



Rockport
International Summer School
A learning adventure

Rockport School, Northern Ireland, 18th July – 3rd August 2025
For all students aged 11-18

A Thousand Welcomes – or as the Irish say – Céad Míle Fáilte!

We're thrilled to introduce another incredible Rockport International Summer School (RISS) programme, and we looking forward to welcoming both returning and new students!

At Rockport, we're not just a school, we're a family rooted in traditions and heritage that dates back almost 120 years. Sharing the historic Rockport ethos, RISS 2025 will inspire, empower and developing its young people through every step of the fun-filled journey.

Our Summer School strikes the perfect balance, facilitating students who want to improve their English by maintaining small class sizes, tailored to suit differing abilities; and those who want to experience using their English as a tool to study new subjects.

Our fun-filled activity programme includes performing arts, pro-sport lessons and amazing cultural experiences, with FUN and FRIENDSHIP at the core. Students will leave with the confidence to face new challenges, develop new friendships and make memories that last a lifetime.

Our dedicated team is on a mission to provide an unforgettable experience, giving students a home-from-home feeling, combined with new and exciting opportunities that will nurture personal growth and development, and deliver so much more than just an improved level of English.

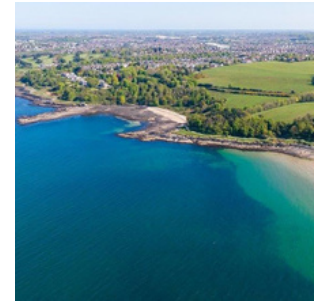
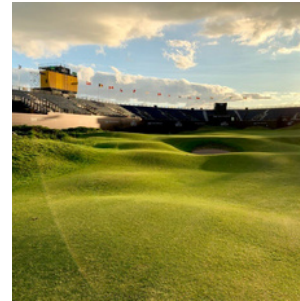
So join us for RISS 2025 and make it a Summer to remember!

Stephen Smith, RISS Course Director





Location, Location, Location



Situated just 10 minutes from Belfast City Centre in a safe and secluded private estate, Rockport is the perfect base from which to explore the magic of Northern Ireland...

Named the best place to visit in 2018 by Lonely Planet.

Highlights include the Titanic Visitor Experience, the Causeway Coast – home to world-famous golf clubs and UNESCO World heritage site The Giant's Causeway.

Home to breath-taking hikes through the Mourne Mountains, just an hour away from Rockport School.

Birthplace of C.S Lewis; with the countryside surrounding Belfast said to be the inspiration behind The Chronicles of Narnia.

Belfast has a reputation for being one of the safest cities in the UK.



The Rockport School Campus

Rockport was founded 118 years ago in 1906, and is steeped in rich tradition, with a range of notable alumni including politicians, Olympians, actors, musicians and sportspeople.

Idyllically set in a beautiful location on the shores on Belfast Lough, across 29 acres, with direct access to the beach and coastal path, Rockport's facilities include:

Spacious, comfortable shared accommodation

Cricket, Rugby + Football

Modern classrooms with interactive whiteboards

Art and design studio

3 Tennis Courts

Computer suite

WiFi throughout

Driving Range

Sports hall

With easy access via train to local towns and attractions including:

Prestigious golf courses, Giant's Causeway, Game of Thrones attractions, W5 Science Centre, Botanic Gardens, Ulster Folk & Transport Museum, Queen's University, Portrush, Marble Arch Caves, Portaferry Aquarium, Strangford ferry, Carrickfergus Castle, the Mourne Mountains, Newcastle, Belfast City Hop on/Hop off bus tour, Ark farm and Belfast Zoo - to name but a few!



What can I expect from RISS?

Morning Courses

Rockport International Summer School opens a world of new opportunities to enhance education. Supported by enthusiastic, professional and caring staff, students will experience classes of Art, Maths, Drama, English, Cookery and more, all taught by qualified teaching staff. To accommodate all levels of English, there will be 10 hours of EAL classes with alternative class teaching if EAL is not required.

Sports & Cultural Activities

Students will have a varied plan of activities. Alongside a group leader, students will participate in art, crafts, drama, dance, bowling, football, rugby, ice skating, stand-up paddle boarding, cookery, tennis, golf and more.

Excursions

Steeped in tradition with a vibrant culture, Northern Ireland will WOW you! Take in the sights of the amazing Wild Atlantic Way, visit famous Game of Thrones locations, Giant's Causeway, Dark Hedges and Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge., and experience the Titanic Visitor Centre. Other trips include museums, coastal walks, and shopping!

Lots of FUN!

The Rockport International Summer School offers educational learning, life lessons, and builds friendships that will last a lifetime. Get the most out of your Summer experience by joining us in a safe and nurturing environment that promotes happiness, wellbeing and positivity.



What might a typical day look like?

All activities are programmed and supervised by our dedicated team of teachers and course leaders, satisfying a variety of student needs and abilities.

| TIMES | DAY 1 | DAY 2 | DAY 3 | DAY 4 | DAY 5 | DAY 6 | DAY 7 |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------|------------------|----------------------|
| 8.30 - 9.00 | BREAKFAST & BRIEFING | | | | | | |
| 09.00 - 10.00 | WELCOME MORNING | ENGLISH* | ENGLISH* | ENGLISH* | MATHS | ENGLISH* | NORTH COAST DAY TRIP |
| 10.00 - 10.20 | | BREAK | | | | | |
| 10.20 - 11.20 | | HISTORY | ENGLISH | HISTORY | SCIENCE | COMP SCI | PORTRUSH |
| 11.20 - 12.30 | | TEAM BUILDING | ART | GOLF | TENNIS | DRAMA | |
| 12.30 - 13.15 | LUNCH | | | | | | |
| 13.15 - 17.30 | COLLECTION, TOUR & WELCOME CEREMONY | BELFAST BUS TOUR | TITANIC MUSEUM | ULSTER FOLK MUSEUM | BELFAST ZOO | W5 | GIANT'S CAUSEWAY |
| 17.30 - 18.30 | DINNER | | | | | | |
| 18.30 - 20.30 | TEAM BUILDING | GAMES | MINI GOLF | GAMES | ROUNDERS | FIRE PIT & GAMES | RETURN |
| 20.30 - 22.00 | SUPPER AND BEDTIME | | | | | | |

**EAL classes can be swapped for alternative subject classes if not required.*



Transformative Educational Experience

RISS combines a world-class education with a unique cultural experience. Not only will students be developing their English language skills, but they'll be having fun along the way.



One Inclusive Competitive Price

20 hours
subjects

30 hours
social + sport

14 trips
throughout N.I

10 hours
EAL learning

The cost includes:

- 24 hour care and supervision
- on campus accommodation
- all meals and snacks at school and on excursions (including restaurant dining at the weekend)
- materials for lessons
- entrance fees to excursions
- transport
- welcome pack
- laundry

The only additional money required for students will be to purchase any additional food or drinks whilst on excursions or for gift shops.



Reviews from past students

I made friends
and had a lot of
fun!

RISS is
the BEST!

My English
developed so much
and I loved the trips
we went on.

Thank you RISS,
I will be back!



*We believe that the memories and friendships made,
will last a lifetime and we invite you to be part of
something special.*

Register your place today

18th July – 3rd August 2025
inclusive of travel days

For more information about RISS 2025, please get in touch with Course Director Steve Smith.

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