

Embassy Gatton Park



Located at Royal Alexandra and Albert boarding school in the grounds of Gatton Park, a country estate of 450 acres of beautiful parkland in the county of Surrey.

It is a traditional boarding school in a rural setting with dormitory rooms suitable for younger students with excellent facilities including a sports hall, indoor swimming pool, tennis courts and plenty of outdoor space for activities.

Why Gatton Park?

- British boarding school experience
- Suitable for younger students
- Large grounds for outdoor games and activities

Key Facts:

Age range: 8 to 17

Dates: 9 Jul – 6 Aug

Centre capacity: 300

Nearest station: Merstham

Nearest town/city: Redhill

Time to Cambridge: 10 minutes by bus

Time to London: 35 minutes by train

Main nationalities in 2016: Turkish, French, Spanish, Russian, Chinese

Transport links:

Gatwick 30 minutes

Heathrow 50 minutes

Stansted/Luton/St.Pancras International 90 min.



Campus facilities

Accommodation

Several single sex boarding houses
Dormitories of 2 to 6 beds. Shared bathroom
ratio of around 1:5 students. Each room
contains single beds, wardrobes, desks and
chairs. Larger rooms have bunk beds. Computer
suite available for student use in the evenings.

Deposit of £30 required upon arrival

Common areas

- Each boarding house has a common room

Cleaning

- Rooms cleaned weekly
- Common areas cleaned daily
- Student bathrooms cleaned weekly

Linen

- Clean sheets provided weekly

Towels

- Students must bring own towel

Laundry

Washing machines located in each boarding
house

- Laundry is free of charge

Sports

- Tennis courts, sports hall
- Indoor swimming pool
- Extensive grounds for games and activities

