



Bristol, Badminton School

CENTRE HANDBOOK 2022

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Thank you very much for your interest in our centre at Badminton School. 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 +44 (0)1244 577995.

We look forward to a successful summer 2022 at Badminton School.



BADMINTON SCHOOL

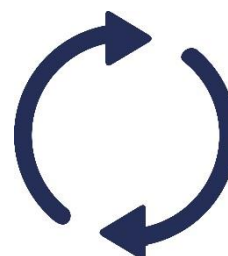
SUMMARY



BOARDING
SCHOOL



HOMESTAY
AVAILABLE



SHORT
TRANSFERS



EXCITING
EXCURSIONS



DANCE



DRAMA



INTENSIVE
ENGLISH



EXCELLENT
SPORTS
FACILITIES



LIFE SKILLS



FOOTBALL



SWIMMING
POOL

CENTRE DESCRIPTION

Badminton School is a beautiful, independent boarding and day school set in Westbury-on-Trym, on the outskirts of Bristol – which was ranked as one of the best places to live by the Sunday Times in 2017! The school has a beautiful mixture of old and new buildings surrounded by glorious gardens.

It is a closed site with high security. There is CCTV on campus, the residences have key coded access and there is on site- security from 8am until 10pm.

There are approximately 180 beds in two houses on-site.

In this centre, we accept students travelling as part of a group and an individual* from 8 - 17 years old.

*For individual students travelling without a Group Leader, they will be allocated a UKLC member of staff to act as their Group Leader and point of reference at all times.



Building Key

1. Northcote House
2. School House
3. Peace Memorial Hall
4. Casson Library
5. Science Block
6. Gymnasium
7. Art Block
8. Swimming Pool
9. Junior School
10. Sanderson House
11. Sixth Form Centre
12. Tippet Music Centre
13. Tippet Music Suite
14. Maintenance Buildings
15. The Lodge
16. Cote Grange Cottage
17. Little Grange
18. Cote Bank



