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Summer School 2023

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Welcome to MPW Summer School

The MPW Summer School offers students aged 14-17, the opportunity to study an innovative, high-quality academic programme, including exclusive content developed by EtonX, as well as MPW's own highly-qualified academic team.

Our expertly-designed programmes give young people the chance to explore future careers and traditional academic subjects in refreshing new ways, while also engaging in modern skills-based approaches to learning such as critical thinking and creative problem solving.

Our campuses, based in London and Cambridge, allow students to experience the very best of British culture. Students also enjoy a packed schedule of social and cultural activities to make the most of their time outside of the classroom, plus lectures and career talks given by world renowned and leading university academics in their respective fields.

A summer with MPW is unique, unforgettable and transformative.

2023 Dates and Pricing*

- **Intake dates:**
  9 July and 23 July 2023
  Students can choose to study for 2 or 4 weeks
- **Ages:**
  14-17
- **Locations:**
  London or Cambridge
- **Fees:**
  Full: £3,500 for 2 weeks
  Day only: £2,000 for 2 weeks

*Refer to pages 18 and 19 for more detailed information

Tailored, not uniform

MPW is one of the UK's leading names in fifth and sixth-form education, offering a distinctive alternative to traditional schools.

Founded in 1973, its colleges in London, Birmingham and Cambridge, offer the same broad, highly flexible curriculum. We offer a unique teaching approach focused on exam preparation and outstanding personal support.

This approach is reflected in a highly consistent record of exam results; in 2022, the most commonly achieved A level result was A*/A. Over the past two years, well over 500 MPW students have progressed to Russell Group and University of London universities.

We teach 1,200 students on roll each year, of which approximately two thirds are British, one third international. An additional 1,500 mostly UK-based students enrol each year on Easter Revision courses. All three colleges have attained maximum scores in all UK government inspection reports.

A levels, GCSE, University Foundation, Easter Revision

Maximum nine students in A level classes

Top grades in government inspection reports

70% UK and 30% international students

Supervised accommodation within walking distance of each college

Personal tutor system, supervising welfare and academic progress

Locations

The MPW Summer School offers students a choice of two fantastic city locations, London or Cambridge.

London

Our London campus is located in the very heart of South Kensington, one of the most exclusive and affluent parts of the capital. Sitting on the same street, both our college and impressive new boarding accommodation are just moments away from world-famous academic and cultural attractions.

These include Imperial College, the Royal College of Art and the Royal College of Music, museums for every interest (including the Science Museum and V&A) and the iconic Royal Albert Hall. Hyde Park, London's largest green space, sits close by, and the area has a thriving food and café culture.

Cambridge

Cambridge is a city steeped in history – home to many beautiful museums, art galleries and stunning architecture as well as the renowned University of Cambridge.

Our Cambridge college is located in the heart of the city, next door to the University of Cambridge Botanic Gardens as well as the University's Engineering and Chemistry faculties. Student's stay in purpose-built student accommodation, within walking distance of the college and the Cambridge Leisure Park.

Accommodation

Our high quality, industry-leading accommodation provides students with a comfortable home away from home, within walking distance of each campus. House Parents live with the summer school students, ensuring that they are comfortable, safe and cared for. All bedrooms are single en-suite and have a wardrobe and writing desk.

London

In London, students reside at Queen's Gate House. This outstanding new boarding facility provides stylish en-suite bedrooms that offer panoramic views across South Kensington. The accommodation is just a few minutes' walk from the college, as well as from a host of world famous museums and attractions.

Cambridge

In Cambridge, Tripos Court provides comfortable, secure accommodation with en-suite bedrooms and beautiful gardens, perfect for socialising on sunny days. The accommodation is a 15-minute walk through a beautiful park to the college. All students will be chaperoned to and from school as a group each day.

Academic Programme

Our programme combines exciting academic streams, innovative life skills workshops, industry field trips and guest speakers to equip students with the knowledge and skills for their continuing education and beyond.

