

FAQs

The following are answers to frequently asked questions about The Howling Gibbon Summer Camp.

1. Can my child bring a cell phone/mobile or other electronic device?

Participants are not permitted to use cell phones/mobiles or other electronic devices during programmed activities in the daytime. However, your child may bring a cell phone/mobile as there is an evening slot between 7.30pm and 8.00pm where participants are able to make or receive calls to parents and family members. Please note St. Stephen's International School accepts no responsibility for the loss or damage of any personal items brought on our camps including electronic devices.

2. Can I call my child during the day?

Cell phone/mobile use is not permitted during the daytime on Summer Camp. There is an allocated slot between 7.30am and 8.00pm where participants are able to make or receive calls to parents and family members using a cell phone/mobile as outlined above. In an emergency, please contact the school office on +66 (0) 44 365 507-8 during office hours or +66 (0) 2197 2559 outside of office hours.

3. Do you provide a laundry service?

Yes, we offer a laundry service two times per week for participants, which is included in the price.

4. What does my child need to bring for Summer Camp?

Please refer to the kit list for packing which outlines all of the items required for Summer Camp together with optional and prohibited items.

5. Does my child need any special equipment for sports and outdoor activities?

All specialist equipment for programmed activities is provided (e.g. badminton racquets etc.),

however if participants would like to bring their own gear, they may do so provided it is safe and suitable to use. Please refer to the kit list for more information on packing. It is important to make sure your child has suitable clothing and footwear which can get wet and dirty.

6. Can I come to visit my child?

We would discourage parents from coming and visiting as Summer Camp is a chance for children to grow and learn independence away from home. However, if you would like to visit, please inform the Head of Camp in advance. On arrival, please register at the school reception where you will be provided with a visitor's badge. This is to ensure the safety of all participants and safeguard against strangers entering the school premises uninvited. Parents are not permitted to enter the dormitory accommodation unless accompanied by a staff member from St. Stephen's International School.

7. What will happen in the event of a medical emergency?

In a medical emergency, we will provide first aid care and procure emergency medical care for your child in accordance with the medical release on the medical form, which you are required to sign and agree to, in order to enrol your child onto Summer Camp. We will also inform the emergency contact using the contact number you provided on your child's medical form at the soonest reasonable opportunity following an incident. We have shift nurses on campus during the day and night that can administer medicines and provide medical care.

Please ensure your child has suitable medical insurance coverage. Any debts incurred by St. Stephen's International School in the medical treatment of a participant must be honoured by the parent/guardian as stated in the medical form.

8. Do participants have access to drinking water on and off campus?

Yes, on campus there are chilled water dispensers located at various sites around school including at the canteen and dorms. We encourage students to bring a large reusable water bottle (1 litre) in order to refill. Off campus, we bring additional drinking water containers with us to allow students to refill water bottles, as required.

9. Does my child need to bring pocket money?

Yes, there may be opportunities to spend some money during off-campus activities and excursions so participants are encouraged to bring a small amount of pocket money. We ask all participants to deposit pocket money in our camp bank, which reduces that chance of money being lost and ensures that children are not carrying large sums of money around with them.

Each child may withdraw money within set limits from the camp bank at allocated times and all remaining pocket money is returned to every participant on departure.

10. Should I pack snacks for my child?

No, we provide three meals and snacks every day so there is no need to pack extra snacks. This only makes it harder to monitor sugar intake and often attracts unwanted visitors like ants into the dormitories.

11. Do I need to bring leech socks for Khao Yai National Park?

No, we provide leech socks when necessary to protect from bites and we instruct students on how to safely remove leeches.

12. Will sports and outdoor activities be cancelled if it rains?

We use a common sense approach to the weather. All participants should be prepared for rain by bringing a rain jacket for sports and outdoor activities.

If you have any other enquiries or questions, please email us at summercamp@howlinggibbon.com and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