Meals

Meals are provided in a large self-service
dining hall

Food options

Breakfast

Continental including juice, coffee, toast,
cereal, fruit

Lunch

2 courses, 3 options including vegetarian

Evening

2 courses 3 options including vegetarian

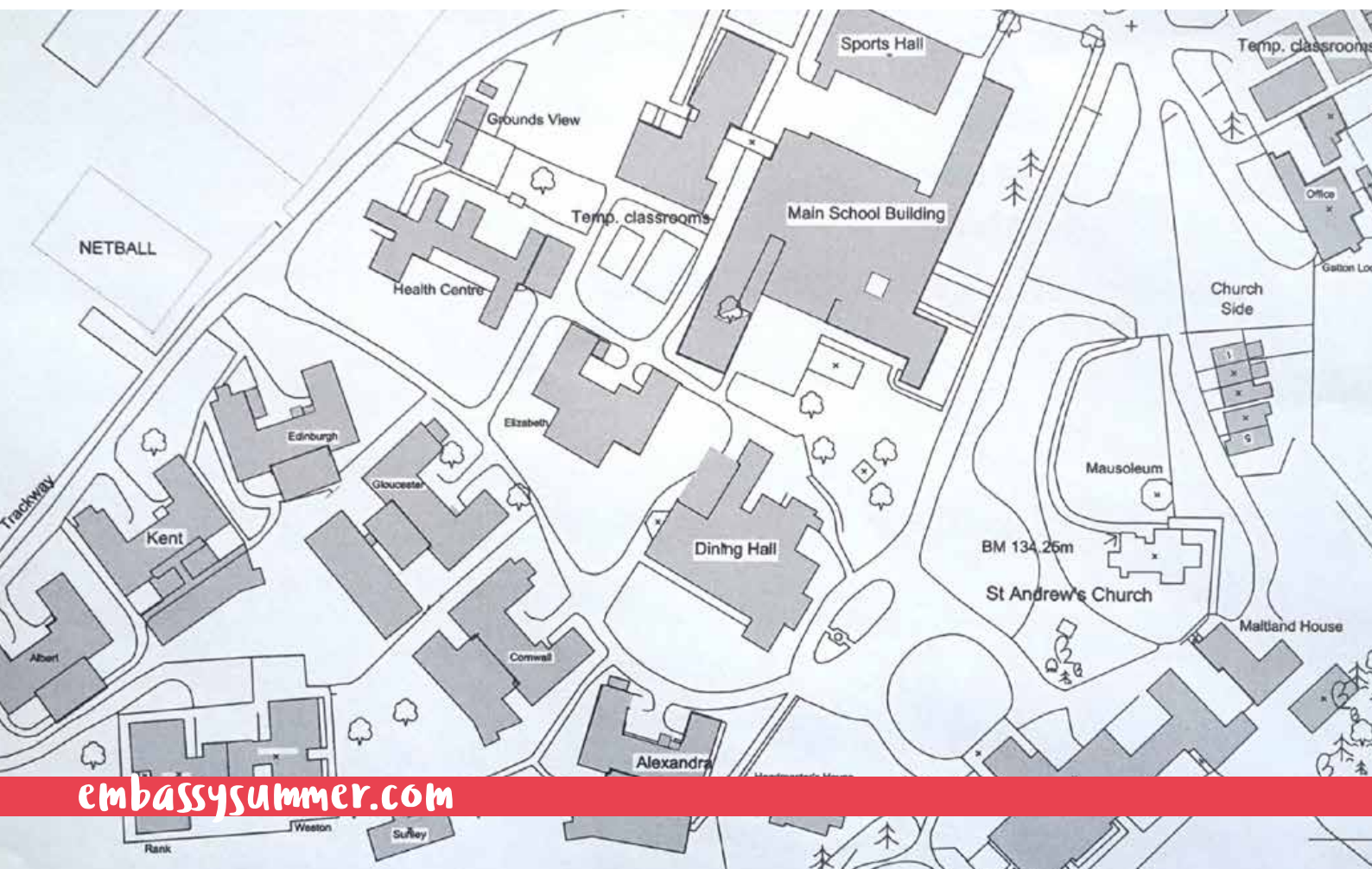
Halal option available

Snacks

Vending machines located in dining hall for
drinks and confectionery

Packed lunches are provided at weekends

water, fruit, sandwich, crisps, biscuits/cake



Programme information

Arrival

Students will be welcomed upon arrival at **the Embassy office next to the Dining Hall** where they will register and get their room keys and can check-in to their rooms.

Welcome

On the first evening there will be a welcome activity which is designed to ensure students have the opportunity to meet staff and other students and get to know more about the campus, its facilities and useful information which will help them during their stay.

English lessons

- Placement tests on first morning for all students to ensure put in correct level
- Students are placed in an international class with different nationalities
- Class sizes are maximum 15 students
- 20x 45 minute lessons per week - 3 hours per morning or afternoon, 5 days per week
- Qualified teachers use a communicative teaching methodology to engage students in a fun and dynamic way
- Particular focus is on improving listening and speaking skills
- Classrooms are located **throughout the campus**
- Large classrooms are equipped with interactive whiteboards

Activities

Activities are organised every Monday to Friday and every evening all week, for students not on a prepaid excursion or any additional optional trips. These activities could be onsite or near to the centre. These may include:

- **Sports** such as football, mini Olympics, rounders, table tennis, volleyball and swimming
- **Daytime activities** such as scavenger hunts and drama workshops
- **Evening activities** such as drama performances, talent shows and team games

Half-day trips

Local visits to Kew Gardens, Hampton Court Palace, Redhill town, Greenwich Royal Observatory, Windsor Castle, Leeds Castle

Excursions

Full-day excursions from Gatton Park include:

London - visit this exciting capital city and take a walking tour of Westminster or along the South Bank and visit the Tate Modern

Canterbury - visit this UNESCO World Heritage Site, one of the most visited cities in the UK with medieval buildings and enjoy the gothic architecture of Canterbury Cathedral

Oxford - explore this iconic University city and its famous colleges and visit the Ashmolean Museum, home to famous drawings, paintings and archaeological treasures

Optional excursions

Take advantage of the additional trips that are available from Gatton Park

Thorpe Park - enjoy extreme rides and attractions at this popular theme park.

London - Madame Tussauds or Tower of London

Chessington World of Adventure - zoo and theme park with roller coaster and water rides



Life skills

Students on an Embassy Summer programme will gain more than just language skills and exposure to a different culture. Our trips, the tasks students will be set for their trips and excursions and all of our activities are designed to give students the skills they need to succeed in life.

From improved communication to problem solving, from teamwork to leadership - students will be developing key life skills at an important time in their lives.

Communication



Confidence



Teamwork



Leadership



Problem solving



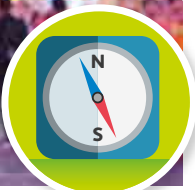
Curiosity



Creativity



Exploration



Sample programmes (Extra)

Gatton Park - 3 Week Extra Programme

Each 14 night stay will include 4 half days to a local town or attraction and 2 full days to another major town such as London, Oxford, Brighton etc. Transport for trips may be by private coach or public transport. This programme is for illustrative purposes and activities and trips shown may change. Student may have lessons EITHER morning OR afternoon in week 1, alternating weekly after that. Final Sunday of Centre 6th August 2017.

