



SBC

Ultimate English

Non-Residential Day Camps

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Your Spark.
Shape Your
Future.

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The UK's Number One
Summer School

Day Camps

English Language Programme



ABOUT SUMMER BOARDING COURSES (SBC)

SBC is the UK's #1 multi-campus summer school provider, trusted by families from over 140 countries. For more than 15 years, SBC has delivered award-winning residential summer programmes in some of the UK's most prestigious schools and universities.

Known for its outstanding teaching and exceptional student care, SBC creates learning environments that are supportive, international, and academically enriching.

Our teachers are qualified, enthusiastic, and highly experienced in working with young learners from around the world, nurturing confidence through creativity, teamwork, and communication.

ABOUT ULTIMATE ACTIVITY CAMPS (UAC)

Ultimate Activity Camps is one of the UK's most respected children's holiday camp providers, with over 25 years' experience and Ofsted registration across their sites. Their programmes take place in top independent schools, offering children access to first-class sports, arts, and outdoor facilities.

UAC specialises in fun, safe, high-energy activity camps with an enormous variety of options from archery to zorbing, fencing to team challenges, swimming to arts and crafts. Their trained activity leaders ensure every child feels welcome, included, and encouraged.

Where Learning English Meets British Summer Fun

Ultimate English is the perfect blend of high-quality English lessons and a vibrant British day camp experience, delivered in partnership by two leading organisations: Summer Boarding Courses (SBC) and Ultimate Activity Camps (UAC).

Designed for international children aged 6–12 and running Monday to Friday through the summer, Ultimate English combines structured language learning with up to 40 exciting activities each week, alongside local British children. We create a warm, friendly environment for building confidence, friendships, and real-world English.



The Best of Both Worlds: What Makes Ultimate English Special?

Ultimate English combines the expertise of SBC's international teaching with UAC's outstanding activity provision to create something unique. Ultimate English runs Monday to Friday during July and August. Note: Camp is not available at the weekends.



Experienced, Caring Teachers

SBC teachers bring warmth, creativity, and expertise to every lesson. They are:

- Fully qualified (CELTA/TEFL/PGCE or equivalent)
- Experienced in international teaching
- Skilled at supporting beginners
- Great with 6–12-year-olds
- Passionate about building confidence

Lessons are fun, active, and focused on real communication, not worksheets.

Lessons link directly to daily camp life, so children learn the English they need to make friends and take part fully in camp activities.

"Zorbing and dodgeball were the best. We love all the teachers and their positivity."

Parent, China



Over 40 Activities Every Week (Monday to Friday)

Ultimate English includes the full Day Camps timetable. Children can enjoy:

- Team sports
- Swimming (site dependent)
- Arts & crafts
- Drama and movement
- Outdoor games
- Archery (age dependent)
- Zorbing
- Fencing
- Obstacle courses
- Nature activities
- STEM challenges
- Playtime with British children
- Wide Game sessions (large camp-wide activities)

This variety ensures every child finds something they love, while developing English naturally as they play.



Balanced, Full-Day Structure

Children enjoy a complete UK day camp experience from 08:30–17:15, including:

- English lessons per day
- Full activity timetable
- Social play
- Outdoor time
- New experiences every day

Real British Integration

Outside the classroom, international students join the main Day Camps with local British children.

This gives them:

- Authentic English exposure
- British friendships
- Real-world communication practice
- A natural, confidence-building environment

While we aim for groups of around 85% local British children in the wider activities, this varies by site and week, but the integration experience is always core to the programme.



"Our daughter enjoyed the fun group activities and practising English with her new friends the most. The teachers were very caring, patient and supportive. Thanks to them, our daughter started to express herself more confidently."

Parent, Turkey

Small English Classes

Maximum 12 Students

Children learn best in supportive groups. Ultimate English lessons are intentionally small, ability-grouped, and interactive, allowing teachers to tailor lessons to each child's level.



The Ultimate Experience

Our Ultimate English programme is designed for:

- Children aged 6–12
- Families looking for both English learning and holiday fun
- International students wanting to integrate with UK children
- Children staying in the UK who need care from Monday to Friday
- Families wanting a safe, structured programme with excellent communication
- Your child can join for 1 to 4 weeks, depending on the site.

Weekly Themes

Each week follows a new theme to keep lessons fresh, fun and age-appropriate:

- Around the World (travel, cultures, global exploration)
- Adventures & Challenges (theme parks, inventions, STEM tasks)
- The Natural World (animals, oceans, habitats, survival)
- Looking at Our World (cities, maps, transport, design thinking)
- All About Us (identity, hobbies, families, daily life in the UK)



We are very pleased with the Ultimate English lessons. The classes were both fun and educational. The teachers were very caring, patient, and supportive. Thanks to them, our daughter started to express herself more confidently.

