



SUMMER SCHOOL EVALUATION REPORT



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Summer School review

October 2021

Summary information

'Summer schools have a positive impact on average (three months' additional progress)' EEF

The key aims of summer school was to

1. Improve the transition to secondary school for Year 6 pupils (as traditional transition days were unable to take place in person)
2. To provide a catch up programme for disadvantaged students moving into Year 11, in order for pupils to feel more confident about starting their final year of school.

Desired outcomes

A	Group A and B – Year 6 students Improve attendance to school of free school meals students and those with historic attendance issues in primary school <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Make new friends• Get to know the school site• Learn new skills• Build confidence and self-esteem• Have fun and be creative
B	Group C – Year 10 students Close curriculum gaps created by COVID- 19 in Maths and English, improving literacy and numeracy skills that will be required at the start of the school year

The amount of funding allocated to Light Hall School for summer school was £21,492

The total costs of hosting the Summer school is as follows:

Pet- Xi	£19,600
Catering costs	£382.50
Taxi for one pupil for three days	£60.61
Pastoral Manager support (DSL)	£600

Attendance

Group A	(Group size 23) All 8 of disadvantaged students attended every day
Group B	(Group size 25) All 16 of all disadvantaged students attended every day
Group C	7 out of 13 disadvantaged students attended every day

Pet- Xi was the company used to host the summer school, as they had a focus on academic interventions in small group settings. This was endorsed by the EEF “summer schools that involve an intensive teaching component such as using small group or one to one approaches have higher impacts, on average”.

All Year 10 pupil premium and vulnerable children’s parents were emailed with regards to Summer school. The plan was to have 30 pupils, however interest was not as high and only 15 students were confirmed as attending.

All Year 6 pupil premium and vulnerable children were invited as first priority for Summer School, the plan was for 60 pupils to attend. Interest was better for cohort, it became very popular and was opened up to all Year 6 pupils in order to entice more Year 6 PP students to attend if their non PP friends were attending.

The school ran from Tuesday 31st August to Thursday 2nd September and followed the exact timings of the school day 0845 to 1500.

The Head of Maths and English decided on the best programmes of study for Year 7 and 11 to complete linked to their respective curriculum plans and common misconceptions for the Autumn Term. (See Below)

Year 7 timetable

8.45am	Arrival at reception
9.00am – 10.30am	English session
10.30am – 10.45am	Break
10.45am – 12.15pm	Maths
12.15 – 12.45pm	Lunch (provided)
12.45pm – 3pm	Enrichment activity

Year 11 timetable

8.45am	Arrival at reception
9.00am – 11.00am	Maths
11.00am – 11.15am	Break
11.15am – 1.15pm	English
1.15pm – 1.45pm	Lunch (provided)
1.45pm – 3pm	Enrichment activity

Programmes of study

Year 6 – 7 Transition (Groups A and B)

Mathematics

Number topics:

Multiplication

Division

Decimals

Fractions

Ratio and Proportion

English

Writing skills:

Planning a piece of writing and writing for a purpose

Reading skills:

Inference

Year 10 – 11 Transition (Group C)

Mathematics

Topics:

Sequences

Index laws

LCM and HCF

Plotting graphs

Equation of a line

Fractions and Averages

English

Skills:

Reading (non-fiction)

Identifying tone, emotion and attitudes

Comparing writers' attitudes

Comparing writers' methods

Measuring impact

- Students taking part in the programme all took mini subject specific confidence tests at the start and end of each session to measure the impact of progress of the session.
- Learner workbooks have remained at school
- Learners all completed a programme evaluation form which captured their views of the whole experience

Below are the average percentage scores for each module at the start and end of the programme:

Group A

Maths

	Multiplication, division and decimals	Fractions	Ratio and Proportion
Tuesday 31 st August	56%	62%	57%
Thursday 2 nd September	82%	82%	94%

English

	Planning a piece of writing	Inference	Writing for a purpose
Tuesday 31 st August	46%	47%	45%
Thursday 2 nd September	66%	78%	70%

Group B**Maths**

	Multiplication, division and decimals	Fractions	Ratio and Proportion
Tuesday 31 st August	50%	56%	61%
Thursday 2 nd September	91%	96%	99%

English

	Planning a piece of writing	Inference	Writing for a purpose
Tuesday 31 st August	34%	40%	64%
Thursday 2 nd September	69%	90%	89%

