



## Padworth Summer School

### An Exciting New Summer Programme for 2024



We are delighted to announce the re-launch of the **Padworth Summer School** in July 2024.

Padworth College was established as an international school in 1963 and we have recently celebrated the College's 60th anniversary, with more than 100 former students and staff joining us on campus for a 60th birthday party!

We welcomed the first cohort of summer school students to our West Berkshire campus in the summer of 1964. For most of the ensuing 60 years through to the global pandemic, students from around the world have attended summer programmes at Padworth. **We are therefore thrilled to be re-launching the Summer School in 2024**, 60 years after the first summer school students enrolled.

The Summer School will be led by Gavin Ayre, who has recently joined us as Director of Padworth Summer School. Gavin has a wealth of experience in international education, including running summer school programmes for international (further details below).

In this inaugural Padworth Summer School newsletter, we provide further details of the Summer School programme, ahead of the launch of our dedicated Summer School website - [www.padworthsummer.com](http://www.padworthsummer.com) in November.

## Summer School Overview

With a strong academic focus, our two-week Summer School courses are designed to be highly dynamic and enjoyable, providing students from all over the world with the chance to delve into subjects they are passionate about. Three courses will be available in 2024: Global English, Explore STEM and Discover Business. All three courses will allow students to fully unlock their potential and lay the groundwork for future success by:

- stimulating intellectual curiosity;
- developing key skills;
- providing real-life opportunities to embed skills through academic trips; and
- providing insight that enhances learning through guest speaker talks.

Education extends beyond the classroom, which is why our courses will also offer an action-packed leisure programme that includes thrilling trips, sports, and a variety of activities to keep students engaged and enable them to discover new interests.

## Welcome from Gavin Ayre, Summer School Director

We are delighted to have appointed Gavin Ayre as Director Summer School. Gavin has over 12 years of experience in international education, teaching and providing corporate training in Thailand, Indonesia, and Spain. Prior to joining Padworth, Gavin spent 9 years as Assistant Course Director and Assistant Director at Concord College Summer School in Shropshire.



Alongside his role at Concord College Summer School, Gavin was an undergraduate teacher at a business and marketing school in Valencia. Gavin holds a Masters in International Trade and Business, with a special focus on education as a service industry. In his free time, Gavin enjoys traveling, particularly in Africa and Asia, following European football, and reading about politics, cultures, and histories of different nations.

Reflecting on his appointment, Gavin comments:

*"I am thrilled to have joined Padworth College as the Director of Summer School. Joining at a time when the College is undergoing such positive evolution was simply too good an opportunity to pass up. The ethos and values that drive Padworth strongly align with my own. In this new role, I hope to first build and then develop and grow the reach of the College's Summer School programmes. Leveraging my expertise and experience, I aim to develop new offerings that will contribute to Padworth's future overall success.*

*The opportunities ahead are exciting and I am confident that through strategic planning, collaboration, and leadership, we can achieve strong growth and better serve students' needs. I look forward to working with the exceptional Padworth community to realise our shared vision for how the College can continue shaping minds in the years to come. The future is bright and I am eager to get started in this new chapter."*

## For further information ...

Further details will be available at [www.padworthsummer.com](http://www.padworthsummer.com) from early November.  
In the meantime, please contact Gavin Ayre at [gavin.ayre@padworth.com](mailto:gavin.ayre@padworth.com) for further information

We look forward to partnering with you as we re-launch Padworth Summer School in 2024!



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