
VERBIER
VIS
INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
SWITZERLAND

An education for ALL seasons.

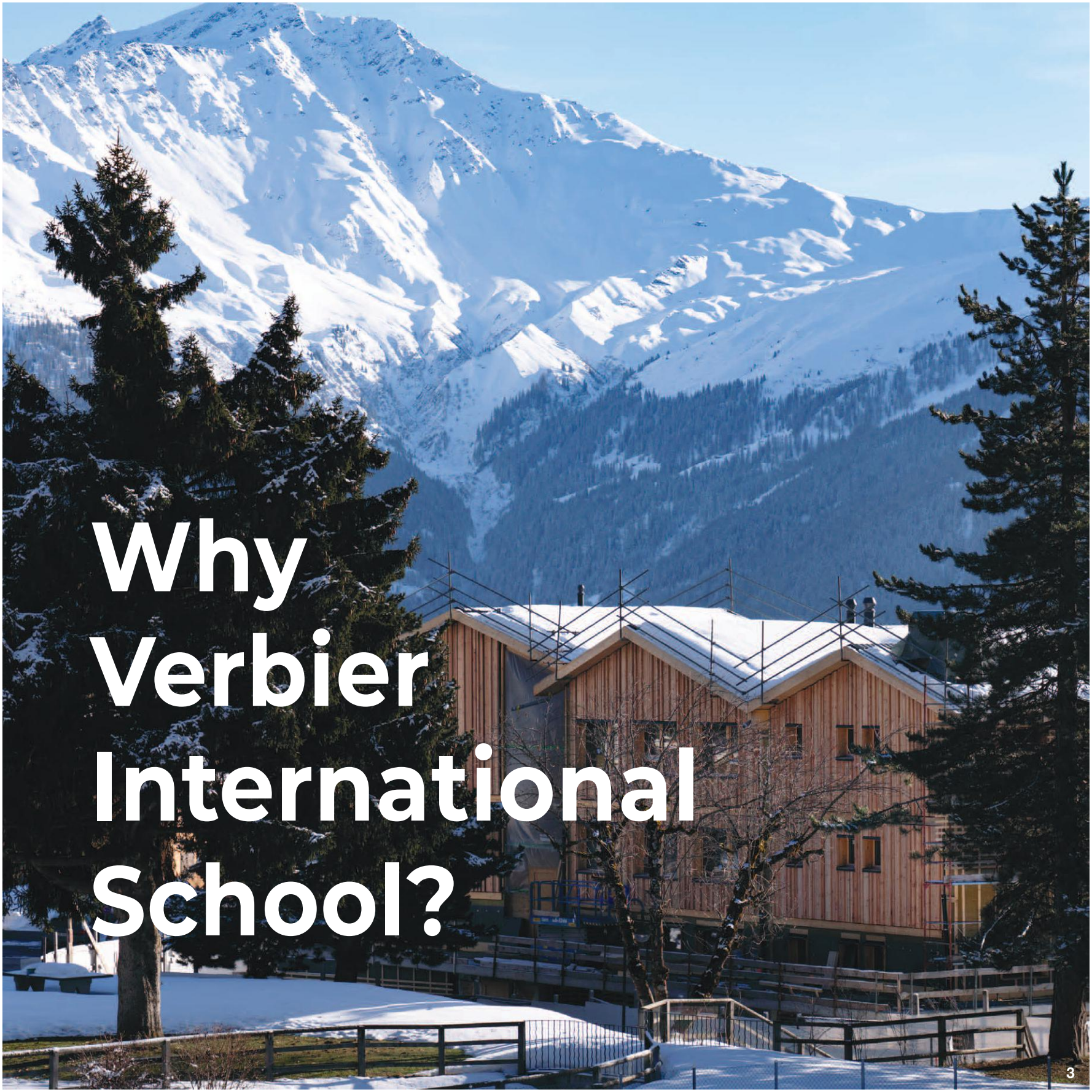








- Extremely safe, clean and secure setting
- Students lead an active, outdoor, healthy lifestyle with unparalleled freedom
- Excellent academic support
- Flexible educational offer – boarding, day or short term with IB curriculums offered
- Small class sizes with one-to-one support
- Student:staff ratio 4:1
- International multi-cultural community of 35 nationalities
- Wide range of outdoor sport and extra-curricular activities
- World-class residential facilities with double ensuite bedrooms for boarders from 11-19 years
- Excellent pastoral care and wellbeing support
- Based in the stunning village of Verbier, an area of outstanding natural beauty
- Mountain Leadership Programme



