

Christleton High School

SUMMER SCHOOL 2021



Week One: Monday 19th - Friday 23rd July

Week Two: Monday 26th - Friday 30th July



Summary and Evaluation

Christleton High School: Summer School 2021

Introduction

In the first two weeks of the summer holidays 211 different children (from an incoming Year 7 cohort of 224) took part in a Summer School experience at Christleton High School.

Each five-day experience offered taster sessions in a range of subjects delivered by Christleton teachers (including English, Maths, Science, PE, History, French, Design & Technology, Health & Social Care, and PSHCE) as well as team-building exercise organised by the *UK Military School* team, such as tower-building, go-kart racing, and inflatable obstacle course, and *Bikeability* safe-cycling training

Feedback from families and all involved has been extremely positive, and our new Year 7 students have made an excellent start to the Autumn term and settled in quickly and with noticeable confidence.

Many thanks to the sixteen different teachers, support / office staff, and the *UK Military School* and *Bikeability* teams for all their help, organisation, enthusiasm and flexibility in coping with the changing circumstances.

Adrian Francis (*Assistant Headteacher: Student Development and Wellbeing*): September 2021

Planning / Organisation:

- Additional Funding to allow schools to deliver Summer Catch-up Schools was announced on 24th February 2021, with further guidance on 30th March 2021. Registration for this funding with DfE took place April 2021 and plans confirmed with DfE in June 2021.
- All Christleton teaching staff were contacted and asked to express interest in April 2021.
- Regular meetings / discussion with UK Military School took place to plan the programme and marketing materials
- Primary Heads were informed in April, with subsequent updates on programme and numbers.
- All 224 families of Year 6 children contacted on 7th May 2021 with link to online consent form. Families able to choose whichever dates were most convenient to them.
- Bikeability contacted and dates arranged to coincide.
- Timetable for the two weeks designed, and agreed with participating teachers and UKMS.
- Sixth Form volunteers invited; June 2021.
- Meet with Student Services department to consider SEND children attending and their needs; staffing adjusted accordingly.

Aims of Summer School:

1. to support student development and well-being
2. to increase confidence and self-esteem
3. to catch up on literacy and numeracy skills
4. to get to know some new students and teachers
5. to have a taste of some of the different subjects at CHS
6. to develop team-building and leadership skills
7. to take part in Bikeability safe cycling training
8. to help with the transition from primary to secondary school

Summer School 2021 Evaluation Questionnaire

98 families responded to the online questionnaire

Please use this scale for questions which follow:-

SCORE	Meaning
1	Not true at all / Strongly Disagree
2	Not true / Disagree
3	Not sure / No Opinion
4	Fairly true / Agree
5	Very True / Strongly Agree

Responses and Exemplar Comments below. There were responses from 98 families.

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1. Summer School has been enjoyable.	97%
2. Summer School has helped to increase confidence and self esteem	95%
3. The different subject sessions have been worthwhile and enjoyable.	96%
4. The UK Military School team-building sessions have been worthwhile and enjoyable.	91%
5. Summer School has been well organised.	98%
6. The information given before the Summer School started was clear and helpful.	96%
7. Summer School has helped with the transition from primary to secondary school.	97%

Any other comments:

I've completed the questionnaire but just wanted to say how much my son enjoyed the Summer School this week. I'd like to thank you all for organising such a beneficial week for the new intake. He has met some of the teachers, enjoyed each lesson (which were made great fun by all the teachers) and made some good new friends in the process. It's such a big step moving from primary school to high school and he has benefited hugely from his time at school this week, we can't thank you all enough. He now really is looking forward to starting in September and has a new confidence through having become accustomed to the school layout, some of the teachers and children in his form group.

Thank you all so much. Our daughter really enjoyed summer school and it has helped reassure us. She was so happy to meet friends in her form and her form teacher as well. Thank you again :)

Our son loved it, excellent Summer School, perfect for new starters to build confidence.

Very impressed with the school this far. My son was on crutches so couldn't take part in all the activities but know he has had a really great week all round and it has definitely built his confidence in preparation for September. It was a delight to see how the staff greeted my son at the gate. Just so nice. Thank you so much for all the efforts towards making this week an experience for the kids.

