



# Spires Plus Options

Optional choices during the afternoon sessions at our spring and summer vacation centres

## Course Information

### Programme duration

6 hours of smaller group instruction by qualified, subject-specific teachers and sports coaches.

### Hours of tuition

During the afternoons from 2pm-4pm

### Minimum level

Elementary (E1)

### Maximum level

Advanced (C1)

### Class size

Small groups of up to 10 students

### Minimum age

8

### Maximum age

17

### When

Available across all weeks at all spring and summer vacation centres

## Course Overview

Spires Plus Options allows students the opportunity to benefit from six additional hours each week of learning opportunities across a range of academic, sporting and creative areas.



## Options Available:

### Exam Skills

Taking students through the stages of planning and preparing for an exam, including:

- Exam Preparation
- Revision Strategies
- Exam Practice

**Available at:** All centres

**Ages:** 8-17 years

### IELTS Preparation

Prepare for the test with targeted, specific IELTS tutoring. Take your test with confidence!

- Taught by highly qualified English specialists
- Courses are specifically designed to support IELTS test takers
- Improve your skills in all four IELTS test areas: Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking

**Available at:** Oxford Brookes

University & Anglia Ruskin University

**Ages:** 12-17 years

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## Entrepreneurship

Developing students' entrepreneurial desire and leadership flair, including:

- Decision Making
- Cultivating Leadership Skills for the Future
- Acts of Confidence

**Available at:** Clifton College, St Edward's School, Summer Field's School & Cheltenham Ladies' College **Ages:** 8-17 years

## STEAM

Laying the STEAM foundations of inquiry, critical thinking, and process-based learning, including:

- Start asking non-Googleable questions
- Visual Thinking
- Reciprocal Teaching

**Available at:** Clifton College, St Edward's School, Summer Field's School & Cheltenham Ladies' College **Ages:** 8-17 years

## Horse Riding

Allowing riders of all ages to experience the beautiful countryside at our partner equestrian centre, including:

- Suitable for seasoned riders, being new to the sport or just getting back in the saddle, all abilities welcome
- Stable Management
- Group and one-to-one instruction available

**Available at:** Cheltenham Ladies' College & Clifton College **Ages:** 8-17 years

## Dance & Performing Arts

A creative, fun option where your students can learn valuable skills in dance, drama and singing.

- Work towards a musicals/show production to be performed in front of your friends
- Improve your dance technique
- Develop confidence

**Available at:** Sibford School **Ages:** 8-17 years

## Maths

As mathematics is such an important life skill, we aim to equip students with the skills necessary for life outside the classroom, key areas of maths are covered:

- Number and place value
- Addition and subtraction, multiplication and division
- Fractions
- Measurement
- Properties of shape, position and direction
- Statistics, ratio and proportion
- Algebra

**Available at:** Clifton College, St Edward's School, Summer Field's School & Cheltenham Ladies' College **Ages:** 8-17 years

## Chemistry

A tailored programme covering all topics within the Chemistry sphere. Enjoy Learning the secrets behind:

- The Substance
- Matter
- Properties
- Reactions

**Available at:** Clifton College, St Edward's School, Summer Field's School & Cheltenham Ladies' College **Ages:** 8-17 years

## Physics

Structured tuition is available for following topics, but they are not limited to this:

- Energy
- Heat
- Thermodynamics
- Electricity and Magnetism
- Waves
- Light
- And others...

**Available at:** Clifton College, St Edward's School, Summer Field's School & Cheltenham Ladies' College **Ages:** 8-17 years

## English Literature

Finding it hard to structure essays? Answer questions? Would like support on analysing prose or poetry? Receive specific support in some of the following areas:

- Working through a difficult question or essay
- How to structure, approach and write essays under the pressure
- Revision techniques

**Available at:** Clifton College, St Edward's School, Summer Field's School & Cheltenham Ladies' College **Ages:** 8-17 years

## History

We aim to bring History out of the past and bring it to life using passion and expert knowledge of the subject, so that students can foster a genuine love of History.

- Tailored tuition will be organised covering knowledge of all exam boards
- Organised visits to museums and sites of historical interest
- Revision techniques

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## Geography

Students taking Geography will receive personalised education plans, assessment and continued review to ensure that progress is achieved.

- Receive a professional specific Geography lessons by experienced tutors
- Students will be matched according to their age and level and learning style
- Learn valuable revision techniques

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**Ages:** 8-17 years

## Crime Scene Science

Students will become forensic scientists, carrying out a series of chemical tests and using what they've found out to solve the crime! Our Crime Scene Science option helps develop valuable skills including:

- Teamwork & communication
- Working scientifically
- Making comparisons
- Drawing conclusions
- Solve the crime!

**Available at:** St Edward's School & Summer Field's School  
**Ages:** 8-11 years

## Bot Mazes

Students code a BBC micro:bit to control a robot buggy and explore the importance of testing and improving their designs, including:

- A fun introduction to the text-based coding language Python
- Develop valuable engineering skills
- communication skills
- Teamwork
- Resilience

**Available at:** St Edward's School & Summer Field's School  
**Ages:** 8-11 years

## Bit Codebreakers

Students will learn how to use a BBC micro:bit to send messages to each other, considering the importance of privacy while trying to work out who their secret agent partner is including:

- Learning some basic encryption techniques
- Discover a fun introduction to the text-based coding language Python,
- Learn MakeCode editor (similar to the popular coding language, Scratch)
- Develop communication skills, teamwork & resilience

**Available at:** St Edward's School & Summer Field's School  
**Ages:** 8-11 years

## Active Camps

Students have the opportunity to mix with local UK children on a range of multi-activity sessions all delivered in English by our experienced and qualified team. Activities include a range of:

- Sports
- Team games
- Arts & Crafts
- Group-based activity

**Available at:** St Edward's School & Summer Field's School  
**Ages:** 8-14 years

## Active Adventure

Enjoy fun, creative, and varied activities with local children which include;

- Kayaking, archery & shelter building
- Raft building, fire lighting & survival skills
- Orienteering, wood carving & slacklining
- Sensory trails, outdoor first aid and team building games.

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**Spires Plus** options are available for a supplement of **£175** per week. Please **contact us** for more information.



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