

Summer School Challenge 2009

Dear Parents

I wish to inform you about a new venture to take place this summer during the school holidays: the Summer School Challenge.

It is becoming increasingly popular for schools to offer opportunities for pupils to take part in extension and enrichment activities during the summer vacation. To this end, a one week summer school will be established in 2009, with the potential to offer more extended opportunities in the future.

We wish to emphasise that this is not intended to be a 'catch-up' or revision week.

This would be available to all pupils between Years 7-10 and possibly some pupils from local schools. The workshops would involve both school staff and also outside visitors who can offer additional expertise as appropriate.

Many of the girls recently completed a questionnaire which highlighted their interests and preferences for such a week. These include

- Art, Photo and Video workshops
- Drama
- Science (including DNA) and creative technology
- Sports activities
- Fashion Design
- Cooking

It is envisaged that not all activities will take place each day, probably just one or two options depending on demand, so that girls who attend each day will develop different skills and interests throughout the week. At this stage the arrangements are provisional, but it is likely that the cost will be £15 per day or £70 for the week to include morning refreshments and a snack lunch. The day would start at 9.00am and finish at 3.30pm and pupils would be responsible for making their own travel arrangements to and from school. Girls will wear their own clothes, and specific requirements will be clarified in due course.

The Summer School will take place, according to popularity, either

July 27th - 31st OR August 3rd - 7th

If this venture is of interest to you and your daughter, please complete the reply slip below and return to the Deputy Headmistress, Mrs Bush, by Wednesday March 18th. All returns will be collated and you will be contacted in due course with further details – please remember, at this stage there is no obligation to attend, but we appreciate some feedback from you before we take this venture further forward.

Yours sincerely



Mrs L A Robinson
Headmistress

Reply slip – Please return to Mrs Bush

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Daughter's Name _____

Form _____

*Please indicate accordingly

My daughter would be interested in attending the Summer School YES / NO *

She would be available all week, or some days, as follows (please tick)

July 27 - 31 All week some days

August 3-7 All week some days

My daughter would be interested in all the activities YES / NO *

(If the answer is NO, please tick the preferred activities)

1. Art, Photo, Video
2. Drama
3. Science and Creative technology
4. Sports activities
5. Fashion Design
6. Cooking

Signature _____ Parent / Guardian

Date _____

Thank you for completing this information – **please return to Mrs Bush by March 18th**