

What to bring

Clothing

The British climate is varied and unpredictable. There can be rain and blue skies in the same day.

Temperatures rarely go above 25°C in the summer and can go as low as -8°C in the winter. The warmest months are June to August and the coldest months are November to February. We advise you to pack clothes which you can layer, such as T-shirts, sweatshirts, jumpers, coats, etc. Students and staff dress casually.

Bring your kit if you want to take part in sports.

All College houses have central heating but you might not be used to the temperature of the houses. Heating is not left on during the night. Bring warm indoor clothes as well.

Remember that some of the bedrooms have ensuite facilities but some bathrooms are outside the bedrooms.

You will be responsible for washing your own clothes using washing machines and dryers in your house.

Laptops

All our houses have free WiFi. If you own a laptop, we recommend you bring it with you. Please ensure that all your expensive equipment such as cell phones, laptops, tablets, jewellery are fully insured. Laptops and other computers are not covered by the St. Clare's travel insurance policy.

Electrical appliances

The electrical sockets in the UK are different so check what plug adaptor you will need. British voltage is 240 volts and appliances have a 3-pin plug.

Personal belongings

There is a small safe in each student bedroom and in addition a deposit service in the main office. However, St. Clare's does not accept responsibility for loss or theft of items deposited with the College. We strongly recommend that you do not carry large sums of money around with you as this can result in theft.

Cell Phones

You can use your own cell phone from your own country but calls could be expensive. Many students buy a cheap phone with pay-as-you-go credit so they can call other students. The cheapest phone will be about £30 and you can buy credit for £10 each time you need it.