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# **Explore Bournemouth**

Renowned for its sandy coastline and relaxed pace of life, Bournemouth is both a beach resort and a university city. Its entertainment options are varied and endless, making it one of the UK's most popular destinations.

Location: South Coast of England

Nearest cities: Southampton, Bristol

Journey time to London: 2 hours

**Key facts:** 

**Population:** 185,000



## **Bournemouth highlights**

### **Bournemouth Beach**

Bournemouth is home to 7 miles of award-winning beaches, often voted to be the best in the UK!



**Bournemouth Parks and Gardens** 

Nearest airports: Bournemouth Airport, Heathrow Airport

Bournemouth is home to 1000 hectares of beautifully-maintained parks and gardens, including the Victorian-era Lower, Central and Upper Gardens which run through the town centre.



**Russell-Cotes Gallery and Museum** 

Perched on top of a cliff top, this Italianstyle seaside villa now operates as a museum and art gallery.



Bournemouth Pier houses a variety of traditional seaside attractions and also offers stunning views across the bay and out to the Isle of Wight.



Oceanarium

Learn more about marine life in the Bournemouth Oceanarium, home to a wide range of animals including sharks, turtles and penguins.

### Food and drink

Bournemouth has a wide variety of cafes, restaurants and bars serving **fresh seafood, local produce, and many international cuisine** options to suit all budgets.

For a traditional British food experience, go for an **'Afternoon Tea'** at one of the cities tea rooms, or try a seaside classic such as **'fish and chips'** at the beach.

Bournemouth's town centre is home to lots of **bustling pubs and bars**, perfect for socialising with your new classmates and also meeting local British people.

For information about eating and drinking in Bournemouth, have a look at these websites:

- bournemouth.co.uk/food-and-drink
- visitbournemouth.com/eating-out
- theculturetrip.com/europe/united-kingdom/bournemouth



### Entertainment, arts and culture

There are many opportunities to enjoy arts, culture and entertainment in and around Bournemouth.

Go to a live music concert at one of Bournemouth's popular venues. The <u>Bournemouth International Centre (BIC)</u> and <u>O2 Academy</u> host well-known musicians and bands throughout the year.

Watch a film — the <u>Odeon</u> cinema is situated on Westover Road and offers all the latest releases. The <u>Regent Cinema</u> in Christchurch and the <u>Lighthouse</u> in Poole offer a choice of classic and art house films.

There are stand-up and open mic nights at many pubs and clubs where you can <u>watch live comedy</u>.



### Sports and leisure

Learn to **sail, windsurf, surf or kite-surf** at a local water sports academy.

Play beach volleyball on Bournemouth's miles of sandy coastline.

Join a local gym — there are many well-equipped local gyms and sports centres located around the city. Many offer student discounts on membership.

Local football club, **AFC Bournemouth**, play in the British **Premier League**, and host other famous teams such as Liverpool and Manchester United throughout the season.

For information about sports and leisure options near to Kings Bournemouth, have a look at these websites:

- bournemouth.co.uk/things-to-do/ (local information website)
- Active Dorset (local sport information)
- <u>AFC Bournemouth</u> (professional football team)



### Day trips and excursions

Visit the incredible <u>Jurassic Coast World Heritage Site</u> to see dramatic coastal rock formations and amazing sea views.

<u>Poole</u> — the neighbouring coastal town of Poole is known for its natural harbour and picturesque sandy beaches.

<u>Portsmouth</u> — the city of Portsmouth is home to historic dockyards, maritime museums, and the famous Spinnaker Tower.

The <u>New Forest National Park</u> is a short train journey from Bournemouth and offers opportunities for mountain biking, hiking, or even horse riding in beautiful natural surroundings.



Budget for your stay in Bournemouth

You will need to pay for some of the activities and excursions described here. To find out more go to <u>our website</u> or follow this **QR code** 



## Explore Kings Bournemouth

Consisting of two large buildings, the Braidley Road campus is the main teaching and administration centre, and is surrounded by gardens with lawns and patios

Facilities at the campus are fantastic, with spacious, wellequipped classrooms, two computer learning centres, a leisure/activity hall and a cafeteria and restaurant. Outside, there is a dedicated on-site sports court.

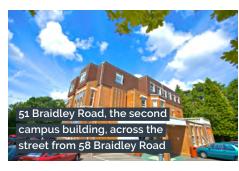
### School facilities

| Well-equipped, classrooms   |
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| Well-stocked library  |
| Computer Learning Centre  |
| Wireless internet access  |
| Computer Learning Centre  |
| Multi-purpose sports court for activities<br>such as basketball, 5-a-side football,<br>volleyball |
| Indoor sports hall for games, badminton,<br>table tennis  |
| On-site student cafeteria, and snack bar/<br>coffee shop  |
| Outdoor dining area   |
| Science lab<br>Art room   |
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lots of different events











 The lively student cafeteria with great hot

 and cold food served fresh every day



### School address and contact number

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E <u>bournemouth@kingseducation.com</u>

### **School location**

Kings Bournemouth is located in an affluent and peaceful residential area, 10 minutes' walk from the city centre. Courses offered <u>General English</u> Intensive English IELTS Preparation Diploma of General English Diploma of Intensive English Academic Study Programme Discovery Programme

