



Fact Sheet St. Francis' College 2025



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Step into the Spotlight with The West End Experience at St. Francis' College!

Young artists aged 12 to 17 are invited to join an exciting and immersive creative journey at St Francis' College this summer. The programme offers a unique opportunity for students to explore and develop their artistic talents in a supportive, professional environment.

The West End Musical project is the crown jewel of this year's programme. Students will take part in every aspect of the production—acting, singing, choreography, and stagecraft. From rehearsals to the final performance, participants will experience what it's like to be part of a professional-level production. The grand finale will be a live performance for the public and friends, showcasing all the hard work and creativity put into the show.

As a special addition, the entire musical will be professionally filmed by students from the 'One Take Movie' programme. This gives participants a thrilling opportunity to not only perform on stage but also have their work captured on film—an exciting keepsake for future reference and growth.

In addition to the musical, the programme will include a variety of workshops, covering singing, dance, and other creative disciplines. Students will be guided by experienced instructors and industry professionals who are dedicated to nurturing each individual's unique talents and helping them shine.

Whether students dream of performing under the lights, developing artistic skills, or simply exploring new creative avenues, The West End Experience is the perfect programme for them this summer.



The West End Experience is proud to be hosted at St Francis' College, an esteemed independent day and boarding school located in Letchworth Garden City, Hertfordshire. This renowned institution, set within the Letchworth Conservation Area and managed by the Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation, provides an inspiring backdrop for young creatives.

St Francis' College is home to a historically significant professional theatre, once well known in its heyday. Laurence Olivier is even believed to have made his first stage appearance here as a babe-in-arms. While the theatre became dilapidated in the 1980s, it was fully refurbished in 2001/02, with further upgrades to the foyer and surrounding areas in 2003/04. It is a state-of-the-art facility, perfect for nurturing young performers and showcasing professional-level productions.

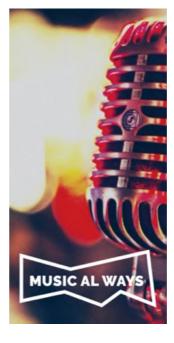
The College campus spans 3.1 hectares and features impressive buildings, including a prep department constructed in the 1940s with a 1960s extension, playing fields, and gardens. Known for its outstanding academic results, expert pastoral care, and personalized support, St Francis' College offers students a nurturing, high-achieving environment where they can thrive both artistically and academically.

As part of The West End Experience, students will benefit from these exceptional facilities while engaging in a comprehensive artistic programme designed to develop their talents. Studying at a school known for its history and excellence will make this a truly transformative experience for every participant.

PROGRAMMES AT ST. FRANCIS' COLLEGE











Facilities at St. Francis' College:

DATES
CAPACITY
AGES
LESSONS
CLASS
CLASS
TEACHERS
ACTIVITIES
TRAVEL
TRAVEL
ESSENTIALS

06 July - 3 August 2025

50 students

12-17 years old

20 lessons of English tuition + 20 specialty lessons per week

Max 16 students per class

Fully qualified, experienced English language, Drama, Dance, Music teachers and Stagecoach tutors

3 full-day excursions per week (if no departure) 7 fully organised evening activities per week

London Luton (30 min.), London Heathrow (1 h.)

SUL League









For The West End Experience at St Francis' College, the Experience Great Britain programme will be woven into the curriculum, enriching the musical and theatrical focus with cultural and personal development opportunities. In addition to mastering performance skills, students will participate in lessons on playwriting and scriptwriting, with a unique twist of learning through the lyrics of the musical compositions.

As part of the program, students can choose from three exciting pathways: Debate Club, where they can sharpen their critical thinking and public speaking; British Sports, offering a chance to engage in traditional sports; or Arts and Crafts, where creativity takes centre stage.

For students who choose not to participate in the musical production of The West End Experience, the programme offers an alternative pathway focused on personal and cultural development. They can select from the following options:

- Debate Club to sharpen critical thinking and public speaking skills,
- British Sports for engagement in traditional sporting activities,
- Arts and Crafts to explore their creative side.

Students opting for the Experience Great Britain programme will not only engage in their chosen pathways but also benefit from collaborative group projects and reflective workshops designed to foster leadership, teamwork, and problemsolving skills. These activities will ensure that every student develops critical soft skills essential for their future, whether in academic pursuits, professional careers, or personal growth. The programme aims to build well-rounded individuals who are not only immersed in British culture but also prepared for the challenges of the global stage

In addition to these activities, students will embark on exciting cultural excursions to iconic UK destinations such as Bristol, Cardiff, and Lyme Regis. These immersive experiences provide a rich understanding of British history and culture, ensuring that each student, whether involved in the musical or not, enjoys a meaningful and enriching journey..





