

Our locations

Cambridge - Bell The Leys
Oxfordshire - Bell Tudor Hall
St Albans - Bell St Albans

Bristol - Bell Badminton School

London - Bell RMS

Devon - Bioasis





Welcome to Bell Young Learner Programmes 2026

For over 70 years, Bell has been a trusted name in English language education, inspiring young minds through transformative learning experiences. Founded by Frank Bell, a true pioneer in international education, our mission remains rooted in his belief that language learning opens doors to global understanding, opportunity, and personal growth.

In 2026, we are proud to continue this legacy with a dynamic range of Young Learner programmes designed to ignite curiosity, build confidence, and develop lifelong skills. From our year-round centre in the historic city of St Albans to our popular summer centres in Cambridge, Oxfordshire, Bristol, and London, each location offers a safe, supportive and immersive environment for students to flourish.

New for this year, we are thrilled to introduce our Eco Explorer course, developed in collaboration with Bioasis in Devon. This unique, nature-led experience combines English learning with environmental education, outdoor adventure, and sustainability in action — perfect for young explorers passionate about protecting our planet.

Join us in 2026 for a journey that goes beyond the classroom — where language, culture, and personal discovery come together to shape confident global citizens.







Inspiring Young Minds Since 1955

Why Study with Bell?

At Bell, we proudly continue the vision of our founder, Frank Bell, who believed that language education has the power to transform lives and create a better, more connected world. With over 70 years of experience, education has always been at the heart of everything we do — and we have never compromised on that commitment.

Learning the Bell Way

Every young learner at Bell benefits from The Bell Way, our unique educational approach developed in partnership with an Emeritus Professor from the University of Cambridge. This framework supports each student's progress, enhancing their language skills while building confidence, independence, and a love of learning.

Teaching that Goes Beyond the Classroom

Our experienced teaching team uses a project-based approach that encourages creativity, critical thinking, and collaboration. By learning through real-world themes and tasks, students practise far more than just English — they develop essential skills that prepare them for the future.

Outstanding Student Care and Safeguarding

The welfare of our students is our highest priority. At all Bell centres, safeguarding is embedded into every aspect of school life. We maintain a staff-to-student ratio of 1:6, and our dedicated residential teams — including houseparents and pastoral staff — provide 24-hour supervision and support. From arrival to departure, your child is in safe hands. All staff receive regular safeguarding training, and we operate a robust policy framework, including an emergency helpline, to ensure the highest standards of care at all times.

Exceptional Locations

Bell's Young Learner programmes are held at five outstanding schools in St Albans (year-round), Cambridge, Oxfordshire, Bristol, and Rickmansworth, London. Each centre is set in beautiful, historic surroundings and offers exceptional facilities — from art studios and theatres to swimming pools, sports fields, and landscaped gardens.

An Inclusive Learning Environment

We are proud to welcome students of all backgrounds and abilities. If your child has additional learning or pastoral needs, we'll work closely with you before their arrival to ensure the right support is in place. Our goal is for every child to feel confident, included and able to thrive.

Delicious and Nutritious Meals

Every day, students enjoy a variety of freshly prepared, balanced meals — breakfast, lunch, and dinner — as well as healthy snacks at breaktimes. Packed lunches are provided for all study tours. We are happy to cater for all dietary requirements: simply let us know in advance.







Sample study tour itinerary

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08:30	Meet in classrooms
09:00	Depart for London
11:15	Explore the Natural History Museum
13:00	Coach to Tothill Street
13:30	Begin Walking Tour (Westminster – Covent Garden)
15:00	End of Walking Tour & free time with hourly check in Covent Garden
16:00	Meet at Coaches
16:15	Depart from London
18:00	Arrive back at Bell

Your Bell programme

Students learn faster and more successfully when they use English all the time and in a range of situations. This is why we offer fully integrated courses with lessons, activities and exciting study tours.

Inspiring lessons and project-based learning

Our lessons are carefully planned to improve students' language skills and build confidence. We focus on developing core English language skills through engaging and relevant weekly project themes, like 'Protecting the Planet'. Students work in groups and use what they have learned to produce a final project such as a short film or presentation.

► Tuition – 15 hours per week

Your choice of afternoon electives in the Explorer programme

Electives give students an opportunity to take part in a wide range of activities, with a choice of active, creative and academic options available at each school. Students have multiple sessions in each chosen elective, allowing them to build confidence and practise elective-specific language. Electives are delivered by experienced activity leaders with a variety of backgrounds, from keen sportspeople to professional actors.

