# **Summer School 2021**



Summer School took place from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> August - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> August. We accommodated 60 Year 6 into 7 transition students. The activities for the week all took place at Magna Academy, in order to support the students to feel more comfortable in their new environment. The week included additional subject support, Forest School, use of Chromebooks and wellbeing based activities.

### Timetable for the week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Orienteering challenge around	Moving on Up (provided by	Maths	Forest School (hosted by an	Art
the academy	Brighter Futures)	Science	external provider)	Parent
Team building	Humanities Chromebook activities	Performing arts	,	celebration presentation
	STEM Lego			
Attendance 53	Attendance 53	Attendance 53	Attendance 50	Attendance 50

## **Funding**

The academy received £17,189.38 of funding. The cost of Summer School is broken down below. There were some unrecoverable costs for catering, £5 x 31 = £155.

Canford Cakes and Catering 60 Lunches each day, £5 per person	£5 x 60 x 5	£1500
Forest School Two members of staff		£543.20
STEM Lego	£5.60 x 60	£336
30 Chromebooks Chromebook storage and chargers Shipping	£193.33 x 30	£5799.90 £1142.33 £24.95
Magna staffing £130 per day, plus on-costs Monday – 13 staff Tuesday – 8 staff Wednesday – 8 staff Thursday 10 staff Friday – 7 staff		£7843.00
TOTAL		£17189.38

### **Feedback**

Feedback from both the students involved and their parents/carers was overwhelmingly positive;

- 98% of the students said they felt welcomed and safe
- 88% of the students said they had made a new friend
- Favourite activity was Forest School
- All activities had positive feedback
- All staff involved enjoyed taking part in the week and found the experience valuable in terms
  of getting to know other students before they start in September
- 100% of parents were happy and comfortable leaving their child at Magna Academy for Summer School
- 91% of the parents said their child came home happy

A selection of the student quotes -

"I really enjoyed the science experiments"

"I love Lego and I am really good at it"

"I enjoyed going round and finding the different classes"

"All the teachers were really nice"

"I loved making the fires, drinking hot chocolate and marshmallows"

"Getting to look round the school was great"

"Team building activities with Forest school were great - our team was the A team"

"We got to learn magic in Maths, it was fun because we could learn the trick easily"

"Drama was fun, we played lots of games"

"Using the computers was great"

"It was good to get familiar with the school whilst doing fun activities"

"Playing rounders outside was fun"

### A selection of Parent/Carer quotes -

"This experience has been so powerful. On Monday my son was very nervous and by the end of Monday afternoon he was all smiles, very chatty and excited. To have a week here prior to starting has given him confidence, meeting new friends and being able to be familiar with the school. He has a great feeling about starting his first day and the nerves have gone."

"Really enjoyed the Magna Summer School. My son was really anxious on Monday morning but came home full of chatter about his day. Thank you for giving up your time to make the Summer School happen. It has been a positive experience."

This has been a great idea and experience for my daughter to take part in. Getting to meet both staff and other children has helped ease her nerves. They were fun activities, by the feedback from my daughter and we would definitely recommend doing it again in the future.

"I think Summer School is a brilliant idea and has helped with the transition, putting his worries and concerns to one side, as he has made friends and is familiar with staff and his environment."

"My child has really enjoyed the Summer School, especially Forest School day. It's given him a little more confidence with starting secondary school."

"Very pleased with Summer School, it was a great idea and should be offered every year."

"The girls have enjoyed their week at Magna Academy. Thank you for giving both of my girls the opportunity to take part in the Summer School. Summer School is a fantastic idea."

"Thank you for a wonderful week! 'X' has really enjoyed it and is feeling much more confident about starting Year 7. He has loved meeting new friends, meeting teachers and doing all the fabulous activities." Great experience, thank you. 'X' feels much happier about starting a new school and has already made friends."