Spotlight: Drama Class" at The West End Experience invites young aspiring actors on an exciting, immersive journey into the world of performance at St. Francis' College. Designed for students aged 12 to 17, this course provides a hands-on, creative experience blending theatrical training with real-world film production. Under the expert guidance of seasoned drama instructors, participants will dive deep into core acting elements such as improvisation, character development, voice projection, and stage presence. This nurturing environment is perfect for building confidence, fostering creativity, and encouraging teamwork.

Set in the inspiring St. Francis' College Drama Studio, students will collaborate in group workshops, rehearsals, and creative exercises, developing essential performance skills while discovering the magic of theatre both on stage and behind the scenes.

What truly sets Spotlight: Drama Class apart is its unforgettable finale. The students will act in a live performance at the St. Francis' College Theatre, bringing together everything they've learned in a professional setting.

Whether you're dreaming of standing centre stage or starring on the big screen, Spotlight: Drama Class offers young performers a unique chance to explore the world of drama, hone their craft, and create lifelong memories in a truly inspiring environment!





Music Al Ways Programme at The West End Experience

In 2025, our Music Al Ways programme is set to inspire students aged 12 to 17 with a dynamic fusion of English language and music training. Students will prepare for the final live musical performance at St. Francis' College's Theatre stage.

We aim to provide an immersive music course designed for international students, equipping them with the skills to join a band, ensemble, or even take the stage solo. At SUL, music isn't just a subject—it's the heartbeat of creativity. We foster an environment where the power of music is ever-present, allowing students to develop their talents while using music as an expressive outlet.

Through this journey, students will deepen their appreciation for the unifying power of music across diverse cultures and styles and engage in a variety of musical activities. With hands-on exercises, interactive warm-ups, and collaborative sessions, our programme invites students to explore music fresh and excitingly.

Each week, students will showcase their progress through group and solo performances, sharing their musical journey with fellow students. Whether learning new musical techniques or gaining confidence in front of an audience, students will walk away with unforgettable memories, refined skills, and experiences that will resonate for years to come.









SUL Dance Floor at The West End Experience is the ultimate stage for young dancers to unleash their passion, rhythm, and artistry at the prestigious St. Francis' College. Tailored for students aged 12 to 17, this electrifying course invites dancers of all levels to explore the vibrant world of movement, from the fluid grace of contemporary to the sharp beats of hip hop, the energy of jazz, and the elegance of ballet. Guided by world-class dance instructors, students will master choreography, develop body awareness, and refine their stage presence, all while igniting their creative spirit and boosting their confidence.

Housed within the inspiring St. Francis' College Dance Studio, the course immerses students in collaborative workshops, spirited rehearsals, and dynamic group exercises. Every leap, turn, and pirouette will bring them closer to their artistic potential as they connect with others and harness the power of expression through movement.

The experience culminates in a show-stopping live performance at the St. Francis' College Theatre. Here, the stage transforms into their canvas, and the dancers become the stars, presenting their skills and passion in a spectacular finale that celebrates all they've learned and created.

Whether you dream of dazzling audiences under the spotlight or simply want to move with purpose and passion, SUL Dance Floor is where young dancers step into their moment, creating memories and friendships that will dance with them for a lifetime.