### Key dates

Kings Bournemouth is open all year except for the following public holiday dates:

#### Public Holidays 2025

Wednesday 1 January Friday 18 April Monday 21 April Monday 5 May Monday 26 May Monday 25 August Thursday 25 December Friday 26 December

### Christmas holiday dates 2025 – 26

22 December 2025 – 4 January 2026 (school reopens Monday 5 January 2026)



### Virtual tour and video

<u>View Kings Bournemouth virtual tour</u> <u>here</u>

or follow this QR code



### Kings London on social media

Kings Bournemouth on Facebook

Kings Bournemouth on Twitter

Kings Bournemouth on Instagram







## Who you'll meet



"I look forward to welcoming you to the Kings family at Kings Bournemouth. I'm sure you'll enjoy your time in our wonderful seaside town both in the classroom as you improve your English and outside of it on one of the trips, excursions or activities that the school run."

### Accommodation options



### Town centre student residences — St Peters Quarter and Post Office Road

Our two centrally located student residences offer easy access to Kings Bournemouth.

They contain light and spacious single or twin bedrooms, all with en suite bathrooms. They are offered on a self-catering basis, with fully-equipped communal kitchen/ dining areas available.

- Town Centre St Peters Quarter
- Town Centre Post Office Road



### **Charminster Residence**

The <u>Charminster Residence</u> is located in a safe and friendly residential, with easy access to local amenities, and is a 25-minute walk from the school.

There are single and twin en suite bedrooms offered year-round for students aged 14<sup>+</sup>.

The meal plan is half-board, with breakfast and dinner prepared fresh daily by our chef at the on-site restaurant.



### Homestay

Homestay is a great way to experience day-to-day home life in the UK and practice your English

Every homestay is carefully inspected by our accommodation team and checked on a regular basis

Homestay accommodation offers single rooms with shared bathrooms

Half-board meals (breakfast and dinner 7 days per week) are included in the price



### Madeira Road Residence

The <u>Madeira Road Residence</u> is located 10 minutes' walk from the town centre, with easy access to transport links, shops, restaurants and healthcare facilities.

The residence offers single bedrooms with en suite bathrooms for students aged 16+ during the Summer period.

The residence is offered on a half-board and full-board basis.

Download all Bournemouth accommodation factsheets and photo galleries here

Visit kings-english.com/bournemouth or follow this QR code



### Location factfile: Kings Bournemouth

# School life and community

Take advantage of the wealth of extra-curricular opportunities available at Kings Bournemouth. These enrichment options are fantastic for both personal and professional development allow you to put your new language skills into practice outside class.

### Social programme

Our exciting and varied social programmes offer the opportunity to get involved in just about any activity you wish!

From sports to cultural activities, visits to museums, art galleries, concerts, or even trips to another city or country, your free time will always be full of fun, friendship, and adventure.

### Career guidance opportunities

All English language students also have the option to get involved in a range of career guidance opportunities.

This additional support is designed specifically for students who are preparing for their next steps in life, whether that be university progression, preparing to start a new job, or even entering the world of work for the first time.

Example options include — workshops or lectures; one-to-one university counselling; Special Interest Group (SIG) options.

### **Clubs and societies**

There are a wide range of clubs and societies available for all students to join. This is a great opportunity to make friends who have shared interests and develop your language skills within specific contexts or fields. Popular examples in Bournemouth include:

### Gaming Club

IELTS Club

Student Council

Spiritual Wellbeing Club

Chemistry Club

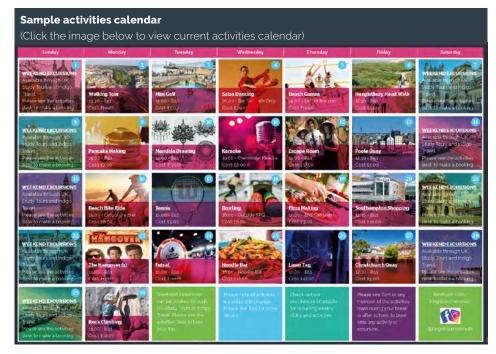
Basketball Club

Volleyball / Badminton Club

### Additional weekly lectures

We have a range of additional weekly afternoon lectures and workshops that are open to all students.

These lectures will be on a wide range of topics, from pronunciation and grammar, to exam preparation and local culture and customs.



Please note clubs, societies, lectures and activities are subject to availability of teachers and time of the year.

### Popular activities include:

Local walking tours

Beach volleyball

Coffee and conversation

Basketball

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Movie night

Half-day excursions to local towns and National Parks

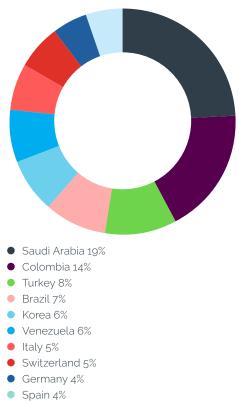
Weekend full-day trips to other cities in the UK

## Fundraising, community engagement and volunteering

Kings is proud to support our official charity partner **Theirworld**.

Our students get involved in all kinds of exciting fundraising activities and events throughout the year.

**Nationality statistics** 



The data above shows the nationalities of students enrolled in English language courses at Kings schools from July 2023 to June 2024.