- ► Two-week course 6 x 3 electives (total 18 hours)
- ► One-week course 4.5 hours x 2 electives (total 9 hours)

*Sample electives can be seen on each location page.

Evening activities

Students get further opportunity to practise their English as one big group or in teams during our evening events, which include quizzes, talent shows, sporting events and movie nights. A programme of afternoon and evening activities is included in all our courses.

Specialise with an Academy

Bell Academies give students the chance to specialise in one particular area of interest. Students on Explorer courses will have the option to pursue their interests and get high-quality tuition from a professional with many years of industry experience. Students practise their English while focused on learning or developing their chosen skill. This approach of 'learning by doing' helps students to learn faster and more successfully.

Due to popular demand, we encourage Academy options to be booked in advance for both centres. All Academies are available at an additional cost.

Academy details can be seen on the Bell Tudor Hall, Bell RMS, Bell Badminton and Bell The Leys location pages.

Exciting study tours

As part of our young learner courses, students have the opportunity to explore places of interest in the UK, such as London, Oxford and Cambridge. Study tours are important learning opportunities, which students prepare for during their lessons. Each study tour relates to the weekly project theme on our Explorer courses.

Sample Timetable

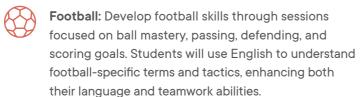




Electives



Sports and Wellbeing



Archery: Explore archery, starting with the basics of shooting and progressing to scoring and competition. The sessions provide a thorough introduction to the sport, all while using relevant English vocabulary.

Rounders: Cover the fundamentals of rounders, including throwing, catching, and batting skills. Students will learn the rules of the game and enhance their English communication by interacting with teammates.

Volleyball: Introduction to volleyball, focusing on serving, passing, and setting. Students will engage in games that improve their ability to communicate with teammates in English, boosting both their volleyball technique and confidence in using English in an active environment.

Please note that not all electives are available in all centres. Please see our individual centre fact files for specific information.



Badminton: Through interactive mini-games and a mini-tournament, students will develop their badminton skills while using English to strategise and communicate with teammates, enhancing their overall gameplay and language skills.



Table Tennis: Master skills in table tennis such as serving, rallying, and using forehand and backhand strokes. English will be used throughout to learn game rules and communicate during matches, improving language skills in a fun, competitive setting.



Health & Fitness: This elective allows students to participate in a variety of fitness activities designed to improve their health and physical condition. Students will learn about healthy living, including how to prepare nutritious snacks, all while using English to follow instructions and discuss lifestyle choices.



British School Sports & Games: Experience traditional British school sports like rounders and dodgeball. Students will also improve their language skills through game rules and team interaction.



Orienteering: Develop navigation skills by exploring the school's surrounding, while discovering local wildlife and plants. Students will learn about environmental importance and create recycled

musical instruments, blending learning with creative expression.



Yoga: Explore yoga techniques to enhance physical health and mental well-being. Sessions include learning yoga poses and mindfulness practices, and using English to understand instructions and discuss experiences, promoting both relaxation and language development.



Lacrosse: This elective covers the basic skills of lacrosse, a fast-paced team sport involving ball handling, shooting, and defensive skills. Students will use English to communicate strategies and play effectively with teammate, improving sporting and language abilities.



Dodgeball: Discover the exciting game of dodgeball, focusing on throwing, dodging, and team strategy. This elective uses English to explain game rules and facilitate team communication, making it a dynamic way to learn both physical skills and language.



Swimming: This elective teaches various swimming techniques and includes activities like relay races and scavenger hunts. Students will develop teamwork and communication skills in English, learning how to coordinate with team members and understand swimming instructions.



Tennis: Improve tennis skills through focused training on strokes, serves, and gameplay. Students will learn tennis-specific English terminology and use it during matches to communicate with partners and opponents, enhancing English and tennis skills.



Hockey (Field): Engage in field hockey, learning essential skills such as dribbling, passing, and shooting. This elective encourages students to use English to discuss tactics and play as a team, ensuring language development.



Tag Rugby: Explore tag rugby, an introductory form of rugby that emphasises teamwork and communication. Students will learn rugby passes and game rules in English, applying them in practice and match settings to enhance both their rugby skills and language use.



