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# LINGUAVIVA CENTRE

# 2024

# COURSE INFORMATION



**Proud of our past  
Focused on your future**

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## Welcome to The Linguaviva Centre



Founded in 1977, The Linguaviva Centre is one of Ireland’s oldest and longest established English Language Schools. Initially focused on teaching Modern Foreign Languages (MFL), the school soon branched out into English Language learning. We moved to our current premises on Lower Leeson Street in the early 1980s and expanded the capacity of the school to our current campus.

Throughout the 80s and 90s, the school was involved in many new initiatives such as the formation of MEI and the creation of an Irish chapter of Quality English (QE).

As we enter our 47th year in business, The Linguaviva Centre continues to innovate and develop in line with the needs of our students and clients. This year we successfully launched our Trinity CERT TESOL programme, with 20+ successful graduates entering the world of teaching. We also launched our English for Communication (EFC) programme, an intensive 24-hour course ideal for short-term students.

For 2024, we will be rolling out a collaboration with Guided-E-Learning (GEL), which will provide data-driven and personalised learning for students taking our 20 and 24 hour programmes.

Our nationality mix, attention to detail, and personalised student service continue to be at the heart of everything we do in the school.

As we celebrate our 47th year, we will always be:

*‘Proud of our past; focused on your future.’*



## Mission Statement

*Learning English is a life-changing journey that requires dedication, passion, and experience. At The Linguaviva Centre, we bring over 45 years experience to help our students on their learning journey. Founded in 1977, we are Dublin's oldest language school, built on a belief of excellence in everything we do. We are an independently owned, boutique language school in the heart of Dublin city centre offering English Language and Teacher Training courses, tailored to your needs.*

*The Linguaviva Centre Dublin is accredited by ACELS, members of Quality English (QE) and Marketing English Ireland (MEI), and a Trinity College London Validated Course Provider and exam centre.*

*Your individual learning journey is at the centre of our academic and cultural programme. Through focused curriculum & assessment, a highly experienced and qualified teaching team, and a warm and friendly school environment, we aim to create the perfect conditions for you to achieve your full learning potential.*



### CENTRAL LOCATION

Within walking distance of St. Stephen's Green park, Linguaviva boasts a fantastic central Georgian location with all the cultural and transportation amenities on our doorstep. Students will have the chance to experience the real Dublin atmosphere from our leafy Leeson Street campus.



### NATIONALITY MIX

Being a small boutique school allows us to recruit smaller numbers of students from a wider variety of countries. We feel that the international atmosphere of the classroom augments the learning and social environment of the school.



### SMALL CLASS SIZES

With a maximum of 12 students in our morning classes, and an average of 8-10 students in any class, this makes it possible for our teachers to maximise oral communication and individual feedback.



### PERSONALISED LEARNING JOURNEY

Starting from our Placement Test stage and continuing throughout your time with us, students receive individual attention in the form of tutorials, help with specific exam preparation as well as weekly extra pronunciation classes. Students are motivated to progress and monitored on their learning journey.



### CULTURAL ASPECT

At the Linguaviva Centre we believe that language is best learnt in context, hence we pay a lot of attention to the cultural aspect of our courses. Dublin has a rich history and we are proud to share it with our learners both in class and through our social activity programme.



### TEACHER TRAINING CENTRE

We have been recently recognised by Trinity College London as a Validated Course Provider. Our directors bring many years of teacher training experience to the school and we look forward to training new teachers as well as providing Erasmus + programmes for in-service teachers.

## Meet the Team

*The Linguaviva Team has undergone some changes in recent years, however, we are proud to have retained such key staff members as our Director of Studies and Centre Manager who have been with the school for the past 17+ years and bring a fantastic insight into our past while working with us to build a new and improved future for the school. We are all very united in our quest to provide our students with the best experience possible. From when you book a course to when you give us your feedback we are very much invested in helping you reach your goals!*



**AIDAN O'SHEA - DIRECTOR**

Aidan has worked in ELT for 16 years across a range of positions. He is DELTA qualified and holds an M.Phil in Applied Linguistics. In 2020 he and Ian bought The Linguaviva Centre with the aim of continuing the reputation and legacy of the past 47 years. When not in the school, Aidan enjoys running at events around Europe.



**ANNA MAROUTIAN - DIGITAL COMMS**

Anna comes from an academic background in ELT. She is a CELTA and DELTA qualified teacher / teacher trainer as well as a keen photographer, tech enthusiast and content creator. Having had a multicultural upbringing gives her a unique insight into what it means to be a learner and a teacher in a variety of settings.



**CAROLINE CUNEO - CENTRE MANAGER**

Originally from California, but with a long line of Argentine roots, Caroline moved to Dublin in 2005. She has worked in the service sector since she was 15. Pet shops, pharmacies, banks, cafes, bars and shops, she's experienced them all. Caroline joined the Linguaviva family in 2006 and has never looked back!



**IAN BRANGAN - DIRECTOR**

Ian has 30 years experience teaching, training and inspecting schools. He is an ELT materials writer, a Trinity TESOL teacher trainer and a school inspector with ACELS and EAQUALS. He is actively involved in our students' academic journeys and constantly working towards improving their experience in the classroom.



**STUART TYNAN - DOS**

Stuart has a background in science, but was drawn to the world of ELT 15+ years by the dynamic nature of the business and the amazing variety of people. In 2010 he obtained an MA in Management and moved into the role of Director of Studies for Linguaviva. This has given him a different perspective on the sector and a new way of interacting with the students and teaching staff.



**AISLING ARDIFFE - TEACHER TRAINER**

Aisling has been working in ELT for over 10 years and has a background in teaching, drama and psychology. She is an ELT materials writer, Teacher Trainer/Course Director for TESOL and In-Service Teacher Trainer. Having lived in both the US and Mainland Europe she has a unique perspective on training in different settings. Aisling is a theatre buff who has also participated in many successful productions.

# The Linguaviva Experience



Learning a language is a life changing experience. At Linguaviva, we are here to help you every step of the way.

From selecting the right course, to advise on visas and accommodation, we will ensure you have all the information you need to plan your learning journey.

