

Summer School 2021

De La Salle's Summer School Program for new Year 7 starters was a resounding success. The week helped to calm nerves, build confidence, create new friendship bases and acclimatise the Students to rigours of Secondary School learning.

The uptake for places was in excess of 94%, with daily attendance averaging 91%

The aim of the Summer School which took place over 5 days in July 2021 was to support pupils in their academic progress as well as help with their social and emotional needs as they looked forward to starting Secondary School in September 2021.

We wanted to provide a positive experience which would help build confidence, reinforce learning and calm any nerves relating to starting secondary school after the experiences of the Covid Pandemic over the last year or so.

Students were given the opportunity to experience their new education setting across all aspects of the School's curriculum. There was a full and varied timetable which included RE, Maths, Science, Geography, History, Art, Spanish, French, Drama & Sports. Lessons were delivered by Skilled Staff & External Specialists, who together with a large cohort of non-Teaching Staff helped to support all Students who attended.

There were large teams of both Pastoral & SEND staff to help with all aspects of Students Safeguarding needs and Wellbeing as well as Kitchen, Cleaning and Site Staff. Enabling the Students to familiarise themselves with the general day to day working and layout of the School. In addition, there were extra workshops in Sports, Drama, Art & Music delivered by specialists in their fields as well as access to the Library for Reading.

The Kitchens were open daily for All Students for both break and lunch and there were daily assemblies. Other activities included; A Petting Zoo, a trip to the Cinema, Ice Cream van, Badge making and Baseball caps for all.

Students really enjoyed the week and feedback was very positive.

Income £38,570

Expenditure

Staffing 55%

Food & Drink 8%

Academic Activities 15%

Safeguarding &

Wellness 5%

Reading 1%

Enrichment activities 16%