WEEKLY PROGRAMME | WEEKS 1-2

			Mornin	g	Afternoon					Evening		
Day		07:45- 08:00	08:00- 08:30	08:40-12:00	12:15- 13:00	13:00- 13:45	14:00- 16:00	16:00-18:00	18:00- 19:00	19:00-21:00	21:00-22:00	
06-Jul	Sun		Arrivals			Lunch Arrivals			Dinner	Orientation / Intruduction to the Final Peformance		
07-Jul	Mon	Morning Exercise	Breakfast	English Lessons	Lunch	English Lessons	Specialty Lesson*	Visiting Letchworth Garden City	Dinner	SUL League Houses Sorting Ceremony / Murder Mystery	Free Time	
08-Jul	Tue	Morning Exercise	Breakfast	English Lessons	Lunch	English Lessons	Specialty Lesson*	The West End Experience Workshops / On-campus activities. Arts & Crafts / Sports (Footbal, Basketball, Tennis)	Dinner	Quiz Night + Just Dance	Free Time	
09-Jul	Wed	Morning Exercise	Breakfast	Full	-Day Exc	ursion: Cam	bridge and	Dinner	Disco - UK TOP40	Free Time		
10-Jul	Thu	Morning Exercise	Breakfast	English Lessons	Lunch	English Lessons	Specialty Lesson*	The West End Experience Workshops / On-campus activities. Crazy Olympics	Dinner	Catch The Flag	Free Time	
11-Jul	Fri	Morning Exercise	Breakfast	English Lessons	Lunch	English Lessons	Specialty Lesson*	The West End Experience Workshops / On-campus activities. Scavenger Hunt	Dinner	SUL League Awards + Britain's Got Talent	Free Time	
12-Jul	Sat	Morning Exercise	Breakfast			Full-D	ay Excursio	n: London	Dinner	West E	nd Musical	
13-Jul	Sun	Morning Exercise	Breakfast		Full-D	Day Excursion	n: Windso	and Windsor Castle	Dinner	80s Movie Night + Quiz	Free Time	

Day		Morning			Afternoon					Evening		
		07:45- 08:00	08:00- 08:30	08:40-12:00	12:15- 13:00	13:00- 13:45	14:00- 16:00	16:00-18:00	18:00- 19:00	19:00-21:00	21:00-22:00	
14-Jul	Mon	Morning Exercise	Breakfast	English Lessons	Lunch	English Lessons	Specialty Lesson*	Visiting Letchworth Garden City	Dinner	Murder Mystery + Weekly Evaluation and Individual presentations	Free Time	
15-Jul	Tue	Morning Exercise	Breakfast	English Lessons	Lunch	English Lessons	Specialty Lesson*	The West End Experience Workshops / On-campus activities. Arts & Crafts / Sports (Footbal, Basketball, Tennis)	Dinner	Quiz Night + Just Dance	Free Time	
16-Jul	Wed	Morning Exercise	Breakfast		Full-Day	Excursion:	Oxford and	one of Oxford Colleges	Dinner	Bandeoke Night	Free Time	
17-Jul	Thu	Morning Exercise	Breakfast	English Lessons	Lunch	English Lessons	Specialty Lesson*	The West End Experience Workshops / On-campus activities. Crazy Olympics	Dinner	Pool night	Free Time	
18-Jul	Fri	Morning Exercise	Breakfast	English Lessons	Lunch	English Lessons	Specialty Lesson*	Live Musical Performance	Dinner	SUL League Awards + Britain's Got Talent	Free Time	
19-Jul	Sat	Morning Exercise	Breakfast			Full-D	ay Excursio	n: London	Dinner	West Er	nd Musical	
20-Jul	Sun	Morning Exercise	Breakfast			Arı	rivals / Depa	artures	Dinner		uduction to the Final rmance	

* Specialty Lessons:

- Spotlight: Drama ClassSUL Dance Floor
- Music | Al | Ways
- Debate Club, or British Sports, or Arts and Crafts, instead of Specialty Lessons, for students enrolled on a programme 'Education is Great Britain'.

SUL Education reserves the right to make changes to the above programme.

WEEKLY PROGRAMME | WEEKS 3-4

	Day		Morning				A	fternoon	Evening			
Da			08:00- 08:30	08:40-12:00	12:15- 13:00	13:00- 13:45	14:00- 16:00	16:00-18:00	18:00- 19:00	19:00-21:00	21:00-22:00	
21-Jul	Mon	Morning Exercise	Breakfast	English Lessons	Lunch	English Lessons	Specialty Lesson*	Visiting Letchworth Garden City	Dinner	SUL League Houses Sorting Ceremony / Murder Mystery	Free Time	
22-Jul	Tue	Morning Exercise	Breakfast	English Lessons	Lunch	English Lessons	Specialty Lesson*	The West End Experience Workshops / On-campus activities. Arts & Crafts / Sports (Footbal, Basketball, Tennis)	Dinner	Quiz Night + Just Dance	Free Time	
23-Jul	Wed	Morning Exercise	Breakfast	Full	-Day Exc	ursion: Cam	bridge and	one of Cambridge Colleges	Dinner	Disco - UK TOP40	Free Time	
24-Jul	Thu	Morning Exercise	Breakfast	English Lessons	Lunch	English Lessons	Specialty Lesson*	The West End Experience Workshops / On-campus activities. Crazy Olympics	Dinner	Catch The Flag	Free Time	
25-Jul	Fri	Morning Exercise	Breakfast	English Lessons	Lunch	English Lessons	Specialty Lesson*	The West End Experience Workshops / On-campus activities. Scavenger Hunt	Dinner	SUL League Awards + Britain's Got Talent	Free Time	
26-Jul	Sat	Morning Exercise	Breakfast			Full-Da	ay Excursion	n: London	Dinner	West Er	nd Musical	
27-Jul	Sun	Morning Exercise	Breakfast	Full-Day Excursion: Windsor and Windsor Castle						90s Movie Night + Quiz	Free Time	