The Linguaviva Experience means joining a school with over 45 years know-how in organising and delivering language courses.

Our aim is to help you reach your learning goals and create life-long memories. Even after your course has finished, you will always be a part of the Linguaviva family!



## STEP 1 - CHOOSING YOUR COURSE

Your first step to joining the Linguaviva Centre is choosing the course that best fits your goals. We can help by advising what would suit you best, so please, email us at [info@linguaviva.com](mailto:info@linguaviva.com) with any questions. We are also available via video call to provide individual advice sessions. Info clips for all courses will become available soon.

## STEP 3 - PLACEMENT TEST

Once your course has been booked and you have received your confirmation documents, you will take an online written Placement Test including a Spoken part via Zoom/WhatsApp Video. This will allow us to place you in the correct class level BEFORE you arrive in Dublin.

## STEP 5 - FIRST DAY

Your first day will start with an Orientation session in the Viva Cafe, where you will receive information about your classes, your book, activity programme, useful information and Apps for navigating Dublin and much more.

## STEP 7 - ACTIVITY PROGRAMME

We encourage all our students to actively participate in our Social Activity Programme. This will help you learn English in context by visiting Dublin's best museums and tourist attractions. Some of our activities will be held in-house and have a linguistic focus with fun elements.

## STEP 9 - END OF COURSE CERTIFICATE

Upon completion of your course you will receive a CEFR linked End of Course Certificate. We will also ask you for feedback based on your Linguaviva experience. If you choose to return to our school in the future you will receive a 10% discount.

## STEP 2 - BOOKING YOUR COURSE

The booking process starts with you filling out a booking form which will allow us to help you with any accommodation and airport transfer needs you may have. A booking deposit is paid at this stage.

## STEP 4 - PRECOURSE INFORMATION

The week before your arrival, you will receive all the information for your first day of school, your timetable, student handbook and accommodation + transfer details where appropriate.

## STEP 6 - CLASSES AND METHODOLOGY

Your classes will have a communicative approach so the focus will be on speaking and listening skills. Your classmates will come from different countries and you will have the chance to make friendships that will last a lifetime. Your progress will be monitored and you will be encouraged and helped to progress in your linguistic goals.

## STEP 8 - PROGRESS

Our Academic Staff will continually monitor your progress through regular assessments. All students will receive feedback and will be offered remedial and exam support classes completely free of charge if needed.



# Course Selection 2024

Learning is an individual journey, and no two learners are the same. We are constantly adapting and developing our courses to suit the needs of our learners. If what you need is not on offer below, please get in touch and we can design something to fit your needs.

COURSE NAME	WHO IS IT FOR?	HOURS X WEEK	MINIMUM LEVEL	COURSE LENGTH	COURSE DETAILS
<b>English for Communication</b>	Perfect for students looking to make rapid progress while still being part of the Viva Social Club. This course will allow learners the time they need to activate their English through collaboration and communication.	24	A1*	1-24 weeks	Page 8
<b>General English</b>	Ideal for students who wish to mix language learning with the Viva Social Club activities. It focuses on students' linguistic goals in a fun environment.	15	A1*	1-36 weeks	Page 10
<b>General English Afternoon</b>	This course follows the same syllabus as the morning and suits students looking to blend their studies with work or travel.	15	A1*	1-36 weeks	Page 10
<b>General English with 5 Private Lessons</b>	Designed for students who wish to focus on specific areas or exam/work preparation and enjoy part of the Viva Social Club.	20	A1*	1-8 weeks	Page 12
<b>General English with 10 Private Lessons</b>	Aimed at students who require rapid professional improvement in a short space of time.	25	A1*	1-8 weeks	Page 12
<b>General English with IELTS</b>	For those looking to gain entry to an undergraduate / postgraduate course or who need proof of their English language level for visa or work applications.	20	B2	1-12 weeks	Page 14
<b>Academic Year Morning</b>	Students who wish to Study and Work in Ireland on a 6-month programme with an 8-month visa.	15	A1*	25 weeks	Page 16
<b>Academic Year Afternoon</b>	Students who wish to Study and Work in Ireland on a 6-month programme with an 8-month visa, over 4 days per week.	15	A1*	25 weeks	Page 16
<b>Young Adult Summer</b>	For 17 to 23 year-old students looking to experience Dublin in the summer.	15	A1*	1-6 weeks	Page 18
<b>Group Programmes</b>	Our group programme can be tailored to the specific learning and cultural needs of each group.	15	A1*	1-4 weeks	Page 19
<b>Trinity Cert TESOL</b>	People who want to get an internationally recognised qualification to teach English which is recognised worldwide.	30	C2	4 / 5 weeks	Page 20
<b>In-service Teacher Training</b>	Current international teachers looking to improve or refresh their skills and get ideas they can bring back to their classrooms.	28	B2	1-2 weeks	Page 22
<b>General English + Teacher Training</b>	Current international teachers who wish to blend group English language classes with teacher development sessions.	23	A2	1-2 weeks	Page 24

\*A1 level classes are subject to availability and pre-testing

## ENGLISH FOR COMMUNICATION

This premium course is aimed at learners who come to Ireland for a more intense period of study and want to maximise their progress, while still allowing sufficient time to explore and enjoy Dublin. In addition to our standard General English course, learners will study **English for Communication** on four afternoons per week. Learners have the time to more fully activate their English, collaborate and communicate using 21st century skills. The EFC course focuses on contemporary themes and real-life tasks allowing learners to draw on their own experience, and that of their fellow classmates, to solve problems and explore areas of common interest. The content on this course is introduced through video, podcasts, blogs etc and includes a dedicated **Guided E-Learning platform** where course materials can be stored, progress monitored closely, and personalized feedback given, all insuring more rapid progress is achieved.



### DIGITAL PORTFOLIO

Learners who take this course will develop a digital portfolio of projects and presentations which they can use afterwards, together with course certification, to show what they 'can do' in English.



### 24-HOUR FORMAT

The 24 hour weekly format gives enough time for learners to assimilate new learning and be more creative with language.



