

When did you start studying abroad?

I've been in the UK for four years, and at Truro School since September 2016 for Sixth Form, it's a really active school and I've been able to do a lot of sports here. I like the subject choices and I'm doing the subjects I really enjoy; German, French, Business Studies and Maths.

Are you going to stay abroad after studying or return to Russia and why?

I think I'm going to return to Russia and help my parents in their business, I wanted to be able to gain an education here and set up my languages. I may go to another country for university to have another fluent language and then after my full education go back to Russia.

Have you already chosen a profession and university?

I want to study Business and Tourism, so hospitality management, and how the hotel system works in ski resorts, etc. Switzerland is my preferred country for university, but I would consider the UK still and America.

What extra-curricular activities do you attend any at school?

I really like active leisure, so I go to the gym in the evenings and play football with other boarders twice a week. I go fencing sometimes for fun, when I have time. Sometimes I go swimming,

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I never sit in the same place here and as a person interested in the ski tourism industry I need to know the sports side of it as well.

What is your impression to study at an independent school abroad? What did you remember the most?

I will remember the boarding family the most, we live together, and so we know more about each other and it's nice to be in the boarding house with the same people I'm at school with. Also the teachers, in a Private school there are less students so there is more time for teachers to talk to you and explain new stuff to you, which is helpful.

What kind of advice can you give kids and parents who want to study abroad?

I know everyone is scared of the language barrier, they are worried people won't understand them but they need to be more confident and ask for explanations when they don't understand.

Don't worry to ask, with time your language will get better and your confidence will go up. Just be more confident and don't worry about the language barrier as that's the main problem for students who come from overseas.

