



Whitburn Church of England Academy

An Academy with Specialist Status in Maths and Computing

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Summer School Invitation

Dear Parent/Carer

We shall be running a summer school in the first week of the holidays. This will be open to all current Year 6 students who are joining us in September. As we are aware that Sunderland authority term dates differ from ours, Year 6 students from Sunderland primary schools are welcome to attend on **Thursday 23rd July and Friday 24th July**. There will be a **cost of £70 in total** to attend these two days of summer school, though students who are currently eligible for Pupil Premium will not be charged. The £70 charge has been necessitated by the ending of funding from central government and is required to help us meet some, though not all, of the costs which we incur.

We intend to provide a wide range of activities to give students a taste of secondary school life and to offer an opportunity to familiarise them with some of our staff and facilities. There will be a range of subjects on offer and learning will be delivered through fun activities, rather than formal lessons. Students who request a place must commit to **attending both days**. Your child will need to bring a water bottle and a packed lunch each day as well as suitable clothing and footwear for sports activities.

Due to staffing constraints, this year we will have a maximum of 180 student places available at Summer School. These will be allocated on a first come first served basis, and any other students will be added to the waiting list. We will let you know as soon as possible if your child has a place. Further details will be sent out later in the summer term, but at this stage it is essential that you register your interest on the consent form overleaf so that planning can be finalised. We would like to take photographs or video film throughout the three days and images may be used on our website and other publications; we may also be visited by the local press. Please sign the consent form as appropriate. To allow us to fulfil our legal obligations, please **complete all sections of the attached form**. Some of the activities may involve going off-site, by signing the consent form you are agreeing to Academy staff taking your child out of school for an enriching activity.

The deadline for the return of the form is Wednesday 20th May. This should be returned to the Main Academy Office at the above address along with **full payment. Payment can be made by cash (in an envelope with the attached consent form) or by card at main reception (if paying by card, please bring the completed consent form with you).** Please mark envelopes 'Summer School 2026'. Unfortunately, we will not be able to offer refunds should your child subsequently not attend.

Hopefully your child will be able to attend, and we very much look forward to meeting them as part of this valuable transition opportunity. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Main Academy Office.

Yours faithfully

Mrs N Henderson

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Year 6 to Year 7 Transition Lead

**2026 Summer School
Consent Form**

Child's Name

Present School

Home Address

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Telephone Number(s)

Emergency contact number(s) and name(s)

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Doctor's name and surgery address

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Relevant medical details (including allergies)

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Any special dietary requirements

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I do / do not * give permission for film or photographs of my child to be released to the press, or be used on the academy website or other publications. * (please delete as appropriate)

I consent to my child attending the Summer School on **Thursday 23rd July** and **Friday 24th July**, from 9:30am to 3:00pm. I understand that transport to and from the school during this time is not the responsibility of the academy. **I confirm that my child will attend both days.**

Either

I have enclosed **£70** cash

Or

I have paid **£70** by card payment at the Main Reception

(Unfortunately, we do not accept cheques and will not be able to offer refunds should your child subsequently not attend).

Signed (Parent/Carer): _____

Print Name: _____

Please return to the Main Academy Office by Wednesday 20th May.