LOCATION

Badminton School, Westbury Road, Wetbury-on-Trym, Bristol, BS9 3BA

Population – 459,300

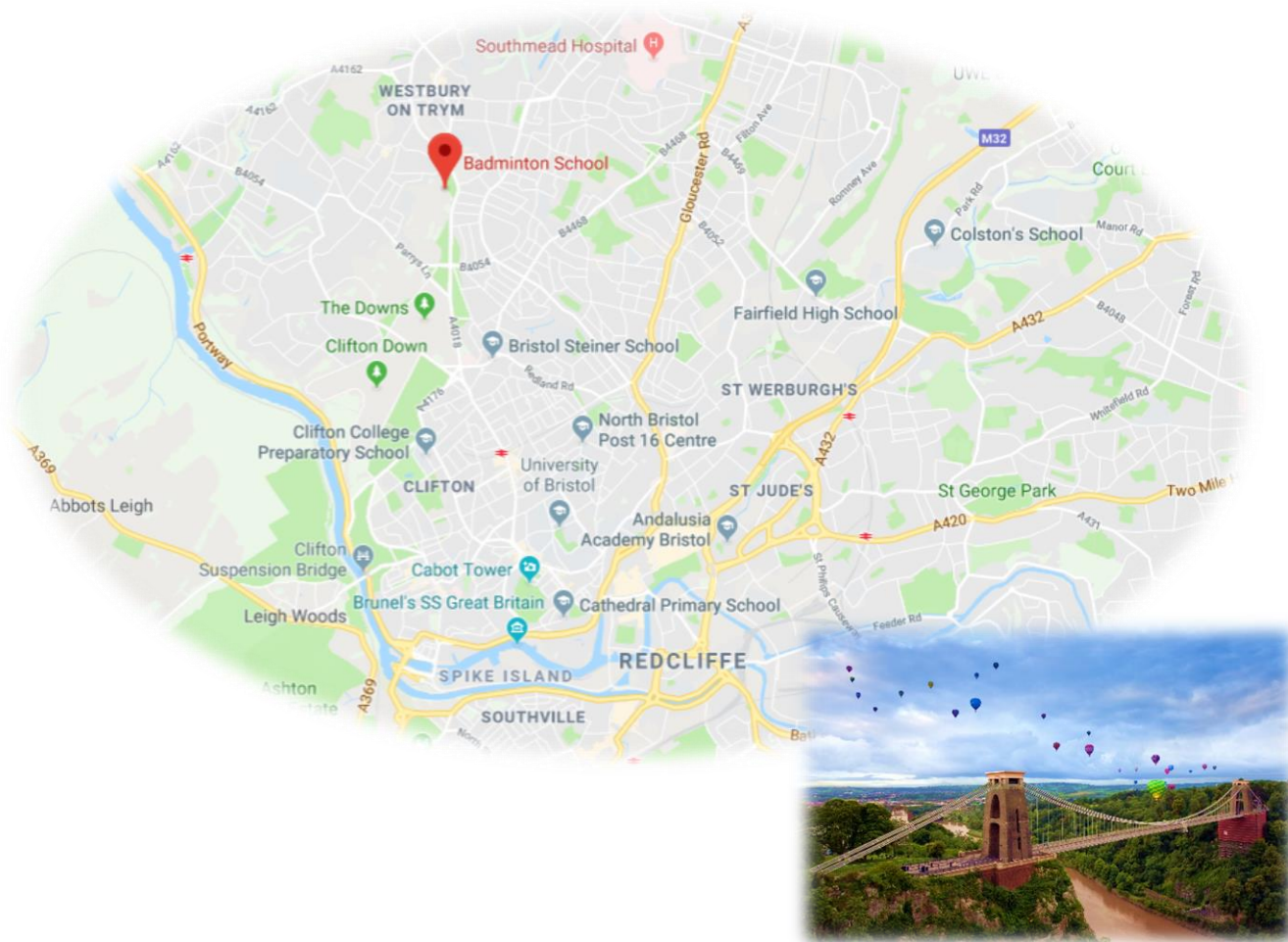
There are lots of small shops and cafés in close proximity to Badminton school, in the suburb of Henleaze. The school is located approximately 3 miles from Bristol City Centre.

Airport transfers:

Bristol – 25 minutes

Birmingham – 1 hour 40 minutes

Heathrow - 2 hours



Bristol is one of Britain's favourite cities and was voted UK's best place to live in 2017 by The Sunday Times. It has a proud maritime history, and it is from here that many of England's great explorers set off to travel the world. The city is situated in the South West of England with the River Avon on each side.

LOCAL AMENITIES

Post Office

Post Office

Address: 152 Henleaze Rd, Bristol BS9 4NB (0.5 miles / 9 minutes' walk)

Supermarket

Waitrose

Address: 51 Northumbria Dr, Bristol BS9 4HN (0.5 miles / 10 minutes' walk)

ATM

Lloyds Bank

Address: 73 Henleaze Rd, Westbury-on-trym, Bristol BS9 4JS (0.3 miles / 5 minutes' walk)

Chemist

Boots

Address: 55 Henleaze Rd, Bristol BS9 4JT (0.3 miles / 5 minutes' walk)

Hospital

Southmead Hospital

Address: Southmead Rd, Westbury-on-Trym, Bristol BS10 5NB (2.1 miles / 10 minutes by car)

Doctors

Fallodon Way Medical Centre

Address: 13 Fallodon Way, Bristol BS9 4HT (0.4 miles / 8 minutes' walk)

N.B. If a student is ill and requires a doctor, a group leader and a UKLC staff member will take the student to the NHS medical centre at Royal Berkshire Hospital. The student will be required to fill out a temporary patient form and will be seen on the same day.

Dentist

Prospect Street Dental Practice

Address: 19 Prospect St, Reading, RG4 8JB (0.4 miles / 7 minutes' walk)

Bus Stop

Turn left out of the school and there is a bus stop approx. 0.3 miles/ 5 minutes' walk away. There are frequent busses that run into Bristol Town Centre and surrounding suburbs.

