

DfE funded Summer School August 2021

The purpose of the summer school was to ensure that Year 7 had extra support with their transition due to the increased challenges caused by the pandemic.

Pupils leaving primary school this year may have missed a significant proportion of key stage 2 face-to-face teaching and therefore also missed valuable preparation for secondary education. They were likely to need additional support with English and Maths, for example, to make it easier for them to access the secondary curriculum. The summer school gave pupils the opportunity to receive face-to-face teaching and support before they started a new school.

Summer school also offered an important opportunity to support pupils' wellbeing. Pupils may not have had as much opportunity to develop their vocabulary, read as many books or visit as many different places as they would have done otherwise.

Benefits of the Programme

Throughout the summer school Year 7 pupils had the opportunity to:

- build a community with their fellow pupils
- forge relationships with new teachers
- familiarise themselves with their new school environment

The summer school ran during the last week of the summer holidays and all 270 pupils joining Year 7 were invited. The total split of pupils invited were: 136 not eligible for Pupil Premium and 134 eligible for Pupil Premium.

The number of pupils who attended the summer school for at least one day was 129. This was split into 69 pupils who were not eligible for pupil premium that attended and 60 students who were eligible.

Pupil numbers in attendance each day:

Day 1 – 125

Day 2 – 129

Day 3 – 129

Day 4 – 121

Day 5 – 120

Costing

The overall cost of the summer school, including additional funding spent beyond maximum allocation was: £29317.11. This is the total cost requested from the DfE.

The total expenditure has been split into the following categories:

Facilities	£1094.40
Catering	£5428.90
Outside agencies	£7600.27
Staff wages	£15193.54
Total	£29317.11

The Sutton Academy Activities

The summer school consisted of a mixture of educational and enrichment activities each day. Academic subjects were led by teaching staff and enrichment activities by outside providers. Examples of activities included; effective team work activities, mental health workshops and developing resilience sessions. Academic sessions were also delivered, in a variety of subjects, including English and Maths.

Statement of Declaration

The funding was used solely for the purpose of summer school on a blend of enrichment and academic activities. All registers and receipted records of summer school costs will be retained for audit purposes.