

## CENTRE HANDBOOK 2016

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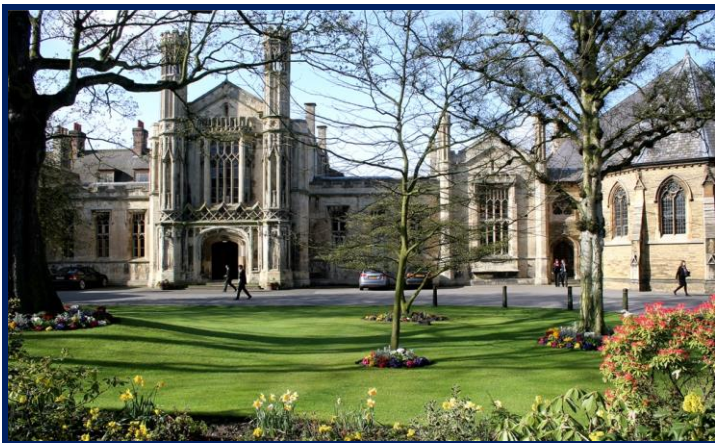
Thank you very much for your interest in our York, St Peter's centre. We hope you find everything you need in the following pages but if you have any questions or specific requests then please get in touch with us at Head Office on (01244) 577995 (fax 01244 579136).

We look forward to a successful summer 2016 at York, St Peter's.

### The Centre

St Peter's School is a historic and traditional English private school in the centre of York. It has extensive grounds which run down to the River Ouse and boasts fantastic sports facilities. Founded by St Paulinus of York in AD 627, it is the third oldest school in the whole of the UK!

York is undoubtedly one of the most beautiful cities in the UK. It is to be found 40km of the east of Leeds and 40km from the east coast of England. The city has a proud Roman and Viking heritage which is still in evidence today.



#### UK Language Courses

St Peter's School,

York,

Postcode - YO30 6AB

Telephone Number - 01904 527300

St Peter's has established an excellent reputation for the quality of its extensive sports facilities and is proud to host local, regional and national organisations. The 47 acres of ground include rugby, football and hockey pitches, a first class cricket square and pavilion, indoor and outdoor cricket nets, two purpose built sports halls, specialist gymnasium, Astroturf, Outdoor tennis- grass and hard courts and swimming pool.

## Damage deposits

St Peters has some beautiful buildings, and we must respect them. This is why we will ask each student for a deposit of €25/£25. We will check their rooms before they arrive and before they leave, and return the money if everything is in order. If there is damage to the houses and nobody owns up, we will ask everyone in the house to share the cost.

## Cleaning

Students' rooms are cleaned on a regular basis and bed linen is changed once a week. However, Group Leaders must try and encourage students to keep their rooms tidy.

## Accommodation

The residential houses contain single, twin and multi-bedded rooms and are all contained within the main site. The majority of rooms have their own washbasin and all houses have shared shower and toilet facilities. Each house has its own common room with TV. All bedding is provided but students need to bring their own towels. The school has an on-site self-service dining room located close to the classrooms. There are coin operated telephones in the houses where students can receive incoming calls. Internet connection is available to group leaders.

On the first night we ask students to call home and give their parents the number of the telephone closest to their room in the residence. Please tell parents that it is best to call their children in the evening at around 7pm English time, as this is when they are most likely to be in the house.

## Room Allocations

We divide the students up according to their age, sex and group. We take in to consideration any specific requests, i.e. friends who want to share.

Room allocation is normally done on arrival. If you would like any further information on this, please contact us.

Please note that there are no keys to the rooms at this centre. Students will be given an access code to allow them to enter their house. It is very important they that do not tell this code to anyone not resident in their house.

## The Programme

Here is a typical timetable for the day:

09.00-10.30	Lesson 1
10.30-11.00	Break
11.00-12.30	Lesson 2
12.30-13.15	Lunch
14.00-17.00	Afternoon Activities
18.00-19.00	Dinner
19.30-21.00	Evening activities
22.00	Bedtime!

On the first day students will take an English test and be placed into a class according to their level.

