

Welcome to Kaplan Aspect Bournemouth. The school has a vibrant and lively atmosphere, a comprehensive range of Kaplan Aspect courses on offer, first class learning facilities and a great location in the seaside town of Bournemouth.

Bournemouth is one of the most popular seaside resorts in England. Summer shows, great nightlife and excellent shopping all make Bournemouth a year-round destination for tourists. With seven miles of beautiful golden beaches, this town is also very popular with international language students.

Kaplan Aspect Bournemouth was built in the 1960's. It is a modern building with three floors and is situated in the area of Westbourne, roughly 5 minutes by bus from Bournemouth town centre. The school is located on a main street and has a lovely patio at the back.



Kaplan Aspect Bournemouth



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# **School Facilities**

#### Classrooms

There are 20 large classrooms with double height windows making our rooms bright, airy and spacious. Each room can sit a maximum of 15 students. All rooms are complete with tables, chairs and a whiteboard. There are televisions, videos and overhead projectors available on each floor.

#### Multimedia and IT centre

There are 30 computers in the multimedia and IT centres along with a collection of learning software for student use. The multimedia centre is a great place to utilise technology to maximise your learning.

#### Library

We have a student library with graded readers and cassette tapes.

# Common room

The school has a common room where students relax and socialise. This is open Monday to Friday from 8am to 5pm. There are computers with internet access, TV/VCR and wireless access for use of personal laptops.

#### Cafeteria

The school doesn't have a cafeteria but there are many shops nearby where students can purchase their lunches. Students can eat in the common room or on the patio outside in nice weather.

# Sports facilities

Bournemouth and Poole have excellent sport's facilities. These include tennis courts, several golf courses, leisure/health centres with swimming pools, and a variety of water sports all located a short distance from the school. Your activities coordinator can help you to book sports facilities.

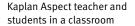
#### Gym facilities

Students are able to join the local gym for indoor sports and fitness training.

#### **Activities/Social Programme**

A full and varied social programme is organised each week. Please see overleaf for an example timetable.







Multimedia room

# Your first day

On the first day of your course you need to report to the school reception at 8.30am (Your first day will be a Monday unless there is a holiday on the Monday - in which case your first day will be Tuesday).

Your course will begin with an all-day introduction that will include:

- A welcome talk by the Principal or Director of Studies
- A Placement Test to determine the level of the course you require
- Information about your classes
- Information about the school and area
- An overview of school activities and excursions
- An introduction to the Multimedia Centre
- A tour of the school, and facilities
- Completion of forms and collection of any outstanding payments

You will also receive information about your class schedule, classroom number, study level, elective course, and the hours you are to attend class. We will put you in the most suitable class for your level of English. Please bring your Kaplan Aspect documents, your passport, £25 book deposit and pen and paper for note-taking purposes.



# **Local Information**

# Transport - buses and trains

Weekly passes can be purchased for the local bus service which can save you time and money. There is a bus stop outside the school which goes to Bournemouth town centre. It takes approximately 5 minutes to get into town by bus.

#### **Banks and Post Office**

Banks and a post office are within walking distance of the school. Always remember to change money and cheques in banks. Post boxes are red and located on many street corners.

#### Restaurants and cafés

There are many different restaurants and cafés located near to the school.

#### Department stores and supermarkets

There are supermarkets and shops located within walking distance of the school. Supermarket meals are often an economical choice for lunches.

#### Telephone and Internet Café

You can access internet and email in the common room and from nearby internet cafés. The school has free wireless Internet access for students. There are public telephones located a 5-minute walk from the school. Students are advised to purchase a phone card for long distance calls and to call on weekends and evenings as call rates are cheaper then.

#### Church / Mosque

There are churches of all religions and faiths close to the school. A list of these and their locations is posted at the school.