The week numbers below represent the 3 weekly cycle of programmes at the centre – week 1 being the first week per the centre start date in the 'Key Facts' section on the first page of this guide. Groups will therefore join the week applicable to their start date.

Week 1	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	Arrivals/activities on site or optional trip to London	Testing/Induction or Lessons	Lessons	Lessons	Lessons	Lessons	Full-day trip to London with Westminster Walking Tour and Shopping
Afternoon		Site and Local Orientation/ Local Visit	Half Day Trip to Windsor Castle	Mini Olympics Lip Dub Video Preparation	Half Day Trip to Greenwich With Royal Observatory	School Assembly Disco Preparation	
Evening	Welcome Games and Quiz	Disco	Photo Scavenger Hunt	Eurovision Karaoke	Lip Dub Video Presentations	Cross Dress Disco	Film Night
			Culture Club	Kahoot Quiz	Dodgeball		Blind Date

Week 2	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	Arrivals/activities on site or optional trip to Thorpe Park	Site and Local Orientation/ Local Visit	Half Day Trip to Hever Castle	Football Competition	Half Day Trip to Kew Gardens	School Assembly	Full-day trip to Oxford with Walking Tour and Shopping
Afternoon				Testing/Induction or Lessons		Lessons	
Evening	Welcome Games and treasure Hunt	Disco	The Great Egg Drop	Pop Idol Karaoke	Talent Show	Masquerade Disco	Film Night
			Culture Club	Kahoot Quiz	Ultimate Frisbee		Take Me Out

Week 3	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	Arrivals/activities on site or optional trip to London	Testing/Induction or Lessons	Lessons	Lessons	Lessons	Lessons	Full-day trip to London with Southbank Walking Tour and Tate Modern Visit
Afternoon		Site and Local Orientation/ Local Visit	Half Day Trip to Leeds Castle	Capture the Flag Drama Workshop (theatre)	Half Day Trip to Hampton Court Palace	School Assembly Disco Preparation	
Evening	Welcome Games and Quiz	Disco	Murder Mystery	EX-Factor Karaoke	Embassy Theatre Show	Super Star Disco	Film Night
			Culture Club	Kahoot Quiz	Quidditch		Speed Dating

Sample programmes (Essential)

Gatton Park - 3 Week Essential Programme

Each 14 night stay will include 2 half days visits to the local town, 2 half day trips to other towns and attractions & 1 full day to another major town such as London, Oxford, Brighton etc. Transport for trips may be by private coach or public transport. This programme is for illustrative purposes and activities and trips shown may change. Student may have lessons EITHER morning OR afternoon in week 1, alternating weekly after that.

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Afternoon		Site and Local Orientation/ Local Visit	Redhill Town Photo Treasure Hunt	Mini Olympics Lip Dub Video Preparation	Half Day Trip to Greenwich With Royal Observatory	School Assembly Disco Preparation	
Evening	Welcome Games and Quiz	Disco	Photo Scavenger Hunt	Eurovision Karaoke	Lip Dub Video Presentations	Cross Dress Disco	Film Night
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Afternoon				Testing/Induction or Lessons		Lessons	
Evening	Welcome Games and treasure Hunt	Disco	The Great Egg Drop	Pop Idol Karaoke	Talent Show	Masquerade Disco	Film Night
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Student Welfare

We place the highest priority on care and supervision at all of our Embassy summer centres so you can rest assured students are well looked after. Staff are available 24 hours a day.

Office address

Embassy Summer Schools
Royal Alexandra and Albert School
c/o Foundation Office
Gatton Park
Reigate RH2 0TW

Student services

Our student support staff can help you with:

- Accommodation
- Airport transfers
- Information about local services
- Assistance with individual and personal problems
- Emergency contact

Medical information

If a student needs medical attention an Embassy staff member will help make an appointment. Group leaders must accompany the student to an appointment. An Embassy staff member will accompany any student that is not part of a group.

Local doctor

Moat House Surgery
Worsted Green,
Redhill RH1 3PN
Tel: +44 1737 642207

Local hospital

East Surrey Hospital
Canada Avenue
Redhill RH1 5RH
Tel: +44 1737 768511

Insurance

If a student does not have insurance, StudyCare is available to purchase

Safe

A safe will be available for the storage of passports, travel documents and deposits.

In case of emergency

A 24 hour emergency telephone number is available all summer: +44 7771 845978.

Check list

- Trainers or walking shoes
- Hat or cap
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Towel
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