Train Station

Clifton Down Railway Station

Address: Clifton Down Railway Station, Bristol BS8 2PN (1.5 miles / 30 minutes' walk or 10 minutes by car) Regular trains to Bristol Temple Meads.

Taxi Companies

Prestige Cars 0117 950 9999

Greenway Cars 0117 950 0600

Southmead Taxis 0117 909 1540

Coffee Shop

Coffee#1

Coffee#1 is a local chain serving gourmet coffees and snacks.

Address: 75 Henleaze Rd, Bristol BS9 4JP

Walking distance from Badminton School: 0.3 miles (7 minutes' walk)

Restaurants

Kondi Brasserie

A friendly Italian-run restaurant serving classic Italian food.

Address: Kondi Brasserie, 105 Henleaze Rd, Bristol BS9 4JP

Walking distance from Badminton School: 0.4 miles (8 minutes' walk)

Mesa Tapas & Bar

A cosy tapas restaurant and cocktail bar

Address: 2 North View, Westbury Park, Bristol BS6 7QB

Walking distance from Badminton School: 0.5 miles (10 minutes' walk)

Westbury Park Pub

A British Pub in the heart of Henleaze, serving classic British pub food and quality Sunday dinners.

Address: Westbury Park Pub, Northumbria Dr, Henleaze, Bristol BS9 4HP

Walking distance from Badminton School: 0.5 miles (10 minutes' walk)

ACCOMMODATION

The school has 3 residential houses, 2 of these are available for UKLC. All bedrooms are multi-bedded, spacious rooms accommodating between 1 – 4 students per room. Each house has communal showers and washrooms on every floor. There is also a communal area and kitchen in each house with fantastic views of Bristol. The houses are called Sanderson House and Sixth Form Centre.

Sanderson House has a total of 91 beds made up of 3 – 4 cabin beds in each room with desks underneath. There are shared bathroom facilities in each wing of the building, on every floor.

Sixth Form Centre has a total of 95 beds made up of spacious single and twin rooms. There are shared bathroom facilities on each floor.

Bedding is provided but students must bring their own towels.

Room Allocation

We divide the students up according to their age, gender and group. We take into consideration any specific requests, e.g. friends who want to share. Group leaders will stay in the same house as their students. Room allocation is normally done on arrival. If you would like any further information about this, please contact us.

HOUSEKEEPING

Bedding is changed once a week. Towels are not provided. Bedrooms, bathrooms and public areas are cleaned 6 times a week. There is a laundry service provided once a week for all students and group leaders. Staff will have access to the washing machine and tumble dry facilities located in each house to use.

Key Loss

Group leaders and students will be issued with a key for their room. If any key is lost during the stay, there will be a £10 fee for a replacement.

Deposits

We will ask each student for a deposit of €25/£25 on arrival. 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 admits fault, we will ask everyone in the house to share the cost.



Accommodation block

MEALS

When the students are on campus, they will eat their meals in the dining hall on site. When they are out on full day excursions, they will be provided with packed lunches.

There is the option of having a cooked breakfast 3 times a week.

Mealtimes:

Breakfast: 8:00 until 9:00

Lunch: 12:30 until 13:30

Dinner: 18:30 until 19:30

If we are aware in advance, we can advise the catering staff of any dietary requirements or allergies and the canteen staff can cater to these.