### Included in the Course

#### PLACEMENT TEST

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#### ACCESS TO VIVA SOCIAL CLUB

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#### WEEKLY PRONUNCIATION & GRAMMAR MASTERCLASSES

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#### REGULAR ASSESSMENT

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#### CERTIFICATE

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#### ACCESS TO SCHOOL FACILITIES

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#### GUIDED E-LEARNING PLATFORM

### EFC COURSE MATERIAL

DEVELOPED BY THE ACADEMIC TEAM AT THE LINGUAVIVA CENTRE



Our **English for Communication** materials have been developed in house, especially for our students. The course focuses on **12 different projects** with tangible end-products that replicate **real-world tasks**, such as **Audio Guides, Content Blogs, and Employment Cover Letters.**



We use Google Classroom as our virtual learning environment. Students can access their class notes, extra materials, teacher feedback and assessments.



English for Communication is highly engaging and focuses on language for everyday life.



## GENERAL ENGLISH

Our standard course focuses on spoken production and interaction. Students are aware of clear learning outcomes through a weekly course plan which integrates all four language skills. There is a focus on English for Culture through a weekly session on contemporary Irish themes in an international environment. Language skills are developed through communication in a truly multilingual environment. Weekly tutorials are available to help students meet their individual learning outcomes. Our experienced teachers provide stability in the learning process as they stay with a group throughout a syllabus helping them to meet their purpose in learning English, be that personal, social, professional or academic.



### MAX 12 STUDENTS PER CLASS

With a maximum of 12 students in our morning classes, and an average of 8-10 students in any class, it makes it possible for our teachers to maximise oral communication and individual feedback.



### ACCESS TO DIGITAL RESOURCES

Students have access to English language podcasts, articles, graded readers, grammar activities and exercises, digital tools and platforms - all concentrated on helping them reach linguistic goals in the quickest amount of time.



### Included in the Course

#### PLACEMENT TEST

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#### ACCESS TO VIVA SOCIAL CLUB

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#### WEEKLY PRONUNCIATION & GRAMMAR MASTERCLASSES

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#### REGULAR ASSESSMENT

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#### CERTIFICATE

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#### ACCESS TO SCHOOL FACILITIES



Our Coursebook for the General English Programmes is the "English File" 4th Edition by Oxford University Press.

	General English	General English Afternoon
Minimum Level	A1*	A1*
Minimum Age	17	17
Length	1-36 weeks	1-36 weeks
Max per class	12	15
Hours / week	15	15
Timetable	Monday to Friday 9.00 - 12.15	Monday to Thursday 13.00 - 17.00
Start Dates	Every Monday**	Every Monday**

\*A1 level classes are subject to availability and pre-testing

\*\*Classes will start on Tuesday on weeks with Bank Holiday Mondays.



Our campus is a 5-minute walk from St. Stephen's Green Park and Grafton Street Shopping District.



Our Viva Residence is only 200 metres from the school. Please, see our accommodation options on Page 22 of this booklet.



All Linguaviva classrooms are fitted with Interactive whiteboards.

## GENERAL ENGLISH WITH PRIVATE LESSONS

One-to-One classes allow learners to design their own syllabus, and focus on the areas of their English they feel will benefit them most. Pre-course assessment and needs analysis allow our teachers to choose the materials and methodology most suited to your learning needs. Blending group classes with private one-to-ones offers students the opportunity to practice the skills or language area they feel needs most improvement. Private tuition is ideal for busy professionals or those preparing for university entrance. This course is also ideal for IELTS, Cambridge or TOEIC exam preparation for those periods when group exam classes are not available.



### VIVA LUNCH CLUB

The Viva Lunch Club is an opportunity to sample local Irish cuisine whilst chatting with a teacher and fellow students over lunch. You will get the chance to continue your English practice in one of the many cafés and restaurants near the school.



### ONE-TO-ONE ROOMS

Bespoke One-to-One rooms for meetings and private classes are ideal for this type of sessions as well as self-study times.



### Included in the Course

#### PLACEMENT TEST

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#### ACCESS TO VIVA SOCIAL CLUB

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#### WEEKLY PRONUNCIATION & GRAMMAR MASTERCLASSES

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#### NEEDS ANALYSIS

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#### REGULAR ASSESSMENT

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#### CERTIFICATE

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#### ACCESS TO SCHOOL FACILITIES

	General English with 5 Private Lessons	General English with 10 Private Lessons
Minimum Level	A1*	A1*
Minimum Age	17	17
Length	1-8 weeks	1-8 weeks
Hours / week	20	25
Timetable	Monday to Friday 9.00 - 12.15 Monday & Tuesday 13.00 - 15.30	Monday to Friday 9.00 - 12.15 Monday to Thursday 13.00 - 15.30
Start Dates	Every Monday**	Every Monday**

\*A1 level classes are subject to availability and pre-testing

\*\*Classes will start on Tuesday on weeks with Bank Holiday Mondays.



The supplementary materials used for the **one-to-one** lessons will be chosen based on your needs analysis and oral interview.



Our Student Garden is perfect to enjoy before and after class, it is also the only place you are allowed to smoke on campus.



The Viva Café is another place where students meet on campus. The café is open during breaktimes + lunchtime. and serves coffee and snacks



High-speed WiFi is accessible for students throughout the building.



## GENERAL ENGLISH WITH IELTS

IELTS is the most **well recognised exam** for those who want to study through English at university or college (or pursue a career path using English). This course combines General English in the morning (at B2 level or higher) with 5 hours per week of IELTS preparation. The skills used in this class are comparable to the linguistic, academic and cultural skills needed in Further or Higher Education. The IELTS module can be taken either in combination with General English or as a stand-alone course over **two afternoons per week**. Students on this course will have a structured syllabus to bring them from a 5.5 to a 6.5 or a 6.5 to a 7.5 in IELTS. Students follow the **Mindset for IELTS** series and additionally have access to a dedicated IELTS preparation online platform which will allow them easy access to study many additional hours leading up to their exams. The student and their tutor will use informative data which will indicate how the student is performing in each of the **four sub skills of IELTS**. The student will know exactly what they need to do in order to achieve their target score. Added to that, our academic team (who are experienced examiners) offer tutorials to maximise students performance in the IELTS exam and offer help with booking and taking the test. Over 12 weeks this course represents an **excellent means of achieving your target IELTS score**.