Why Verbier International School?

Location

Verbier is in the heart of the French-speaking region of Switzerland, in the centre of Europe.

It is one of the world's best ski resorts, offering 450 km of ski runs, 100 ski lifts, and, at 3,300 meters of elevation, a wide range of sporting and leisure activities all year round. A safe location, students can enjoy freedom while being known and cared for in a family-style community.

The village offers a wide variety of sport and leisure facilities, high-end shops, Michelin-starred restaurants, and spa and wellness centers. It is also conveniently located just 1h45 from Geneva Airport.

The school is located in the heart of the village, right next to the Sports Centre, making it an extension of our campus. The main building, completed in 2025, is brand new and designed to provide the best learning environment for our students. Our boarding houses also offer excellent facilities with the highest quality of comfort and care.

Our students benefit from the school's modern facilities as well as the village's outstanding infrastructure, including the Sports Centre. They have access to a wide range of activities such as skiing, horse riding, golf, hiking, climbing, mountain biking, and much more.


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Academic



All our students benefit from bespoke, high quality, academic learning programmes

We believe that every student is unique, and our educational approach reflects this by blending personalised learning with a spirit of adventure - whether in the classroom or on the ski slope. Our philosophy is grounded in holistic education, preparing students for life in a diverse, international world.





Preschool

A bilingual start to life at VIS

The Preschool offers a bilingual (French/English) programme with the emphasis on learning through play and outdoor activities. The students receive an enriched and stimulating curriculum from 2 years old which includes music, art, P.E, skiing and Forest School. Children are encouraged to learn at VIS with our 'learning through play' curriculum which fosters curiosity and exploration of the world around us.



PRIMARY

3-11 years

VIS primary students develop a love of learning through a strong foundational core programme. Children learn through experiential and playful classes with caring and dedicated teachers. There is a strong emphasis on the concept of inclusion and family.

Our students benefit from a healthy and active lifestyle with a wide choice of sports and excursions. We value and encourage curiosity and seek to develop a risk-taking learning culture. We follow an engaging, challenging and thought-inspiring curriculum, allowing scope for children to achieve their full potential.


















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IB MYP

11-16 years





- Holistic Education: The MYP emphasizes a holistic learning approach that fosters intellectual, personal, emotional, and social development. This approach aims to develop well-rounded students with a strong sense of their own identity and culture.
- International Mindedness: The programme encourages students to think globally and understand different cultural perspectives, aligning with the IB's mission to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.
- Curriculum Framework: The MYP curriculum consists of eight subject groups: Language Acquisition, Language and Literature, Individuals and Societies, Sciences, Mathematics, Arts, Physical and Health Education, and Design. This broad and balanced approach ensures that students receive a comprehensive education.
- Concept-Driven Learning: Learning in the MYP is driven by key concepts and related concepts specific to each subject area. This methodology helps students to connect what they learn in the classroom with real-world issues and applications.
- Approaches to Learning (ATL): The programme places a strong emphasis on teaching students specific skills for learning. These include thinking skills, research skills, social skills, self-management skills, and communication skills, which are crucial for both academic and personal success.



- Community and Service: Students are encouraged to engage with their local and global communities. This component of the MYP aims to develop active citizens who contribute positively to society through service and action.

- Assessment: MYP assessment standards are criterion-based, meaning students are graded against pre-specified criteria for each subject group rather than against the performance of their peers. This allows for a more personalized and detailed feedback on student progress.