*Mealtimes are subject to change

BADMINTON SCHOOL, SAMPLE MENU

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Breakfast	Traditional English Breakfast Toast, Cereal, Yoghurt Butter and Jams	Croissants, Baked Rolls and boiled eggs Toast, Cereal, Yoghurt Butter and Jams	Grilled bacon, hash browns and tomatoes Toast, Cereal, Yoghurt Butter and Jams	Scrambled egg, baked beans and hash browns Toast, Cereal, Yoghurt Butter and Jams	Croissants Toast, Cereal, Yoghurt Butter and Jams	Bacon and Sausage Baps Toast, Cereal, Yoghurt Butter and Jams	Croissants Toast, Cereal, Yoghurt Butter and Jams
Lunch *(V) Vegetarian option available	Vegetarian Sausages (V) Or Sausages and mashed potato Sides - Vegetables Mixed salads, Soups and Filled Breads available	Vegetarian Pasta Bar (v) Or Pasta Bar Sides – Garlic and herb bread and broccoli Mixed salads, Soups and Filled Breads available	Vegetarian Kiev with Garlic Butter (V) Or Chicken Kiev Sides – Black top tomato and fine beans Mixed salads, Soups and Filled Breads available	Baked Macaroni and Cheese (V) Or Puff Pastry topped pie Sides – Herb buttered carrots Mixed salads, Soups and Filled Breads available	Vegetarian Sausage (V) Or Breaded Plaice, Poached Fish with Sides - New Potatoes & Peas, Tartare Sauce Mixed salads, Soups and Filled Breads available	Vegetarian Pasta Bar (v) Or Pasta Bar Sides – Garlic and herb bread and broccoli Mixed salads, Soups and Filled Breads available	Cannelloni Or Breaded Plaice Goujons Or Cheese & Onion Pasty Mixed salads, Soups and Filled Breads available
Pudding	Sliced Fruit	Summer Fruit Jelly	Chocolate Mousse	Chefs Pudding Choice	Badminton Mess	Summer Fruit Jelly	Sliced Fruit
Dinner *(V) Vegetarian option available	Vetetarian Meatballs (V) or Italian Pork Meatballs Sides – Garlic Bread	Roasted Aubergine with roasted peppers & goats cheese (V) or Roast Chicken with pigs in blankets Sides – Spring Greens	Selection of Pizzas (Vegetarian options available) Sides – Mixed vegetables	Vegetable lasagne (V) Or Lasagne Sides – Garlic Focaccia and mixed salad	Vegetarian Pasta Bar (v) Or Pasta Bar Sides – Garlic and herb bread and broccoli	BBQ Night Burgers and Hot Dogs Or Vegetarian Sausages and Burgers Sides – Salad	Cauliflower and Cheese (V) Or Roast Turkey Sides – Vegetables
Pudding	Chocolate Brownie	Ice Creams	Yogurts	Fresh Fruit	Jelly	Ice Creams	Crumble and Custard

TECHNOLOGY

Wi-fi is available campus-wide and is password protected. We normally only give this password out to Group Leaders / adults. Being a private boarding school, the internet access is firewalled as per the boarding school regulations.

It is at the Group Leader's discretion whether they give these details to their students.

Wi-fi will be switched off between 00:00 and 07:00.

SECURITY

There is CCTV coverage on campus and duty security officers 6am - 10pm.

Emergency contacts - During their 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.

Certain basic guidelines are common to all centres and all students. Students should:

- ❗ **Never go off alone!**
- ❗ **Never leave the residence without permission in the evening!**
- ❗ **Always make sure they have understood when and where the meeting point is whilst out on excursions!**
- ❗ **Always wear their identification lanyard and their UKLC wristband! ***
*students not wearing their lanyard or wristband will be fined £1

Remember:

- ✓ That there is a 24-hour emergency telephone number on the wristband (**00441244 567695**) and that the number for the emergency services (Ambulance/Police/Fire) in England is **999**, or the single emergency number for the EU including the UK is **112** or you can call **101** to report a crime where you do not need an emergency response
- ✓ That the police are there to help and protect and can be asked for assistance!
- ✓ Never to respond to someone if you feel threatened, simply walk away!
- ✓ To give your money to the UKLC management team to put in the safe and never to carry large amounts of cash around.
- ❗ To be careful crossing the road. Remember that in the UK we drive on the left!
- ❗ If you are ill or need a doctor, tell a member of UKLC staff immediately!
- ❗ To keep all windows closed when not in your bedrooms!

Insurance and valuables – Although all houses will be accessed via swipe cards or key coded entry systems, it is suggested that students try 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. The Centre Manager will have access to a safe if it is required.

TEACHING

We know how important it is for each individual student to find their own path in language learning. We use a wide range of methods to engage and stimulate our students. This is why we have created a programme based on the students' age, level and need. It is called You Can Learn 4, or as we like to call it UKL4, and it includes:

UKL4 FUN (Ages 8-11): Highly engaging lessons that offer a wide range of tailored material and activities for our young learners. It makes games into lessons and lessons into games.

