

# Fact Sheet 2024

## Merchiston Castle School, Edinburgh



	DETAILS	COMMENTS
GENERAL INFO	<b>PROVIDER</b>	Merchiston Castle School
	<b>COLLEGE/SCHOOL NAME</b>	Merchiston Castle School
	<b>ADDRESS</b>	294 Colinton Rd, Edinburgh, EH13 0PU, United Kingdom
	<b>CENTER ACCREDITED BY:</b>	British Council
	<b>DISTANCE FROM CENTRE OF TOWN</b>	Edinburgh: 5.5 miles
	<b>BY FOOT</b>	Edinburgh: 1 hour
	<b>BY TRAIN</b>	Edinburgh: n/a
	<b>BY PRIVATE COACH</b>	Edinburgh: 20 minutes
	<b>BY PUBLIC BUS</b>	Edinburgh: 25 minutes
	<b>CENTRE OPENING FROM/TO</b>	30th June - 11th August
	<b>AGE MIN/MAX</b>	9 to 17
	<b>STAFF ON SITE 24/7</b>	Centre Manager
	<b>STAFF VISIBILITY</b>	All staff wear uniform (purple t-shirt with logo) and a lanyard with name tag
<b>STUDENT VISIBILITY</b>	All students must wear the purple lanyard with name tag and emergency number	
GENERAL CENTRE FACILITIES	<b>COMMON ROOM</b>	Yes
	<b>STUDY ROOM</b>	Available on request
	<b>COMPUTER ROOM</b>	No
	<b>VENDING MACHINES</b>	No
	<b>LAUNDRY</b>	£10 per small laundry bag, £20 per large laundry bag
	<b>FIRST-AID-TRAINED STAFF ON SITE</b>	Yes
	<b>24H RECEPTION</b>	No, but SAC staff available 24/7
	<b>SAFE BOX</b>	Available in the office
	<b>WI-FI</b>	Yes
LEISURE/SPORT	<b>INDOOR SPORTS FACILITIES</b>	Sports Hall
	<b>OUTDOOR SPORTS FACILITIES</b>	Football pitch, large grass areas
	<b>SWMMING POOL ACCESS</b>	N/A
	<b>DISCO</b>	Yes
	<b>GAMES CONSOLE ROOM</b>	No

<b>ACCOMMODATION</b>	<b>RESIDENTIAL</b>	Yes
	<b>ENSUITE SINGLE ROOM</b>	Yes but the majority of beds are twin ensuites, as are single rooms with shared facilities
	<b>HOW MANY STUDENTS PER FLAT</b>	Accommodation is made of dormitories so is split into corridors of 20 rooms
	<b>KITCHEN</b>	No
	<b>APPLIANCES</b>	Fridge/freezer
	<b>UTENSILS</b>	No
	<b>TOWELS &amp; LINENS</b>	Provided and changed once a week
	<b>DAMAGE DEPOSIT</b>	£50 required upon arrival and returned upon departure
	<b>LOST KEY FEE</b>	£30
<b>CLEANING</b>	Once per week	

<b>INFORMATION</b>	<b>ATMs (CASH MACHINES)</b>	Available in Colinton village (10-minute walk)
	<b>POST OFFICES</b>	Available in Colinton village (10-minute walk)
	<b>CAFES</b>	Available in Colinton village (10-minute walk)
	<b>CONVENIENCE STORE</b>	Available in Colinton village (10-minute walk)
	<b>PLACES OF WORSHIP</b>	Available in Edinburgh City Centre
	<b>TOURIST INFORMATION</b>	Available in Edinburgh City Centre

<b>COURSE DETAILS ACADEMIC</b>	<b>ENTRY TEST</b>	Grammar/Listening online level test. Speaking/Writing Test upon arrival
	<b>LEVEL</b>	A1+, A2, B1, B2, C1 and C1+
	<b>TEACHERS CERTIFICATE</b>	Yes
	<b>TEACHERS CRIMINAL RECORD</b>	All staff sign a declaration form; Disclosure and two references are required.
	<b>CLASS:STUDENT RATIO</b>	1:18
	<b>LESSONS ZIG ZAG</b>	Yes, morning or afternoon
	<b>LESSONS PER WEEK</b>	15 hours per week
<b>LESSONS DURATION</b>	1 hour, 40 minutes	

<b>ACTIVITY PROGRAMME</b>	<b>FULL DAY EXCURSIONS</b>	Glasgow, Stirling & Loch Katrine
	<b>HALF DAY EXCURSIONS</b>	3 per week
	<b>PACKED LUNCHES</b>	1 per full-day excursion
	<b>STANDARD PAID ENTRIES INCLUDED</b>	Edinburgh Castle and Loch Katrine Cruise
	<b>ACTIVITIES</b>	Yes, morning or afternoon, and evenings

