



ISS
Summer School

frequently Asked Questions

(1) When will ISS Summer School Discovery 2017 commence?

ISS Summer School Discovery takes place from 3 to 28 July 2017. Based on weekly participation from Monday to Friday, students can enrol for a duration between 1 week to 4 weeks. Choose from a variety of interesting courses from each morning and afternoon session for hands-on experiences in language, creative arts & crafts, performing arts, science & technology, and sports.

Week 1: 3 – 7 July

Week 2: 10 – 14 July

Week 3: 17 – 21 July

Week 4: 24 – 28 July

AM Session: 9:00am – 12:00pm

PM Session: 1:00pm – 4:00pm

(2) Which level should my child join?

We offer courses for the following **Age Range:** 4 – 18 years old
Almost all courses are conducted according to specific age groups:

YOUNG EXPLORERS (ages 4-6 years)

BRAVE PATHFINDERS (ages 7-10 years)

COURAGEOUS ADVENTURERS (ages 11-13 years)

BOLD PIONEERS (ages 14-18 years)

A few courses may be combined for younger students (4-10) and older students (11-18) to accommodate demand.

For language courses, upon further observation we may move a student to a different age group or level based on their level of understanding. We will only adjust students to classes where they are likely to benefit the most. Please contact us with any concerns.

(3) What is the programme for ISS Summer School Discovery 2017?

The programme is organised into 4 main components across the morning and afternoon sessions. Morning sessions is predominantly focused on Language Discovery with an alternative option for STEM Discovery (and an additional option for Arts Discovery in Weeks 3 & 4). Afternoon sessions offer a diverse range of courses from Arts Discovery, STEM Discovery, and Discovery Adventures.

LANGUAGE DISCOVERY

Language Discovery courses are primarily in the morning session, and are focus on helping students explore new ways that language can help them communicate and express themselves effectively. The ESL (English as a Second Language) courses are suitable for students who are acquiring English and hope to build stronger reading and speaking abilities. The Creative Story-Telling and Creative Language courses will guide our advanced and native English speakers to explore creative expression in various genres of writing and interactive play.

The full-day, 4-week session for Intensive English Language will cater to 14-18 year-old Bold Pioneers who are committed to improving their English language skills.

ARTS DISCOVERY

Arts Discovery courses are very hands-on and active explorations of creativity and expression. Young artists may choose a hands-on exploration of painting, jewellery making, paper mâché, and other crafts; older artists will enjoy photography, painting, sculpting, and more! In addition to the creative arts, any artist with a flair for drama may also choose a performing arts course that includes singing, dancing, exploring new instruments, and theatrical performance.

STEM DISCOVERY

Encouraging awareness of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM), our STEM Discovery courses offer hands-on experiences and introductions to the world of science, dinosaurs, superheroes, experiments with the science and engineering concepts, solving a crime mystery, and space exploration! Older students will combine creativity and technical skill to design computer games, build robots, create laser games, programme drones, and coding to compose music.

DISCOVERY ADVENTURES

Active Adventure (ages 4-10) and Adventure Sports (ages 11-18) are available every afternoon and are custom developed for each age group. Students will have fun playing a variety of exciting games while gaining coordination skills for improved balance and agility, motor skills, fitness, body control, and spatial awareness. Each day offers new games and sports!

(4) When can I enrol for Summer School 2017?

As some classes have a maximum enrolment, it is recommended that you enrol as soon as possible to secure a seat for your child. Upon completion of the Registration on our website, you will receive an email confirming registration with payment made. If your class is cancelled, we will inform you early enough to either choose another class or receive a refund.

(5) What happens if my course is cancelled?

Course cancellations rarely occur. In the event that a chosen course is cancelled, we will provide alternative choices to adjust your enrolment. We will do our best to accommodate all preferred course choices.



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(6) Will the classes be the same throughout all 4 weeks?

Activities are varied for each day and each week. Class names may be repeated, but the lesson plans and activities will vary. Classes may be modified depending on the number of returning students. Students who enrol for all 4 weeks will enjoy a variety of experiences.

(7) Can I select more than 1 course per session for the week selected?

No, you may only select one course per session, per week. For example, in Week 1, if you were to select ESL in the Morning Session, you would not be able to choose another Morning Session language course that week. The week-long immersion in any course provides stability and allows the student to gain better understanding of the class material.

(8) Where do I register and make payment?

Register through our website: isssummer.edu.sg. Payment can be processed at the end of Registration to confirm Enrolment.

(9) Who do I contact if I experience technical difficulties during Registration?

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you experience difficulties: summerschool@iss.edu.sg or **+65 9722 5340**. We will respond as soon as possible on working days.

(10) Am I allowed to register for 1 week or will I need to register for all 4 weeks?

Registration is based on a first-come basis. You may register for one week, or all four weeks. You can participate in any week of your choice if the courses are not yet full.

Most courses have a minimum of five students and a maximum of twenty students. Due to the technical resources required, the following four STEM courses will be confirmed when a minimum of ten students have enrolled: (1) mBot Robotics; (2) Game Design; (3) Mini Drone; and (4) Shooting Carnival.

(11) Are there any courses during the weekend for students who are from overseas?

Can you provide additional supervision during this time?

We provide academic courses and services only during the week. Our Summer School courses are only available Monday to Friday, 9:00am to 4:00pm. There are no courses or additional supervision available in the evenings or on Saturday or Sunday.

(12) What do I need to bring for Summer School? Will food and snacks be provided?

Class materials will be provided. However, you may want to bring along a favourite pencil case or notepad to the morning language classes. Students should dress appropriately for the course (i.e. sports shoes for Active Adventure and Adventure Sports).

We DO NOT provide snacks. You are welcome and encouraged to pack your own mid-morning or mid-afternoon snacks according to your dietary needs. Lunch arrangements are available only for students who register for full-day (morning & afternoon sessions) at an additional \$40 per week. Please indicate your preference for lunch in the Registration form.

(13) What will the children do during the lunch break (if they are enrolled for the full day)?

Lunch times are supervised by teachers and administrators. After eating lunch, students may choose to play together.

Younger students (ages 4-13 years) can either bring their own lunches or they can opt for lunch provided by Summer School (at an additional \$40 per week). Please indicate your preference for lunch in the Registration form. We will confirm your dietary preferences.

Older students (ages 14-18 years) may purchase their lunches from nearby food outlets (off-campus), but must return to the school campus by 12:45pm for the afternoon session.

(14) What if there is an accident or my child gets sick?

We have a school nurse on-campus daily throughout Summer School to provide attention for minor injuries and illness. Kindly ensure that we are provided with updated emergency contact details for a parent or guardian.

(15) Can you arrange for accommodation?

We are not able to assist with arranging accommodation as we do not have dormitory facilities. However, we are able to recommend homestay families for individual students; a list of families can be provided upon request. All of our homestay families are utilised by the school throughout the Academic Year.

If you are seeking accommodation for a family or group, we are able to suggest several convenient and affordable hotels and service apartments located nearby. You may contact them directly to make arrangements.

(16) Can you arrange for transportation?

We can arrange for bus transportation at an additional charge. Please indicate your preference in the Registration form. Our Bus Coordinator will contact you to confirm the arrangement and applicable charges.

(17) I have another question! How can I contact you?

Please do not hesitate to let us know if you have additional questions or how we can assist you further. You may contact us at summerschool@iss.edu.sg or **+65 9722 5340**.