UKL4 CONNECTION (Ages 11-14): Highly dynamic lessons that include a variety of topics and media, especially designed to reflect the quick-paced interactive world our young students are growing up in. Available in levels A1-C1.

UKL4 ACTION (Ages 14-17): Lessons especially designed to engage our older students through more abstract tasks, topics and contemporary issues. Available in levels A1-C1.

UKL4 CONNECTION and UKL4 ACTION programmes consist of three different lessons a day:

1. TBL (Task Based Learning): During these lessons students are encouraged to use the language to complete a task. Language is therefore acquired through the task as it emerges naturally as the result of the students' communicative needs.

2. Skills & Systems

These lessons aim at empowering our students' linguistic awareness and capabilities by thoroughly working on all language skills (reading, writing, listening, speaking) and systems (grammar, phonology, lexis, discourse) as well as using materials relevant to exam preparation (KET, PET, FCE, CAE, TOEFL, IELTS, GESE).

3. CLIL: (Content and Language Integrated Learning)

These lessons merge CLIL and British culture. Students learn about art, literature and science, or about the history and geography of the UK, while activating their linguistic knowledge.

Placement tests

We offer classes at four levels from elementary to upper intermediate. Students are given a placement test on their first day of classes to ensure they are placed at the correct level.

Once the tests have been marked, students won't be told their score unless they specifically ask for it but will be placed into a class level from A1-C1 based on these results.

If students are not happy with their level, they can speak with the Course Director who can decide if it is necessary for the student to change levels.

We always try to split groups into different classes to mix nationalities, but this does depend on their levels and the numbers of students that we have on site.

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

Students are taught in class sizes up to 16.

PROGRAMME

All summer programmes include-

- 15 hours of English lessons
- Full board accommodation in residence or homestay
- Full programme of excursions, activities and evening entertainment
- Evening Conversation Clubs (optional)
- 1 Free leader for 15 students
- Placement Test on arrival and End of Course Certificate
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The programmes listed below are available in Badminton School for summer 2022;

English Plus Multi-Activity

The “typical” summer programme consisting of a wide variety of activities and sports. Sessions are structured and are coached by specialist staff. Sessions can include tennis, basketball, volleyball, swimming, photography workshops, dance, football, and drama etc. Students are moved through two or three activities on rotation in each session.

English Plus Intensive English*

Additional English lessons for those who really want to maximise their language learning during their stay in the UK. Students will build on their lessons through additional taught classes at a level appropriate to their achievement in the placement test. The lesson content will be a continuation of the UKL4 programmes as outlined in the accompanying Academic Summary (see section on “Academic Tuition”).

English Plus Dance*

For students with a passion for dance. Sessions take place with a specialist dance teacher and the programme works towards an end-of-course performance to the whole school. Sessions begin with a warm up before learning new steps and techniques needed to put together a dance routine. The second part of the sessions allows students to practise what they have learnt and rehearse any routines for the final performance. Styles covered include street dance, modern jazz, contemporary and West End musical.

English Plus Drama*

For students with an interest in drama and a desire to improve their English through confidence building performances. Sessions take place with a teacher who will guide the students through a programme exploring various elements of acting, including improvisation, mime and role play. They will perform at the end of the course either a part of a well-known play or something they have written themselves.

English Plus Football*

For students who love football and want to play it every waking minute! Coaching sessions are led by qualified staff and aim to improve each student’s technical skills and abilities. It also aims to build on their understanding of match tactics and playing systems. There are regular matches and a weekly showpiece game.

English Plus Life Skills*

For students aged 14-17 who want more from their summer school experience. The purpose is to develop students in a way that is going to be useful to them as they go on to become young adults. They will undertake seminars and workshops on topics such as “CV writing”, “Interview skills”, “Presentation skills”, “Writing for academic purposes”, “Projecting confidence, competence and credibility” etc. Elements of this will be incorporated into project work that will be presented at the end of the course.

