

Family Programme in London 2011

We offer courses for Juniors aged 8-15 and optional courses for their parents and other family members at Easter.

The **Easter Programme** in April is held in our Kensington school, opposite Gloucester Road underground station.

Please note that the programme is designed only for children accompanied by a parent or other adult family member over 21 and is not suitable for children travelling alone or for groups of children.

Course 44: Family Programme Junior Course **20 lessons* per week**

This fun course puts the emphasis on spoken English and communication activities, all tailored to the age of the group. New language – vocabulary, colloquial English, idioms, grammar – is introduced and practised in small groups. Imaginative activities and group project work encourage real communication and rapid learning.

Timetable: 9.00 – 13.00 Monday to Friday

Class size: Average 12, maximum 15

Starting dates and course length:

Easter programme: April 18 (1-2 weeks), April 26 (1 week)

The Easter programme is 16 lessons per week. Friday April 22 and Monday April 25 are public holidays and there are no classes.

Levels: Beginner and above

Ages: 8 -15

Location: Kensington

Course 45: Family Programme Adult Course **20 lessons* per week**

Parents can join the Adult Intensive English course which offers practical and relevant language skills if you have an immediate need for English. Following needs analysis, you will be placed in a group according to your level and individual requirements. The content of the lessons focuses on reviewing and extending the various language areas such as grammar, vocabulary, listening, reading, writing, speaking and pronunciation, building confidence and fluency through continual practice of the language.

Attention is also paid to reading and writing skills where appropriate but the emphasis is on developing listening and speaking abilities through a variety of classroom activities. Typical areas of language include, travelling, socialising, formal and informal meetings and telephoning. Attention to your individual needs is continued during the course through personal interviews with your teacher.

Timetable: 9.00 – 13.00 Monday to Friday

Class size: Average 8, maximum 10

Starting dates and course length: As for Junior course

Levels: Elementary and above

** 1 lesson = 50 minutes. 20 lessons = 16 hours' and 40 minutes tuition.*

Rules concerning travel to and from school

To ensure the safety of children the following rules must be observed:

1. Children must be accompanied to the school by a parent or guardian on the first day of the course.
2. Children aged 13 and under must be taken to school and collected everyday by a parent or guardian.
3. After the first day of the course, children aged 14 – 15 can travel to and from classes on their own, if the school has written permission from a parent or guardian.
4. If, exceptionally, someone else is going to collect a child, Frances King staff must be informed of the name and age of the person in the morning when the child is taken to school. This person must be aged 21 or over.
5. Our staff will not take children home and children should be told not to go home with anyone other than a parent, guardian or other specified person.
6. Classes start at 9.00 and finish at 13.00. Parents and guardians collecting children must be at the school no later than 13.15.
7. It must be made clear to all children that once at school they must not leave the school building without a parent, guardian or teacher.

Frequently asked questions

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| Question | Must parents/guardians study at Frances King? |
| Answer | No, it is not necessary, but children must be accompanied in London by a parent or guardian, aged 21 or over, who accepts full responsibility for their care. |
| Question | What is the minimum age of children accepted on the Junior Course? |
| Answer | Children must be 8 years of age at the time of starting the course. |
| Question | Can Frances King offer other courses in London for children younger than 8 or offer child care facilities? |
| Answer | No, we are not able to offer courses for children younger than 8 years of age in London or organise child-care facilities. |
| Question | Does the school arrange a special social programme for families? |
| Answer | No. Families may participate in some of the events on the social programme offered to all Frances King students but please note that children may not participate without a parent or guardian. |

Accommodation

Frances King can arrange accommodation suitable for families, in excellent central locations close to public transport and tourist attractions. Choose from homestay, studios, apartments, residences and hotels. Below is some basic information about the accommodation we can offer. If you would like further details about any of these options, please let us know. There is an arrangement fee of £100 per family group for all options and most of the accommodation options also require a refundable damage deposit on arrival:

A2 – A11 Homestay

You can enjoy the comforts of a private home and immerse yourself in English life and culture. It is also the most cost-effective way of staying in London, with home cooking, pleasant conversation and comfortable surroundings. Homestays are located in good residential areas in zones 1, 2 and 3; the average journey time to school is 25-40 minutes by public transport. Single, twin or double-bedded rooms are available. WI-FI is possible in some homestays at a weekly supplement.

Standard: Good homes and food provided by kind hosts who live in convenient locations for our schools.

Superior: Quality homes in very good areas offering a high standard of cooking and conversation and private bathroom facilities for a supplement.

Meal plans: Half-board – breakfast and evening meal every day; 4-dinner plan – breakfast every day and evening meal 4 times per week; Bed and Breakfast – breakfast every day, no evening meals.

A16 Deluxe Apartments – Citadines, Fraser Suites and Ascott Mayfair

- Fully serviced and stylishly furnished, these apartments are excellently located in zone 1. Citadines and Fraser Place are in South Kensington, 5 minutes walk from school; Ascot Mayfair is in Mayfair, about 20 minutes to school via public transport.
- Citadines offers two types of apartment - the studio apartments, which sleep 1-2 people, and the one-bedroom apartments, which sleep up to 4 people (sofa-bed in the lounge area and one double or two single beds in the bedroom - the bedroom is on a mezzanine floor and is not completely private from the lounge area). All apartments have a fully equipped kitchen area, a bathroom with a hairdryer, TV with satellite and a direct-line phone.
- Fraser Suites offer Studios (sleeping 1 or 2 people) as well as one and two bedroom apartments (for up to 4 people). Each apartment is furnished with modern décor and the latest in-room technology (including cable TV, DVD player and Hi-Fi with CD player), a fully equipped kitchenette, a personal safe, ironing board and hair-dryer.
- Ascott Mayfair offer studios (sleeping 1 or 2 people) as well as one and two bedroom apartments (for up to 6 people). Each apartment is furnished with modern décor and the latest in-room technology including cable TV, DVD player and Hi-Fi with CD player, fully equipped kitchenettes, a personal safe, ironing board, iron and hair-dryer, washing machine and dryer. Continental breakfast is included. There is a small gym on site, as well as steam and sauna rooms for guests' use.
- Facilities for all deluxe studios include 24-hour reception

A18 The Residence Budget MiniStudios: Twin Self-Catering

- Small studios located in Kensington, 10 minutes walk to school.
- Twin ministudios equipped with private bathroom/shower, television and own kitchenette for the preparation of light meals. Children must be 14 years and over, sharing a twin with a parent/guardian aged over 21.

A20 Vancouver Studios: Self-Catering Studios

- Attractively designed small studios located in lively Bayswater, near the shops and restaurants of popular Queensway.
- Travel time to school is approximately 15-20 minutes by underground.
- Twin and triple rooms are available. These newly furnished studio apartments are small but decorated to a high standard and well equipped with private bathroom/shower, television and own kitchenette for the preparation of light meals.
- Facilities include a communal garden and living room.

Type of Accommodation	Sleeps
Large Twin/Double	2 people
Twin	2 people
Triple	3 people
Extra Bed	1

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us:

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