- Personal Project: In their final year (MYP 5), students undertake a personal project which allows them to demonstrate the skills and knowledge they have developed throughout the programme. This project is student-centered and inquiry-based, reflecting their particular interests and talents.

The MYP programme not only prepares students for further education, such as the IB Diploma Programme, but also helps them develop a lifelong passion for learning and an ability to engage with the world around them.





International Baccalaureate Diploma and High School Diploma Programmes

16-18 years



- IB designed for academic excellence and personal growth and development
- Six subject areas studied including maths, science, humanities, two languages, an elective plus the core programme
- Three subjects studied at higher level and three at standard level
- Subjects graded out of seven for a total of 42 points from internal and external assessments

IB Diploma Subject Options

Studies in Language and Literature
English A: Language & Literature (HL/SL)
French A: Language & Literature (HL/SL)
Spanish A (HL/SL)

Language Acquisition
German AB (SL)
French B (HL/SL)
Spanish B (HL/SL)
French AB (SL)
Spanish AB (SL)

Individuals and Societies
Business (HL/SL)
Economics (HL/SL)
Geography (HL/SL)
History (HL/SL)

Sciences
Biology (HL/SL)
Chemistry (HL/SL)
Physics (HL/SL)
Sports, Health Science (HL/SL)
Environmental Systems & Societies (HL/SL)

Mathematics
Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches (AA) (HL/SL)
Mathematics: Applications and Interpretation (AI) (HL/SL)

The Arts
Visual Arts (HL/SL)

- Three additional points awarded from the core programme to result in an absolute maximum of 45 points
  - ☐ Extended essay (EE) – development of research and writing skills
  - ☐ Theory of Knowledge (TOK) – reflection on the nature of knowledge and how it is acquired
  - ☐ Community service (Creativity, Action and Service programme) (CAS) – promotes healthy lifestyle and community engagement





High School Diploma Programme (HSDP)

The HSDP is more than just a diploma; it's a commitment to delivering a well-rounded and flexible academic experience. Whether your future goals include higher education, sepcialized training, or stepping directly into your career, the HSDP is designed to equip you with the knowledge, skills, and credentials to succeed.

Academic requirements

HSDP emphasizes a balance between core academic rigor and the freedom to explore electives that align with your passions.

Core Subject Areas

To build a strong foundation, you must complete a minimum of two subjects from the following core groups:

- Language and Literature
- Language acquisition
- Mathematics

Elective subjects

To ensure a diverse learning experience, you must complete a minimum of two subjects from the following elective groups:

- Individuals and societies
- Sciences
- Arts

University Guidance

- 1:1 university guidance including Oxbridge and Medicine
- Preparation for university in the UK, US, Europe and worldwide universities
- Access to Dukes Education Oxbridge, A-Plus US Applications, Medic and Law Portal and InvestIn work experience programmes
- Current students looking at options in the UK, US and Europe

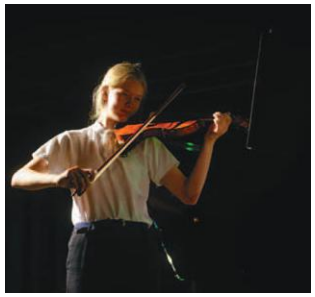















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Sports



The Alps is a playground for sport!

Skiing, snowboarding, ice skating and ski touring are on offer during the winter months as well as a wide range of active outdoor sports year-round including tennis, golf, basketball, lacrosse, football, horse riding, gymnastics, mountain biking, hiking, running and swimming.



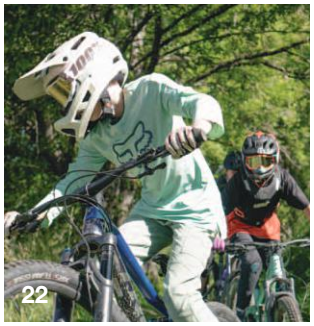




















Skiing and snowboarding programme



Most students and their families come to Verbier to enjoy its stunning terrain of mountain pistes.

