



# Cobham Hall

Day and boarding school for girls aged 11-18, co-educational Sixth Form

A young woman with dark hair in a ponytail, wearing a dark blue school blazer with yellow piping and a white shirt, is smiling and looking towards the left. She is sitting at a table outdoors. Another student is partially visible on the left.

# SHORT STAY PROGRAMMES

2023/2024





**“A small, truly international school which turns out compassionate, confident and worldly-wise global citizens.”**

- Good Schools Guide

## WELCOME TO COBHAM HALL THE PERFECT SETTING FOR LEARNING.

With almost 30 different nationalities represented in our student body, Cobham Hall is delighted every year to welcome international students from around the globe.

While most join as permanent full boarders, for those wishing simply to improve their English language skills, or to enjoy a shorter term experience of life in a British boarding school, we are pleased to offer two exciting programmes.

Our Summer Immersion Programme provides students with up to four weeks of immersive learning, fun activities, and trips.

Our Short Stay courses offer students up to one year of full academic integration in our innovative skills-based curriculum.

Both programmes are ideal preparation for either a UK boarding school education or for continued studies in English.

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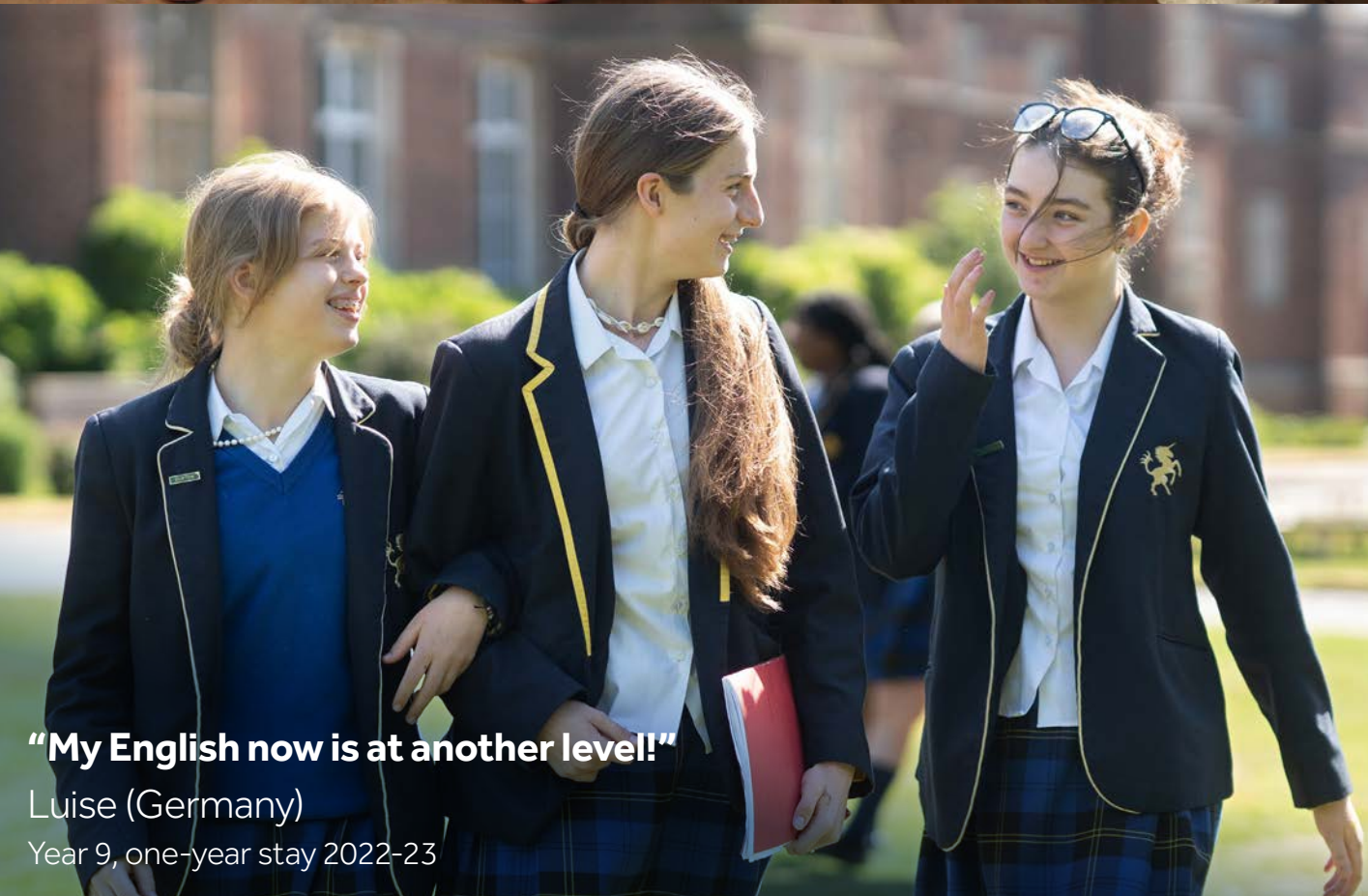
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Summer Class  
2022