A brilliant opportunity to meet classmates and find bearings in new school before term starts - really really helpful, thank you.

My daughter was quite down after finishing primary school and I know she was anxious about starting Christleton, but after this week she is a different child. Happy and confident. Thank you.

Thank you so much for this. I don't think my daughter would have gained the confidence of going to high school without this.

The UK Military School have been excellent and my daughter loved doing the activities.

Absolutely fantastic thank you so much for putting this on. My child has such low self-esteem and he has had the best time.

It's been a real relief for my child to be able to attend school, make friends and familiarise herself with some teachers and classrooms before September. She was feeling apprehensive when the open day was cancelled and this has helped to calm and reservations that she had.

My son thoroughly enjoyed his week and looked forward to going in each day which is quite unusual when it comes to school!

My son has grown in confidence during the week. He is exhausted; a good sign! I know he and his pals are excited to return in September. The DT was a highlight.

Thank you to all the teachers and staff who gave up their holidays to run the summer school - it's been absolutely invaluable!

My daughter enjoyed particularly the team building activities. She made new friends which was important. She is relaxed about starting secondary school now.

My son really enjoyed week one and once he'd done the first day he was sad he could only 3 days because we were going on holiday on the Thursday morning. The stationary was a nice touch and it was really well organised for him to be given the things we had ordered via parent pay (calculator etc).

My son or attended partly as he had to self-isolate for the final 2 days, he was so disappointed as he was having a brilliant week. Thank you to all the staff involved.

My son has REALLY benefitted from this summer school - thank you so much. Question 8 was marked down slightly because my son said that they were not able to move round the school as much as he hoped to get familiar. (Although I totally understand why this was). Great job from the teachers & military school.

Before the summer camp, my child was extremely anxious about attending Christleton High. Now she cannot wait to start in September. Thank you so much for organising such a wonderful experience.

Assault course was most enjoyable. Very pleased that my child had the opportunity to acquaint herself with new school environment and friends. Also taster of subjects was really good. Perfect transition event. Thank you.

It has been an outstanding week and a fantastic opportunity to have a fun and enjoyable taster to high school. Thank you for putting this on and I hope it is repeated in future years.

My son had a fantastic experience. It helped him being in the form classes to make friendships with children so he is not as scared starting in September. It was a really great idea. I am really pleased my son went as it will help with the anxiety of starting school in September, to give him an insight of what school is like and so he is familiar with the school grounds and the layout of the school. My son has had the best time. Thank you.

After a difficult year and being unable to visit the school previously this has been a great help and has boosted my son's confidence rather than worry about it all summer thank you.

Outstanding experience for my son. The UKMS also a great support to him and feedback given at the end of the week. My son is really looking forward to Sept after this. Thank you.

My daughter has enjoyed the summer school tremendously. She's made new friends, enjoyed getting to know some of the teachers and is excited about her start in September. She had a wonderful week. Thank you.

This was a fantastic introduction for our autistic daughter who doesn't cope well with change. She now seems much happier with starting Yr7. Many thanks.

Week One: Monday 19th - Friday 23rd July

Monday 19th July

Session	GROUP A: M2	GROUP B: M3	GROUP C: M5	GROUP D: M8
1	UKMS	UKMS	UKMS	UKMS
2	Miss S Jenkins: ENGLISH	UKMS	UKMS	Miss P Thomas: PE
3	UKMS	Miss S Jenkins: ENGLISH	Miss P Thomas: PE	UKMS
4	Miss P Thomas: PE	UKMS	Miss S Jenkins: ENGLISH	UKMS
5	UKMS	Miss P Thomas: PE	UKMS	Miss S Jenkins: ENGLISH

Tuesday 20th July

Session	GROUP A: M2	GROUP B: M3	GROUP C: M5	GROUP D: M8
1	UKMS	UKMS	Miss P Thomas: PE	Mr M Wood: FRENCH
2	Mr I Hollywood: PSHCE	UKMS	Mr M Wood: FRENCH	UKMS
3	UKMS	Mr I Hollywood: PSHCE	UKMS	Miss P Thomas: PE
4	Mr M Wood: FRENCH	Miss P Thomas: PE	Mr I Hollywood: PSHCE	UKMS
5	Miss P Thomas: PE	Mr M Wood: FRENCH	UKMS	Mr I Hollywood: PSHCE

