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Dear Parent

We have great pleasure in sharing with you details of our **2021 Oathall Summer School**.

You may have heard about proposals from the government about summer schools to support children in recovering some of their missed education. The government has asked secondary schools to focus on delivering a short summer school offering a blend of academic and enrichment opportunities. They have asked schools to focus this on pupils making the transition into Year 7. It is our belief that during the last year children have missed out on opportunities for enrichment and the chance that brings to learn and develop in less structured environments.

We have worked in partnership with a leading STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) provider and a sporting pursuits company to design a summer school programme offering both classroom based learning and outdoor education and experiences. The programme is based around developing teamwork and adventure. Oathall teachers and support staff will also be present to support the programme.

The programme is **free of charge**. It is not compulsory for your child to attend. Lunch will also be provided (although you may provide a packed lunch if you prefer). Children should wear sports clothes, trainers, a waterproof coat and bring a small named bag with a water bottle and snack if they wish.

The summer school programme will go ahead the week beginning **26th July**, with sessions running from 9.00 am - 3.00 pm on Monday to Thursday and on Friday 10.00 am - 12.30 pm. Your child will be invited to attend on one of the days between Monday and Thursday and everyone is invited to attend on Friday for a cinema experience.

Each day a different house (Endeavour, Pioneer, Discovery, Voyager) is invited to attend and your child will be working in their tutor groups throughout the day. If you wish your child to attend, please can you complete the form for your child's house by Wednesday 30th June.

Monday 26th July children in **Endeavour house** are invited to attend (tutor groups with Mrs Pettingel and Mr Farrow). [Please complete this form to confirm your child's attendance.](#)

Tuesday 27th July children in **Pioneer house** are invited to attend (tutor groups with Mr Nicholson, Mrs Lindsley and Miss Burch). [Please complete this form to confirm your child's attendance.](#)

Wednesday 28th July children in **Discovery house** are invited to attend (tutor groups with Miss Chinn, Ms Pringle). [Please complete this form to confirm your child's attendance.](#)

Thursday 29th July children in **Voyager house** are invited to attend (tutor groups with Mr Morris and Miss Bluden). [Please complete this form to confirm your child's attendance.](#)

Friday 30th July all students in **all houses** are invited to attend 10.00 am - 12.30 pm for a cinema experience in the hall.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact newstarters@oathall.org and I look forward to seeing your child take part in these fabulous activities.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Hatchard

Assistant Headteacher