

# ACTIVE LANGUAGE LEARNING

## SOCIAL SECTION

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## Adult Social & Activity Policy

### Active Language Learning

#### 1. Purpose

Active Language Learning recognises that social activities and excursions are integral to the language learning experience. Our Adult Social & Activity Policy ensures that all activities outside the classroom are conducted in a safe, inclusive, and engaging manner, enhancing the cultural immersion and social integration of our adult students.

#### 2. Scope

This policy applies to:

- All adult students (aged 18+) enrolled in courses at Active Language Learning.
- All staff and activity leaders involved in planning or supervising adult social activities.

#### 3. Objectives

- To encourage language practice in real-life, social contexts.
- To promote Irish culture and foster international friendships.
- To ensure activities are accessible, enjoyable, and safe for all participants.
- To outline clear expectations regarding conduct during school-organised social events.

#### 4. Types of Activities

Activities for adult students typically include:

- Cultural visits (e.g., museums, historical sites, local markets)
- Social evenings (e.g., traditional Irish music nights, pub meet-ups)
- Outdoor excursions (e.g., coastal walks, visits to local attractions)
- School-organised parties and seasonal events
- Conversation clubs or informal meet-ups in cafés or community spaces

#### 5. Supervision & Responsibility

- For adult activities, students are generally responsible for their own safety and conduct. However, where activities are school-organised and led by staff or contracted guides, reasonable supervision will be provided.
- Staff accompanying adult groups will carry a first-aid kit and emergency contact list.
- Participants are expected to follow instructions from staff to ensure group safety.

## 6. Health & Safety

- Risk assessments are carried out for all organised excursions and social activities.
- Participants must inform staff in advance of any medical conditions or accessibility needs that might affect participation.
- Alcohol may be available at some adult events (e.g., pub nights); students are expected to drink responsibly. The school accepts no liability for incidents arising from excessive alcohol consumption.
- Emergency procedures, including meeting points and contact numbers, are explained at the start of each activity.

## 7. Conduct & Behaviour

- Adult students are expected to behave respectfully towards staff, other students, and members of the public.
- Discrimination, harassment, or aggressive behaviour will not be tolerated.
- Students are reminded that they represent the school and are ambassadors for their home countries while participating in social activities.

## 8. Inclusion & Accessibility

- We strive to make activities inclusive, considering varied interests, cultures, and physical abilities.
- Where possible, alternative options will be offered if an activity is not suitable for all.

## 9. Fees & Participation

- Some activities are provided free of charge as part of the student experience.
- Others (such as excursions with entrance fees or transport costs) may require additional payment. These will be clearly advertised in advance.

## 10. Feedback & Review

- Feedback on social activities is encouraged through informal discussions or end-of-course surveys.
- This policy is reviewed annually to ensure it remains aligned with student needs, school objectives, and best practices.

## 11. Contact

For more information or to raise any concerns about social activities, please contact:

- **Student Welfare Officer:** (Mey-Lin reception@all.ie)
- **Reception:** Available during school hours for immediate assistance.

# June 2025 ADULTS SOCIAL PROGRAMME



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	PLEASE SIGN UP FOR ALL ACTIVITIES AT RECEPTION AT LEAST 1 DAY BEFORE					1 <b>Free Day</b>
2 <b>BANK HOLIDAY</b>	3 <b>Conversation Club</b> 13:15- 14:15 Classroom #10	4 <b>Everyday English</b> 13:15- 14:15 Classroom #10	5 <b>Free Day</b>	6 <b>Free Day</b>	7 <b>Bowling</b> <b>€10 for students</b>	8 <b>People's Park Market in Dún Laoghaire</b> 11:30 meet at school
9 <b>Cooking with Anastasia</b> 13:15 - 14:15 Classroom 10	10 <b>Conversation Club</b> 13:15- 14:15 Classroom #10	11 <b>Everyday English</b> 13:15- 14:15 Classroom #10 <b>Cocktail Making Class</b> €5 per person 12:45 Canteen	12 <b>Conversation Club</b> 13:15- 14:15 Classroom #10	13 <b>Finding a job</b> 13:15 - 14:15 Classroom 10/12	14 <b>Kellogg's Skyline Tour &amp; GAA Museum</b> 11:30 meet at school <b>€22 for Students</b>	15 <b>Pier Lighthouse</b> 11:00 meet at Harbour Dún Laoghaire
16 <b>Cooking with Anastasia</b> 13:15 - 14:15 Classroom 10	17 <b>Conversation Club</b> 13:15- 14:15 Classroom #10	18 <b>Everyday English</b> 13:15- 14:15 Classroom #10	19 <b>Conversation Club</b> 13:15- 14:15 Classroom #10	20 <b>PICTOUR Dublin</b> Meet at school @ 13:00 <b>FREE (LIMITED SPACES)</b>	21 <b>Rain Forest Adventure Golf (2 courses)</b> 14:30 meet at Dundrum Town Centre	22 <b>People's Park Market in Dún Laoghaire</b> 11:30 meet at school
23 <b>Cooking with Anastasia</b> 13:15 - 14:15 Classroom 10	24 <b>Conversation Club</b> 13:15- 14:15 Classroom #10	25 <b>Everyday English</b> 13:15- 14:15 Classroom #10	26 <b>Conversation Club</b> 13:15- 14:15 Classroom #10	27 <b>Job interview preparation</b> 13:15 - 14:15 Classroom 10/12	28 <b>Bray Head Hiking Trail</b> 11:30 meet at school	29 <b>Malahide Castle and Butterfly House</b> 11:30 meet at school <b>€12 per person</b>

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## Young Learner Social & Activity Policy

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## Active Language Learning Young Learner Social & Activity Policy

### 1. Purpose

At Active Language Learning, we believe the social programme is a vital part of the young learner experience, complementing classroom learning by providing opportunities for language practice, cultural immersion, and personal development in a safe and enjoyable environment. This policy outlines how we plan, deliver, and supervise social activities for students under 18.

