

Fact Sheet 2023 - Edinburgh Merchiston Castle School

	DETAILS	COMMENTS
GENERAL INFO	PROVIDER	Merchiston Castle School
	COLLEGE/SCHOOL NAME	Merchiston Castle School
	ADDRESS	294 Colinton Rd, Edinburgh, EH13 0PU, United Kingdom
	CENTER ACCREDITED BY:	British Council
	DISTANCE FROM CENTRE OF TOWN	Edinburgh: 5.5 miles
	BY FOOT	Edinburgh: 1 hour
	BY TRAIN	Edinburgh: n/a
	BY PRIVATE COACH	Edinburgh: 20 minutes
	BY PUBLIC BUS	Edinburgh: 25 minutes
	CENTRE OPENING FROM/TO	2nd July - 13th August
AGE MIN/MAX	9 to 16	
GENERAL INFO	STAFF ON SITE 24/7	Centre Manager Activity & Excursion Manager Welfare Coordinator
	STAFF VISIBILITY	All staff wear uniform (purple t-shirt with logo) and a lanyard with name tag
	STUDENT VISIBILITY	All students must wear the purple lanyard with name tag and emergency number
GENERAL CENTRE FACILITIES	COMMON ROOM	Yes
	STUDY ROOM	Available on request
	COMPUTER ROOM	No
	VENDING MACHINES	No
	LAUNDRY	£10 per laundry bag
	FIRST-AID-TRAINED PERSONNEL ON SITE	Yes
	24H RECEPTION	No, but SAC staff available 24/7
	SAFE BOX	Available in the office
	WI-FI/ PC	Yes
LEISURE/SPORT	INDOOR SPORTS FACILITIES	Sports Hall
	OUTDOOR SPORTS FACILITIES	Football pitch, large grass areas
	SWIMMING POOL ACCESS	N/A
	DISCO	Yes
	GAMES CONSOLE ROOM	No
ACCOMMODATION	RESIDENTIAL	Yes
	ENSUITE SINGLE ROOM	Yes but twin rooms also available
	HOW MANY STUDENTS PER APARTMENT	Accommodation is made of dormitories so is split into corridors of 20 rooms
	KITCHEN	Fully fitted and equipped kitchen, cooker turned off and turned on only on request of Group Leader
	APPLIANCES	Fridge/freezer
	UTENSILS	No
	TOWELS & LINENS	Provided and changed once a week
	DAMAGE DEPOSIT	£40/€50 required upon arrival and returned upon departure
	LOST KEY & FOB FEE	£30
CLEANING	Once per week	
LOCAL INFORMATION	ATMs (CASH MACHINES)	Available in Colinton village (10-minute walk)
	POST OFFICES	Available in Colinton village (10-minute walk)
	CAFES	Available in Colinton village (10-minute walk)
	CONVENIENCE STORE	Available in Colinton village (10-minute walk)
	PLACES OF WORSHIP	Available in Edinburgh City Centre
	TOURIST INFORMATION	Available in Edinburgh City Centre
COURSE DETAILS - ACADEMIC	ENTRY TEST	Yes, upon arrival
	LEVEL	A1+, A2, B1, B2, C1 and C1+
	TEACHERS CERTIFICATE	Yes
	TEACHERS Criminal record	All staff sign a declaration form; Disclosure and two references are required.
	CLASS:STUDENT RATIO	01:15
	LESSONS ZIG ZAG	Yes, morning or afternoon
	LESSONS PER WEEK	15 hours per week
	LESSONS DURATION	1 hour, 40 minutes
ACTIVITY PROGRAMME	FULL DAY EXCURSIONS	Alnwick Castle Glasgow Stirling & Loch Katrine
	HALF DAY EXCURSIONS	3 per week
	STANDARD PAID ENTRIES INCLUDED	Edinburgh Castle, Alnwick Castle and Loch Katrine Cruise
	ACTIVITIES	Yes, morning or afternoon, and evenings