

## SUMMER SCHOOL EVALUATION

### Further text from the end of the parent questionnaire

Excellent job... well done all involved!

Brilliant idea for the future year 7s.

\*\*\*\*\* felt really comfortable when attending as she was from a different school in \*\*\*\*\*. Made a few friends and really enjoyed her time. She cant wait to go back in September! Very well organised and great info sent to parents throughout the whole process.

I can not thank you all enough. What a fantastic opportunity. Thank you to all the staff.

Communication with teachers when my son was misbehaving was great! So understanding and so patient!

Thank you - he's really enjoyed it.

Trip to Whitemoor was a great idea.

Possibly more opportunity to mix and meet children from other groups would be good.

We would like to thank the school for arranging this for the children, it has been a fantastic opportunity for my daughter to familiarise herself with the school, make new friends, and meet some of the teachers. It will make a vast difference to her confidence starting Yr 7 in September, especially coming from a much smaller school than Chellaston. We really appreciate all the staff and volunteers taking time out of their holidays and making it such a well run event. Our daughter has thoroughly enjoyed her week, and is excited to start Chellaston Academy in September.

My daughter enjoyed a lot. Excellent summer school. She never forget it her life time.

I think it was a brilliant idea. \*\*\*\*\*thoroughly enjoyed it and it has made him feel much more at ease for September.

Thank you for the effort you've all put in to provide it at such a trying time of year. I never thought my Xbox obsessed child would be so happy.

The week has been absolutely brilliant and both my children have enjoyed it so much. Thank you to all who has organised it, it's been a fantastic opportunity.

My daughter, \*\*\*\*\* has had a fabulous time. She has come home everyday beaming about the things she has been doing! She didn't know anyone in her group but has made lots of new friends! \*\*\*\*\* is a pretty confident child but I was a little worried that she didn't know anyone in her group, however she completely took it in her stride and seized the opportunity to make new friends.

Thank you for this week, it has been very valuable for the children in my opinion.

Absolutely amazing opportunity for the children, thank you so much

\*\*\*\*\* isn't very confident when it comes to meeting new people so my marks are more a reflection on her rather than the school. I feel that you have put on an amazing week and hopefully it will help \*\*\*\*\* for September. Thank you!

Brilliant week. Great way to get used to the school journey for September also made friends to walk to & from school with. Met kids going into the same form

This week has helped my daughter try and do things that she would never have had the confidence to do before. Thank you to everyone involved.

I think the Summer school has been brilliant. I think the activities have been well thought out and the children have really enjoyed themselves. Well done to all involved.

Thank you so much to the staff who made this so successful.

Thank you to the staff & Yr 12 helpers for dedicating their time. My daughter really enjoyed it & I know it will have helped with any anxieties about starting in September 😊

I'd like to express my sincere thanks. My daughter has really enjoyed this opportunity. Whilst she is still a little nervous about starting school in September, this has gone a long way in eliminating some of the worries she had!

