

From August 23rd –27th, St Joseph's ran a summer school for identified Year 10 pupils to enable them to have a 'head start to year 11'. The students invited were either in receipt of Pupil Premium funding, have a SEN need or were identified by teachers as those that would particularly benefit from attending. In all, 30 students accepted the invitation and over 20 attended each day. Lunch was provided every day, along with a range of healthy snacks. It was staffed by members of our teaching staff, including members of SLT and the year 11 Director of Learning. We were able to offer targeted tutoring sessions from our tuition partner, TLC, who worked to close any gaps and enhance the students' understanding in both Maths and Science. An administrator and First Aider were also present each day.

Following two years of remote and live learning, the summer school was designed to help learners feel readier to start year 11 particularly focusing on Academic progress in the Core subjects of English, Maths and Science as well as sessions that aimed to enhance students' skills of resilience, well-being, and teamwork. Therefore, the programme offered a mix of wellbeing, academic, sporting and enrichment activities.

The focus of the activities of Summer School were as follows:

	Session 1	Session 2	Lunch	Session 3
Monday	Maths tutoring with TLC online and assisted by St Joseph's teachers	Chemistry tutoring with TLC online and assisted by St Joseph's teachers		English Literature – An Inspector Calls Escape Rooms led by the English team
Tuesday	Maths tutoring with TLC online and assisted by St Joseph's teachers	Chemistry tutoring with TLC online and assisted by St Joseph's teachers		English Literature – Macbeth Workshop led by the English team
Wednesday	Maths tutoring with TLC online and assisted by St Joseph's teachers	Chemistry tutoring with TLC online and assisted by St Joseph's teachers		Resilience Workshop led by the Army outreach team – outside with a number of different tasks
Thursday	Maths tutoring with TLC online and assisted by St Joseph's teachers	Chemistry tutoring with TLC online and assisted by St Joseph's teachers		Well-being workshop – Well-being booklet provided and strategies with some sporty games
Friday	Maths tutoring with TLC online and assisted by St Joseph's teachers	Chemistry tutoring with TLC online and assisted by St Joseph's teachers		Rewards party – awarding of goody bags for attendance and inflatable-based fun to celebrate successful week.

Feedback

Summer School attendees completed feedback forms during the week in which 100% staff and 98% students recommended that St Joseph's should run Summer School in 2022 because:

"It helped me to feel ready for year 11."

"I learned a lot in a fun and engaging way."

"The tutors were knowledgeable and the English workshops were really fun."

Funding

Staffing	£5,234
Sports bottles	£64.00
Paper bags	£7.50
Stationery	£136.00
Inflatable	£380.00
Lunch/drinks	£795.00
Revision guides	£481.00
Workshop (online)	£250
Total:	£7,347.50