Parent, Turkey



What Will Your Child Learn?

English Skills

- Vocabulary for everyday life
- Speaking and listening through games and roleplay
- Reading and writing through creative projects
- Functional English for camp situations (“Can I play with you?”, “Do you want to join my team?”)



Life Skills

- Confidence
- Independence
- Teamwork
- Problem-solving
- Creativity
- Cross-cultural awareness

Social Development

By being part of the wider Day Camp, children practise:

- Turn-taking
- Friend-making
- Sharing
- Communication
- Collaboration





Progress, Certificates & Reports

At the end of each week, children receive:

Personalised Certificate

Celebrating participation, progress, and confidence.

Teacher Report

Short, friendly feedback outlining:

- Strengths
- Areas to develop
- Participation
- English progress
- Recommendations for future learning



The topics were interesting. The level was appropriate for the children.

Serena Naso
Parent, Italy



Safety, Care & Communication

Your child's wellbeing is our top priority.

UAC camps are Ofsted registered, with staff trained in:

- Safeguarding
- First aid
- Supervision
- Behaviour management
- Risk assessment
- Positive behaviour support

Parent Communication

- Speak to SBC teachers every morning at drop-off
- Speak to UAC Site Managers at pick-up
- Staff are approachable, supportive, and happy to help



The teachers were so kind that even children who don't speak English were able to adapt well and enjoy the camp.

Hansol Kim
Parent, South Korea



Why Parents Choose Us

- ◆ 15+ years of SBC academic excellence
- ◆ 25+ years of UAC activity expertise
- ◆ Real integration with British children
- ◆ Qualified, caring teachers
- ◆ Outstanding independent school locations
- ◆ Ofsted-registered childcare
- ◆ Small English groups (max 12)
- ◆ Safe, structured, happy days
- ◆ A balanced combination of learning + holiday fun Monday to Friday
- ◆ Fabulous parent satisfaction and returning families



Our Locations

With a range of excellent locations to choose from, families can select the site that best suits where they are staying. The Ultimate English programme is delivered consistently across every campus.



Chandlings Prep School
Oxford

A spacious countryside school with excellent outdoor areas and modern facilities, perfect for energetic activities and creative learning.



Dragon School
Oxford

A prestigious Oxford school with outstanding sports and arts facilities, offering a warm, imaginative environment for young learners.



Headington Rye School
Oxford

A well-equipped campus near central Oxford with superb sports, swimming and arts facilities in a secure, friendly setting.



Holy Cross Prep School
Kingston, London

A peaceful, welcoming London location with bright classrooms and safe outdoor spaces ideal for younger children.



Shrewsbury House School
Surbiton, Surrey

A trusted independent school with strong pastoral care and excellent facilities in a convenient suburban London location.



Sutton High School
Sutton, London

A friendly South London school with reliable facilities and great transport links – ideal for families based in or visiting London.



Fulham Cross School
London

A central London site with modern learning spaces and secure grounds, offering easy access for families staying in the city.



Broomwood Prep School
Clapham, London

A welcoming day camp at a leading London prep school, combining morning English learning with varied afternoon activities in secure, well-equipped surroundings.