Cricket: This elective introduces students to cricket. focusing on batting, bowling, and fielding skills. Students will practise teamwork and communication in English, gaining a better understanding of the rules, techniques, and language of the game.



Creative/Personal Development

Drama: Explore fundamental drama techniques and develop performance skills. Students will create short scenes, learn to express emotions, and use English to communicate theatrical concepts. This elective enhances both their creative expression and language abilities.



Dance: Participate in dance sessions and learn routines in street dance, contemporary, and musical theatre. Students will develop choreography skills and use English to collaborate with other students, improving their dance technique and language proficiency.



Photography & Filmmaking: Dive into the world of photography and filmmaking. Students will learn about composition, perspective, and editing. They will also create storyboards and short films, using English to discuss concepts and techniques, which enhance both their artistic skills and language development.



Arts & Crafts: Engage in creative projects like paper marbling, comic strip creation, and stained glass

painting. This elective encourages students to use English to describe artistic processes and collaborate on designs, developing creativity and language.



Board Games: Design and play your own board games. This hands-on elective helps students develop game rules and design concepts while using English to explain and discuss their creations with friends, blending strategic thinking with language practice.



Sculpture & Pottery: Create sculptures and pottery pieces, learning various techniques like clay modelling. Students will use English to follow instructions, describe their artistic choices, and discuss techniques, which promotes both artistic expression and language skills.



Cooking: Learn to prepare a variety of dishes, including English apple pie and pizzas. Students will use English to follow recipes, describe tastes, and discuss cooking techniques, making this elective a delicious way to improve their culinary and language skills.



Performing Arts: Engage in activities that blend acting and musical skills. Students will learn how rhythm and tableau can drive a performance, using English to develop scripts and communicate with their audience and fellow performers.



Design & Textiles: Delve into design and textiles, learning to create patterns and textiles from scratch. Students will use English to discuss design concepts and collaborate on projects, improving their design skills and language proficiency.

Academic



Journalism: Step into the role of a journalist, crafting headlines and writing news stories.
Students will learn the dynamics of a newsroom and use English to conduct interviews, write articles, and deliver news reports, enhancing their understanding of media and language.



Presentations & Debates: Develop skills in public speaking and argumentation through presentations and debates. Students will learn debate formats and techniques, using English to express their viewpoints and engage with diverse perspectives, boosting speaking skills.





Creative Writing: Discover the art of creative writing, from poetry to short stories. Students will engage in writing exercises that encourage imagination and the use of English to express ideas creatively. This elective focuses on developing their writing skills and expanding their English vocabulary.



Book Club: Join a book club and read and discuss various literary works. This setting encourages students to share interpretations and critique literature using English, fostering a deeper understanding of texts and language.



Super Science Experiments: This hands-on elective helps students learn scientific vocabulary and processes in English. They will participate in exciting scientific experiments, learning about natural phenomena like volcanoes, enhancing both scientific understanding and language abilities.

Please note that not all electives are available in all centres. Please see our individual centre fact files for specific information.



Exam Skills: Enhance study techniques with sessions on learning styles, revision strategies, and note-taking. Students will use English to explore different academic skills, including creating mind maps and preparing for exams, aiding in their overall educational development.



Winter Explorer

Our Winter Explorer course gives students the opportunity to discover British culture while developing their English language skills, through project-based learning activities and interactive learning - both inside and outside the classroom.

Study Tours

London, Cambridge, Windsor, Edinburgh

Course summary

- ► Age 11-17
- ► Course length 1-6 weeks
- ► Tuition 15 hours per week
- Max class size 14
- ► Location Bell St Albans
- Start dates Any Sunday from 4 January -8 February 2026



Spring Explorer

Spring Explorer is a perfect getaway for students to embrace that 'springtime' feeling and freshen up their language at our English countryside school, Bell St Albans. The course focuses on developing core English language skills through project-based learning activities and interactive learning – an effective way to learn language quickly and successfully. Our activity programme is also an integral part of the course and allows young learners to practice and develop what they have learnt in lessons.

Study Tours

London, Cambridge, Warwick, Windsor, Oxford

Course summary

- ▶ Age 11-17
- ► Course length 1-5 weeks
- ► Tuition 15 hours per week
- ► Max class size 14
- Location Bell St Albans
- Start dates Any Sunday from 22 March 19 April 2026





Summer Explorer

Our Summer Explorer course gives your child the opportunity to learn about British culture whilst also developing their English language skills, through project-based learning activities and interactive learning - both inside and outside the classroom. English lessons include projects that are designed around weekly themes, and there are also elective sessions available that can be integrated as part of the course.