**“My English now is at another level!”**

Luise (Germany)  
Year 9, one-year stay 2022-23

# SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAMME



Summer Class  
2023

Towards the end of the summer term, we offer an exciting and unique four-week immersive learning experience for students in any year group\*.

Living with our permanent boarders in our welcoming boarding houses, students have an integrated timetable, combining intensive English as an Additional Language (EAL), taught by our qualified EAL specialists, with opportunities to work with our long-stay students. From week one, students get involved in Cobham life, joining a wide variety of co-curricular activities. This is the perfect way for short-stay students to get to know Cobham Hall and our permanent students. Also on offer is our innovative Saturday Enrichment Programme which is open for all

immersion students to join throughout their visit.

As the students interact with other pupils across the curriculum and engage in stimulating learning experiences, they will learn grammar, language skills and communication strategies to aid both with their academic studies, and with everyday conversations and situations outside the classroom.

For a fully immersive English boarding school experience, the students may also be invited to join our traditional summer events, such as Sports Day and Festival Day.

\*Owing to examinations, students in years 11 and 13 will be integrated into current year 10 or 12 classes.

See page 23 for fees and dates



# SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAMME

BENEFIT FROM A CAREFULLY CURATED TIMETABLE.



**“I definitely learnt a lot more by being in lessons with the English students rather than in class only with international students.”**  
Leah (Norway)  
Year 10 (2022) and Year 12 (2023)

## WEEKS ONE TO THREE Integrated Learning

During the first three weeks, students take part in integrated learning. They join lessons with our permanent students and fully participate in classroom learning. This unique experience allows them to rapidly develop their language skills while enjoying life in an English school. Alongside their integrated lessons, students have EAL throughout in a programme tailored to their ability.

This is a sample timetable of what weeks one to three could look like (classes will be subject to change depending on the year group):

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
7:45am	< BREAKFAST >						
8:30am	< REGISTRATION >						
8:45am	EAL	EAL	History	Drama	PSHE	Trip to Bluewater Shopping Centre	
9:50am	Maths	Science	Art	EAL	P.E.		Brunch
10:50am	< BREAK >						Cinema Trip
11:10am	Drama	P.E.	EAL	Science	History		
12:15pm	EAL	Geography	Maths	Geography	EAL		
1:15pm	< LUNCH >						
2:10pm	Assembly				Assembly		
2:25pm	Tutorial	Music	EAL	Art	Music		
3.30pm	P.E.	EAL	Science	EAL	EAL		
5:45	< SUPPER >						
7:00pm		Games Night			Quiz Night		
9:00-10:30pm	< BEDTIME >						

**“I’ve noticed a significant improvement in my English level thanks to this learning experience.”**  
Anita (Italy)  
Year 12, Summer 2023



**“It is like a second family for everyone. The time has passed very quickly and I’m sad to leave.”**

Blanche (France)  
Year 8, Summer 2022



**Aqua Park**

## WEEK FOUR Curriculum Enhancement Week

In the final week, Summer Immersion students join the whole school in moving off-timetable to take part in Curriculum Enhancement Week, a unique, cross-curricular programme designed to challenge and inspire.

Moving out of the traditional classroom setting and into an immersive learning experience, students exchange their regular timetable for hands-on workshops and activities based on our Round Square IDEALS of internationalism, democracy, environmentalism, adventure, leadership and service. Last year, activities included kayaking and paddleboarding, recycling materials to create clothes to showcase in a fashion show, and Film School, encompassing a number of interactive workshops and allowing the students to create their own short films.

Curriculum Enhancement is an innovative week of creativity and adventure that offers our Summer Immersion students the chance to learn new and essential skills alongside their Cobham Hall classmates, while engaging in immersive and fun learning opportunities.