Here at Verbier International School we offer personalised tuition for both regular and competition ski and snowboard programmes.

Regular ski/snowboard programme

- Tuition up to twice a week with optional skiing on Saturday and Sunday for boarders
- Combi ski programme of free ride and competition skiing (additional cost)
- Taught by our team of ski instructors
- Monitoring for technical and sporting developments
- Designed to be challenging and enjoyable
- Includes free skiing, freeride, free style and introduction to racing
- Runs early December to April.





- Focuses on balance, coordination, power, speed, reaction and visual anticipation
- Off snow strength and conditioning programme in the school gym and large weights room at Verbier Centre Sportif

Includes:

- ☐ Pre-season ski camp in Saas Fee in October (on demand)
- ☐ Winter season in Verbier early December to late April
- ☐ Summer training programme of conditioning and other mountain sports

- Visits to other ski resorts in Switzerland

Competitions programme

For high level skiers who want to compete.



An appreciation of the arts is an important part of a balanced curriculum.

- Developing a creative mindset enabling students to be innovative, good communicators and to think critically
- All students encouraged to learn a musical instrument
- Taught by professional musicians who have performed in some of the world's most renowned orchestras
- Individual lessons, musical groups and concerts
- Associated Board Examination Centre
- Art and photography clubs
- Drama and performing arts
- Annual school theatre production
- Dance club
- Hosting concerts with professional musicians during Verbier's electric music season
- Theatre visits from international performance companies such as the Theatre du Heron





Arts programme



















Learning support





The right support for every child.



Every new student on arriving at Verbier International School is assessed on their academic, sporting and creative activities as well as their wellbeing. We gather as much information as possible through our conversations with families and during one-to-one sessions with our learning support team.

Our Head of Learning Support will oversee the implementation of this plan, leading regular sessions with each student and communicating with other staff to ensure that learning support becomes a faculty-wide effort.



Pastoral care and wellbeing

Happy children learn more.

Verbier International School has been highly praised by parents for its strong wellbeing programme. We believe happy students learn more and being kind is respected and valued, so we focus our resources on wellbeing by building a culture where students know their teachers care, go the extra mile and accept them for who they are.

Our pastoral case programme encourages students to:

- Show empathy
- Offer your time, respecting boundaries
- Celebrate
- Encourage professional help
- Avoid judgement
- Listen actively
- Take care of yourself
- Spend time together





Verbier International School welcomes students from all over the world who would like to live in Switzerland and enjoy the free, active outdoor lifestyle on offer.

Boarding

We want all our students to feel calm, comfortable and looked after as part of the Verbier International School family. The accommodation we provide is world-class with chalet-style, spacious facilities and houseparents on hand for a cosy chat or support.

There is plenty to do at weekends with organised outdoor activities and trips and socially we celebrate birthdays, special occasions and arrange events for our boarders. Weekend activities planned this term include: visit to Montreux, swimming, surfing and skate, Tree Top Park, Mont Fort Zip Line, rock climbing and squash, Lausanne Olympic Museum, Verbier Cinema, Escape Rooms, trampolining and wave surf, Christmas markets and a House party.

Homework is supervised with our teaching staff on hand to help with queries and the environment is one of relaxed informality where our students can feel happy and safe.





- 2 Stunning Four* Hotel Alpine Boarding Chalets - Chalet Flore and Chalet Ski.
- Mix of premium single, double and triple study bedrooms with ensuite bathrooms, high quality furnishings, private balconies and stunning mountain views
- Living and dining areas with large balconies
- Staffed by House parents 24 hours a day. Three staff members on rotation throughout the year
- Teaching faculty visit the chalet three times a week to support with study, sport, extra curricular, and evening activities
- Located three minutes walk from main ski lift
- 10-minute safe walk through the town to the school campus (younger students accompanied) and adjacent to the village bus stop (free village buses) – four-minute bus ride to school