Study Tours

London, Cambridge, Windsor, Oxford, Brighton, Warwick

Test your English

Students at selected centres will also have the opportunity to demonstrate their language skills by undertaking the Trinity GESE Exam every two-week course and receiving a printed certificate.

Please check our website for participating centres in 2025.

Course summary

- ► Age 11-17
- ► Course length Up to 9 weeks
- ► Tuition 15 hours per week
- Max class size 14
- ► Location & start dates -
- ▶ Bell RMS 5 July, 19 July 2026
- ► Bell Badminton School 5 July, 19 July, 2 August 2026
- ▶ Bell Tudor Hall 8 July, 22 July 2026
- Bell The Leys 1 July, 15 July, 29 July 2026
- Bell St Albans Any Sunday from14 June 9 August 2026



Junior Explorer

Our course for Juniors at Bell Tudor Hall has all the elements of an Explorer series course, but is adjusted to meet the needs and abilities of students aged 7-10 with topics and content tailored for this younger age group. The focus is on encouraging the children to build their confidence, use their language learning, try new things and make new friends.

Study Tours

London, Oxford, Warwick

Course summary

- ► Age 7-10 years
- ► Course length 1-4 weeks
- ► Tuition 15 hours per week
- Max class size 14
- Location Bell Tudor Hall
- Start dates Any Wednesday from 8 July 29 July 2026







Eco Explorer



Learn English. Live Nature. Lead Change.

Eco Explorer is a two-week summer course that combines English learning with environmental awareness and outdoor adventure.

Students begin their course at Bell Badminton School in Bristol before heading off-grid for a three-day immersive wilderness experience at The Bioasis in Devon: a stunning 1,200-acre site of wild meadows, woodland and rivers designed to reconnect young people with nature through adventure and conservation. Back at Bell Badminton, students take part in engaging eco-themed English lessons, sustainability-focused projects and study tours that explore the UK's natural and cultural environment.

This course is ideal for students who are passionate about the planet and want to build confidence in English while learning practical skills for a greener future. It's a chance to step away from screens, live in nature, and return home feeling inspired, capable, and ready to make a difference.

Study Tours

Techniquest Science Centre, Cardiff

Bristol Harbour & M Shed Museum

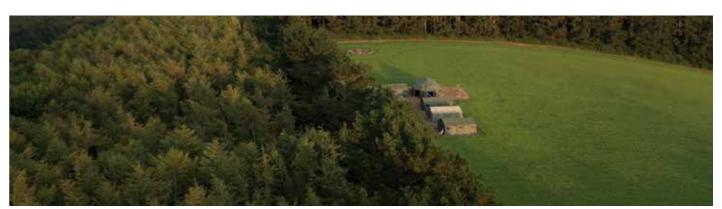
Local rewilding or eco-innovation project

Course summary

- ▶Age 13-17
- ▶Course length 2 weeks
- ▶Tuition 15 hours per week
- Max class size 14
- ▶Location Bell Badminton School & The Bioasis
- ▶Off-grid wilderness experience 3 days at The Bioasis
- Start dates 5 July and 19 July 2026









Explore More

Our multi-centre course is perfect for students wanting to maximise their time in the UK. Combining two weeks at our Bell Badminton School, with one week at Bell St Albans, the three-week course promises an extraordinary experience, blending language learning with exploration and adventure. Discovering the wonderful city of Bristol and the West Coast of the UK, as well as the opportunity to enjoy our capital city of London, students really do get to **Explore More!**

Transfers between Bell Badminton School and Bell St Albans included.

Course summary

- ► Age 11-17
- ► Course length 3 weeks
- ► Tuition 15 hours per week
- ► Max class size 14
- ► Location Bell Badminton School & Bell St Albans
- ► The Bell St Albans week can be either week 1 or week 3
- ► For specific dates, please see our Dates & Fees 2026 or go to www.bellenglish.com





London Explorer

For young adults aged 16-17 years old

Bell London

Overview

Our London Explorer is designed to improve English language skills for 16-17 year olds - with a choice of either General English or IELTS preparation - while offering a deep dive into the vibrant culture and lifestyle of London. This programme blends project-based learning with a diverse mix of activities and cultural excursions, making for a well rounded and fun experience.