They will also hear from world-leading experts and academics from the University of Cambridge and University of London in a weekly lecture series and career talks to further enrich their experience.

In the morning, students take part in classes in their chosen academic stream and each afternoon, they will attend life skills workshops or Academic English and IELTS.

Academic Streams

Students choose one academic stream to study for two weeks

**Cambridge only | **London only*

Advanced Mathematics Problem Solving*

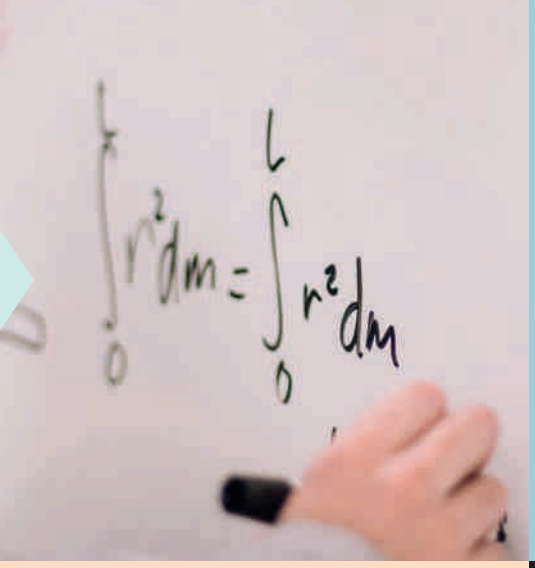
Hone your problem-solving skills and gain a deeper understanding of key mathematical concepts. Differentiation, algebra and trigonometry are just some of the areas covered to help you tackle complex mathematical problems.

Law, Politics and International Relations

Understand the institutions and decisions that affect how we live and are governed. Explore the social, legal and political issues that dominate the headlines in our increasingly interconnected, but volatile world.

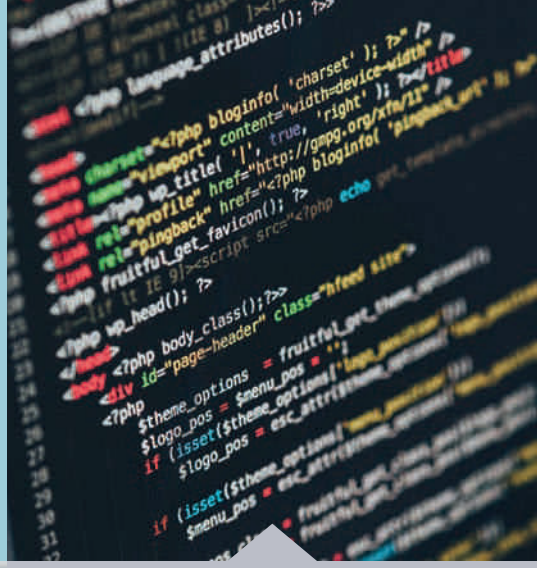
"I really liked the lessons as they included many topics that I don't study at my school."

Diana - *Romania*



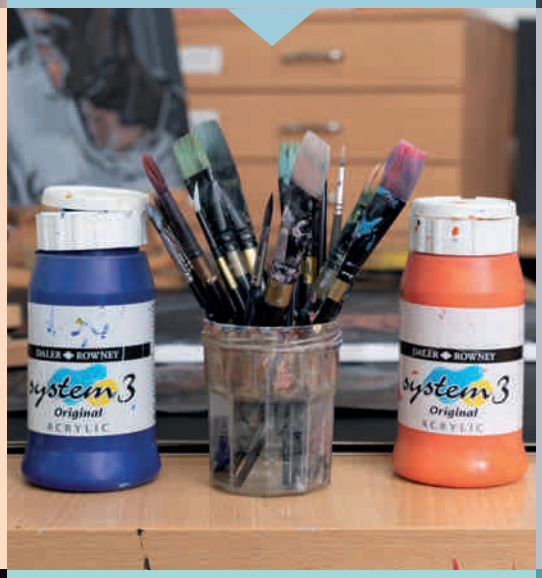
Art and Design**

Experiment with different media, techniques and forms to express your creativity. Explore illustration, painting, typography, colour and more. Be inspired as you tour art galleries and learn about building a portfolio for entry to creative arts courses and institutions.



