

Summer School Statement

At The Hart School we understand that due to restrictions over the course of the last year, children in Year 6 have not had as much time in the classroom, nor have they had the opportunity to participate in many of the enrichment opportunities ordinarily offered by their primary school.

Our Summer School programme was aimed at addressing these elements whilst empowering our young students with the skills, confidence and knowledge to help the smooth transition into Year 7. Children were given the opportunity to start familiarising themselves with the school building and members of staff before the September start. The Summer School also helped them to start to form new lifelong friendships as they began to meet children joining The Hart School from other primary schools.

A focus on communication and organisational skills through engaging and fun activities, coupled with tips to help them settle in smoothly, was taken to ensure the students hit the ground running in September 2021, making a fabulous start to their Hart School career.

All 251 Year 6 children joining The Hart School in September 2021 were offered the opportunity to take part in the Summer School with no cost to their family.

Over the course of the week, the students took part in a range of craft and outdoor enrichment activities designed to support their emotional and physical well-being.

Students also had the opportunity to practice their English and maths along with other academic subjects when participating in the STEAM based and Enterprise days.

Key information:

- The Summer School took place during week commencing Monday 2 August 2021
- The day ran from 9:30 am – 2:30 pm (other than the day of the trip)
- Children were required to attend daily
- A hot lunch and refreshments were provided each day
- Educational resources such as stationery were provided to ensure the event remain Covid-19 secure
- Water bottles and T-shirts were also provided to all pupils to ensure all pupils felt they were suitably equipped to attend the trip and physical activity enrichment events.
- All pupils were offered support with transport to the event and a minibus was used to transport those that required it

Summary of the week's activities:

Day	Activity
Monday	Teambuilding (Arts and Crafts)
Tuesday	Visit to Go-Ape*
Wednesday	STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math)
Thursday	Let's Get Physical* (outdoor activities and Performing Arts)
Friday	Enterprise Day and Celebration Event

Student Evaluation

A Summer School Evaluation was completed by students in attendance. The following table shows the positive responses for pupils that felt they'd gained the following from the week:

Activity	Percentage
Made new friends	99
Got to know their way around the school	83
Met new teachers	92
Learned something new	82
Got help with things I have previously learned	69
Participated in fun activities	97
Tried new activities	98

95% of students said they felt more confident about starting school in September.

99% of students enjoyed the experience.

Attendance

188 students expressed an initial interest in participating in The Hart Summer School. 172 confirmed attendance, completing both the Key Information Form and Medical Forms. Of the 172 students, 5 students did not attend at any point in the week. Last minute family holidays or isolating due to Covid-19 were cited as reasons for absence.

Attendance varied over the course of the week. In all cases, unexplained absence was followed up each morning to ensure the child's safety.

	<i>Actual</i>				
<i>Expected</i>	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
172 each day	159	158	151	145	140

Subgroup attendance:

	Number of Students	
	Pupil Premium	SEN at K or E
Planned Attendance	45	27
Attended	43	26

Funding:

The school did not charge parents/carers for any aspect of this event.

Government income was £59.70 per child per day of attendance along with non-recoverable costs.

Funding	Actual					Total Income based on number of students in attendance
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
<i>Expected</i>						
172 each day (= x 5)	159	158	151	145	140	
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Activity	Expenditure (£)
Admin	153
Catering (all students provided with a hot meal and snacks each day)	2,929
Cleaning	462
Education equipment	2,482
Outside Provider - Let's Get Physical Day	1,118
Rewards	114
Sixth Form allowance	1840
Staff salaries	25,684
STEM F1 (Academic Enrichment Activity)	1,960
Go-Ape (Emotional and physical well-being enrichment)	5,201
T-shirts and water bottles	1,694
Payment to primary schools	744
Operational Costs	411
Additional hospitality	71
Total	44,862