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Candidate Information

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Welcome

At Haileybury International Summer School, we welcome students from over 25 different nationalities, creating a rich and diverse community from around the globe. We believe the best learning happens when young people are fully immersed in English, not only in exciting subjects, but all in the language they use to explore them. This is why we provide a vibrant, language-rich environment where every activity, both inside and outside the classroom, inspires communication, builds confidence, and fuels curiosity and discovery.

It is a pleasure to welcome you to Haileybury International Summer School. Our beautiful campus is a perfect learning environment, and a dedicated team of staff look forward to supporting and encouraging you.

I am sure that your lessons will be enjoyable and rewarding, and I hope that you have fun while taking part in the many activities and excursions on offer. These are excellent learning opportunities and will provide you with the chance to make new friends while taking in some world-famous sights.

We want Haileybury to feel like a home from home for the duration of your time with us.

With my best wishes for what I hope is an enjoyable and productive Haileybury International Summer School experience.

Eugene du Toit The Master













The Summer School

Our Summer School programmes are expertly crafted and delivered by highly qualified, passionate teachers, including members of Haileybury's own outstanding staff.

Pupils aged 11-13, with a minimum A2 level of English, study English Language while learning about history, world events, politics, science, culture, art, and technology, with related afternoon projects. Our pupils enjoy a range of exciting study tours and choose their focus activities. Our pupils aged 14-16 with a minimum B1 level of English can choose either STEM or ABH as their pathway. They will enjoy a range of study tours and choose an afternoon project class according to their interests.

With extensive experience teaching international pupils to the highest standards, our educators bring energy, expertise, and excellence to every lesson. Backed by Haileybury's impressive academic results, this team creates an engaging and supportive learning environment where every pupil is inspired to thrive.

We are proud to offer a Summer School experience led by educators who truly make a difference.

Pupils who join us for Summer School stay in our welcoming, single-sex boarding houses, where comfort and safety are top priorities.

With a fantastic staff-to-pupil ratio within each house, led by a caring and experienced House Parent, every pupil is well-supported and looked after round the clock. Pupil wellbeing comes first. Our caring staff are always on hand to offer support, encouragement, and a listening ear.

Meals at Haileybury are a real highlight! Pupils dine in the breathtaking Dining Hall, enjoying three delicious meals a day prepared by our professional catering team.

On excursions, study tours and workshops our pupils will explore iconic landmarks, dive into British culture, and take part in interactive, hands-on workshops that make learning unforgettable.

Evenings are packed with an incredible variety of activities to suit every mood, whether pupils are looking to relax, get active, or spark their creativity. Every evening is a chance to make new memories and practice English in a fun, social setting with friends from around the world.









The role

Haileybury International Summer School is an established, successful English language school which will offer Spring and Summer courses in 2026. The programme has an academic focus and it is aimed at international students aged 11-16 with varying levels of English. The different courses include an impressive range of activities, study tours and exciting excursions.

We are looking for an enthusiastic House Parent to join our team, on a fixed-term contract.

The House Parent will help create a happy and homely living environment in the boarding house and ensure that pupils feel relaxed and supported. You will be responsible for ensuring that students know how their days will be scheduled, what to expect, what is expected of them and that they follow rules.

You will be responsible for administering any medication that pupils bring and you will liaise with the Pupil Services Manager and School Nurse about other welfare and medical matters. You will also manage the Assistant House Parent, who will deputise for you in your absence, and Pupil Support Assistants in your house.

The nature of a 24 hour a day, 7 days per week summer school requires staff to work flexibly. The work is intense, days are long and whether on or off duty, staff are expected to put the needs of the students and the reputation of the school first. However, it is extremely rewarding and enables staff to develop their knowledge and skills in a vibrant, energetic workplace. You will work a 6-day week.







