

# Intensive Study Week - 2024



## At a glance:

- Full Package Available
- Suitable for Closed Groups of Students aged 12+
- Available from September – June
- 15 Hours of English Language Class per week
- Choice of Morning and Afternoon Class options

This fun, interactive cultural programme is ideal for school groups who have a short time to spend abroad.

## 1-week ISW Package includes:

- Return Airport Transfers (Dublin International Airport)
- Welcome Pack
- Welcome Induction
- Level Test
- 15 Hours of General English tuition per week
- Maximum 15 Students per Class
- Free Internet/Wi-Fi
- Access to School Facilities/Administration
- 7 Nights Full Board Host Family Accommodation (Shared room for students/Single room for leaders)
- 1 Leader free per 15 Students
- 1 Guided Tour of Dublin City with Professional Tour Guide
- 4 Afternoon Activities (1 includes entrance fee, 3 will be free. An ALL-staff member can accompany groups at additional cost).
- 1 Evening Activity (Includes entrance fee. An ALL-staff member can accompany groups at additional cost).
- 1 Full Day Excursion (An ALL-staff member can accompany groups at additional cost).
- Certificate on Completion
- 24 Hour Student Support/Emergency Number
- Fun and a memorable experience guaranteed.



## About the school

Active Language Learning is a beautiful boutique-style, family-run, EAQUALS accredited school and has been offering gold standard quality courses in the ELT market since 1989. Our focus is on quality courses and maintaining the highest quality service.



## About Dun Laoghaire

Students from all over the world come to our school to improve their English in a fun and exciting location in Dublin's upmarket coastal town of Dun Laoghaire (pronounced 'Don Liri'). Dun Laoghaire was crowned as Europe's "Greatest Town" of 2022 at the Urbanism Awards in London in November 2022.

A charming seaside suburban town only 15 minutes by local train from Dublin city centre. There are plenty of small local shops, cafes, and restaurants where you can sit and enjoy the stunning sea views. Dun Laoghaire is one of the only Dublin suburbs to include both a cinema and a theatre as part of its many attractions. The town also boasts Ireland's largest, state of the art public library, situated in an incredible building with an innovative design.

Staying in Dun Laoghaire, you have all the benefits of a small town with Dublin very close by. Trains go to the city every 10-15 minutes. In Dublin city, students can enjoy the wealth of museums and shops of a capital city as well as the, now proven,



## Accommodation

Our carefully chosen homestay providers are all experienced and very welcoming to our students. All our friendly homestay providers live within the local area and in many cases, students can walk to school.



## Course Rationale

During the Intensive Study Week (ISW) students are placed together in closed groups for short periods.

Students attend class for 15 hours (3 hours per day) per week, this is broken into 2 lessons of 1.5 hours each.

The first lesson is a topic-based, general English class and the second lesson is based on aspects of Irish culture, which is linked to the trips/tours students will do during their time here. Both lessons are designed to be communicative and interactive and age appropriate.

We do not impose a single set approach to language teaching, but rather follow the current trend of principled eclecticism. Materials for the general English lesson are chosen from modern course books to reflect current trends in language teaching methodologies.

The course is designed for 3 levels – low (A1/A2), mid (B1/B2-), high (B2+/C1).

As students are placed in closed groups, it is not always possible to have students in class according to their actual language level. For this reason, it is up to the teacher to adapt the material up or down, appropriate to the students in a particular class. Teachers use a variety of communicative techniques and teaching strategies to ensure that weaker students are adequately supported while stronger students still feel challenged and stay engaged during lessons. We choose topics which are relevant to students' lives and experiences, and which will allow for personalisation of the topics in class. This is vital for student engagement and motivation during lessons.



## Syllabus Aims

### Main aims:

- ✓ To help learners to practice and develop their skills in using English for effective and successful communication.
- ✓ To expose learners to a variety of communicative teaching and learning methodologies, strategies, and techniques
- ✓ To expand learners' global knowledge through exposure to aspects of Irish culture.
- ✓ To give learners the opportunity to use English in a communicative way to increase motivation and confidence for communication.
- ✓ To give students the opportunity to use known and new vocabulary in interactive, communicative tasks on global topics that are relevant to their lives.