Business, Finance and Economics

Develop your understanding of the commercial world. Gain insight into how businesses operate - from business planning, investments and supply chains, all the way through to branding and marketing.

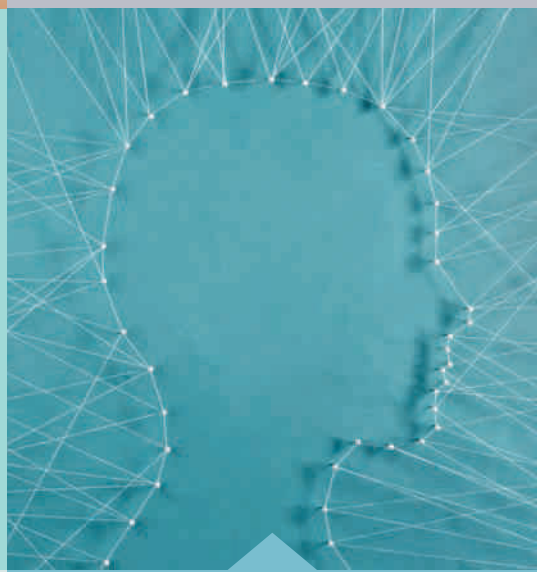


Computing, Robotics and AI

Take an exciting look into the future. Explore the technology that will shape our lives and discover your areas of interest, with topics ranging from crypto to coding. Bring your imagination to tasks such as building a robot and developing characters for computer games.

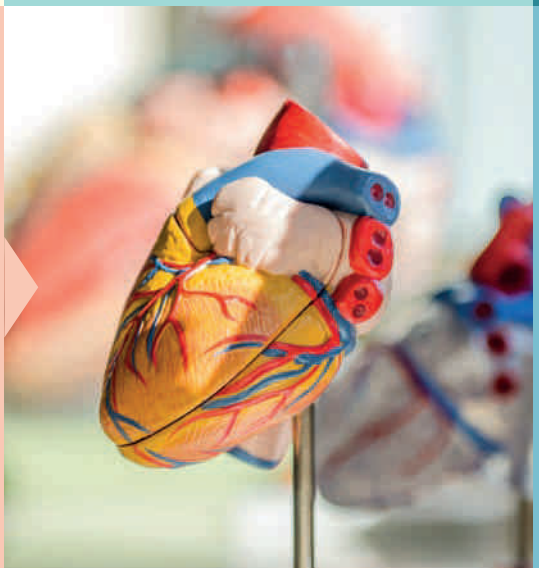
Mathematics, Physics and Engineering**

Bring your understanding of these three complementary subjects to life. Mix practical workshops with theoretical sessions to explore topics such as speed and acceleration, light properties, trigonometry, and electrical circuits.



Medicine and Sciences

Start your journey to medical school. Take part in practical, hands-on workshops and build your theoretical knowledge. Gain valuable guidance from medical professionals and insight into how to succeed through the medical school admissions process.



Psychology and Sociology*

Take a fascinating look at human behaviour and how it shapes modern society. Discover the theory behind criminal behaviour, explore social identity, analyse family function in modern societies, and the influence of the media.

Life Skills

A highly competitive jobs market and rapidly changing educational trends mean that honing your soft skills has become more important than ever.

At MPW, we firmly believe that it's never too early to start this journey. We've partnered with Eton College to deliver a range of innovative Life Skills courses that will help to give you a competitive edge in gaining a place at a top university and equip you for your career and life beyond. As part of our programme, students can choose one Eton X Life Skills course per week.

