



Summer School 2021 - FAQs

What is the aim of the programme?	The aim of the summer school programme is to deliver a short summer school with a blend of academic education and enrichment activities. Students will have an opportunity to build a community with fellow pupils, forge relationships with new teachers and familiarise themselves with their new school environment.
When is Summer School?	5 days from Monday 23rd August to Friday 27th August 2021.
What time does Summer School Start and Finish?	There will be registration from 9am each morning with a 9.30am start. On the day that your child participates in Water Sports, arrival will need to be 8.45am for a 9am departure if your child is booked not the morning session of Water Sports. You will have notice of this. The Summer School finishes at 3.30pm each day. On Friday 27th all parents and guardians will be invited to celebrate with us the achievements of all by attending an assembly. This will start at 2.45pm on Friday 27th and finish at 3.30pm.
How much does a place cost?	Nothing! This camp is provided free of charge funded by the DfE
Will children be expected to wear uniform / What clothing is required?	Comfortable sportswear, old primary PE kits, tracksuits, shorts, T-shirts. The type of clothes for a Year 6 active residential - i.e. old and no fashion! On the day that your son/daughter has water sports, they will need to bring some additional items. A wetsuit/buoyancy aid/spray top and helmet will be provided. Students need to bring Closed-toe shoes (essential), swimwear for under wetsuit, towel, sun cream.
What do we need to bring?	A bottle for refilling with water, named sun cream, and a named hat/cap if sunny
What food is provided, can children bring their own if preferred?	Lunch will be provided for all students, and allergies are well catered for. We will share the menu in advance
Do you cater for special dietary requirements?	Absolutely but you will need to let us know prior to the week any dietary requirements your son/daughter may have.
Will there be a place for medication to be stored e.g. for Asthma?	All the usual First Aid procedures will be in place - please just make sure we know what you need us to do!
Will there be someone there who is first aid trained?	Yes, each day there will be a qualified first aider
Do children need to attend for the whole week or can they attend for a day or two?	We can accommodate a small number of children on a flexible basis, but we must know well in advance for planning
Will the children get to know others from their Tutor Group?	And hopefully lots more too!
What sort of provision is offered for SEN?	Specialist SEND staff will be with us every day providing more support as needed



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What level of water competency is required for Sailing/Paddle boarding?	No competency needed at all, and life jackets are compulsory. Specialist trained instructors will be running this part of the summer school.
We would love to attend but cannot get there. can you help?	Please let us know if the only barrier to your child attending is transport, and we will see how we can help.
What happens if my child has any medical issues that need attending to during the day?	When you fill out the medical form, you will be asked to outline any medical issues. All members of staff will be made aware of such issues and the first aider can administer whatever is required.
Will everyone be enhanced DBS checked?	Yes
What is the staff: child ratio?	Our summer school staff ratios will be predominantly 1:8
Have risk assessments onsite and off been carried out?	Yes, all venues and activities have been risk assessed.
What happens if my child leaves something behind at summer school?	The staff members will collect all lost property at the end of each session and it will be kept at school for collection. We ask that you add name tags to your children's clothes!
What happens if the weather is bad?	We shall cater for all conditions and have a contingency for activities to be moved/adapted for indoors when required. For the water sports they will be dressed to ensure they are warm even when wet!
In case of an emergency or if running late to collect my child, how can I contact you?	In case of an emergency or late pick-up, please call 0118 930 2741
If my child cannot attend any of the days, what do I do?	Please call the number above or email headpa@thealegreen.w-berks.sch.uk
What about COVID Restrictions?	We are aware that students will not need to carry out lateral flow testing over the holidays. We have a very tight Covid Risk Assessment which we are continually adapting inline with the very latest guidance and will share any new updates/information as necessary
Sounds like so much fun - can Parents come - please?!?	You can definitely come for the celebration assembly - we really hope to see you there! (Weather / Covid permitting)