and we will make sure that your child stays on the school campus at all times.

If you have any questions about how we will take care of our students' safety and well-being next summer, please contact us at admin@exsportise.co.uk

Kind Regards,



Steve Wood
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