

## Eastbourne College, Eastbourne (Homestay) – Factsheet

Eastbourne is renowned for being one of the most attractive seaside towns in the whole of England. Located at the foot of the South Downs National Park, Eastbourne enjoys more sunshine hours than anywhere else in Britain. Eastbourne College displays the charm and style of a traditional English Independent School, while enjoying first class educational and sports facilities. The classrooms are spacious and well equipped and the large modern dining hall offers excellent food.

### course dates

Tue 5<sup>th</sup> July – Tue 16<sup>th</sup> August

### student ages

14-17 years old

### student nationalities

Italian • Spanish • French • Austrian • Russian •  
Japanese • Chinese • Israeli • Polish • Latvian

### airports & transfer times

- London Gatwick (LGW) 45 minutes
- London Heathrow (LHR) 90 minutes
- London Stansted (STD) 2hours 15minutes

### catering & meal times

- Breakfast and Dinner (Monday – Friday) are taken with the homestay provider.
- Lunch at Eastbourne College (Monday – Friday 12:30-13:30) – Hot and Cold choices and dessert.
- Saturday and Sunday - Students take all meals with the homestay provider (except on excursion days where students get packed lunches).

### excursions

- 2 x London - full-day
- Brighton – full-day (+ entry into Brighton Pavilion)
- 1 x Day with the homestay provider – full-day

### student welfare

We have a **dedicated Welfare Officer** on the management team at Eastbourne College, whose job is to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all our students and staff. The WO is **available to assist with any health, safety and welfare concerns**. There are also **qualified Elac first-aiders on-site**.

### english lessons

- 15 hours of English lessons with qualified English teachers per week
- AM lessons: 8:45-9:45, 9:45-10:45 & 11:10-12:30
- PM lessons: 14:00-15:00, 15:00-16:00 & 16:25-17:45
- There is a **strong emphasis on improving students' communication skills** on our courses.

### accommodation

- Students at our Eastbourne College centre **stay with local homestay providers**, carefully selected by our team of homestay coordinators in Eastbourne, who make sure that each provider complies with British Council standards. Students are placed with hosts individually or in pairs. Students have a **private room, or they share with another student**. They also have use of a **private or shared bathroom**.
- All homestay providers are **DBS (Disclosure & Barring Service) checked** to ensure their suitability for hosting young students and are **visited and reviewed every two years**.

### sports & activities

Eastbourne College has good indoor and outdoor recreational and social space. Students spend **3 evenings a week doing activities** at Eastbourne College or in Eastbourne. **All other evenings are spent with hosts**.

Examples of day/evening activities and sports:

Football • Tennis • Volleyball • Softball • Art & Crafts •  
Cinema • Swimming • Murder Mystery night • Disco •  
Casino Night • Team Games • Drama • Karaoke •  
Talent Show • Photo Hunt • Pub Quiz • Music •  
Computer room

## religious centres

- **All Saints Church** (Christian) Grange Road, Eastbourne, tel. 01323 410033
- **Christ The King Church** (Catholic) 3 Princes Road, Eastbourne, tel. 01323 760048
- **Eastbourne Islamic Mosque** (Muslim) Ashford Square, Eastbourne, tel. 01323 727866
- **Eastbourne Hebrew Congregation** (Jewish) 22 Susans Road Eastbourne, tel. 01323 484135

## laundry

- Students will be able to do their **laundry at their homestay provider's home** • **Towels and bed linen are provided** by the homestay provider.

## computer access

- **Wifi is available throughout the college campus** for all students and Group Leaders.
- Students will have **access to the Internet at their homestay provider's home**

## security

- Use of a **safe** is available for ELAC Group Leaders and independent students to deposit money and passports.

## local transport

- **Students take local buses to/from their homestay provider and the College** (Monday-Friday)
- There is a train station in the centre of Eastbourne with **frequent direct trains to London** (90minutes) and **Brighton** (40minutes).
- There are **regular buses from all parts of Eastbourne in to the Town Centre**.
- **Taxis** can be organized through the Elac Management team. Speak to the Centre Manager for taxi contact numbers and prices.

## hospital & medical centre

- **Eastbourne District and General Hospital**, tel. 01323 417400
- **Eastbourne Station Health Centre**, Eastbourne Station, Terminus Road, Eastbourne, tel. 01323 726650

## shop

There is a **small shop** at Eastbourne College that sells drinks, snacks, sweets, etc. The College is also close to Eastbourne town centre should students/Group Leaders need to buy anything.

## centre address

c/o Elac Study Vacations  
Eastbourne College  
Old Wish Road  
Eastbourne  
East Sussex  
BN20 7RP

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