

## PRE-ARRIVAL GUIDANCE

### **Arrival**

The arrival date will be the date specified in your booking (not the day before). Students may need to take a brief placement test the day after arrival to ensure they are placed in the correct class.

### **Passports and Air Tickets**

Passports and air tickets must be handed in to our office for safekeeping on arrival.

### **Pocket Money**

More and more businesses in the UK are moving towards card only systems, and cash is now not accepted in a number of locations. We would therefore advise students to avoid bringing pocket money in cash. We highly recommend that students use either prepaid credit cards/debit cards, or online wallets via their mobile phone. In addition to being accepted by all shops/venues, it will also give you better visibility of their spending, and will reduce the risk of theft or loss, which would spoil your child's time in England.

No responsibility is accepted by the school should students lose money, and if they do bring cash they will be encouraged to hand it in on arrival to be kept in the School safe.

### **Textbooks and Stationery**

Textbooks, stationery, pens, pencils, rulers and erasers are provided by the School

### **Food**

All meals are provided, and extra snacks are available in each Boarding House. There are several shops in the town of Sherborne where students may purchase additional items should they want to.

### **What to bring with you**

- Machine washable casual clothes, plus sportswear, swimwear, sports shoes, waterproof jacket.
- Two towels, soap, personal toiletries etc.
- Sports equipment is provided but students may bring their own if they wish.
- Adaptors are available for electrical equipment (equipment needs to be 220-240 volts)
- All bedding is provided.
- All personal items should be named. We cannot accept responsibility for loss of items that are not named.

### **Laundry**

A regular laundry service is provided by the School at no extra cost. To avoid running out of items between laundry services, students should bring enough clothing items with them to last at least a week.

## **School Rules**

Any community must have rules to live together harmoniously. The rules are given to all students on their first day. Please ask if you would like a copy. Students must be polite and calm and follow staff instructions.

The most important rules are:

- You should treat everyone with respect and dignity
- Vaping, Smoking (and other tobacco products) and alcohol are NOT allowed. This rule applies even where a student reaches their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday.

## **Excursions**

On excursion days students will be out of school on supervised trips. Students will not be permitted to leave the group at these times and must follow the instructions of the supervising staff.

## **Health**

Please make sure you provide all medical information for your child as part of your booking, including details of any allergies. Students **MUST** hand in all medicines to an authorised member of staff on arrival. This is for safekeeping and to ensure that the medicines are out of reach of other students.

If your child is bringing any prescribed medication, our school medical team is required to see a suitable prescription, translated into English where appropriate, so that we can ensure it is correctly and safely administered. Without this information our medical team will not be able to give your child his/her prescribed medicines.

Our medical team will attend to your child's needs and arrange a doctor's appointment or hospital visit as required, according to the English National Health system. Any treatment given to your child will be based on the advice of professional medical practitioners. All nationalities are advised to take out private Health and Dental insurance ahead of their arrival in the UK.

## **Insurance**

Students are responsible for the care of their personal possessions. We recommend that insurance cover for personal possessions is obtained before arrival at the School. It is not recommended that students bring expensive electronic equipment such as laptops. The School cannot accept responsibility for personal possessions.

## **Internet**

WiFi is available in all areas of the School and boarding houses. WiFi is switched off between 2230 hours and 0700 hours. As this is a school WiFi connection, UK law requires the School to apply filtering to some websites, which may impact websites that your child might regularly access when at home.

## Contact

### By telephone:

- Students will be allowed use of their mobile phone, except during lessons or activity time.
- Contact the School Office on +44 1935 814743 between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday.
- For urgent enquiries outside of office hours, the emergency phone number is +44 1935 810474

### By letter:

#### **Student name**

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