# **Cost of Living**

#### Approximate prices in GBP

Sandwiches	£2.00	Tickets	
Salad Bowls	£3.00	Cinema	£6.00
Pizza:	£5.00	Bus pass (per week)	£15.00
Tea:	£1.00		
Pasta dishes	£6.00		
Coffee	£1.50		
Rice dishes	£6.00		
Hamburger	£3.00		
Hot Chocolate	£1.50		
Chicken burger	£3.50		
Cold cans	£0.80		







Students in multimedia centre



Reception



Kaplan Aspect students enjoying a game of volley on the beach

# Sample Activities Schedule

Please note that this is a sample programme and activities may change. See a current activities schedule at: www.kaplanaspect.com

#### Week one

Monday Welcome new students!
Tuesday Volleyball on the beach

Wednesday Fun and Dance at the Kaplan Aspect

**School Party** 

Thursday Theatre visit to Poole Arts Centre

Friday Bowling evening
Saturday Excursion to London

#### Week two

Monday Sightseeing from a hot air balloon

Tuesday Boat trip Wednesday Film night

Thursday Trip to 'Qasar' - fighting with laser

guns!

Friday Disco night

Saturday Football in the park



# The Team Kaplan Aspect Bournemouth



Principal/ Director of Academic Programmes for Kaplan Aspect UK and Ireland Group: Sue Edwards

Sue is the overall manager of Kaplan Aspect Bournemouth and oversees the academic and university programmes for Kaplan Aspect in the UK and Ireland.



Accommodation Manager:
Yvonne Elton
Yvonne is responsible for selecting
homestays and placing students in a suitable
family or residence.



Director of Studies: Linsay Farr Linsay is responsible for the academic management of the English language programmes, the EFL teaching team and resources for each programme.



University Programmes Tutor:
James Heath
James is responsible for the academic
management and is the Course Tutor for the
Foundation Certificate, Certificate in Higher
Education and Pre-Masters preparation,
CHEBM and A1 level programmes.

# **Course Information**

# **Courses** and Services

- Vacation English
- General English
- Intensive English
- English for Business
- IELTS Preparation (Supplementary)
- Beginners Course (Intensive)
- General Academic Year
- Intensive Academic Year
- General Academic
   Semester

- Intensive Academic Semester
- University Placement
- University Preparation
- Foundation Certificate
- Pre-Masters/Pre-MBA
- Certificate of Higher Education
- A Level
- Diploma in Management

## **Sample Timetables**

Class times are subject to change and you should only use this timetable as an example of what type of structure to expect. Classes are from Monday to Friday and you could have morning classes 2 or 3 days per week and afternoon classes 2 or 3 days per week.

Morning timetable		Afternoon timetable	
8.45am - 10.15am:	Class	12.30pm -2pm:	Class
10.15am - 10.30am:	Break	2pm - 2:15pm:	Break
10.30am - 12pm:	Class	2.15pm - 3.45pm:	Class
12pm - 12.30pm:	Lunch	3.45pm - 4pm:	Break
12.30pm -2pm:	Class	4pm - 5.30pm:	Class



#### **Transfer Information**

# **Kaplan Aspect transfers**

Students should arrive at Heathrow, Gatwick, Luton and Stansted Airports. A driver will meet students at the airport to help with transportation.

Kaplan Aspect School transfer service must be scheduled in advance.

# **Independent Transfers**

Coach

National Express, Service 205 F Departs LHR bus station from 07:15 hrs and approximately every hour and a half until 23:59. Journey time: 2.15 hrs approx.

# **London Gatwick Airport to Bournemouth**

Coach

Flightlink and Jetlink Services 747 and 777 buses leave from LGW South Terminal Coach Station. Connections can be made at LHR central bus station and LHR Terminal 4. 1 or 2 every hour. Journey time: 3.30 hrs approx.

#### **Central London to Bournemouth**

Coach

National Express, Service 035.

Departs London Victoria Coach Station from 08.00 hrs and then at 09.30 and every hour until 20.30, then 22.00 and 23.30 hrs.

Journey time: 2.35 hrs approx.

Train

Monday - Sunday - The Bournemouth trains depart from London Waterloo Station.



Bournemouth beach