Wednesday 21st July

Session	GROUP A: M2	GROUP B: M3	GROUP C: M5	GROUP D: M8
1	UKMS	Ms C Hillier: DT	Mr G Seller: SCIENCE	Mr J Rose: HISTORY
2	Miss S Jenkins: ENGLISH	UKMS	Mr J Rose: HISTORY	Ms C Hillier: DT
3	Ms C Hillier: DT	Miss S Jenkins: ENGLISH	UKMS	Mr G Seller: SCIENCE
4	Mr J Rose: HISTORY	Mr G Seller: SCIENCE	Miss S Jenkins: ENGLISH	UKMS
5	Mr G Seller: SCIENCE	Mr J Rose: HISTORY	Ms C Hillier: DT	Miss S Jenkins: ENGLISH

Thursday 22nd July

Session	GROUP A: M2	GROUP B: M3	GROUP C: M5	GROUP D: M8
1	UKMS	Ms H Hamilton: MATHS	Mr A Arathoon: MATHS	Miss P Thomas: PE
2	Ms S St. Clair: H and SC	UKMS	Miss P Thomas: PE	Ms H Hamilton: MATHS
3	Ms H Hamilton: MATHS	Ms S St. Clair: H and SC	UKMS	Mr A Arathoon: MATHS
4	Miss P Thomas: PE	Mr A Arathoon: MATHS	Ms S St. Clair: H and SC	UKMS
5	Mr A Arathoon: MATHS	Miss P Thomas: PE	Ms H Hamilton: MATHS	Ms S St. Clair: H and SC

Friday 23rd July

Session	GROUP A: M2	GROUP B: M3	GROUP C: M5	GROUP D: M8
1	Mr J Rose: HISTORY	Mrs E Humphries: PE	UKMS	UKMS
2	UKMS	UKMS	Mr J Rose: HISTORY	Mrs E Humphries: PE
3	Mrs E Humphries: PE	Mr J Rose: HISTORY	UKMS	UKMS
4	UKMS	UKMS	Mrs E Humphries: PE	Mr J Rose: HISTORY
5 (extended)	UKMS – Pass out	UKMS – Pass out	UKMS – Pass out	UKMS – Pass out

Week Two: Monday 26th - Friday 30th July:

Monday 26 th July					
Session	RED TEAM : M2	BLUE TEAM : M3	GREEN TEAM : M5	YELLOW TEAM : M8	PINK TEAM : M7
0900-1000	UKMS Intro / Tour	UKMS Intro / Tour	UKMS Intro / Tour	UKMS Intro / Tour	UKMS Intro / Tour
1000 - 1100	Miss K Croft: ENGLISH	UKMS TB - TG	UKMS – AC	Mr J Clarke: PE	UKMS – TG
1120 – 1220	UKMS – UKMS TG	Miss K Croft: ENG	Mr J Clarke: PE	UKMS – AC	Miss S Jenkins: ENG
1300 - 1400	Mr J Clarke: PE	UKMS - AC	Miss K Croft: ENGLISH	UKMS – TG	UKMS – AC
1400 - 1500	UKMS – AC	Mr J Clarke: PE	UKMS - TG	Miss K Croft: ENGLISH	Miss S Jenkins: PE

Tuesday 27 th July					
Session	RED TEAM : M2	BLUE TEAM : M3	GREEN TEAM : M5	YELLOW TEAM : M8	PINK TEAM : M7
0900-1000	UKMS – OP UN	UKMS – T&P	Mrs E Humphries: PE	Mr M Wood: FRENCH	Mr I Hollywood: PSHCE
1000 - 1100	Mr I Hollywood: PSHCE	UKMS – OP UN	Mr M Wood: FRENCH	UKMS – T&P	Mrs E Humphries: PE
1120 – 1220	UKMS – T&P	Mr I Hollywood: PSHCE	UKMS – OP UN	Mrs E Humphries: PE	Mr M Wood: FRENCH
1300 - 1400	Mr M Wood: FRENCH	Mrs E Humphries: PE	Mr I Hollywood: PSHCE	UKMS – OP UN	UKMS – T&P
1400 - 1500	Mrs E Humphries: PE	Mr M Wood: FRENCH	UKMS T&P	Mr I Hollywood: PSHCE	UKMS – OP UN