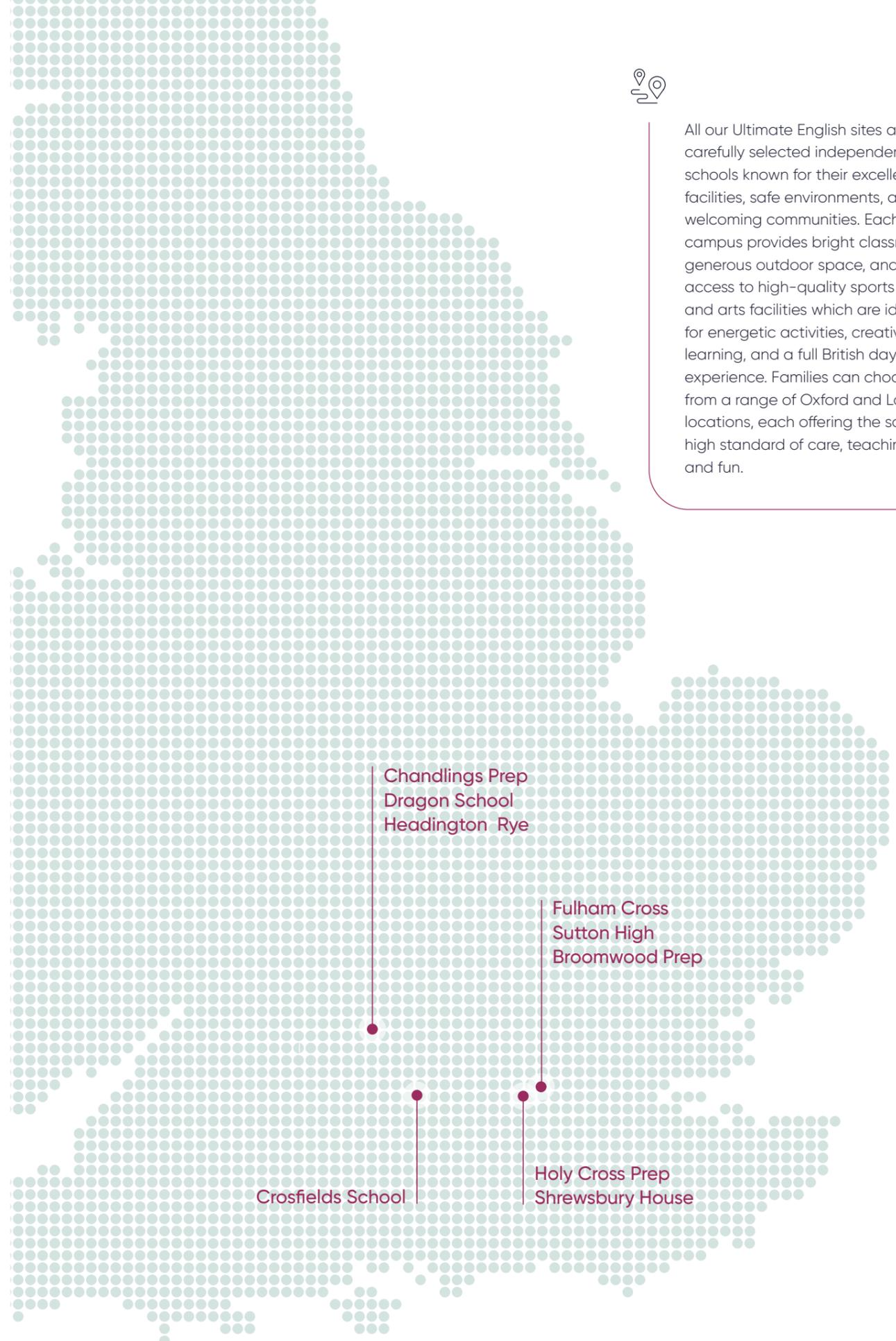


Crosfields School
Reading, London

Crosfields offers morning English lessons, afternoon sport, swimming and creative activities, with secure grounds and excellent facilities for active days.



All our Ultimate English sites are carefully selected independent schools known for their excellent facilities, safe environments, and welcoming communities. Each campus provides bright classrooms, generous outdoor space, and access to high-quality sports and arts facilities which are ideal for energetic activities, creative learning, and a full British day camp experience. Families can choose from a range of Oxford and London locations, each offering the same high standard of care, teaching, and fun.



Chandlings Prep
Dragon School
Headington Rye

Fulham Cross
Sutton High
Broomwood Prep

Crosfields School

Holy Cross Prep
Shrewsbury House

Please note: Swimming is only available at selected sites. Activities vary depending on the school's facilities, weekly timetable, and weather conditions.



How do I choose a location?

All of our locations deliver the same high-quality Ultimate English programme, with consistent teaching, structure and care across every site.

We recommend choosing the campus that is most convenient for where you are staying, whether that's close to home, near family, or in a part of Oxford or London that suits your summer plans.

What level of English do children need?

All levels can join Ultimate English. Beginners and elementary learners are welcome. Classes are grouped by ability.

Will my child make British friends?

Children join the full Day Camp with local British children, and staff actively support integration.

What are class sizes?

Maximum 12 students per English class. We group by English level and age so we don't usually see 6-year-olds and 12-year-olds in the same class.

Can siblings be together?

Groupings in activities are made by age, and in lessons by English level. It is not always possible to put siblings together.

What is a packed lunch?

Lunch is not provided, so children must bring a packed lunch from home every day.

A packed lunch is a simple cold meal such as:

- a sandwich or wrap
- fruit
- a snack
- refillable water bottle with your child's name on it

There is no fridge or microwave at camp. If you want food to stay cold, please include ice packs or insulated bags. If you prefer your child to have warm food, a thermos container is recommended.

