Returners Policy 2024



British Summer School commits to ensures that no student is at risk of repeating the same lessons or leisure programme activities because they have attended previously.

Every student, irrespective of whether they have attended British Summer School previously, must receive a unique and inspirational experience.

We achieve this by:

Portfolio

- Encouraging returning students to attend a different course, with a different focus. This also gives them a sense of achievement, progression, and challenge in each year that they return.
- Refreshing and / or expanding our portfolio, offering new course options for returning students. New for 2024:
 - 5 new courses: Creators, Artists, Boarders, Graduates and Entrepreneurs of the future)
 - 2 new locations: Clayesmore and Moulton
 - 2 new exam options: Trinity Stars Young Performers & Trinity Communication Skill
 - 2 new Pro Options: Aviation Simulator & Food Innovation.

Academic Programme

- Communicating returning students' previous course and final British Summer School English level will help the Director of Studies place the student in a class level to ensure continued progress.
- Reviewing our teaching syllabi every year and trialling and incorporating some course books and materials, thus reducing the likelihood of returning students repeating academic content.
- Allowing teachers to use other resources, including their own materials.
- Permitting individual teachers to plan their own lessons considering the age, background, needs and preferences of the students, so that no two lessons are ever exactly the same.

Leisure Programme

• Offering a choice of different sports and other leisure activities every day allowing students, to a certain extent, to customize their course.

Cultural Programme

• Having a 3-year rolling programme of cultural excursions to ensure that returning students can visit different places.

BSS Experience featuring True Me

• Enabling and encouraging Activities Managers and Leaders to create new and innovative sessions that are not only enjoyable but also inspirational to the students.

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Signed:

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