ETON X

Public Speaking

An essential skill in every area of life, and yet one that is also feared by many people. Improve your ability to speak in all kinds of contexts, from formal speeches in front of audiences to informal presentations in class. You will learn how to overcome nerves, engage your audience, deal with Academic English and IELTS questions and deliver engaging and controlled talks without a script.

Creative Problem Solving

Creativity and problem solving are among the World Economic Forum's top skills for the future of work. Learn how to discover the root cause of a problem, generate innovative ideas, and apply them to complex real-life situations. Discover how to craft and improve those ideas in collaborative ways and persist through the creative process by sharing them in visually and verbally imaginative ways.

Resilience

In an increasingly unpredictable world, resilience is an essential skill. Learn strategies for developing greater resilience, including how to conquer fears to achieve your life goals. You will analyse a range of scenarios which will help you bounce back from failure and use key techniques, such as positive thinking, growth mindset, mindfulness, and gratitude.

Academic English and IELTS Preparation

Students who prefer to focus on improving their English level have the option to study Academic English and general IELTS Preparation, rather than life skills. Experienced English language teachers will guide students through useful lessons in topics such as note taking, academic presentations, vocabulary, pronunciation and listening skills. Fun and interactive lessons encourage students to build confidence and improve language skills in small classes with ample opportunity for individual attention.

Making an Impact

To succeed inside as well as outside of the workplace, it's important to make an impact. Become more assertive, confidently communicate your ideas and opinions to strengthen your influencing skills. Learn how to moderate your body language, build rapport, carefully manage objections, actively listen, and ask questions in the right way to persuade others and achieve your goals.

Entrepreneurship

Companies of all sizes recognise the value of employees with an entrepreneurial mindset. Generate and refine your business ideas, and build the confidence to sell your vision to others. Learn how to progress from the initial stages of identifying opportunities and conceptualising a Minimum Viable Product (MVP) through to delivering your pitch. Plus, get key learnings and practical advice from entrepreneurs.

Critical Thinking

Critical thinking is a valuable skill for academic study, as well as a vital life skill. Top-tier universities use challenging admissions tests and conduct interviews to assess candidates' capacity to think critically. Critical thinking is one of the top skills that employers desire. This course enables students to develop the ability to analyse arguments critically, recognise flaws in reasoning and logic, and evaluate the evidence used to support an argument.

Enrichment

Our innovative and exciting summer courses provide an opportunity for students to be challenged academically and learn first-hand from industry professionals and university lecturers with opportunities to discuss, debate, and learn about topics they may not otherwise have a chance to experience during the regular school year.

University Lecture series

Our University Lecture series aims to enrich and inspire students. Each week, they will listen to world-leading academics from the University of London and University of Cambridge, who will explore a wide range of thought-provoking topics.

The lectures, taking place on a university campus, often in grand halls with beautiful architecture, see students learning from university academics about intriguing topics, with a link to current events and new research. Topics such as free speech, gender and race, the mathematics of flight and waves, and exploring a multispecies world are samples of the types of lectures our summer students will experience.

Industry Field trips

London and Cambridge are home to many innovative businesses. Outside of the classroom, summer students will visit companies, seeing the ideas of concept to delivery come to life. These valuable learning experiences are excellent chances to explore career options and gain an insider view of the many opportunities for future career success.

Guest Speakers

Each subject will have inspiring guest speakers who are career and subject experts. Students participate in lively discussions to further enhance their experience and add to their knowledge of life beyond school. Our guest speakers provide real-world insight into the many exciting career options available for young people today.

"I loved the Eton X courses they taught me lots. Most fun was the experience of having flat mates. I made memories to last a lifetime!"