### IELTS Exam Prep

Max number / class	12
Minimum Level	B2
Minimum Age	17
Length	1 - 12 weeks
Hours / week	15 + 5
Timetable	Monday to Friday 9.00 - 12.15 Tuesday & Wednesday 13.00 - 15.30
*Start Dates	Every Monday

\*Classes will start on Tuesday on weeks with Bank Holiday Mondays.



### Included in the Course

#### PLACEMENT TEST

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#### ACCESS TO VIVA SOCIAL CLUB

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#### REGISTRATION SUPPORT FOR YOUR EXAM

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#### COURSE COMPLETION CERTIFICATE

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#### ACCESS TO SCHOOL FACILITIES

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#### PRE-EXAM PRACTICE TEST

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#### GUIDED E-LEARNING PLATFORM



Our Coursebook for the IELTS Preparation Course is **"Mindset for IELTS"** by Cambridge University Press.



We work with over 50 host families on the Southside of Dublin. For more information on our host family accommodation please go to page 28 of this booklet.



The Linguaviva Centre has successfully prepared 100s of students for their IELTS/CEP and TOEIC exams. Our teachers have decades of experience teaching EAP (Exams for Academic Purposes) classes.



## ACADEMIC YEAR PROGRAMMES

The Academic Year (AY) Programme, for NON-EU students, is a life-defining experience. The course is a six-month period of study which grants an eight month visa (GNIB Stamp 2). Students on this programme can work part-time (20h per week) and full-time (40h per week during June to September inclusive and from 15th December to 15th January) whilst living in Ireland and can choose morning or afternoon classes to suit their timetable. The Linguaviva Centre provides all the help and support you need from visa application to work preparation and interview. There are different requirements for Stamp 2 applications based on the nationality of the candidate, please, check with our enrolment team for further details.



### TIE - END OF COURSE EXAM

All students registered on the Academic Year programmes are prepared for and take the Test of Interactive English (TIE) exam at the end of their 6-month course. TIE is a student-centred exam which focuses on the oral and written production of English. It fits in perfectly with our communicative teaching approach.



### JOB CLUB

Students have access to CV Writing and Interview Technique Development (ITD) weekly workshops aimed at preparing them for the job opportunities present on the market.

	Academic Year Morning	Academic Year Afternoon
Max students / class	12	15
Minimum Level	A1*	A1*
Minimum Age	18	18
Length	25 weeks	25 weeks
Hours / week	15	15
Timetable	Monday to Friday 9.00 - 12.15	Monday to Thursday 13.00 - 17.00
Start Dates	Every Monday**	Every Monday**

\*A1 level classes are subject to availability and pre-testing

\*\*Classes will start on Tuesday on weeks with Bank Holiday Mondays.



### Included in the Course

#### PLACEMENT TEST

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#### ACCESS TO VIVA SOCIAL CLUB

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#### WEEKLY PRONUNCIATION & GRAMMAR MASTERCLASSES

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#### REGULAR ASSESSMENT

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#### CERTIFICATE

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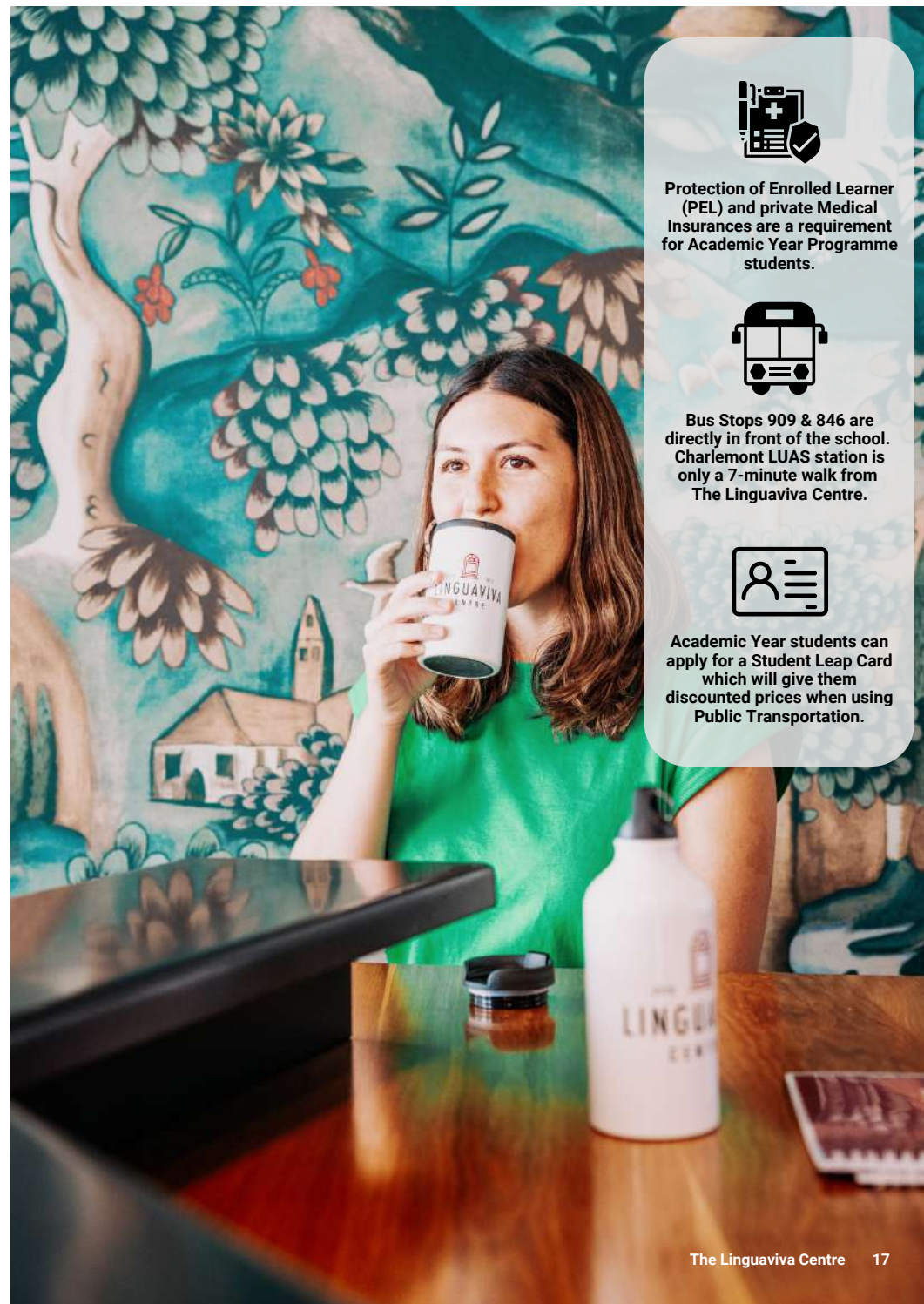
#### ACCESS TO SCHOOL FACILITIES