<p>My son who will be entering year 11 in September had the usual 2 transition days, that was available back then.</p> <p>The experience of the summer school is so much better, and my daughter feels much more confident about starting in September. A big Thankyou to the staff for giving up some of their holidays to enable this to happen.</p>
<p>My daughter is very shy and quiet and has really enjoyed the week and feels so much happier about starting in September knowing more about the school, staff and made some new friends. She has loved all the different activities.</p>
<p>My son loved the week and we all thought it was a great introduction to secondary school life. A fantastic idea, well done 😊</p>
<p>My son wasn't really looking forward to 'losing a week' of the summer holidays but he has really enjoyed it. Not had a bad word to say about it each day that he has come home from summer school. He now feels relaxed about September and looking forward to it. A great success, Thank you!</p>
<p>My child really enjoyed it - it was an amazing experience</p>
<p>Very good idea to help the kids feel more confident about moving up to secondary school</p>
<p>Great week thoroughly enjoyed it</p>
<p>*****has had a great week. Having been worried about 'big' school, he is now looking forward to September so he can see his new friends. A great way to transition from year 6 to 7</p>
<p>Really great experience to familiarise kids with the school before September. The village kids largely chose not to mix with kids outside of their primary school but that was their choice- the opportunities were there. The only shadow over the event was Covid and our fear of becoming a contact and losing our holiday a week later. There has been a large spike in infections locally over the past week. I think that my anxiety got the better of me by Friday and I was rather quick to keep mine home on the last day when he felt tired. I know a few other parents had similar panics regarding summer holidays and potential contacts which is why a few dropped out towards the tail end. It wasn't the provision or that the kids weren't enjoying it- just counting back ten days from planned holiday departure.</p>
<p>This has been a excellent opportunity for my daughter and has put her mind a little more at ease doing the summer school. Thank you for supporting our children in these difficult times 😊</p>
<p>My son loved to have a good look around school and found Whitemoor trip amazing. He has loved every minute! i feel much more confident he will settle well in september!</p>
<p>My daughter got so much out of the week, it was a brilliant introduction to the school and allowed her to gain the confidence she needed ahead of September.</p> <p>She enjoyed the subjects that were taught, the school trip and the lunches and snacks.</p>
<p>All in all we're very impressed and massively grateful to all the staff that have given their time and effort for the week to take place.</p>
<p>My son really enjoyed it, thank you for organising it</p>
<p>You have made my son feel at such ease as he was involved and able to participate in everything that was often and on the odd occasion he couldn't - you ensured he was still involved by doing another activity. Thank you so much for making him feel so included as with his health condition in the past he had just been singled out. So glad he wasn't, this has really helped him and he's excited to be joining the school in September</p>
<p>Just, thank you! What a fabulous way to get to know a new school. *** has come home buzzing every day talking about the activities he has experienced. On Monday he said he was feeling so nervous but by Tuesday he was already saying he wasn't nervous anymore. Please let every member of staff involved with the organisation and delivery of the week know that it is really appreciated.</p>
<p>Thank you very much for the opportunity. My son especially enjoyed the trip and has made new friends, which would hopefully make him less worried about starting in September. Thank you.</p>

Thank you to all involved in planning and executing this incredible week. My daughter has enjoyed everything and is absolutely buzzing about being a year 7 at Chellaston Academy. She can't wait for September!
Absolutely brilliant. Incredibly well organised and has really put us all at ease. Thank you for all the staff for giving up their time and thank you to the academy for the money spent.
A huge thank you to all the staff. It was a fantastic week.
My Son has had a brilliant week. Just want to say a big thank you to the staff for taking the time out to make the summer school happen.
Huge thank you to all involved. My son has loved each and every activity and found all adults and child helpers very kind and helpful. He is feeling sad that today is his last day but is now looking forward to joining you in September.
Huge thank you to all involved. My son has loved each and every activity and found all adults and child helpers very kind and helpful. He is feeling sad that today is his last day but is now looking forward to joining you in September.
Great week with plenty to keep occupied and stimulate.
Would rather it not in the summer holidays!!
Thanks for making the week so enjoyable.
Great week thoroughly enjoyed it
My daughter has had a fantastic week, thank you! She especially enjoyed the food
It was a fantastic opportunity for the children, and my child enjoyed all the activities on offer. He was impressed seeing the facilities at the Academy. He particularly loved the trip to Whitemoor Lakes! Thank you to all the staff who gave their time.
***** feels a lot more confident now, thank you for the hard work this week. It would have been helpful to have a couple of children in her group who will be in her form next year so she has a few faces she knows, but it was good that she met some new friends before starting.
I think this has been a great opportunity. It makes the start in September a lot less daunting. My son has really enjoyed the practical activities and is excited to do these subjects in September. Thanks to all the staff and volunteers for putting on the event.
Thank you to the staff who volunteered and made this week possible
We would just like to say thank you for arranging the week it has made my child more at ease and ready for September.
My Daughter would have been very nervous going up to secondary School without having any transition days but summer school has given her confidence for moving up in September and she has been able to built friendships with other pupils she would not have had contact with and experience moving around the layout of the School when it is not as intimidating as it will be in a new term. A fantastic way to induct new pupils into the academy.
My daughter had a fantastic time thank you
****enjoyed the week immensely; the variety of activities was great, the food always talked about and he commented about how it would be an easier start in September now he knows his way around. Thanks for a really successful week.
Thank you to all involved in planning and executing this incredible week. My daughter has enjoyed everything and is absolutely buzzing about being a year 7 at Chellaston Academy. She can't wait for September!
Great week by Chellaston Academy. My daughter has LOVED it. The organisation has been first rate, the activities stimulating and enjoyable, all staff and student helpers have been a real asset; we couldn't have wished for more as an introduction for ***** to Chellaston. Thankyou