Responsibilities

- Undertake the day-to-day management of a boarding house and care of its pupils.
- Liaise with the Housekeeping team and Health & Safety Department to ensure a safe, clean, living space.
- Take regular house registers and run daily house meetings.
- Work with all members of staff to ensure a comprehensive welfare service which considers the physical and emotional well-being of all students.
- Ensure that students keep bedrooms clean and tidy and respect the property of the School, other students and staff.
- Monitor students' behaviour and ensure they are making friends, eating well and settling in.
- Maintain accurate and efficient administration records.
- Dispense any prescription and over-the-counter medicines as directed by the School Nurse or Pupil Services Manager.
- Manage the Assistant House Parent, who will deputise in your absence.
- Assist with activities and excursions as required.







Other requirements

Safeguarding and Child Protection

All employees must be aware of their responsibilities for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young persons with whom they may come into contact whilst at Haileybury. Employees must comply with the School's Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy and must be familiar with how to raise any safeguarding or child protection concerns.

Health and Safety

In accordance with the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 and associated legislation, all employees must comply with relevant health and safety procedures and guidance at all times. They must be familiar with, and assist the School in the implementation of, its Health and Safety Policy which is available on the School Portal.

Employees must also adhere to any requirements arising from, or relating to, any relevant risk assessments, Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH), PPE, and manual handling. Specifically, employees must carry out all duties in a manner which does not endanger themselves or others.

Equality and Diversity

Employees must comply with the School's equality, diversity and inclusion policies and practices in force from time to time and must carry out their duties in a manner which does not discriminate against any person on the grounds of any protected characteristic.

Code of Conduct

Employees at Haileybury are expected to work together cooperatively showing respect, courtesy and helpfulness to others at all times. Employees should work to actively support and promote the School's positive ethos and culture, and must act in accordance with the School's Staff Code of Conduct.

Data Protection

All employees must comply with the School's Data Protection Policy, and must carry out their duties in a manner which is consistent with this policy and data protection legislation generally.



Person specification

Qualifications

Desirable

• Qualification in child care, social work, health care, etc.

Knowledge, Skills and Experience

Essential

- Experience of working in a residential summer school or other residential setting with young people
- Ability to solve problems and support young people
- Ability to adapt to a fast-paced, and at times, unpredictable environment
- High level of computer literacy, particularly Microsoft Office/Google Workspace
- Good numeracy and literacy skills

Desirable

- A full, clean UK driving licence
- Experience of leading a team
- Strong leadership and organisational skills
- Experience and knowledge of health and safety in an educational context
- Experience of working with international teenagers and an understanding of their needs

Personal Attributes

- Excellent communication skills with all relevant client groups
- Highly articulate and confident
- Ability to maintain confidentiality with tact, diplomacy and discretion
- Self-motivated and proactive
- Flexible with the ability to adapt to changes to work schedules
- Genuine interest in working with young people
- Highly organised with the ability to prioritise work to deadlines and under pressure
- Honest, polite, reliable, resourceful, punctual and committed





Benefits

Staff have the opportunity to utilise the School's wonderful facilities including fitness suite, swimming pool, and tennis centre, at certain times.

Onsite accommodation is provided for all residential roles.

Staff are also provided with meals within our magnificent dining hall.

Professional development and learning sit at the heart of the School, and the successful post-holder will be joining a vibrant intellectual community.

Our staff body is collegiate and supportive, and staff wellbeing is prioritised. Staff will have access to a comprehensive Employee Assistance Program.







Application process

To apply for this position, please complete the application form in full, with reference to the candidate brief, and return it to hr@hailey-bury.com by midday on Monday 10 November 2025.

Please be aware that we cannot consider an application unless the application form has been filled in completely, including details of your full employment history.

The School reserves the right to make an appointment before the closing date; candidates are therefore encouraged to apply as soon as possible.

The School has a diverse pupil body and is committed to its strategy of equal opportunity, diversity and inclusion. We encourage applications from candidates with a wide range of backgrounds to enrich our collective knowledge and experience. Appointments will be made on merit.

Haileybury is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff to share this commitment. Applicants for the above post must be willing to undergo child protection vetting, including reference checks with previous employers, prohibition checks and a criminal record check via the Disclosure and Barring Service.













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