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#### REMEDIAL SUPPORT CLASSES



Our Coursebook for the Academic Year Programmes is the "English File" 4th Edition by Oxford University Press.



Protection of Enrolled Learner (PEL) and private Medical Insurances are a requirement for Academic Year Programme students.



Bus Stops 909 & 846 are directly in front of the school. Charlemont LUAS station is only a 7-minute walk from The Linguaviva Centre.



Academic Year students can apply for a Student Leap Card which will give them discounted prices when using Public Transportation.

## YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMME

Our Young Adult (YA) programme is ideal for 17-23 year olds who want to explore and enjoy Ireland's capital city. Throughout the summer, our YA programme attracts young students from around the globe to our city centre campus. Combining international classes in small groups (max 12 per class) with a varied social programme, it is the ideal way to improve your English whilst exploring Ireland's vibrant capital. Students have transfer, travel cards, and materials included in their package, leaving them free to meet new friends, improve their English, and make life-long memories.



### ACCOMMODATION

We offer both Homestay and Residential accommodation options to our Young Adult Programme students. Under 18 students must choose the Host family option, whilst 18+ can choose from both. Our Viva Residence is located a 3 minute walk from the school.



### MAKE LIFE LONG FRIENDS

Students on this programme will have the advantage of studying and exploring Dublin together. They will be involved in a social programme designed specifically for them and their age group.

### Included in the Course

- SOCIAL PROGRAMME**  
3 AFTERNOON, 1 FULL-DAY &  
1 EVENING ACTIVITY  
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- DESIGNATED PROGRAMME COORDINATOR**  
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- LEAP CARD**  
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- COURSE MATERIAL**  
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- END OF COURSE CERTIFICATE**

	Young Adult Programme
Max students / class	12
Minimum Level	A1*
Age Range	17 - 23
Length	1 - 6 weeks
Hours / week	15
Timetable	Monday to Friday 9.00 - 12.15
Start Dates	30.06.2024 - 17.08.2024



## GROUP PROGRAMME

The Linguaviva Centre Group Programme is a tailored service, catering to all level of learner (A1-C2). Group programmes are a minimum of one week in duration, and are available year round.

This course is aimed at school groups looking to learn about and experience the best that Ireland has to offer. The syllabus for group courses can be designed to specific requirements, with a high focus on spoken production and practical language usage. By linking the course to a tailored social programme, we aim to maximise students' interaction with the language and culture.

This programme is mainly for closed groups however open groups are also possible subject to the learners' age and class availability.

SAMPLE GROUP PROGRAMME							
	SAT 20TH MAY	SUN 21ST MAY	MON 22ND MAY	TUE 23RD MAY	WED 24TH MAY	THU 25TH MAY	FRI 26TH MAY
08:00 - 09:00	TRAVEL TO SCHOOL - 45 LEESON STREET LOWER						
09:00 - 12:15		MEET AT CUALA PARK, IN DALKEY FOR 10.00AM			LESSONS - STORYTELLING		
12:15 - 13:30		PACKED LUNCH IN GLENDALOUGH			PACKED LUNCH		
13:30 - 16:00	STUDENTS PICKED UP FROM DALKEY AT 6.30PM	FULL DAY TRIP TO GLENDALOUGH	BODHAN WORKSHOP	EPIC MUSEUM	IRISH DANCING	DUBLINIA	FREE TIME SUGGESTED ACTIVITY SOUVENIR SHOPPING
17:00 - 19:00	DINNER						
19:00 - 20:00	FREE TIME						
20:00 - 22:00	DINNER WITH HOST FAMILY	FREE TIME	FREE TIME	FREE TIME	FREE TIME	FREE TIME	22ND MAY DEPARTURE DROP OFF AT 07.30AM TO CUALA PARK DALKEY

Please Note: The current activity programme may be subject to change at the sole discretion of The Linguaviva Centre.



### Included in the Course

- REGISTRATION**  
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- FULL BOARD HOMESTAY IN TWIN OR TRIPLE ROOMS (PACKED LUNCHES)**  
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- TUITION: 15 X 60 MINUTE LESSONS/WEEK**  
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- END OF COURSE CERTIFICATES**  
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- LEAP CARD FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORT**  
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- 4 AFTERNOON HALF-DAY ACTIVITIES**  
1 FULL-DAY EXCURSION

	Group Programme
Max students / class	12
Minimum Level	A1*
Age Range	15 - 23
Length	1 - 4 weeks
Hours / week	15
Class Timetable	Monday to Friday 9.00 - 12.15
Start Dates	Every Monday

\*A1 level classes are subject to availability and pre-testing  
\*\*Classes will start on Tuesday on weeks with Bank Holiday Mondays.

## TRINITY CERT TESOL

The Trinity Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (CertTESOL) is a TESOL or TEFL (Teaching English as a Foreign Language) certificate designed for people with little or no experience of teaching English, and for those with experience who require an internationally recognised initial teacher education qualification. Preparing for the Trinity CertTESOL English language teaching certificate equips trainees with the basic skills and knowledge needed to take up their first post as an ESOL teacher. It gives an introduction to the theory and practice of English teaching and an insight into the challenges facing the learner and the role of the teacher. The CertTESOL is rated at Level 5 on Ofqual's Regulated Qualifications Framework, a comparable level to the second year of an undergraduate degree. In Ireland it is seen as a post graduate (Level 8) Special Award.