Thank you for a brilliant transition week. My daughter has found it very beneficial and has returned home every evening with lots to share and excited for the following day.
My daughter is very shy and quiet and has really enjoyed the week and feels so much happier about starting in September knowing more about the school, staff and made some new friends. She has loved all the different activities.
Thanks for this opportunity. We feel it's been very beneficial to our daughter.
Thank you very much to everyone involved in making summer school a success. We really appreciated the efforts you have gone to make the transition smooth. My child is now confident about starting school in September after a difficult 18 months with covid disruptions.
Thanks for everyone's hard work and dedication
**** had an absolutely fantastic week: he enjoyed the wide variety of activities in school and had a brilliant time at Whitemoor Lakes. He's made lots of friends and has said this evening that he's looking forward to September and no longer nervous. Thank you so much to everyone who has worked so hard to put on the event - it's greatly appreciated and has definitely helped **** to be more secondary ready.
My daughter suffers with anxiety and worry and I have see a complete change in her this week. She has shown such confidence in all aspects from making new friends to walking to school without an adult. Absolutely brilliant week all round thank you all for your hard work.
Thank you, I have a very happy daughter who is much less anxious about starting in September
This would be a good introduction for all future year 6 students. It was great and it has really helped putting our son's mind at ease about what's to come in September. Comparing this introductory week with our older son's experience of going to Kingswood soon after starting the new school 3 years ago, this has been a much more positive and less stressful experience for both parents and children. Thank you for arranging this summer school!
Really pleased you did it
So pleased our daughter had this fantastic opportunity to see the school, get a taster of doing new and exciting things and experience making new friends. Thank you 😊
My child was really anxious and has grown with confidence over the week. I think it was a great success and definitely what she needed to ease her worries at starting such a big school. I think it would be a great thing to do every year,!! Thank you all so much
My daughter is very shy and quiet and has really enjoyed the week and feels so much happier about starting in September knowing more about the school, staff and made some new friends. She has loved all the different activities.
Thank you so much to all the staff who gave up their time to run summer school. **** really enjoyed everything on offer this week, especially PE and the trip! She was very nervous about starting in September but now she can't wait. Well done to all the staff involved. Have a lovely summer and a well deserved break.
My son really enjoyed it, thank you for organising it
In situation we are all in with covid school handled the way the pupils meeting and looking round school ect really well think it would be good if this carried on as it helps the children to make friendships before September
Really well organised. Thank you
Thanks for this opportunity. We feel it's been very beneficial to our daughter.
**** had a fantastic week, this was a really good opportunity for the children to transition to Chellaston A. I hope this is onwards and upwards and this cohort have a better experience than the past five cohorts!
I think the summer school was a great idea and my child really enjoyed it and has given him a head start for September thank you

We appreciated the effort that went into planning and running the summer school activities. It makes such a huge difference to giving the children confidence in starting Chellaston in the summer, especially as the transition days could not go ahead. Thank you!

Absolutely first class ! My son \*\*\* loved every minute of the Summer school right from the staff , food , trip to the full range of activities. A massive well done to the team at Chellaston Academy on a job well done . \*\*\* enjoyed it so much he commented "Dad I wish I was going again next week".

My son thoroughly enjoy the week, he loved the food and all the activities. Thank you

My daughter really enjoyed the week, especially the trip. It was a great opportunity for her to make be friends and start to find her way around the school.

A Brilliant week. If funding could be secured this should be an annual activity for the year 6 children. Thank you to all the staff and Y8's and 12's that also helped

My son really enjoyed his experience with Science, Computing and Music. He absolutely enjoyed the trip to Whitmoore Lakes. I am very happy that he got the opportunity to take part in the summer school. Please thank all the students, staff and teachers who volunteered for the summer school.

This has been a excellent opportunity for my daughter and has put her mind a little more at ease doing the summer school. Thank you for supporting our children in these difficult times 😊

Great work guys

A HUGE thank you. \*\*\*\*had a wonderful time, staff were so friendly and helpful, she loved trying out the canteen, dissecting lungs and the activity centre. She is not coming from a feeder school, so it has been so helpful. Thank you all for giving up your time to create a fabulous week. Have a great break.

Brilliant experience, my child is finall excited about joining in September instead of dreading it

It was a great opportunity to get to know the school and the other children. Thank you.