Wednesday 28 th July					
Session	RED TEAM : M2	BLUE TEAM : M3	GREEN TEAM : M5	YELLOW TEAM : M8	PINK TEAM : M7
0900-1000	UKMS – STEM Tower	Ms C Hillier: DT	Mr A Arathoon: MATHS	Miss N Brown: HISTORY	Miss K Croft: ENGLISH
1000 - 1100	Miss K Croft: ENGLISH	UKMS – STEM Tower	Miss N Brown: HISTORY	Ms C Hillier: DT	Mr A Arathoon: MATHS
1120 – 1220	Ms C Hillier: DT	Miss K Croft: ENGLISH	UKMS – STEM Tower	Mr A Arathoon: MATHS	Miss N Brown: HISTORY
1300 - 1400	Miss N Brown: HISTORY	Mr A Arathoon: MATHS	Miss K Croft: ENGLISH	UKMS – STEM Tower	Ms C Hillier: DT
1400 - 1500	Mr A Arathoon: MATHS	Miss N Brown: HISTORY	Ms C Hillier: DT	Miss K Croft: ENGLISH	UKMS – STEM Tower

Thursday 29 th July					
Session	RED TEAM : M2	BLUE TEAM : M3	GREEN TEAM : M5	YELLOW TEAM : M8	PINK TEAM : M7
0900-1000	UKMS – STEM Go Kart	Mr J Clarke: PE	Mr G Seller: SCIENCE	Ms H Hamilton: MATHS	Ms S St. Clair: H and SC
1000 - 1100	Ms S St. Clair: H and SC	UKMS – STEM Go Kart	Ms H Hamilton: MATHS	Mr J Clarke: PE	Mr G Seller: SCIENCE
1120 – 1220	Mr J Clarke: PE	Ms S St. Clair: H and SC	UKMS – STEM Go Kart	Mr G Seller: SCIENCE	Ms H Hamilton: MATHS
1300 - 1400	Ms H Hamilton: MATHS	Mr G Seller: SCIENCE	Ms S St. Clair: H and SC	UKMS – STEM Go Kart	Mr J Clarke: PE
1400 - 1500	Mr G Seller: SCIENCE	Ms H Hamilton: MATHS	Mr J Clarke: PE	Ms S St. Clair: H and SC	UKMS – STEM Go Kart

Friday 30 th July					
Session	RED TEAM : M2	BLUE TEAM : M3	GREEN TEAM : M5	YELLOW TEAM : M8	PINK TEAM : M7
0900-1000	UKMS – AC	Phoebe Thomas: PE	UKMS - TB	UKMS – Fitness Circuit	Miss N Brown: HISTORY
1000 - 1100	UKMS – TB	UKMS – AC	Miss N Brown: HISTORY	Phoebe Thomas: PE	UKMS – Fitness Circuit
1120 – 1220	Miss P Thomas: PE	Miss N Brown: HISTORY	UKMS – Fitness Circuit	UKMS – AC	UKMS – TB
1300 - 1400	UKMS – SPORTS DAY	UKMS – SPORTS DAY	UKMS – SPORTS DAY	UKMS – SPORTS DAY	UKMS – SPORTS DAY
1400 - 1500	UKMS – SPORTS DAY	UKMS – SPORTS DAY	UKMS – SPORTS DAY	UKMS – SPORTS DAY	UKMS – SPORTS DAY

Dear Parents / Carers

Summer School 2021

We are writing to let you know of a new and exciting opportunity taking place this year, and give a brief overview of what is involved.

As you may be aware, the Department for Education has recently announced the provision of additional funding to enable secondary schools to deliver face-to-face summer schools this year. This is part of a wider recovery package to support children with their mental health and wellbeing and to catch up on missed face-to-face learning.

This funding must be used for provision delivered during the school summer holidays and the focus is on incoming Year 7 students, giving those children an opportunity to build a community with their new classmates and teachers and familiarise themselves with their new school environment.