### Subsidiary aims:

- ✓ Productive skills –Speaking: students will be able to express their opinions, preferences, employ circumlocution, ask for clarification, re-tell a story, ask, and answer questions.
- ✓ Productive skills – Writing: students will be able to sequence a story and use narrative forms appropriately/accurately.
- ✓ Receptive skills – Listening: students will be able to understand the gist of a variety of level appropriate listening texts (Top-down processing) and be able to listen for specific information (bottom-up processing)
- ✓ Receptive skills – Reading: students will be able to understand the gist of a level appropriate texts (skimming) and be able to scan a text for specific information.

## Prices







ISW Courses	(High Season)	(Low Season)	Extra Night
	1 <sup>st</sup> March – 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2024 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept – 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2024	1 <sup>st</sup> Jan -28 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2024 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov – 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2024	
Morning (09:30 – 12:15)	€460	€430	€80
Afternoon (13:30 – 16:45)	€440	€410	€70
<b>Extras</b>			
Late Arrival/Departure Supplement (arriving/departing between 23.00-07.00)	€10 per person		
Special Dietary Requirement	€60 per week		
Travel Pass (all urban bus/rail)	€50 per person		
ALL staff member to accompany the group	€90 Full Day/ €70 Half Day/ €60 Evening		
Additional Activity	€10 per student (for Afternoon/Evening)		

## Please note:

- Accompanying group leaders must accompany and supervise students on all activities/excursions.
- The above pricelist does not include medical/travel insurance or examination fee.
- All leaders are accommodated in a single room host family accommodation on a full board basis – no refund will be issued for alternative accommodation.
- Student should bring their own writing material (pen/notebook)
- Students must adhere to rules and regulations as stated and signed by guardian on enrolment form.
- ALL shall have full control & authority over all juniors.
- ALL may at any time dismiss a pupil and will not be liable for any articles or property.
- The parent or guardian hereby indemnifies ALL against all actions, claims, costs, expenses, and damages arising from ~~in~~ default, or any breach of law whatever on the part of the pupil.
- School closure due to serious global or national issues (Financial, Pandemic, Extreme Adverse Weather etc.) beyond school or student remit will incur a course break clause only and not a refund policy.



# ALL DRAFT PROGRAMME – INTENSIVE STUDY WEEK (ISW)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	Class 09:00 – 10:30	Class 09:00 – 10:30	Class 09:00 – 10:30	Class 09:00 – 10:30	Class 09:00 – 10:30	 <b>FULL DAY EXCURSION</b> 09:30 - 17:00  Glendalough and Wicklow	
	BREAK						
	Class 10:45 – 12:15	Class 10:45 – 12:15	Class 10:45 – 12:15	Class 10:45 – 12:15	Class 10:45 – 12:15		
	LUNCH						
 Arrival at Dublin Airport Coach to ALL Welcome Induction Meet & Greet with Homestay's	Dublin city Orientation Walking Tour	Choose from National Museum or National Gallery Or Natural History	Dalkey Castle Dalkey Hill Killiney Vista (Entry to Dalkey Castle included)	Choose from National Museum or National Gallery Or Natural History	Howth historical fishing village and Hill Walk		 DEPART FROM ALL FOR DUBLIN AIRPORT
DINNER WITH FAMILY							
	FREE EVENING	 Cinema (Only 1 evening activity included)	 Bowling (Only 1 evening activity included)	FREE EVENING	 Irish Dancing (Only 1 evening activity included)	FREE EVENING	
CERFEW	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	



## GENERAL ISSUES

1	Minimum 1 leader per 15 students required.
2	Tuition for 180 min/day AM or PM volume dependent.
3	1:15 teacher / student ratio unless otherwise requested.
4	Accompanying leader to supervise all afternoon programme unless otherwise requested.
5	ALL to be informed of any non-EU students travelling in groups
6	All students to travel with Travel & EU Insurance
7	All students must adhere to rules and regulations issued by ALL.
8	All activities and excursions are unaccompanied. An ALL staff member can accompany group at additional cost.