Study Tours

London Landmarks including Westminster, Buckingham Palace, St Paul's Cathedral and more

Course summary

- ► Location Bell London
- ► Course length 2 weeks
- ► Tuition 20 hours per week
- ► Integrated activities 6 days a week
- ► Min. age 16 years old
- Class size (max) 14
- Start dates -21 June, 28 June, 5 July, 12 July,
 19 July, 26 July, 2 August, 9 August 2026











Business Leadership Programme

This course is designed for students who wish to develop business and work life skills, as well as enhancing their English. With iGCSE-level Business Studies classes, motivational business talks, participation in our Bell Business Challenge and business-themed study tours, this course is sure to inspire any budding entrepreneurs.

Study Tours

Students will visit local businesses and topical destinations such as: Museum of Brands, Bank of England Museum,
Cambridge Science Park

Course summary

- Age 14-17
- ► Min language level B1
- Entry req. Online Placement Test
- Course length 2 weeks
- ► Tuition 30 hours
- Bell Business Challenge- 15 hours
- Exam Cambridge LinguaSkill Business (Speaking only)
- ► Max class size 14
- Location Bell The Leys
- Start dates 1 July,15 July, 29 July 2026



Autumn Explorer

Our Autumn Explorer provides students with English language lessons to improve their skills, as well as an insight into British culture and lifestyle. Combining our project-based learning style with a range of activities and cultural excursions, makes a rounded course for students to benefit from and enjoy.

Study Tours

London, Cambridge, Windsor

Course summary

- ▶ Age 11-17
- ► Course length 1-3 weeks
- ► Tuition 15 hours per week
- ► Max class size 14
- ► Location Bell St Albans
- Start dates Any Sunday from 11 October -25 October 2026













Free wireless internet





Swimming pool



Sports centre



24/hr CCTV across the campus

Accommodation



Mainly twin and triple rooms available



Shared showers and bathroom facilities, kitchen and common area in each house



Accommodation in typical boarding houses

Sample Electives







Volleyball



A Health & Fitness







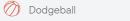




































Academies

24 km

79 km

39 km



Football Academy



Exam Skills



Creative Writing

Travel

FREE transfers* on scheduled arrival and departure days from:



London Stansted



* For flight arrival/departures between 7am Presentations & Debates and 7pm or advised train times. Custom transfers can be arranged – ask us for details.

Bell RMS Nationality Mix 2025



Top 10 Nationalities:

Saudi Arabia

Italy

Japan

China Russia

Portugal

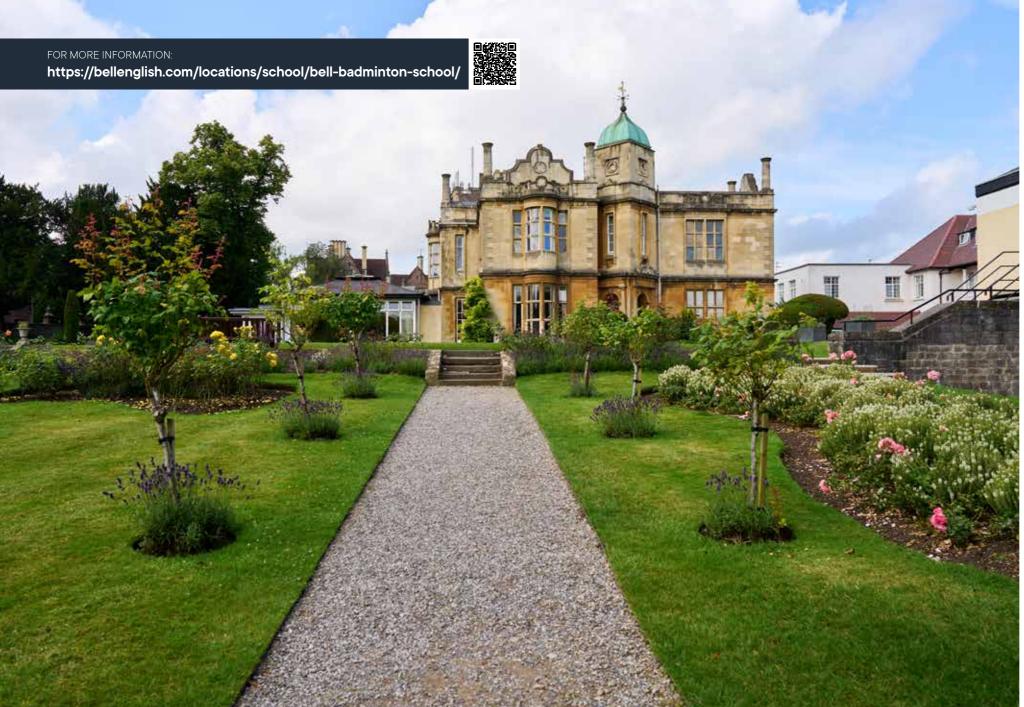
Chile France

Germany

Poland

*figures based on student weeks from January to August 2025



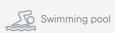








Common rooms



Astroturf football pitches



Sports centre

Accommodation



Single, twin rooms and dormitories



Shared showers, bathroom facilities and common areas

Sample Electives

Swimming ...

№ Rounders

Volleyball

Badminton

Health & Fitness

Tennis

Football



















Photography & Filmmaking







Design & Textiles



















Experiments

Academies



Art Academy



Event & Project &
Project Manage Project Management Academy

Travel

FREE transfers* on scheduled arrival and departure days from:



16 km

London Heathrow 165 km

7pm or advised train times. Custom transfers can be arranged – ask us for details.

Bell Badminton School Nationality Mix 2025



Top 10 Nationalities:

Italy Mexico

France

Argentina Germany

Spain

Poland Turkey

Japan

Belgium

*figures based on student weeks from January to August 2025









Free wireless internet











Accommodation

Single, twin rooms and Single, twin in dormitories

Shared showers and bathroom facilities and common area in each house

Accommodation in modern boarding houses

Sample Electives

The following educational activities are always on offer at this location:



Rounders .

Volleyball

Badminton





Photography & Filmmaking

Arts & Crafts

Board Games

Journalism 4 Journalism

Exam Skills

Presentations & Debates

Sculpture & Pottery

Performing Arts



Book Club

Creative Writing



₩ Dance



British School Sports & Games













Tag Rugby

Academies



Intensive Academic English



Stage & Screen

Travel

FREE transfers* on scheduled arrival and departure days from:

London Heathrow 109 km



St Pancras 127 km

188 km

* For flight arrival/departures between 7am and can be arranged – ask us for details.

Bell Tudor Hall Nationality Mix 2025



Top 10 Nationalities:

China Argentina Saudi Arabia

France Japan Italy

Turkey Spain Brazil

Portugal

*figures based on student weeks from January to August 2025











Free wireless internet







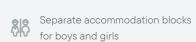




On-site sports facilities including tennis courts and a synthetic football pitch

Accommodation

Single, twin rooms and dormitories





Travel

FREE transfers* on scheduled arrival and departure days from:

London Stansted



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48 km

Rounders

Volleyball

Badminton

Health & Fitness

▶ British School

Tennis

*Yoga

















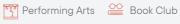


Hockey (Field)



Cooking

Sample Electives





Super Science Experiments

Arts & Crafts



Sculpture







Bell The Leys Nationality Mix 2025 Top 10 Nationalities: Argentina Turkey Saudi Arabia 42 Russia nationalities Italy Brazil China France Japan Peru *figures based on student weeks from January to August 2025











classrooms, many with interactive whiteboards





Dining room





Disabled access/ facilities





Peaceful, countryside setting

Accommodation



Twin rooms and dormitories



Separate accommodation blocks for boys and girls



A dedicated houseparent in every boarding house

Travel

FREE transfers* on scheduled arrival and departure days from:



London Heathrow 47 km

60 km



London Stansted





32 km



Sample Electives





Rounders .































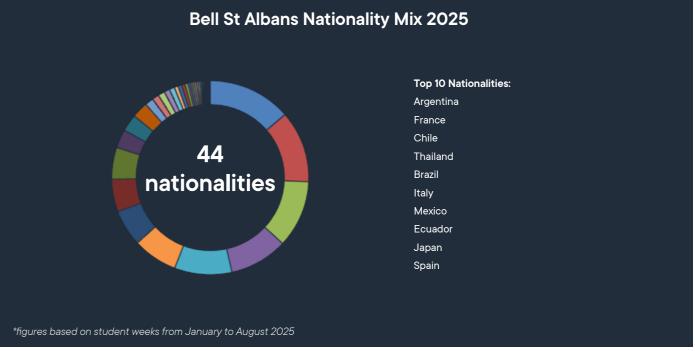


Creative Writing











For more information on all our courses and locations, please visit:

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Please flip this brochure to see our Bell Adult Courses





