Mini-MBA™

for 15-17 year olds

For young business people aged 15-17 years

(20 hours per week) Minimum English level: B2+

This programme is for students looking for an inspirational, ambitious and relevant course which gives them the perfect introduction to the exciting and productive world of startups, business and global trade.

Our experienced and dedicated academic staff will inspire students to look at the world through the eyes of an entrepreneur. From identifying and solving problems, to learning how global events impact local businesses, the Mini MBA[™] is perfect for ambitious students who thrive under pressure and seek out challenges.

Our learning

General topics include:

- Entrepreneurship, tech & startups
- Marketing and products
- Management, organisation & leadership
- Economics and global business

This course is ideal for committed students looking for a very different kind of summer programme, who want to boost their CVs and university applications by completing this rigorous and challenging programme. Also, for students considering studying business, finance, management, economics or accounting at A-level, IB or undergraduate level, the Mini-MBA provides an intensive and comprehensive introduction.

Special feature: Visit to the Bank of England Museum or Museum of Brands.

Our activities

In addition to the academic enrichment events on all courses, Earlscliffe offers a balance of sports, cultural events, arts and crafts, fun games, walks and competitions, so there is something for everyone on the programme. Our staff organise and supervise all these activities after the day's lessons have finished.

Students play volleyball, basketball, badminton, billiards and table tennis on-site. Our supervised afternoon and evening activities include karaoke nights; football; softball;

'Earlscliffe's Got Talent'; swimming; house competitions; themed disco nights; 'Minute To Win It"; tennis; 'Scavenger Hunt'; rounders; 'Jeux sans Frontières'; 'Bake Off'; and quiz nights, to name just a few.

Regular daytime and evening beach trips are a popular part of the week's activities. We are fortunate to be close to Folkestone's town centre and its shops, the artistic Creative Quarter and the beach, all of which offer our students moments of discovery and relaxation. We use the excellent facilities provided at the Three Hills and Folkestone sports centres, not to mention the new multi-storey skate park!

Cultural visits

- Earlscliffe offers two full days trips on Wednesdays and Sundays and evening bowling, laser tag or cinema trips.
- All trips are supervised and students are given a pre-trip briefing.
- An Earlscliffe highlight is our weekly trip to London (**Capital Wednesday**[™]) when over the course of the summer we visit many of the following famous London landmarks: the Tate Modern; the London Dungeon; the London Eye; the Natural History Museum; Thames Boat Tour; the Tower of London; the V&A; the British Museum and Buckingham Palace.
- On **Capital Wednesdays**[™] we use the direct high-speed train from nearby Folkestone Central station which has a journey time of 54 minutes.
- Our Mini-MBA[™] students also visit the Bank of England Museum or the Museum of Brands.
- On **Sundays** we may visit: the world-famous cathedral city of Canterbury and take a river boat tour; ice-skating and Bluewater shopping centre; Thorpe Park theme park, Margate and Dreamland; Windsor Castle.
- Students will be given some free time in small groups on trips.

The rooms and meals

- Most rooms are spacious single or twin rooms all rooms are en-suite with WC, basin and shower.
- We also have a small number of triple rooms available.
- All rooms are Wi-Fi connected.
- The high standard of accommodation is attractive to today's students, and all the more so given the beautiful Victorian façade of the buildings in which it sits.
- Earlscliffe is an 'in-town' campus of buildings meaning that students can easily walk between classes, meals, accommodation and activities. (always supervised)
- Meals are taken in the college dining room and prepared by our own chef and team.
- Meals are varied and often international, such as Chinese, Mexican or Indian, but not forgetting the occasional British fish and chips!

- Any student's special dietary needs can be catered for at special request, i.e. vegetarian, gluten-free etc.
- Students are given packed meals on day trips.

Extra options

Stand Up Paddle Boarding

Learn the basic skills needed to be competent at balancing, paddling, turning and stopping as well as touring the Folkestone Harbour area and Sunny Sands bay.

Paintball

Have fun in the forest dodging your opponents and trying to plant the flag for your team (all safety equipment is provided and must be worn at all times).

Musical Trip - Disney's 'The Lion King' in London's West End

Most children will have seen the movie and be familiar with Elton John's music which makes the experience all the more fulfilling and easy to understand.

Warner Bros Harry Potter Tour

For Harry Potter fans, why not enjoy a day out at this popular attraction to Warner Bros Studios. You will be able to see many of the sets, props and costumes from the most successful film series of all the time: the Great Hall; Dumbledore's office; the shops in Diagon Alley; see Harry's Nimbus 2000 and Hagrid's motorcycle; the Gryffindor common room, Hagrid's hut and Professor Umbridge's office at the Ministry of Magic. Have a refreshing Butterbeer in the studio café to finish your magical afternoon!