### ASSESSMENT UNITS

- Unit 1: Teaching Skills
- Unit 2: Language Awareness and Skills
- Unit 3: The Learner Profile
- Unit 4: The Materials Assignment
- Unit 5: The Unknown Language



### KEY ELEMENTS

Trainees complete a course of study and undertake at least **six hours** of observed teaching practice with real learners and produce reflective written assignments for assessment.

	Trinity Cert TESOL
Max number / class	21
Minimum Level	C1
Minimum Age	21
Length	4.5 weeks
Hours / week	30
Timetable	Monday to Friday 9.00 - 17.00
Start & Finish Dates 2024	April 22nd to May 24th May 27th to June 28th August 26th to September 27th



### Included in the Course

- EXPERIENCED TUTORS  
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- OBSERVATION OF  
PROFESSIONAL TEACHERS  
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- ESSENTIAL TESOL  
KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS  
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- QUALIFICATION TIME OF 200 HOURS  
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- TRINITY TESOL CERTIFICATE  
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- ACCESS TO SCHOOL FACILITIES



Please, scan this QR Code for further information about the Trinity Cert TESOL



The Linguaviva Centre will help successful graduates find immediate placement in an ELT organisation in Dublin.



Trinity's teaching qualifications are among the most widely recognised and respected in their field



## IN-SERVICE TEACHER TRAINING

The Linguaviva Centre is a validated Course Provider for Trinity Cert TESOL. We have a dedicated Teacher Training team which also offers **Erasmus +** Courses for Overseas Teachers. We offer a full-time two-week course in **CLIL & Communication Skills** along with a **Irish Culture, History & Literature** course which are both very popular. The intensive course format includes both workshops and lectures. We use a **'Reflective Journal'** to gather teaching materials which participants can use once they return to their schools. Teachers also get the opportunity to **team teach** and give/receive feedback from their peers and tutors on how to make their classes even more communicative and effective. Teachers who have taken these courses recently are German, Polish, Czech, French, Spanish and Italian, as well as Russian and South American.



### CLIL & COMMUNICATION SKILLS

This option will allow you to immerse yourself in communicative language teaching and CLIL. You will spend your mornings in input sessions (lectures + workshops) and your afternoons exploring the city with professionally guided tours. You can expect to return home with many new ideas and practical material to implement in your own classrooms.



### GENERAL ENGLISH + TEACHER TRAINING

This variation is for teachers who would like to focus on improving their language skills as well as enhancing their teaching methodology and approaches with 8 hours of invaluable input sessions focused on communicative teaching approaches and techniques.

	Teacher Training	General English + Teacher Training
Max number / class	15	12
Minimum Level	B2	A2
Minimum Age	21	21
Length	1 or 2 weeks	1 or 2 weeks
Hours / week	28	23
Timetable	Monday to Friday 9.00 - 13.00 3 Afternoon Activities 14.00 - 16.45	Monday to Friday 9.00 - 12.15 Monday to Thursday 13.00 - 15.00
Start Dates 2024	July 1st   July 15th July 29th   August 12th	Every Monday / Min number of 4 participants



### Included in the Course

PERSONAL NEEDS ASSESSMENT  
VIA VIDEO CALL WITH OUR  
DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION  
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ACCESS TO VIVA SOCIAL CLUB  
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ACTIVITIES INCLUDED IN  
28H PROGRAMME  
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COURSE COMPLETION CERTIFICATE  
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FULL ACCESS TO SCHOOL FACILITIES



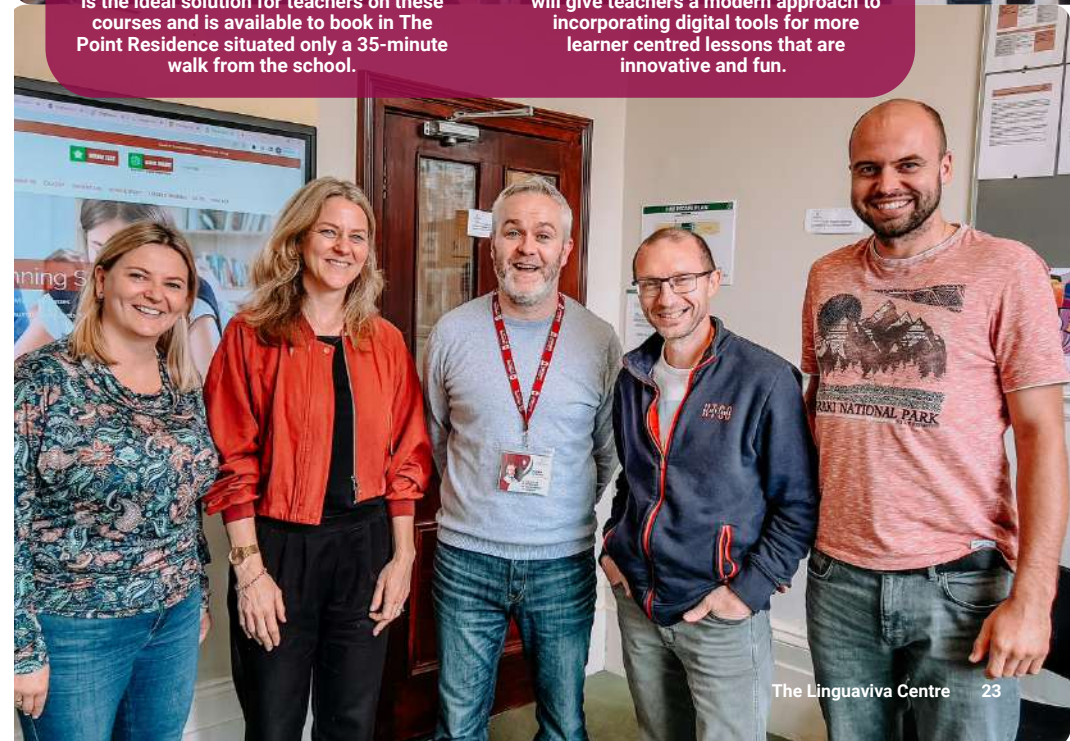
Our **Reflective Journal** will give you a systematic approach to recording the teaching ideas and materials you experience on the course.