Entry requirements

- Complete registration form and send latest school report and passport
- Interview with Director of School/Head of Admissions
- Application fee 2000 CHF
- Delighted if you can visit, meet our staff and pupils and see the school for yourselves.
  Please contact our admissions team on admissions@vischool.ch OR telephone +41 (0)27 565 26 56

Fees 2025-2026

Year Group	Annual Tuition (CHF)	Winter Tuition (CHF)
Preschool	**29500**	**19500**
Foundation Stage 1 & 2	**31000**	**20500**
Primary Year (1 - 2)	**32000**	**21000**
Primary Year (3 - 4)	**34000**	**22000**
Primary Year (5 - 6)	**36000**	**23000**
Lower Secondary (Years 7-9)	**42000**	**30000**
Middle Secondary (Year 10 - 11)	**43000**	**30000**
Upper Secondary (Year 12 - 13)	**47000**	**33000**

Boarding Fees (Applicable to Years 7 - 13 only, in addition to school fees above)

Room Type	Annual Fee (CHF)	Winter Fee (CHF)
Sharing room with bathroom	**57000**	**39000**

Additional Charges

Item	Cost (CHF)
Boarding Deposit (Annual Boarders)	**6000**
Boarding Deposit (Winter Boarders)	**3000**

Short term courses

Some families come to Verbier International School for the winter season where their children can ski on some of the best slopes in the world, enjoy the free outdoor lifestyle that Switzerland offers and make lifelong connections with friends from around the world whilst not compromising on their education. Whether for one week or a whole season, students at Verbier International School all have an unforgettable experience.



Winter Camps

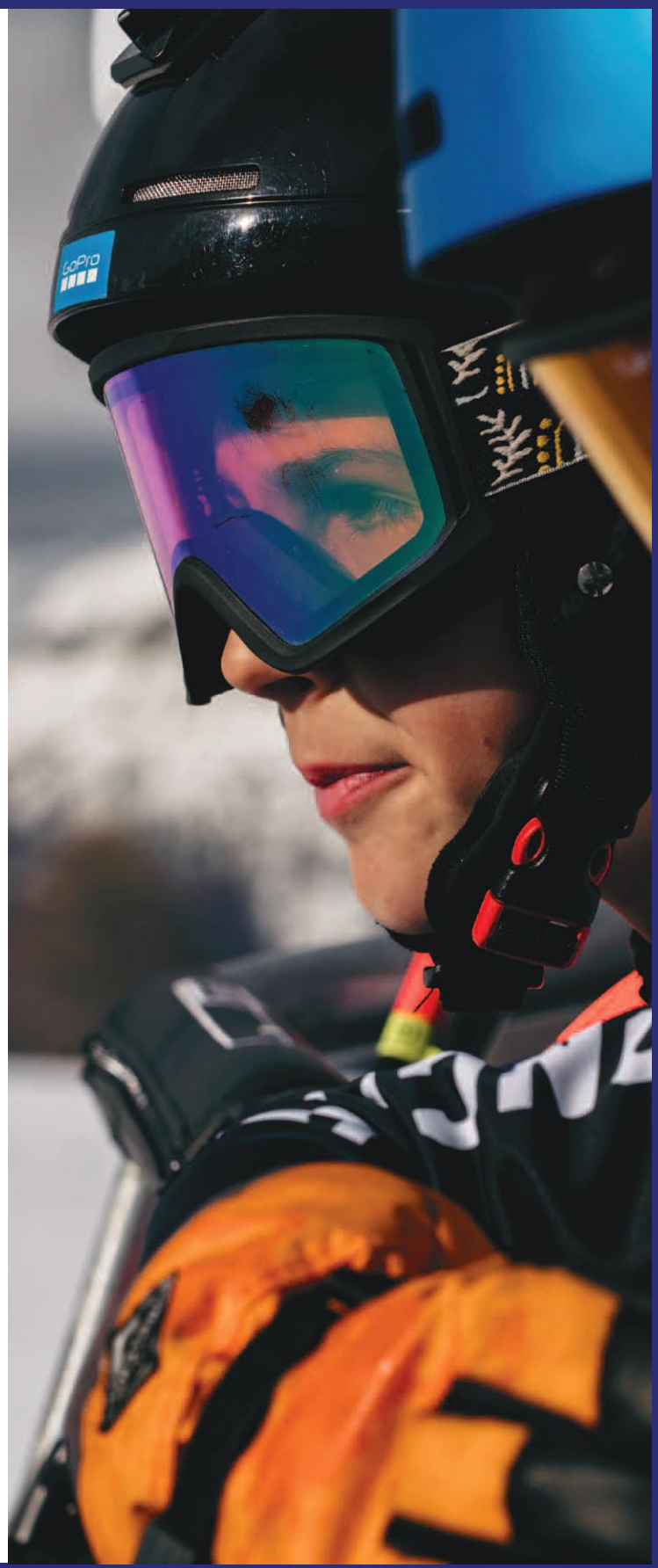
- Options for both day students and boarders
- Between 1-2 weeks in length
  (*Sunday, 21st December - Saturday, 3rd January*
  Saturday, 14th February - Saturday, 21st February
  Sunday, 29th March - Saturday, 11th April)
  - ☐ Morning – skiing with experienced instructors
  - ☐ Lunch – healthy, quality food with fresh ingredients
  - ☐ Afternoon – practice more technical skiing aspects to improve skills
  - ☐ Apres-Ski – Post-ski activities to include swimming, yoga, tennis, climbing trampolining, dancing
  - ☐ Dinner/Evening – boarders enjoy a varied dinner followed by evening activities such as torch night walks, movie nights, ice skating and board games
- Cost: 3500 CHF per week