We are very keen to make the most of this opportunity and would like to offer this summer school experience to all our incoming Year 7 students.

The summer school will take place over two separate weeks in the school holidays with families being able to choose one or the other. The two weeks are: -

1. Week beginning Monday 19th July (Week One of CHS Summer Holidays)
2. Week beginning Monday 26th July (Week Two of CHS Summer Holidays)

By offering two separate weeks we hope this will give families a bit more flexibility if they have made any holiday plans themselves. Most primary schools do break up on Friday 16th July, although there are a couple who continue on until 21st July, which would mean only the second week would be an option for those children.

Each day will have a varied programme of academic lessons in a range of different subjects, together with team-building activities, confidence-building sessions, and opportunities to get to know school staff and buildings. The focus will also be on building relationships, overcoming fears, allowing children to become familiar with their surroundings, and helping to ensure children are confident with all aspects of being a part of Christleton High School. It will be fast-paced, energetic, and well-designed to ensure that pupils enjoy their time, and will be led and delivered by teachers from Christleton High School as well as staff from an organisation called the UK Military School (UKMS). Having had a close working relationship with the UKMS for a number of years, we are delighted that they are able to work with us to help organise some aspects of the summer school this year.

Each of the five days of the summer school will be jam-packed with exciting activities designed to: -

- Be educational and fun
- Be varied and comprehensive
- Help ease transition from primary to secondary
- Help young people meet and make new friends before the new academic year begins
- Provide a taster of activities and learning allowing young people to gain new skills and knowledge
- Form foundations of social responsibility, good decisions and healthy lifestyles

UKMS, who have been fully vetted by ourselves, will also deliver a variety of training objectives to ensure the week is varied and suits all abilities attending. Activities planned include: -

- Leadership Development Training (Team Building)
- Physical Training
- Camouflage & Concealment
- Wild Survival (Survival Skills)

- Sports Competitions / Potted Sports
- Indoor obstacle course
- Giant 140ft inflatable assault course (outdoor)
- Group based tasks – focusing on communication
- Orienteering
- Tug 'O' war challenge
- Royal Naval Gun Run Challenge

Further details about the week, including timings and how to book online are given in the attached flyer.

Due to the government funding we have been allocated there will be no cost for the week and a lunch will be provided on each day.

If you have any questions about the week in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact UK Military School Limited; telephone: 0330 124 3209; website: www.ukmilitaryschool.com/chs

We do recognise that families may already have made some plans for the summer, which is why we are offering the choice of two different weeks.

We hope that those children who are able to attend have a great time, are able to build on their learning through a range of academic subjects and wider activities, and begin to make new and lasting friendships.

Yours sincerely

Adrian Francis

Assistant Headteacher: Student Development and Wellbeing

HAVE YOU SECURED YOUR FREE CHRISTLETON HIGH SUMMER SCHOOL PLACE? OVER 80% OF NEW YEAR? STUDENTS HAVE SIGNED UP!

Learn in a fun way and catch up with what you missed over the last year. Join our experienced team including 16 High School staff to help get ready for High School and make new friends along the way.

Subjects we'll cover:

- » English
- » Maths
- » PE
- » Team Building
- » STEM Tasks
- » Leadership Development

Activities include:

- » Team Games
- » Obstacles Courses
- » Tug o' War

Dates - Week 1:
» 19th - 23rd July

Dates - Week 2:
» 26th - 30th July

Start: 08:45

Finish: 15:30 every day

TOTALLY FREE
LUNCH INCLUDED

Do I need to bring anything?
Lunch will be provided but you may wish to bring some snacks and drinks for the days' adventures.
Wear suitable clothing, ideally sportswear as pupils will be participating in a variety of activities

TO BOOK YOUR CHILD'S PLACE, PLEASE USE THE EMAIL LINK SENT BY THE SCHOOL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

ALL STAFF ARE DBS CLEARED AND HAVE GREAT EXPERIENCE WORKING WITH KIDS

Summer School Funding Claimed				
Staffing	Outside Agency	Lunches	Other Materials/ Equipment	TOTAL
£19,521.46	£31,990.00	£3,832.50	£315.80	£55,659.76