Single Ensuite Residential Accommodation is the ideal solution for teachers on these courses and is available to book in The Point Residence situated only a 35-minute walk from the school.



Workshops on Classroom Technology will give teachers a modern approach to incorporating digital tools for more learner centred lessons that are innovative and fun.



# VIVA SOCIAL CLUB



The Linguaviva Social Club offers you the opportunity to experience firsthand the Spirit of Dublin. It is fair to say that students who come to Dublin all testify to the fact that there is something unique and intangible about our city. Possibly because of its small size and young population or the fact that the city centre is so easy to navigate on foot, students feel safe and inspired in equal measure. At The Linguaviva Centre (TLC) we want students to enjoy Dublin to the full. Therefore we have created a multi-strand social program aimed at providing activities suitable for all our students.

## 1 - HALF DAY & FULL DAY TOURS

Friday afternoon at TLC there are no classes so we invite all our students to take a half day tour from 1pm starting at the Linguaviva Centre. We explore the coastal towns to the north and south of Dublin or take a must see visit to The Guinness Factory or Teelings Distillery. On Saturdays we offer full day tours to places of World Heritage significance like The Giant's Causeway or The Cliffs of Moher or Glendalough (an hour to the south of Dublin). Ireland is a small island which means you can be in the west of Ireland in a totally different landscape in a matter of a few hours.



## 3 - ACADEMIC TUTORIALS

Each week we have academic tutorials which are for students who want to do extra classes free of charge. The most popular include Pronunciation Masterclasses and Speaking Club.

Get help with your English!

### FREE TUTORIALS

**Tuesdays & Fridays**  
Start at 12:15 PM

Please Book with Your Teacher or in the Office



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Director of Education



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## 2 - ACTIVITIES

We organise activities which we can do in TLC café such as workshops in Dublin History, Photography, Halloween Pumpkin Carving, St Patrick's Day & Irish Mythology etc. This is a great way for students to use their English while enjoying themselves.



## 4 - SPORTS

For those who wish to keep fit while practising English we have International Frisbee, Tip Rugby and Rounders in the Park. Dublin is a city of parks with 36 separate parks throughout the city. This is a great way to experience park life.



## 5 - VIVA NIGHTS OUT

On the last Friday of the month we celebrate with a night on the town, dancing, singing karaoke or just socializing.



## 7. CULTURAL

Everyone knows Ireland is very famous for the number of writers and singers who lived here. We celebrate our culture with Walking Tours of Literary Dublin or visits to Viking Dublin or climb aboard the Famine Ships from the 19th Century. Come learn about Oscar Wilde (The importance of Being Ernest), James Joyce (Dubliners) or Jonathan Swift (Gulliver's Travels).



## 6 - CULINARY

Because of our impressive mix of nationalities we can offer a monthly culinary experience in a food of a particular culture. It could be French food or Korean food or you could even get to know Irish food at the school! Twice a month we also go to the local park for an International Food Fair where you can taste authentic food from places as exotic as Malaysia or Mexico.



## 8. INFO SESSIONS

For our longer term students who needs vital information about living in Dublin we offer workshops in Job Finding, Accommodation, Visa Documentation etc.

### NEW WORKSHOP



#### How to Open a Bank Account Get a PPS Number etc

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TO SEE THE FULL PROGRAMME OF THE 'VIVA SOCIAL CLUB' PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT [WWW.LINGUAVIVA.COM/VIVASOCIALCLUB](http://WWW.LINGUAVIVA.COM/VIVASOCIALCLUB)





## VIVA RESIDENCE\*\*\*



### Type of Accommodation

Twin Rooms some en-suite some share a bathroom. Limited possibility of booking a twin for single use. Minimum age 18.

### Rooms

All rooms have a single bed per person as well as storage facilities for clothes.

### Bathrooms

A mix of shared, en-suite depending on room.

### Kitchen / Meals

There is a shared kitchen with cupboards and fridges for storing food. The kitchen is equipped with an oven, hob, toasters, kettles, microwave and utensils.

### Facilities

Shared living room with sofas and smart TV. There is WiFi throughout the building and a washer/dryer for laundry.

### Utilities / Internet

Wi-Fi, electricity, and water included.

### Laundry / Cleaning

Bed linen is provided. Students are responsible for cleaning their own rooms and washing their bed linen. Towels are not provided.

### Travel Time

3 minutes walk to our school, located 210 metres away.

### Security / Keys

There is an on-site Residence Manager and students are given a key to the building.

### Damage

Students must pay for any damage caused.

### Arrival / Departure

Saturday or Sunday ONLY

### Noise Restrictions

We ask that students respect fellow guests and keep noise to a minimum after 10 p.m.

### Check-in / Check-out

Check in from 3:00 pm, check out 10:00 am.

### Notice / Cancellation

If you want to cancel your accommodation before arrival in Ireland, you must give notice in writing. We will refund all fees minus a €200 cancellation fee unless the accommodation fees for the notice period exceed that amount. If so you will be charged €200 plus the difference. Residential Accommodation = **4 weeks notice period**

### Security Deposit

All students are required to pay a **security deposit of 200€** on the first day of their course. Please see our Enrolment Details for Terms and Conditions of said deposit.



## THE POINT RESIDENCE\*\*\*\*



Located 3-minute walk from our school, the Viva Residence is situated in the heart of Dublin. Two, three, four bed rooms with shared kitchen and living room offers the best location to explore the city.



### Type of Accommodation

En-suite SINGLE SELF-CATERING rooms suitable for students, minimum age 18, arranged in cluster apartments of 8 rooms.

### Rooms

Each room has a small double bed, large study desk, smart TV, drawers and hanging space.

### Bathrooms

En-suite bathroom.

### Kitchen / Meals

Each apartment has a shared kitchen with oven, hob, fridge/freezer, microwave, toaster, kettle, utensils, cutlery, crockery, glasses, and the living area includes dining table, chairs, sofa and a coffee table.