**Film School**



**Recycled clothing fashion show**

### Sample Timetable for Week Four

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:45am	< BREAKFAST >				
8:30am	< REGISTRATION >				
AM	KAYAKING AND PADDLEBOARDING	RECYCLING ACTIVITY	SERVICE ACTIVITY	FILM SCHOOL	RECYCLED CLOTHING ACTIVITY
1:15pm	< LUNCH >				
PM	AQUA PARK	CLOTHES SWAP CAMPAIGN	SERVICE ACTIVITY	'OSCARS' FILM ACTIVITY	FASHION SHOW

**“I enjoyed in particular the last week because we did different activities and I enjoyed the many activities after school and at weekends.”**

Maria Tea (Italy)  
Year 10, Summer 2023



# SHORT STAY COURSES



Carmen (Spain) - Year 8, one-year stay 2022-23

## ENJOY A COBHAM HALL EDUCATION AND BOARDING EXPERIENCE FOR ONE, TWO OR THREE TERMS

Whilst we delight in welcoming international students to join our permanent boarding community, for many a shorter-term experience is ideal.

For those wanting to stay for just one or two terms, or indeed for a full academic year, we offer a range of flexible courses. These programmes can be tailored to meet the needs of each student. Our Short Stay courses are ideal for students aged 11-17, allowing them to join their relevant year group and experience an English boarding school education.

We also offer a Pre-A Level course for students aged 16. This can be a stand-alone course for up to a year and may provide the foundation for entry into our co-educational Sixth Form, dependent on subject experience, level of English, and the standard achieved during the programme.

All benefit from our exciting, skills-based curriculum which prepares young people to take their place in our rapidly changing modern world.

See page 23 for fees and dates



# LEARNING AT COBHAM HALL

However long they plan to stay, Short Stay students are fully integrated into school life, assigned to a tutor group and joining mainstream lessons where possible.

## Your world awaits

Cobham Hall’s innovative curriculum is designed to equip young people with the skills they will need to flourish in our ever-changing world. Alongside standard academic lessons, all students take part in our exclusive Perspectives Course, developing such skills as creativity, communication and collaboration.

## EAL

Short Stay courses include our standard programme of English as an Additional Language, which includes two lessons per week. For students who do not yet have the level of English required to access the full curriculum, we can offer an intensive English Language Programme. The number of additional EAL lessons provided per week, above the standard two, will be dependent on ability, and will be chargeable on top of the Short Stay fees. This programme of study is completed, where possible, with mainstream lessons in other subjects with their year group.



## GCSE SUBJECTS

- Art and Design
- Biology
- Business (from September 2024)
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Drama
- English
- English as a Second Language
- French
- Geography
- Global Perspectives
- History
- Latin
- Mathematics
- Music
- Physical Education
- Physics
- Spanish

## IELTS

- English as an Additional Language

## A LEVEL SUBJECTS

- Art, Craft and Design
- Biology
- Business
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Drama and Theatre
- Economics
- English Literature
- Film Studies
- French
- Geography
- Graphic Communications History
- Latin
- Mathematics
- Further Mathematics
- Music
- Photography
- Physical Education
- Physics
- Politics
- Psychology
- Spanish







## LIFE AT COBHAM HALL

Short Stay students live in our boarding houses alongside permanent students and our friendly housemistresses, and join in with boarding activities such as games nights and weekend trips.

Pastoral support is outstanding. Each student is assigned a “Buddy” to help them navigate their first weeks, and their tutor is always on hand to help.

Joining in with clubs and activities is a great way to make friends and get to know Cobham Hall. Our varied co-curricular programme has something for everyone, from sports and science to art and drama, while our Saturday Enrichment Programme introduces amazing new skills and experiences.



**“I enjoyed meeting new people.  
It is so great seeing where  
everyone is from and learning  
about different cultures.”**

Ines (Peru), Year 12,  
Short Stay 2022



Therese (Germany) - Year 11, two-term short stay 2022-23





# BOARDING LIFE

LIVE, WORK AND  
SOCIALISE TOGETHER.

Our lively boarding community lies at the heart of Cobham Hall. British and international students from around the world live, work and socialise together, sharing all aspects of school and boarding house life.

In this welcoming and fun environment, Short Stay and Summer Immersion students join in with a range of evening and weekend activities. Evening activities could include games night, a summer BBQ, or chill-out time, while weekend excursions may take students farther afield, for example sightseeing, shopping or on a cinema trip.



