



28 May 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

I am pleased to announce that we will be going ahead with our summer school this year for our new Year 7s to help with the transition from primary to secondary school. This will be our seventh summer school.

These have previously been well attended and very popular. We had hoped to invite you to the summer school much earlier than this, but restrictions from Covid-19 had prevented us from doing so. We will continue to look closely at the government's guidelines and the size of groups and activities we run will ultimately be decided by the most up-to-date information that we have. The health and safety of everyone is, of course, our top priority and we will ensure all students and parents are aware of expectations and procedures before they arrive. Hand sanitiser and frequent handwashing will continue to be enforced and all Government Guidelines for Covid-19 will be adhered to.

#### Key Information

- The Government have decided to fully fund the summer school this year so it will be **free to attend**.
- The Summer school will run from **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> August – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> August**.
- The start time each day is **9am** and school will finish at **2.30pm**.
- Students will take part in sessions that will aim to increase their confidence, make new friends, meet teachers and try out a variety of subjects.
- Students need to **wear comfortable clothes** which are suitable for practical and creative activities.
- Students need to bring **plenty of water** to drink.
- Students should bring a packed lunch (**No Nuts**). If your child is eligible for school meals then you can request a free lunch which will consist of a sandwich, fruit, yoghurt and drink.
- If the weather is hot, students will need to bring **sun cream and a hat**.
- Students will be dismissed at 2.30pm and are expected to make their own way home.
- Photographs will be taken throughout the week. Please let me know if you do not want your child photographed.
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#### SEN/Medical

Please be aware that summer school is not held during normal school term time, which means that students with EHCP may not be able to have the level of support that they are usually entitled to. If your child is going to need more than general support from additional adults in the classroom then it is important to identify that on the form and to contact [porterker@bowerpark.co.uk](mailto:porterker@bowerpark.co.uk) directly.



### **Behaviour**

We anticipate that the behaviour of students will be perfect. However, please be aware that persistent bad behaviour may result in your child's exclusion from one or more days of the summer school.

### **Groupings**

The idea of the summer school is to make new friends, so students will not be allowed to swap groups once these have been finalised.

Finally, We are very excited about running this summer school and hope it helps the students settle and make new friends more quickly. If you have any questions, please email me at porter@bowerpark.co.uk and I will do my best to answer them.

Please could you complete the permission form via the link below by **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June**. Unfortunately, late applications will not be accepted as we need to know numbers by this date so that we can ensure that we have the correct number of staff and resources in place.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=9OLzVXRnUy--Aoo72F-pPreWkf99rJloQgOitCP0k1URTBBQ1FEUDJFQVZPQ1BLRTUxTVIKQlFNQy4u>

Yours faithfully

**K Porter**

**Careers Lead and Teacher in charge of Progressions**