Esteban - *United Kingdom*

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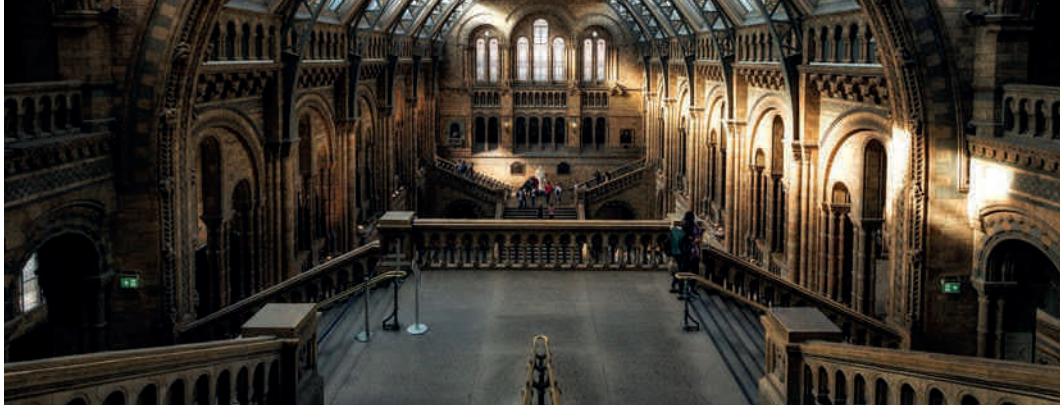

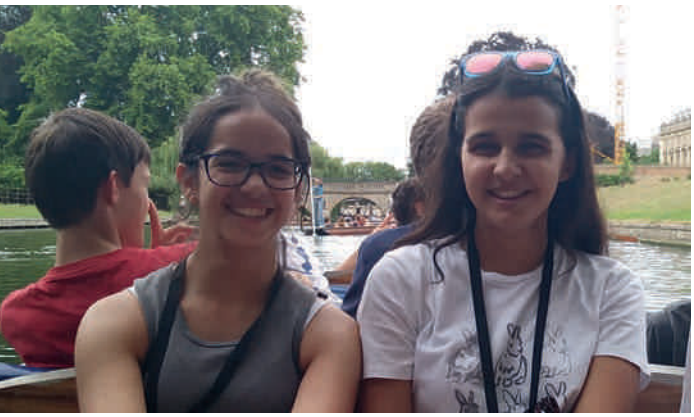
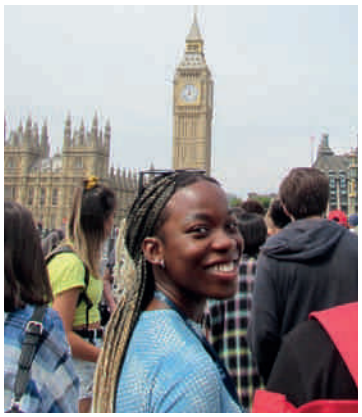

Social and Leisure

Away from the classroom, a summer with MPW is both fun and enriching, with activities to suit every interest.

A mix of UK and international students (we hosted students from 18 countries in 2022) provides the perfect environment to learn about different cultures and make friends. There are activities to suit every interest. In both locations, students can look forward to a wide range of exciting cultural and social activities. These include cultural delights with trips to museums, galleries, and theatres, as well as activities such as punting, Escape Rooms, theatre trips, movie nights and karaoke.

Cambridge

Cambridge is a thriving student city with plenty to see and do. A compact, walkable city, there are activities to satisfy every interest: whether it's punting down the Cam, taking in a film, wandering through historic streets, exploring museums, or enjoying a meal out.

Sample Activities

- Bowling
- High ropes
- Punting
- Escape Rooms
- Ice-skating
- Rock climbing
- Theatre in the park
- City tour
- Cinema
- Activities at our Panton Street marquee
- Movie night
- Karaoke
- Disco

London

MPW's enviable central London location is perfect for exploring the city's world-class museums and beautiful Royal Parks, many within walking distance from the college. There are endless opportunities for fun and enriching activities - from visiting famous attractions such as Big Ben and the London Eye to playing games with new friends in Hyde Park, there is always something new to experience.

