

Highworth Warneford School Summer School 2021 Statement

Highworth Warneford School participated in the Department for Education's "Summer School" programme in July and August 2021. This involved inviting all students due to join year 7 in September 2021 to take part in a week of activities, with a choice of two weeks on offer.

The students had not experienced the normal set of induction days, due to COVID-19 restrictions, so this was an opportunity for them to meet new friends and build confidence for their new start at secondary school, as well as help to tackle some gaps in their learning.

Examples of the activities include:

- Sessions on the history and geography of the local area, helping them to understand the importance of our oceans and how climate change affects them;
- A French café experience;
- A robotics workshop;
- A team building day;
- Trips to Coleshill to learn about its involvement in World War Two, Bristol Aquarium, and Avebury Stones.

On the final day, the students and staff took part in a range of sports activities, followed by a graduation ceremony and ice creams!

To cover the costs of running these sessions, the school will receive a payment of £24284.59 from the Department for Education. The costs incurred by the school were:

• Entrance costs for trips	£1039.50
• Coach costs for trips	£1370.00
• Staffing costs	£17195.40
• Costs for resources/activities within school	£4394.69
• Miscellaneous costs	£285.00

Feedback from both parents and students was excellent and we hope that funding will continue to allow us to run a similar programme in future years.