## BASIC PACKAGE FOR INTENSIVE STUDY WEEK (ISW)

1	Accommodation is on a 7-night shared room, full board basis (includes packed lunch).
2	4/5 days CLIL based tuition sessions (12/15 hr.) depending on departure flights.
3	2 students minimum per family – No single accommodation offered to juniors.
4	1 leader free per 15 students - accommodated in Host Family only.
5	Return Airport Transfers (Dublin International Airport).
6	Orientation walking tour of Dublin (2.5 hrs.) on second day of arrival.
7	Choose from 1 paid evening activity. EG: Bowling, Cinema, Greyhound Racing Ceili (Irish traditional music and dance).
8	1 paid afternoon activity with a choice from: <i>National Print Museum / St Patrick's Cathedral / Dalkey Castle / St. Michans Church Glendalough Visitors Centre/ Wicklow Gaol / National Maritime Museum of Ireland DunLaoghaire / Treasure Hunt.</i>
10	1 full day trip by private bus to Glendalough or Kilkenny (excluding entrance fees). An ALL staff member can accompany group at additional cost.
11	Basic package offered to teachers or leaders of groups only.

**STRICTLY NO REDUCTION OFFERED FOR CHANGE OR NON-USE OF PACKAGE OFFERED**

## PAYMENT TERMS 2024

1	Invoices agreed & paid by first working day of the previous month of group arrival.
2	All Invoices to be paid with errors and omissions excepted.
3	End of month adjustments to be agreed between ALL and Partner.
4	One bank transfer only for all groups arriving in the same calendar month.
5	Form signed by group for extra activities to be produced by ALL and invoiced to Partner.

## ADMINISTRATION

1	Sending Institute to complete ALL Excel booking forms for all groups.
2	Host family details to be with group at least <b>10 working days</b> prior to arrival.
3	<a href="mailto:accommodation@all.ie">accommodation@all.ie</a> to be point of contact for accommodation.
4	<a href="mailto:support@all.ie">support@all.ie</a> to be point of contact for tour/excursion bookings.



## FURTHER INFORMATION & REFUND/CANCELLATION POLICY

1	ALL to supply costs for coach hire of different capacities (incl. Minibus)
2	ALL to supply costs for commuter tickets for urban bus, metro (LUAS) and rail.
3	Price structure valid for the year 2024 Jan to Dec (except July and August).
4	All agreements between ALL and Partner to be strictly confidential.
5	No Extra hours offered in lieu of bank holiday closures.
6	Bank holidays in Ireland occur on the following dates in 2024 and the school will be closed 1 <sup>st</sup> January, 5 <sup>th</sup> February, 17 <sup>th</sup> March, 29 <sup>th</sup> March, 1 <sup>st</sup> April, 6 <sup>th</sup> May, 3 <sup>rd</sup> June, 5 <sup>th</sup> August, 28 <sup>th</sup> October. Our last day of classes will be on Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2024.
7	Course cancellation due to COVID-19, or other global, restrictions will be offered a re-scheduled date in lieu valid within 24 months and subject to certain price increases beyond our control.  <b>Cancellation Policy is as follows:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Bookings may be cancelled up to 2 weeks prior to commencement of course with a €75 administration penalty.</li> <li>➤ For cancellations 1 to 7 days before the course begins, 50% of the full amount will be refunded.</li> <li>➤ There is NO refund for any cancellation on arrival date or once the course has commenced.</li> <li>➤ All accommodation, Homestay or other, cancellations after arrival are non-refundable.</li> <li>➤ No refund for a student removed from a course for behavioural reasons.</li> <li>➤ A €100 unnecessary change of family policy is expected.</li> </ul>



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