*Students aged between 11 and 17 who are enrolled on Multi-Activity or English Plus courses will be divided by age for activities where numbers allow. Students can choose whether to enrol on the Multi-Activity or an English Plus course.

**These programmes vary at each centre. A minimum of 10 students applies to each programme and each student will be asked to select a 1st and 2nd option before arrival which they will join for the duration for their stay. Students who do not choose in advance (deadline 31st May) will join the standard English Plus Multi-Activity.

***Students under the age of 11 will automatically be enrolled on our English plus multi-activity programme.



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Bristol, Badminton School Sample Programme Summer 2022

Week 1	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday	
	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM
	English Testing	Multi-Activity or Chosen Programme	English Lessons	Bristol Orientation & M Shed	English Lessons	Multi-Activity or Chosen Programme	English Lessons	Wales with Chepstow Castle	English Lessons	Multi-Activity or Chosen Programme	Cardiff with Boat Trip		Optional Excursion to London with Walking Tour, British Museum & London Eye	

Week 2	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday	
	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM
	English Lessons	Multi-Activity or Chosen Programme	English Lessons	Bristol with SS Great Britain	English Lessons	Multi-Activity or Chosen Programme	English Lessons	Cheddar with Cheddar Gorge	English Lessons	Multi-Activity or Chosen Programme	Bath World Heritage Site with Roman Baths		Depart	

Please note: This is a sample programme and may be subject to change. It may also be necessary to operate a zig zag programme of morning / afternoon lessons.

A full evening programme will be included. Activities could include Speed Dating, Paparazzi, Trashion Show, Disco and Quiz Night.

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PROGRAMME

A typical day for students –

08:00 – 09:00 – Breakfast

09:00 – 10:00 – Lesson 1

10:00 – 10:15 – Break

10:15 – 11:15 – Lesson 2

11:15 – 11:30 – Break

11:30 – 12:30 – Lesson 3

12:30 – 13:30 – Lunch

14:00 – 17:30 – Afternoon Activities

18:30 – 19:30 – Dinner

20:00 – 22:00 – Evening Activities

22:00 – Bedtime!

FACILITIES AND USE

Sports facilities on site

- Sports hall
- Indoor swimming Pool
- Tennis and Netball courts
- Full size, all weather astro pitch
- Gymnasium

Sports available at this centre can include - football, handball, basketball, rounders, volleyball, cricket, lacrosse & tennis.

Evening entertainment

The UK Language Course staff plan fantastic activities to make sure the students enjoy their evenings: discos, quizzes, trashion 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.

Here are a few brief descriptions of just some of our activities for students to join in on.

Around the World

Around the World consists of a number of activity stations. Each activity station represents a country and will involve an activity (related to the given country). All students will be split into groups and be given a set time for each station. They will move around each station until all stations have been completed.

Oscars Night

Oscars Night involves students watching a number of scenes from selected films in which they will have chance to re-enact the selected scene. Creating their own script & costumes (out of trash). Oscars will be awarded at the end of the evening after each group has re-enacted their scene.

Speed Dating

Speed dating enables students from mixed nationalities to socialise and get to know each other whilst improving their spoken English. Students will have a short period of time to have a conversation on their interests, hobbies etc. Once the given time is up they will move to another student and begin the same process again.

Talent Show

Talent Show enables students to perform talents of singing, dancing, acrobatics, acting, playing an instrument or other activities to showcase skills.

Trashion Show

Trashion Show consists of students designing, creating and modelling two outfits out of trash which relates to their given theme.

We are Covid Secure

Our job is always to keep our students safe. Alongside everything that we usually have in place to do this, we have now added in some new elements that will help us minimise the risk of Covid-19. Please refer to our We are Covid secure document which highlights the measures we have put in place. In addition, you can read our comprehensive policies and procedures in OSH (Operations and Safeguarding Handbook). These can be found on our website (www.uklanguagecourses.com/agent-area). This will continue to be updated regularly in line with government guidance.

The UKLC team look forward to welcoming you to Badminton School in summer 2022!