**"The boarding house is really cosy and welcoming.  
It's like I have lived there for a year.  
If I could have stayed longer  
I would have."**

Emma (Turkey)  
Year 8, Summer 2022



## SPORT AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

With 150 acres of space, an indoor swimming pool, private gym, tennis courts and impressive sports hall, there are plenty of opportunities for students to take part in our lively programme of sports and activities.

Tennis Netball Athletics  
Cricket Hockey Trampolining  
Swimming Horse Riding  
Badminton Croquet  
Ultimate Frisbee Volleyball



**"I particularly enjoyed all the sports activities!  
And living in an English environment."**

Noémi (Hungary)  
Year 12, Summer 2023



At Cobham Hall, we offer a wide variety of excellent facilities for students to use in their lessons and for co-curricular activities. These include several computer suites, fully equipped art rooms, kitchen facilities for cookery activities and even a classic photographic dark room.

We also offer an innovative Saturday Enrichment Programme. Dependent upon term of entry, activities may include photography, art, jewellery making, forensic science, baking and many more.





"This place is amazing and the landscape is beautiful. I was surprised every day by all the wonderful activities that were organised for us, like the water balloon fight, the BBQ and all the trips. I thank everyone for this amazing experience."

- Jeanne (France)  
Year 9, Summer 2022



## CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

With almost 50 co-curricular clubs to choose from, students have a wonderful opportunity to try something new and discover unknown talents.

Amity Club Art Prep Evening  
Art Club Athletics Badminton  
Benesonantes Choir Bible  
Study Book Club Reading Group  
Pantomime Theatre Festival  
Cookery Craft Club Cricket  
Crochet Dance Diversity Drama  
Duke of Edinburgh's Award Film  
Club Games Greek Hockey  
Horse Riding Humanities Library  
Media Team Model United  
Nations Music Netball Orchestra  
Rock Band Shakespeare  
Festival Spanish Conversation  
Spanish Film Club STEM  
Tennis Trampolining University  
Challenge





**“There is really easy access to London.  
It’s such a beautiful city, so my friends  
and I went there to explore”**

Ines (Peru)  
Year 12, Short Stay 2022

## KEY INFORMATION

We look forward to  
welcoming you

### SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAMME

**DATES:** This year’s programme will take place  
3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024 – 29<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

**FEES:** The fee is £1,150 per week per student,  
for all ages and year groups.

This inclusive fee covers tuition, food and  
accommodation, trips, a range of activities,  
stationery, and a school uniform and  
sportswear loan.

A similar intensive Immersion Programme can  
be made available at other times in the year  
on request. We have limited availability on this  
exclusive intensive summer course to ensure  
that full integration in Boarding Houses takes  
place.

### SHORT STAY

**DATES:** This course is available all year.

**FEES FOR ONE TERM:** The current fees are:  
Years 7, 8 and 9      £13,950 per term  
Years 10 and 11      £14,500 per term  
Years 12 and 13      £15,200 per term  
Please note, fees are liable to change for 2024-2025.

**DEPOSIT:** A Deposit of £1,500 is also payable.

This fee is inclusive of tuition, food and  
accommodation, trips and activities, hire of  
uniform and sportswear, bedlinen and our  
standard programme of English as an Additional  
Language.

Additional EAL, if needed, will be chargeable  
separately.

**FEES FOR TWO OR THREE TERMS:** Standard  
boarding and EAL fees apply. Please see  
[cobhamhall.com/admissions/fees-scholarships-bursaries/](https://cobhamhall.com/admissions/fees-scholarships-bursaries/)  
for details.

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**FINDING US:** Despite its rural setting,  
Cobham Hall is within easy reach of central  
London, with excellent transport links. Close  
to the M20, M2 and M25, it is within easy  
driving distance of all London airports.

### PUBLIC TRANSPORT:

- ✈ London Gatwick 45 minutes; London City  
45 minutes; Stansted 1 hour; Heathrow  
1 hour
- 🚆 Ebbsfleet International 10 minutes (direct  
trains to central London and St Pancras  
International); Gravesend, Meopham and  
Sole Street 10 minutes.
- 🚗 A2/M20/M2/M25





**Education  
for life.**

For Girls 11 to 18  
Co-educational  
in Sixth Form



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is more in you  
than you think.

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