Sample Activities

- West End theatre show
- Visit London Royal Parks
- Natural History Museum
- Science Museum and IMAX
- London Eye
- Movie night
- Karaoke party
- Disco
- London tour
- Quiz Night at Queen's Gate House
- Bowling
- Oxford and Regent Street
- Covent Garden
- National Portrait Gallery
- Westfield shopping trip
- Historical walking tour

"My favourite part has been the different activities, I've done a lot of things I've never done before!"

Owen - *United Kingdom*

Sample timetables

Medicine and Sciences

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9.00 - 10.30	Guest speaker: "What makes a good doctor?" *(surgeon)*	Problem Solving and Diagnostics	MPW-Cambridge University Lecture Series	The Role of The Epidemiologist	First Aid *(practical)*
Break					
11.00 - 12.30	Ethics: Transplants and Transfusion	DNA Modelling and Extraction *(practical)*	Critical Thinking	The Brain Structure *(dissection)*	UCAT/BMAT and Interview Prep
Lunch					
13.30 - 15.00	Critical Thinking	Critical Thinking	Field trip: Cutting-edge science research lab	Critical Thinking	Critical Thinking
15.00 - 18.00	Punting	Art and Crafts		Escape Rooms	Zoology Museum

Business, Finance and Economics

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9.00 - 10.30	Monetary Policy and The Business Cycle	Guest speaker: "Leadership styles" *(business owner)*	MPW-Cambridge Lecture Series	Business Decision Making and Decision Trees	Market Positioning and Market Mapping
Break					
11.00 - 12.30	Bricks and Mortar vs Online and Innovation	Motivation Theories	Entrepreneurship	Finance Objectives and Profit and Loss	Change in Scale and Economies of Scale
Lunch					
13.30 - 15.00	Entrepreneurship	Entrepreneurship	Field trip: Innovative tech business	Entrepreneurship	Entrepreneurship
15.00 - 18.00	Punting	Climbing		Fitzwilliam Museum	Escape Rooms

Law, Politics and International Relations

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9.00 - 10.30	Liberalism, Conservatism and Socialism	Identity and Social Equality	MPW-University of London Lecture Series	Globalisation and The balance of power	Guest Speaker "Law and Order" *(city lawyer)*
Break					
11.00 - 12.30	Public Law: The Separation of Powers	Voting Behaviour	Creative Problem Solving	Conflict and War	Human Rights Act
Lunch					
13.30 - 15.00	Creative Problem Solving	Creative Problem Solving	Field trip: Houses of Parliament	Creative Problem Solving	Creative Problem Solving
15.00 - 18.00	Shopping at Harrods	Improvisation workshop		IMAX Cinema at The Science Museum	Ice skating

Art and Design

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9.00 - 10.30	Still Life: Understanding Tonal Values and Tonal Drawing	Artist Inspired Painting Research	MPW-University of London Lecture Series	Portrait: Line Drawing and Tonal Painting	Illustration Techniques and Visual Communication
Break					
11.00 - 12.30	Monoprinting	Artist Inspired Experimentation	Resilience	Preparing an Art Portfolio	Guest Speaker: "Top 5 illustration trends" *(book illustrator)*
Lunch					
13.30 - 15.00	Resilience	Resilience	Field trip: Fashion clothing factory	Resilience	Resilience
15.00 - 18.00	The V&A Museum	Serpentine galleries		Bowling	The Design Museum

Sample timetables

Psychology and Sociology

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9.00 - 10.30	Theories of Criminal Behaviour Personality	Brain structure, aggression and crime	MPW-Cambridge University lecture series	Guest speaker "Different approaches in psychotherapy" *(psychologist)*	Family function in modern society
Break					
11.00 - 12.30	Is crime ever beneficial to society?	Prejudice and Discrimination: Social identity theory	Public Speaking	Obedience theory	Modern society and media
Lunch					
13.30 - 15.00	Public Speaking	Public Speaking	Field trip: Cutting-edge science research lab	Public Speaking	Public Speaking
15.00 - 18.00	Punting	Tower Building Challenge		Bowling	Botanical Gardens