Winter Camps - Ski and Snowboard

- Includes:
  - ☐ Full day skiing
  - ☐ Chalet accommodation
  - ☐ Breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks
  - ☐ Ski pass
  - ☐ Ski Equipment Hire
  - ☐ Insurance
  - ☐ Airport transfers (on request)



Summer Camps

- Between 1-5 weeks in length (Monday, 29th June - Sunday, 2nd August)
- Available for children of all ages and boarders from 11-17 years old
- Verbier is a bustling hub of summer activity including hiking the 500km of trails, mountain biking, via ferrata, trail running, golf, E-biking, horse riding, zipline, swimming and nearby surfing and wakeboarding
- The Centre Sportif has a 600m climbing wall, two squash courts, indoor and outdoor tennis courts, volleyball court, gym, omnisport field, sports hall and swimming pool
- The region is also famous for living traditions and food products so food tastings, practical courses and visiting local attractions can also be included





Summer Camps - Details

- Stay between 1-2 weeks in length
- Price per week 3500 CHF
- Includes:
  - ☐ Sports activities
  - ☐ Chalet accommodation
  - ☐ Breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks
  - ☐ Lift pass
  - ☐ Airport transfers (on request)

Entrepreneurship & Leadership:

We invite aspiring young leaders aged 13-17 to embark on a journey that combines the thrill of outdoor adventures with the strategic insights of business leadership. Our programme is meticulously crafted for teens aiming to thrive in the business world, whether by launching their own ventures or pursuing advanced business studies at university.


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The Dukes Difference

TOGETHER WE'RE EXTRAORDINARY

Members of the Dukes Education family of schools and educators are brought together by a common purpose: to give children the foundations for an extraordinary life.

By being part of a network of over 50 schools across the UK and Europe we benefit from shared expertise, innovation and good practice.

Dukes also ensures our financial stability and provides ongoing capital investment, allowing us to enhance our facilities continually and offer exceptional learning opportunities for each student.







Dukes Plus

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Dukes Foundation

Social impact through giving

Dukes Young Leaders Award

Nurturing leadership, inspiring change

Dukes Club

Exclusive opportunities for families

POETRY TOGETHER | **Dukes Festival of the Arts**

Extraordinary experiences for our community

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