		Morning			Afternoon					Evening			
Day		07:45- 08:00	08:00- 08:30	08:40-12:00	12:15- 13:00	13:00- 13:45	14:00- 16:00	16:00-18:00	18:00- 19:00	19:00-21:00	21:00-22:00		
28-Jul	Mon	Morning Exercise	Breakfast	English Lessons	Lunch	English Lessons	Specialty Lesson*	Visiting Letchworth Garden City	Dinner	Murder Mystery + Weekly Evaluation and Individual presentations	Free Time		
29-Jul	Tue	Morning Exercise	Breakfast	English Lessons	Lunch	English Lessons	Specialty Lesson*	The West End Experience Workshops / On-campus activities. Arts & Crafts / Sports (Footbal, Basketball, Tennis)	Dinner	Quiz Night + Just Dance	Free Time		
30-Jul	Wed	Morning Exercise	Breakfast		Full-Day	Excursion:	Oxford and	one of Oxford Colleges	Dinner	Bandeoke Night	Free Time		
31-Jul	Thu	Morning Exercise	Breakfast	English Lessons	Lunch	English Lessons	Specialty Lesson*	The West End Experience Workshops / On-campus activities. Crazy Olympics	Dinner	Catch The Flag	Free Time		
01-Aug	Fri	Morning Exercise	Breakfast	English Lessons	Lunch	English Lessons	Specialty Lesson*	Live Musical Performance	Dinner	SUL League Awards + Britain's Got Talent	Free Time		
02-Aug	Sat	Morning Exercise	Breakfast			Full-Da	ay Excursio	n: London	Dinner	West Er	nd Musical		
03-Aug	Sun	Morning Exercise	Breakfast		Departures								

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WELCOME TO THE SUL LEAGUE!

Welcome to the SUL League, a weekly fun competition where earning badges isn't just an accomplishment—it's an Amazing Experience!

These badges are more than just awards; they're a testament to students' dedication, skills, and spirit of teamwork within our vibrant community.

Here's how it works:

The Mission – Join a House, Make History. By completing tasks and challenges, students will score points for their team, pushing them closer to victory in the fierce competition to become the SUL League Champions! As they rack up points, they can also earn SUL badges and prizes! Each SUL badge comes with its unique challenges, but first...

WHICH HOUSE WILL BE YOURS?











Once students are sorted into their House, they will embark on thrilling challenges and activities designed to unlock their potential and allow them to win SUL badges and rewards!

SUL BADGES

SUL Badges are awards students can earn as members of a SUL House. They're not just for show; they represent the hard work and achievements of students as they progress through SUL's Amazing Experience! Each badge is earned by completing a set of requirements, so students should read the rules carefully to make the most of it:

Score Big, Win Big!

TEAM POINTS

As students work towards their SUL badges, every point they score contributes to their team's overall success. It's a thrilling race to see which team can amass the most points, driving everyone to push their limits and excel.

During SUL's Awards Ceremony, held at the end of the week, the team that accumulates the most points will be declared the SUL League Champion, receiving the Goblet of the Sun and an eternal place in SUL's Hall of Champions! After SUL's Awards Ceremony, all teams' points reset to zero, and a new SUL League begins.

PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

However, the excitement continues beyond team glory. Every point students earn counts towards their personal achievements. This means they're not just star players on their teams; they're also building a stellar reputation for themselves. Each badge they collect brings them one step closer to individual awards and prizes.

During SUL's Awards Ceremony, if a student earns the necessary points, they will be awarded the respective SUL badge(s), and the points relative to that specific badge will reset. Each student can only receive one badge for each category. Points earned after receiving a badge will still count towards the team's weekly results.

If a student comes close to earning a badge, there's no need to worry. Their individual points will only reset to zero every two weeks. However, only the points earned each week will count toward the team's total.





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