Mathematics, Physics and Engineering

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9.00 - 10.30	Density of Substances	Speed, Acceleration and Forces	MPW-University of London lecture series	Trigonometry and its application	Electric Circuits
Break					
11.00 - 12.30	Heat Transfers	Impulse and Momentum	Making an Impact	Light Properties	Guest Speaker: Wireless Power Transfer *(electrical engineer)*
Lunch					
13.30 - 15.00	Making an Impact	Making an Impact	Field trip: Fashion clothing factory	Making an Impact	Making an Impact
15.00 - 18.00	Building a Tower Challenge	The V&A Museum		IMAX Cinema at The Science Museum	Shopping at Harrods

Computing, Robotics and AI

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9.00 - 10.30	Building a Robot *(practical)*	Artificial Intelligence: Image Detection	MPW-University of London lecture series	Guest Speaker: "Inscription and Hacking" *(App developer)*	Building a Computer Game
Break					
11.00 - 12.30	Coding: Programming a Robot	Artificial Intelligence: Retraining an AI	Creative Problem Solving	Fundamentals of Cryptocurrency and Bitcoin	Gaming: Level and Character Design
Lunch					
13.30 - 15.00	Creative Problem Solving	Creative Problem Solving	Field trip: Innovative tech company	Creative Problem Solving	Creative Problem Solving
15.00 - 18.00	The Science Museum	Ice skating		The Design Museum	Kensington Gardens

Advanced Maths Problem Solving

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9.00 - 10.30	Guest speaker: "Solving complex problems" *(civil engineer)*	Introduction to Trigonometry	MPW-Cambridge Lecture Series	Introduction to Differentiation	Introduction to Integration
Break					
11.00 - 12.30	Applications of Algebra	Further Trigonometry	Academic English and IELTS	Further Differentiation	Further Integration
Lunch					
13.30 - 15.00	Academic English and IELTS	Academic English and IELTS	Field trip: Innovative tech business	Academic English and IELTS	Academic English and IELTS
15.00 - 18.00	Punting	Building a Tower Challenge		Fitzwilliam Museum	Escape Rooms

Key Facts

Locations:

MPW London and MPW Cambridge

Accommodation:

Queen's Gate House (London)
and Tripos Court (Cambridge)
All rooms are single en-suite

Dates:

Sunday 9th July - Saturday 22nd July
and
Sunday 23rd July - Saturday 5th August

Course Length:

2 weeks
Students can choose to study for
2 or 4 weeks

Ages:

14-17

£ Fees:

Full: £3,500 for 2 weeks*
Day only: £2,000 for 2 weeks**

*Full fees include: Tuition, accommodation, meals, airport transfers on set arrival and departure days, insurance, activities and excursions.

**Day fees include: Tuition, lunch, insurance and pre-dinner activities on weekdays. Breakfast, dinner, evening, and weekend activities are NOT included in the day fees.

Minimum English Level:

Intermediate, B1+, IELTS 4.5 or higher

Class Sizes:

A maximum of eight students

Catering

Our London students dine each day at Queen's Gate House, while our Cambridge students will have continental breakfast at the boarding residence, lunch provided by our caterers at school and evening meals will be a mixture of catered and dining out at local restaurants.

Sample daily meal plan:

Breakfast | A selection of…

- Cereals
- Croissants
- Fruit
- Tea/coffee
- Toast

Lunch

- Hot sandwiches and wraps
- Soup or salad

Dinner

- Baked potatoes with a choice of toppings
- Lasagne with garlic bread

"It's been a great experience and I've hopefully made some lifelong friends."

Maria - *Cyprus*

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