### 2. Scope

This policy applies to:

- All young learners (students under the age of 18) enrolled at Active Language Learning.
- All staff, group leaders, and activity providers engaged in organising or supervising activities involving young learners.

### 3. Objectives

- To provide a balanced programme of educational, cultural, and recreational activities.
- To foster international friendships, teamwork, and confidence.
- To ensure all activities are conducted safely and in line with safeguarding best practices.
- To promote English language use outside the classroom in authentic contexts.

### 4. Types of Activities

Activities for young learners may include:

- Local cultural visits (museums, heritage sites, guided town tours).
- Sports and outdoor games (football, volleyball, treasure hunts).
- Evening events (Ceili Irish Dancing, Cinema, Bowling, Greyhound Racing).
- Day trips to nearby attractions (e.g., Glendalough, Kilkenny).

### 5. Supervision & Safety

- All activities are planned and risk-assessed in advance by trained staff.
- Supervision ratios comply with our safeguarding policy (typically 1:20 or lower, adjusted for age and activity).
- Staff carry emergency contact details, bus first-aid kits, and the school's safeguarding escalation contacts.
- Clear meeting points and procedures are established and explained to students before activities begin.
- Attendance is taken by accompanying leaders before departure, during, and after activities.



## 6. Safeguarding & Conduct

- All staff and external activity providers working with young learners are vetted in line with our **Junior Student Protection Policy**, including Garda vetting where required.
- Staff are trained in child protection, first aid, and emergency procedures.
- Young learners are briefed on codes of conduct, including respect for staff, peers, the local community, and property.
- Bullying, discrimination, or any form of harassment is not tolerated and is managed according to our safeguarding protocols.

## 7. Health, Welfare & Inclusion

- Parents or guardians must complete medical and consent forms prior to enrolment, detailing allergies, medications, or special needs.
- Activities are designed to be inclusive, catering for different interests and abilities. Reasonable adjustments will be made wherever possible.
- Students are encouraged to notify staff if they feel unwell, unsafe, or unhappy during any activity.

## 8. Attendance & Curfews

- Attendance at scheduled activities is mandatory for junior programmes unless otherwise agreed with group leaders or guardians.
- Evening activities end in line with programme guidelines, respecting age-appropriate curfews (generally by 22:00).
- Head counts are performed throughout activities and upon return to ensure all students are accounted for.

## 9. Use of Mobile Phones & Social Media

- Mobile phone use may be restricted during group activities to encourage participation and interaction.
- Photos may be taken by staff for school promotional use only with parental consent, as outlined in our data protection policy.

## 10. Review & Feedback

- The programme and this policy are reviewed annually, incorporating feedback from students, staff, and group leaders to maintain quality and safety.

## 11. Contacts

For more information or to report any concerns about young learner activities:

- **Designated Liaison Person (DLP):** [Name & contact info]
- **Deputy DLP:** [Name & contact info]
- **Reception:** Open [hours], for general support.



## DRAFT PROGRAMME INTENSIVE STUDY WEEK

Date: 23 January 2025 to 29 January 2025

### DRAFT Sample Programme

	Thursday, 23	Friday, 24	Saturday, 25	Sunday, 26	Monday, 27	Tuesday, 28	Wednesday, 29	Thursday, 30
09:00 - 10:30	Arrival @ 15:45 FR9612	Morning Classes 09:00-13:00 4 Hours	Full Day Excursion Meet at School @ 10:00am	full day tour meet at 10:30 at school	Morning Classes 09:00-13:00 4 Hours	Morning Classes 09:00-13:00 4 Hours	Morning Classes 09:00-13:00 4 Hours	Morning Classes 09:00-12:15 3 Hours Store Luggage in School
10:45 - 12:15								
14:00 - 15:30	Driver Meet & Greet Transfer To School Welcome Induction Family Introduction	Dublin Orientation Walking Tour Meet at Tara Station @ 14:00 booked	Glendalough Valley	National Gallery at 14:30 booking ID : 144597160 Trinity College and the Book of Kells Exhibition	Dalkey Castle & Heritage Centre at 14.45 booked	Natural History Museum	Epic Museum	Depart From School @ 14:00pm Flight Departure @ 17:50 FR5568
15:45 - 17:15	Dinner with host family @ 18:00 Free Shared Accommodation	Dinner with host family @ 18:00 Bowling in Bray @ 20:00pm Shared Accommodation	Dinner with host family @ 18:00 Free Shared Accommodation	Dinner with host family @ 18:00 Free Shared Accommodation	Dinner with host family @ 18:00 Cinema Shared Accommodation	Dinner with host family @ 18:00 Free Shared Accommodation	Dinner with host family @ 18:00 Free Shared Accommodation	CURFEW:TBC

\*\*DRAFT Programmes Class and Activities are subject to change of time or day where necessary due to availability or volume\*\*