



**PLATANOS COLLEGE**

An outstanding school for  
pupils of all abilities

# Year 6 Pupil Celebration Newsletter

## Summer School – 2022

*Attitude Determines Altitude*

### Message to our new Year 7

Welcome to the Platanos College Summer School newsletter.

It has been excellent to see a consistent and enthusiastic group of pupils participate in this week. Year 6 pupils have been eager to take advantage of the additional learning opportunities on offer this summer.

Each pupil has taken part in English, Maths and Science lessons every day. These lessons were followed by a lunchtime inclusive of outdoor activities and the opportunity to further interact with their new peers. The day also included a PE lesson where the pupils were encouraged to build upon skills such as teamwork and communication skills.

The pupils have displayed an outstanding attitude to learning across all subjects. They have displayed impeccable manners and respect to both members of staff and their fellow peers.

It has also been wonderful to see the pupils taking the opportunity to form new friendships and build a rapport with new members of staff in preparation for September 2022.

The pupils have spoken positively about their first experiences of Platanos College and they have expressed their enthusiasm and excitement about starting Platanos College formally in September.

I wish all pupils, parents and carers a well-deserved restful bank holiday. I look forward to seeing the pupils successfully transition into Year 7.

If you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me at [year7pastoral@platanoscollege.com](mailto:year7pastoral@platanoscollege.com).

***Ms Daniels***

## English



We would like to congratulate the year 6 pupils for their enthusiasm in their English lessons during the summer school. For the past week, pupils have been tasked with designing and writing their own adventure stories and creating their own heroes.

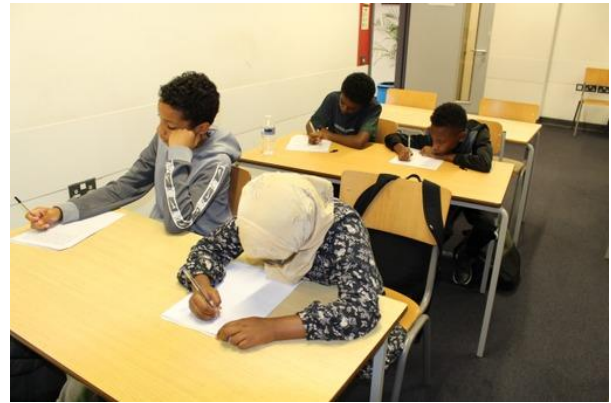
We have been focusing on describing protagonists and antagonists, designing an effective setting, using dialogue correctly, including tense action scenes and crafting an ending with strong moral message— pupils have made significant learning gains in such a short space of time.

Pupils have also been recapping key subject terminology for English to ensure pupils don't forget all the work they did at primary school and to bridge the gap between KS2 and KS3. Pupils have also been refining their literacy skills.

All pupils worked incredibly hard to produce their best pieces of writing and many were eager to show off all their fantastic work.

We're hoping that the pupils who completed the summer school will feel confident, at ease and look forward to their English lessons in year 7!

**Ms O'Connell**



## Maths

I would like to congratulate all of the year 6 pupils who attended summer school this year. Pupils' behaviour in lessons was exemplary and they had an extremely positive attitude to learning during maths lessons. Pupils were enthusiastic to contribute during class discussions and they made an excellent effort to complete lesson tasks.

Pupils demonstrated a good understanding in the topics covered which included fractions, multiplication and area of shapes. They made good progress on the lesson activities. Some pupils were able to answer some of the problems taken from previous Junior Mathematical Challenge competition.

All of the pupils have done really well during the summer school.

**Mr Persaud**



## Science



The objective of what was covered over the two weeks was to initially get pupils to appreciate the role science plays in everyday life and understand the difference between Biology, Chemistry and Physics. They were then able to establish an initial understanding of potential careers that require a strong foundation of Science. Finally, pupils were introduced to the scientific method.

Pupils made good progress and were able to recall and explain the concepts covered. They have a firm understanding of the scientific method and can employ it in any investigation to develop a scientific theory. The attitude to learning and pupil engagement was very impressive.



Pupils actively participated in the lessons, were eager to share their understanding of concepts taught at primary school and how the topics covered in summer school were enhancing this base knowledge.

## Mr Vaishampayan

## Physical Education



This week our prospective Year 7s have engaged in a variety of activities such as Football, Basketball, Table Tennis, Dodgeball and Swedish Longball. Pupils participated with great enthusiasm and enjoyed the variety of sports taught on a day-to-day basis.



The department in particular have been very impressed with the resilience and work ethic of pupils, which will undoubtedly be beneficial for their start in September.



Through the variety of sporting activities, pupils have been able to get to know each other better whilst working in a team; this has also helped to foster a healthy competitive nature amongst the groups.



We have already identified an array of talented pupils within the week and the department have already begun to promote our sports teams which is very exciting. We look forward to working with all pupils fully in September.

**Mr Olaniran**

### **Summer School Achievement Assembly**

On Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2022 we held a Summer School Achievement Assembly to celebrate the individual achievements of the pupils.

Certificates were awarded to pupils for their Progress and Effort in English, Maths, Science and PE.

In addition, certificates were also awarded to pupils for engagement and participation.

All pupils in attendance were presented with a certificate for successfully completing the Platanos College Summer School.

### **Pupils Awards**



#### **ENGLISH AWARDS**

**Benjamin Adegoke  
Miriam Daud  
Brianna Minnot Gordon  
Nesrin Osman  
Rahiem Grant**



#### **MATHEMATICS AWARDS**

**Mohammed Osman  
Marayam Ipaye  
Luis Alves  
Darcie Hart  
Oluwapamimo Adesanya  
Jeremy Chukwu**



#### **SCIENCE AWARDS**

**Jeremy Chukwu  
Darcie Hart  
Mariam Daud  
Neferari Dale  
Suweyda Dirie**



#### **PE AWARDS**

**Jahmannie Bollers  
Maryam Ipaye**

Ana Vidal  
Mohammed Osman  
Henri Rodrigues

**Congratulations on a fantastic week!**



**Pupil Voice**

**Jahzara:** "I have enjoyed PE and Maths the most this week. I am looking forward to joining in September to see what will happen, it is exciting."

**Nicole:** "I enjoyed PE and English as it was my favourite subjects and fun. I am looking forward to doing more classes and meeting the rest of my Primary school friends in September."



**Suweyda:** "I liked PE the best and am looking forward to meeting new people to make new friends when I join."



**Tiago:** "Pe has been my favourite sessions this week, we have done lots of different activities that were all fun."

**Leo:** "I enjoyed the play at lunchtime and the PE lessons because we did lots of sports."



**Jeremy:** "I enjoyed PE, Basketball in particular and I am looking forward to joining the school football team."



**Adonis:** "I have enjoyed Maths, PE and Science this week the most."

**Pamimo:** "I enjoyed Maths and PE. I am most looking forward to doing more of these lessons when I join in September."



### School Start Date

Year 7 start school on **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022.**

Pupils should arrive at **8.30am.**

### Update to Contact Details

Please ensure the school office has all your current contact details, especially your current mobile phone number and email address and advise us immediately if any of your details change.

If there are any changes, please let us know by informing the main office as soon as possible or email [info@platanoscollege.com](mailto:info@platanoscollege.com)

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