### Facilities

Gym, fitness studio, study areas, basketball court, laundry, cinema, cafes, outdoor seating and roof terrace.

### Utilities / Internet

Wi-Fi, electricity, gas and water included.

### Laundry / Cleaning

Bed linen is provided. Students are responsible for cleaning their own rooms and washing their bed linen. Towels are not provided.

### Travel Time

About a 35-minute walk or use LUAS+Bus to Linguaviva Centre.

### Security/ Keys

Fob key for your flat and room and 24 hour security.

### Damage

Students must pay for any damage caused.

### Arrival / Departure

Saturday or Sunday ONLY

### Noise / Restrictions

No use of Gym or Cinema after 11:00 pm.

### Check-in / Check-out

Check in from 3:00 pm, check out 10:00 am.

### Notice / Cancellation

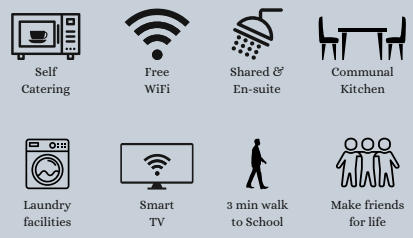
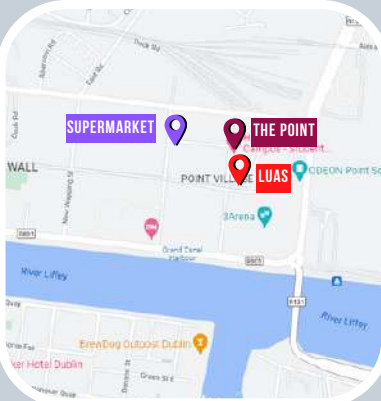
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### Security Deposit

All students are required to pay a **security deposit of 200€** on the first day of their course. Please see our Enrolment Details for Terms and Conditions of said deposit.



Stylish, newly built student residence, with excellent facilities, in Point Village, in the heart of Dublin's bustling Docklands area about 35 minutes walk to Linguaviva Centre. The LUAS line and several bus routes are also nearby.



Please see our website or the Enrolment Information for full details on prices as well as Terms and Conditions.



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## HOST FAMILY ACCOMMODATION



### Type of Accommodation

Home stays are ideal for students who are under 18 years of age as well as those adults who are in Dublin for a short period of time and are looking to maximise their Irish Cultural experience.

### Rooms

Single rooms are usually the most requested. Some homestays also provide twin and double rooms for students looking to share.

### Bathrooms

En-suite bathrooms are available with some homestays for an extra charge, subject to availability

### Meals

Homestays can be booked with Half (HB) or Full Board (FB) options.  
**HB** = breakfast + dinner on weekdays with light lunch on the weekends.  
**FB** = breakfast + packed lunch + dinner every day.

### Special Diets

A limited number of hosts are able to cater for Vegetarian, Vegan, Gluten Free, Lactose Intolerant diets. This is subject to availability, and for an additional supplement.

### Laundry / Cleaning

Bed linen and towels are provided. Students are responsible for keeping their own room tidy. The family will usually do one load of laundry per week for the student.

### Summer Supplement

€30/week between 1/7 and 31/8

### Travel Time / Cost

Host families are usually between 25-50 minutes from the school by public transport.

### Keys

Hosts will usually supply the student with a set of keys.

### Damage

Students must pay for any damage caused.

### Arrival / Departure

Check in times are pre-arranged with the host based on flight and transfer times. It is not always possible to arrive between 23.00 and 6.00. Please check with the enrolment office before booking your flights.

### Check-in / Check-out

Check-in and check-out must be on a Saturday or Sunday. Extra night supplement will be charged where applicable.

### Utilities / Internet

Wi-Fi, electricity, gas and water included.

### Notice / Cancellation

If you want to cancel your accommodation before arrival in Ireland, you must give notice in writing. \*We will refund all fees minus a €200 cancellation fee unless the accommodation fees for the notice period exceed that amount. If so you will be charged €200 plus the difference.

\*Homestay Accommodation = **3 weeks notice period**



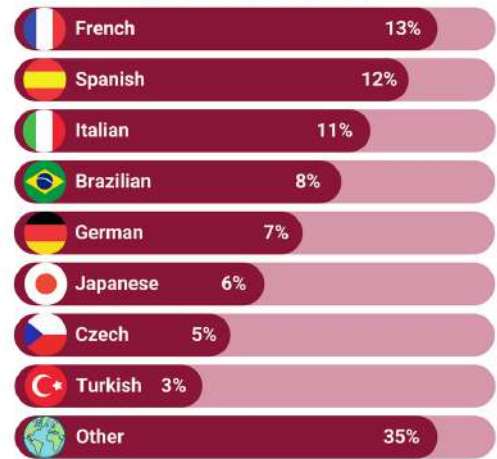
The highest standard of host family accommodation is available to all Linguaviva students. Families are very carefully selected. All accommodation is inspected and monitored on an ongoing basis by our Accommodation Officer. Host families are situated in some of the best residential areas of Dublin. Staying in an Irish home ensures total immersion in the language. Students feel at home in the warm, friendly atmosphere of Irish family life and many lasting friendships are made between the student and host family. All our families are based on the South side of Dublin.

Please note that all families are different and this info sheet is for guidance purposes only. Students must follow their host family rules at all times during their stay.

Family experience	Practice speaking	Cultural exchange	Excellent public transport links
Meals included	Free WiFi	Shared bathroom	Study desk

Please see our website or the Enrolment Information for full details on prices as well as Terms and Conditions.

## Nationality Mix Top 8 Nationalities



\*Figures correct as of August 2023 based on overall student population of 534



The Linguaviva Centre is very proud to have welcomed students of 35 different nationalities in 2023.







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# LINGUAVIVA CENTRE

## CALENDAR 2024

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### CALENDAR NOTES

There are **no** classes on Bank Holidays.

There are **no** classes for 2 weeks from December 23, 2024 to January 6, 2025.

In **2025** the schools will open again on **January 6th**.

■ = School is closed

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