



ÉCOLE SALISH SECONDARY
ARTS AND CULTURE CLUB
LONDON 2025

The Arts and Culture Club is organizing a 7-day tour of London with EF Tours. The tour is fast paced and covers major attractions in London and surroundings. The program fee includes round-trip airfare, ground transportation, hotels, breakfast, and dinner daily, sightseeing tours led by licensed local guides, theatre performance, entrance to special and attractions. Students are expected to buy their own lunches and pay gratuities.

This trip is a great educational opportunity for students to develop independence and citizenship in a different culture, as well as develop personal and social responsibility. Students will also be able to get a concrete visual of the history of London and its amazing heritage. The Great Wall, Londinium, Big Smoke... a city as storied as London is bound to accumulate a great many monikers, but what it means to those who visit can never be captured in a single word. Under the mint green arches of Covent Garden, where actors once plied their trade on makeshift stages and farmers brought fresh harvest for sale, a bustling market with a dizzying variety of goods awaits you. The Palace of Westminster, where The U.K.'s Houses of Parliament meet, you will visit Queen Elizabeth Tower, whose nickname 'Big Ben' refers to its largest bell. Stepping from the historical to the cultural, you'll get to experience a lovely theatre performance capped off with a ride on the London Eye—a sleek, modern Ferris wheel that stands a towering 36-stories tall on the London skyline. The streets and sights of London are a sprawling tapestry, threaded with thousands of years of rich, complex history—from its origins as a Roman port of trade, to its rise as the centre of a global-spanning empire, London remains the beating heart of the British Isles.

École Salish Secondary Fine Arts and English department's Arts and Culture Club believe that this trip will provide students with an incredible learning experience of history and contemporary culture outside of the classroom. I know I am really looking forward to this wonderful experience.

Sincerely,

Ms. S. Trujillo
Fine Arts Department Head (Visual Arts Portfolio)
Culture and Arts Club Sponsor

Additional Information:

*The information (and travel dates) on the quote may change, depending on registration date and flight costs at that time.

Requested date of departure: March 20-26, 2025 **Student Program Fee:** \$4,485 **Adult Program Fee:** \$5,255

Fees DO NOT include Windsor and Stonehenge Excursion (\$169) and the Oxford, Stratford Excursion (\$139) and the Global Travel Protection Plan (\$199). The **Global Travel Protection Plan is mandatory** for all travellers, including supervisors.

***The total cost including the 2 extra excursions is \$4,992

Additional expenses: Passport cost, check-in luggage (sometimes included depends on airline), lunch, spending money per day (depending on spending habits) and tour customary guide gratuity.

STUDENTS MUST HAVE A CANADIAN PASSPORT TO PARTICIPATE! If you don't, we will need to get special permission from the district. ***To get our final approval from the district, students must have a valid passport prior to December 13th, 2024. We can only submit our final approval once all participating student's passport information is collected.***

Participating supervisors will have all or part of their travel cost subsidized by EF depending on number of participating students. Required supervisors are chosen by the teacher-in charge and will depend on final enrolment numbers (1 adult for 6 students). Required supervisors are responsible for all extra travel costs.

Those students who are seriously interested must complete the attached form before being sent registration information. There are a variety of payment options available. Once trip has been booked, parents can contact Travel Support at EF Tours at 1-800-263-2806 if they have any questions regarding payment.



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Itinerary is tentative and if anything changes, updates will be shared closer to the trip. During free time we will be visiting the National Gallery (houses a collection of more than 2,300 paintings dating from the mid-13th century to 1900)

DAY 1: OVERNIGHT FLIGHT TO ENGLAND

DAY 2: LONDON

- Meet your Tour Director at your destination.
- Take a walking tour of London
 - Covent Garden
 - National Gallery
 - Leicester Square

DAY 3: LONDON

- Take a guided tour of London
 - Big Ben and Houses of Parliament
 - Piccadilly Circus
 - St. Paul's Cathedral
 - Westminster Abbey
 - Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace (*if scheduled*)
- Visit St. Paul's Cathedral
- Ride the London Eye
- Attend an evening theatre performance

DAY 4: WINDSOR AND STONEHENGE (Optional Excursion)

- An invitation to the Royal Family's retreat, Windsor Castle. Join a local guide to Windsor, built by William the Conqueror in 1070. Admire priceless objects in the State Apartments, from paintings by Rubens to Henry VIII's sword and suit of armor. Students will see Queen Mary's Dolls' House and St. George's Chapel, the final resting place of many monarchs. Then, continue on to unmistakable Stonehenge, whose exact origin and purpose remain shrouded in mystery more than 4,000 years after its construction.

DAY 5: LONDON

- Visit the Tower of London
- Take a cruise on the River Thames
- Visit the Royal Observatory and the National Maritime Museum

DAY 6: OXFORD AND STRATFORD (Optional Excursion)

- Visit two of England's most acclaimed towns on a full-day excursion into the English countryside. First, visit ivy-draped Oxford, home to the oldest university in the English-speaking world. After free time, it's on to Stratford-upon-Avon, where Shakespeare was born, married, and buried. You'll also see the English gardens and orchard belonging to his wife at Anne Hathaway's Cottage.



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Parent Commitment Form

Dear: Parents/Guardians,

_____ is hereby given permission to participate on the **LONDON on Spring Break 2025**. Parents and students are responsible to cover the full cost of the trip. Please **ONLY** sign form after reviewing EF Tours Terms and Conditions.

Although the LONDON trip is during the school year, it is an extended fieldtrip and that **all students going on the trip must abide by École Salish Secondary School rules and the student code of conduct**. Any student caught using illegal substances like drugs and alcohol, or who engage in disrespectful and dangerous behaviour will result in immediate withdrawal of his/her participation on the fieldtrip and our entire group would have to return home. Additional fees acquired to return home for the entire group will be the responsibility of the student/family at fault. _____ (Student Initials) _____ (Parent Initials)

Priority registration admin and counselling will be reviewing the permission forms in making sure the student is eligible to attend this trip. _____ (Student Initials) _____ (Parent Initials)

I, _____ (print student first and last name) agree to abide by Ecole Salish Secondary School rules and the student code of conduct during the **LONDON** Trip 2025.

I, _____ (print parent/guardian first and last name) have read and understand ALL of EF Tours Terms/Conditions and would like to have the opportunity to register. Terms/conditions can be found www.strujillo.ca under the LONDON 2025 tab.

I understand that registration and financial contract will be done directly with EF Tours. Registration information will be sent out once preliminary approval is given by the Surrey School District Superintendents Office. _____ (Parent Initials)

Student signature

Email

Date

Parent signature

Email

Date