



Oak Tree School – Use of DfE Summer School funding 2021

Summer School Overview

Oak Tree School is a specialist provision positioned near the city of Truro in Cornwall. The school provides full-time specialist co-education for up to 65 children and young people aged 7 to 16 who experience social, emotional, mental health, communication difficulties and associated challenging behaviours. These children and young people often cannot cope, function or achieve within a mainstream environment. The aim is to provide a structured, nurturing approach, with pupils accessing a broad, balanced and engaging curriculum to meet their significant needs.

For the past four years (not 2020) we have offered a summer school to all students across the school. We aim to provide continuation of relationships with students and school staff, provide respite and support for families and enhancing our student's experiences.

Summer 2021

	Number	%s
Students on role	54	100%
Students attending summer school	27	50%

This year we ran the Summer School over 15 days and students were able to take part in the following activities:

- Beach days
- Surfing
- Team building activities
- Dog walking
- Bushcraft
- Games in the woods
- Water sports including kayaking and paddle boarding

The total amount being claimed through DfE fund is £2990.

100% of this funding has been used to staff the summer school. All other activities and related costs have been paid by the school.

Conclusion

This was our most successful summer school to date. With the highest numbers of students attending over 15 days.

We continue to see the importance of the wraparound enrichment that our school provides. Ensuring that relationships between staff and students continue to flourish over prolonged breaks.

Feedback from students, parents and staff has all been very positive.

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