What if my child is shy or nervous?

Staff are trained to support settling-in, confidence, and friendship-building.

What happens in bad weather?

Indoor alternatives are always ready. We know you can't always trust the weather in the UK in summer!



Will my child be with British children?

Yes. The majority of children your child meets at camp will be local British children.

Ultimate English students join the main Day Camps run by Ultimate Activity Camps, where most participants are UK-based families.

Can you guarantee a mix of nationalities in the English classes?

English classes are grouped by level, not by nationality.

This means that:

- If several children of the same nationality (e.g., Turkish, Italian, Korean) have a similar English level, they will likely be placed together.
- This supports their learning best, even though it may reduce nationality diversity within the classroom.

Teachers still ensure English-only communication and design lessons that encourage collaboration with all classmates.

Why might some weeks have more students from one country?

This is normal and depends on when families travel.

Early summer weeks (late June–mid July) sometimes have more international students because UK schools are still in term time. Similarly, some international markets book in large family or friendship groups, which can temporarily increase a single nationality. In rare cases at some sites, especially early in the season, a class may have very high numbers of one nationality.

How do you ensure children still practise English if many classmates share their first language?

Our teachers are trained to manage exactly this situation.

They use:

- pair and group rotations
- structured speaking games
- English-only rules
- collaborative projects
- language frames and prompts
- mixed-ability groupings during activities

Children also spend the majority of the day (outside the classroom) integrated with British children in activities.

Can I choose a week with more British children?

Generally, late July and throughout August see the highest numbers of British children, because all UK schools have finished for summer.

Our Admissions Team is always happy to provide guidance on typical patterns from previous years.

I am looking for a residential experience for my children. What do you offer?

We don't currently offer a residential stay under the Ultimate English Day Camps programme because all courses are day camps only.

If you're interested in a boarding experience, you might like our other SBC programmes at campuses such as Camp Dragon, which offer full residential summer courses. Contact us for more information.

Discover Your Future Pathway

Designed to grow with your child, our pathways support every stage of their educational journey - from first experiences away from home to preparing for university and beyond. Each step builds confidence, develops practical skills, and opens up new ways of thinking - all within a global community that challenges, supports, and inspires.

Explorer Programmes

Adventure Programmes

College Pathways

Ages 6-12

Day Camps

Perfect for young learners wanting to boost English language proficiency at a fun activity-based camp



Ages 8-12

Young Explorers

A nurturing prep-school environment designed for young learners that builds confidence and a love for learning abroad

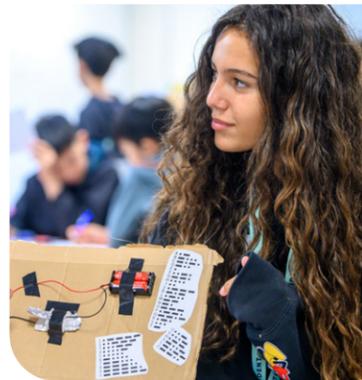


Camp Dragon

Ages 12-16

Adventure Programmes Plus

Inspiring, project-based learning designed to strengthen critical thinking and independent insight.



SBC at Eton College

Dulwich College

Ages 11-16

Adventure Programmes

Blending immersive, hands-on learning focused on problem-solving and creativity with an action-packed schedule of activities.



Canford

Headington Oxford

Ages 13-17

College Pathways

A future-focused experience combining academic and career inspiration with engaging off-campus learning through fieldwork, exploration, and networking in a dynamic city-campus setting.



Earlscliffe

Dukes Cambridge

Ages 15-17

College Pathways Plus

Live and study at genuine Oxford University college campuses while taking part in both subject-focused and interdisciplinary projects that build expertise, collaboration, and academic confidence.



Oxford College

Our Courses

Explorer Programme

Day Camps

Young Explorers

Adventure Programme

Future Entrepreneurs

Future Scientists

Future Artists

English Adventurers

Future Global Leaders

Future Doctors

English Adventurers

The Career Discovery Experience

College Pathways

Business: Mini-MBA

Global Leadership

Uni Prep Think Global!

Science & Technology: Sustainable Futures

Faculty of Art & Design

Faculty of Business

Faculty of Science and Technology (STEM)

English Pathway

Faculty of Global Leadership

Faculty of Psychology

Faculty of Medicine

Faculty of Law



Ready to Join Us?

Visit summerboardingcourses.com/courses/summer-day-camps to secure your child's place for an unforgettable summer. Course places are limited, so we recommend booking early.

We look forward to welcoming your child to a summer full of learning, adventure and friendship.

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