Money

All of the summer school content and activities are included in the programme fees. Fees are paid in advance, so we will not be asking students for any additional payments whilst they are at St Edmund's College.

However, we realise that students will want to spend some money in our 'Tuck Shop', where they can buy sweets and snacks, or during off-site excursions and activities. This might be for souvenirs, gifts, shopping, snacks, food etc.

As such, you may have questions about spending money.

How much spending money will they need?

The only spending money students should need is for off-site purchases such as shopping, snacks, food, gifts or souvenirs.

Whilst all food is provided for students during their stay at St Edmund's College, we realise they may want to buy snacks on excursions or treat themselves to an ice cream, cold drink or burger etc. The cost of these is very similar to what they are at home.

With this in mind, we would recommend £50-100 per week for spending money.

If there are specific purchases you may want to make, for example whilst shopping, then you may need to bring more money.

How should I bring spending money to the UK?

You have a couple of options here:

Cash

We advise against carrying large amounts of cash during international travel, and whilst in the UK. This can easily get lost or stolen and is an unnecessary risk.

If you insist on travelling with cash, we recommend you only carry small amounts at a time.

We also recommend that you do not have £50 notes, as not all shops accept these large denominations.

We can securely store cash on campus for students and release this to them when they need it.



Pre-pay spending money

Our online registration site (where you made your application) has the option to send us spending money. We can then give this to the student when they arrive at St Edmund's College.

This is safer than travelling with large amounts of cash.

It also allows us to control how much money we give the student at a time, if you want to limit their spending. You can top this up during the summer school if needed.

Pre-paid travel cards

These work like a Debit or Credit card and can be used on campus as well as in all off-site shops.

You can add money to them easily, use their app or website to keep an eye on spending and set spending limits if needed.

This is a very safe way to travel with money, prevents theft or loss and is usually insured too.

What do we recommend?

We recommend students use a pre-paid travel card.

This is the safest and most user-friendly way to spend money in the UK. It also gives parents control over spending limits and lets you keep track of how much is being spent.

If this is not possible, our second choice would be to pre-pay spending money on our website. We can then give this to students when they arrive at St Edmund's College. This is safer than travelling with large amounts of cash.

What happens when you arrive at St Edmund's College with cash?

When any student arrives at the College, we will check them in and give them their student ID card. As part of this check-in process, we will ask students to give us any cash they may have on them. We will then securely store this in a safe in our Accounts Department.

Students will be able to access this cash during 'banking hours' which happen multiple times each week. They just need to visit our Accounts Team during those times with their ID card and withdraw the cash they need.

Additional Information

Should you have any questions, or require additional information about this subject, please contact us direct via email at stedmundscollege.org, or phone on +44 (0)1920 824 348.