### What will they do in class?

All UK Language Course teachers are appropriately qualified teachers and we recruit them for their enthusiasm. They are there to help students improve their English and their confidence when using the English language. Students will do lots of speaking activities and will have the chance also to practise their reading and writing skills. We use a task based learning approach which aims to involve and engage the students fully in what they are doing and provide language in context. For more information about our approach and lesson plans the Course Director at the centre is always available.

We will provide all course materials, including an exercise book and a pen.

### Where can they play sport?

During orientation students will see all the sports facilities at the school including the open air swimming pool and the sports fields. On the programme you will see that some afternoons are dedicated to staying at school and playing sports and tournaments. Students, who are enrolled on an English plus Sports course, will be informed as soon as they arrive where and when their first session will be and who their coach will be.

### What will they do in the evening?

The UK Language Course staff plan fantastic activities to make sure the students enjoy their evenings at St Peter's: Discos, Quizzes, Fashion shows, Blind Date, Sports tournaments etc. We ask Group Leaders to encourage students to participate as much as possible and to communicate any special ideas or requests from students.

### School Rules

UK Language Courses wants the students to enjoy their time at St Peter's School as much as possible. However, students must follow certain rules of behaviour. We operate on a "Ground Rules" policy: repeated misbehaviour will result in a warning; if a student continues to misbehave, a call will be placed to their parents (at this point we will contact the agent to inform them); finally, if they continue to ignore the rules, they will be sent home at their own expense and we will contact the Agent to organise this.

## Things to be aware of

As this is a boarding school and the individual rooms do not lock, students need to avoid bringing very expensive items with them. If they are bringing valuables with them it is essential that they have sufficient insurance to cover any loss of damage as neither the centre nor the company can be held responsible if anything goes missing.

## Pocket Money

All our programmes are fully-inclusive. You will only need to bring some spending money for snacks, souvenirs and gifts during days out on excursions. There is a facility at the centre for Group Leaders to lock away any pocket money in a safe and access will be given at specified times.

## Emergency Contact

During your stay each student will be given a wrist band upon arrival, this will have the following emergency telephone number printed on it: 00 44 1244 567695

If you need to contact the centre in the event of an emergency please call this number and follow the options for the relevant centre, this will then put you through to the person on duty.

## What to Bring

All students should bring appropriate clothing for the often unpredictable British weather!

# St Peter's, York Factsheet:

<b>Location</b>	St Peter's School, York						
<b>Centre</b>	St Peter's School, York, YO30 7BU						
<b>Dates</b>	11 <sup>th</sup> July- 8 <sup>th</sup> August 2016						
<b>Lesson Type</b>	Morning Lessons						
<b>Trinity Exam available</b>	Available upon request						
<b>Sports Facilities</b>	Swimming Pool	Gym	Sports Hall	Tennis	Outdoor Playing Fields	Climbing Wall	Squash Courts
	✓	✓	✓	✓ (13 courts)	✓		✓
<b>Other Facilities</b>	Use of Kitchen	Use of washing machine / tumble dryer	Common Room (with TV)	Internet (supervised for students)	Towels provided	Other	
	✓ (in boarding houses)	✓	✓	✓ (classroom only)		Assembly Hall	
<b>Accommodation Facilities</b>	Single Rooms	Twin Rooms	Triple Rooms	Multi Rooms	Ratio of showers & toilets to students	Laundry	Cleaning
	✓	✓	✓	✓	1:5	Weekly	Daily
<b>Distances to nearest shops</b>	5 minute walk to local shop. 10 minute into centre of York						
<b>Deposits</b>	£25/€25						
	To be paid upon arrival and returned just before departure						
<b>Dentist</b>	Aldwark Dental Practice (0.5 miles) Practice ID: 176 60-62 Aldwark, York, YO1 7BU Telephone – 0844 8401508 Email - <a href="mailto:ldhdentistyorkaldwark.co.uk">ldhdentistyorkaldwark.co.uk</a>						

<b>Medical Facilities</b>	NHS walk in medical centre at the York District Hospital
<b>Doctors Procedure</b>	If a student is ill and requires a doctor, then a group leader and a UKLC staff member will take the student to the NHS medical centre at York District Hospital. The student will be required to fill out a temporary patient form and will be seen on the same day.
<b>Nearest Hospital</b>	Distance – 1.3km York District Hospital Wigginton Road, York, YO31 8HE Tel: 01904 631313