

The Irish Summer School Education

(13-17 years)

School: Gormanston Park - Dublin



Students work on creative projects and presentations which explore Irish culture and history as well as discovering Irish traditions such as Gaelic football, Hurling and Irish dancing. This summer curriculum also fine-tunes the use of the English language whilst focusing on life and career skills, building confidence, fluency and developing their learner autonomy.

Gormanston Park is located on a scenic 110 acre parkland site. The grounds at Gormanston Park are well-maintained and famous for their covered walkways formed from the famous Yew tree cloister formations and its 14th century castle. It has a wide variety of sports facilities on site including a gym, indoor sports complex, 18-hole footgolf course and a range of playing pitches.

June and July 2019

JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC

The programme

- **Irish Culture and History**

In this session the students develop a greater understanding of the culture of Ireland as well as the events and people which have influenced its rich history. Topics will include the Gaelic language, the Irish war of independence, Irish myths and legends, St Patrick's day and Irish literature

- **Mid-week excursion**

Students research a place they will visit on a mid week excursion, then after their visit they will present their findings and finally contrast these findings with their own culture.

- **Creative projects**

Students have the opportunity to develop their ability to think creatively, work creatively and collaboratively with others to share their innovative ideas through different presentation styles such as pecha kucha, video reportage or a blog.

- **English Language in use**

Students look at content in English from a reading text or video, analysis its language features and practise using this language in engaging, meaningful speaking or writing tasks.

- **Measuring progress**

Each student keeps a Learner Portfolio to encourage learning skills, self-assessment and reflection. Individual coaching sessions allow students to monitor and improve their performance.

- **Social and week-end activities**

OISE provides a complete programme of carefully organised social and week-end activities to ensure that students get the most from their stay. Saturday excursions might include day trips to Dublin or Kilkenny Castle. On-site afternoon and evening activities will include Irish sports, arts & crafts, Irish dancing, discos, talent shows and team games.

A full learning day

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Irish Culture and History				
Break				
Creative Project				
Lunch				
English Language in use		Cultural Excursion		English Language in use
Afternoon social activities				Afternoon social activities
Self-study				
Evening activities				

The Summer School Curriculum in Ireland	
1 week	€1,765
2 weeks	€3,350
3 weeks	€4,920
4 weeks	€6,490
5 weeks	€8,060

Course start dates

- 23 June for 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 weeks
- 30 June for 1, 2, 3, 4 weeks
- 7 July for 1, 2, 3 weeks
- 14 July for 1, 2 weeks
- 21 July for 1 week

*Residential accommodation at Gormanston Park

Course fees include

- Workbook and course certificate
- Accommodation and all meals
- Leisure activities
- Full-day excursion according to the chosen course
- Arrival / departure transfer on standard dates and times