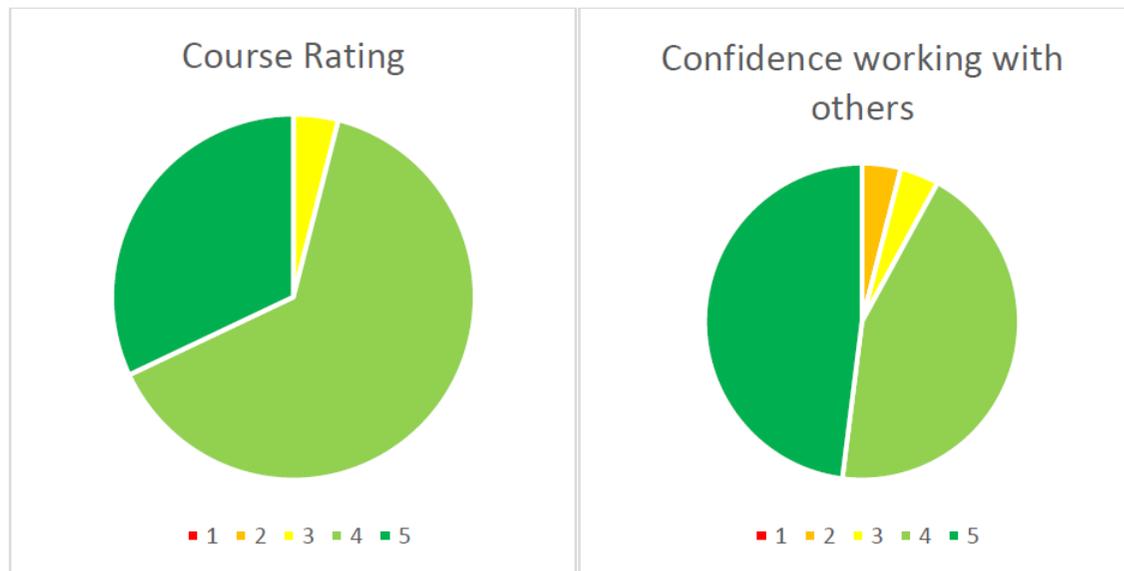
Group C

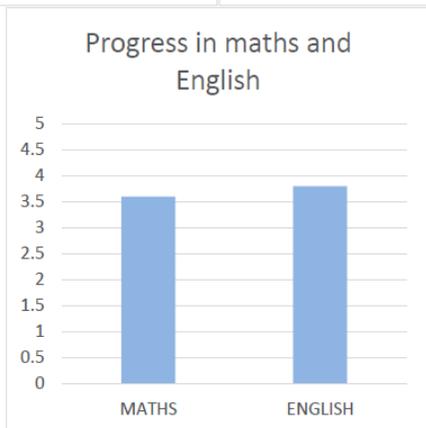
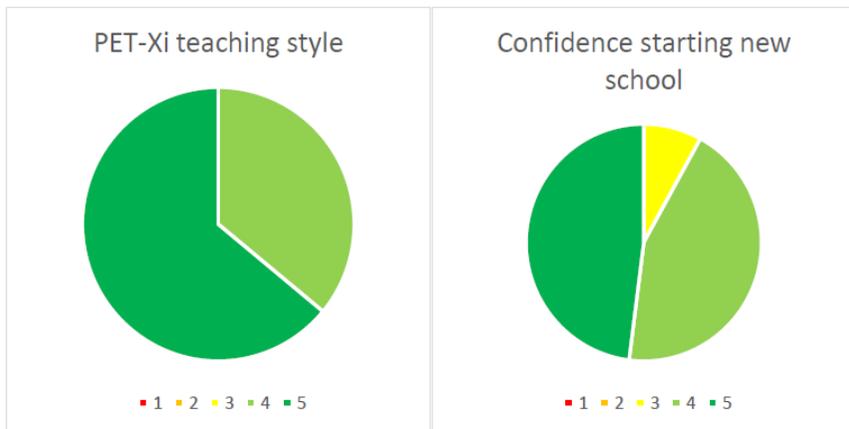
	Maths	English
Tuesday 31 st August	21%	29%
Thursday 2 nd September	68%	76%

Learner Feedback

At the end of the programme, the students were asked to complete evaluations based on their experiences throughout the week, rating from 1 (poor) to 5 (excellent). A summary of this feedback is as follows:

Group A





Quotes from students in Group A on the favourite part of their course.

“Enrichment and getting a feel for school and meeting new people”

“I loved the enrichment and meeting new people”

“My favourite was the arts and crafts and colouring with Alex because they were fun and good for making friends”

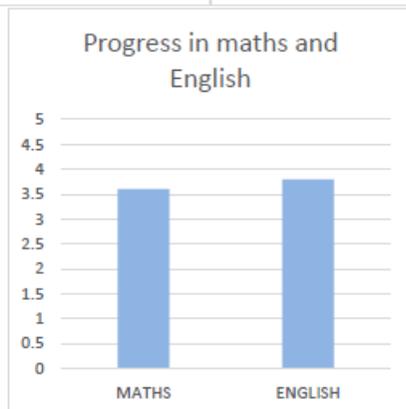
Quotes from students in Group A to best describe their experience.

“Amazing. It has been really fun and the lessons were great”

“It helped me make friends and feel more confident about school”

“I have loved it. Pet-Xi are good at teaching”

Group B



Quotes from students in Group B on the favourite part of their course.

"The first day when we met everyone"

"The afternoon because you get to do fun stuff and it was fun"

"Making new friends and playing games"

Quotes to describe your experience:

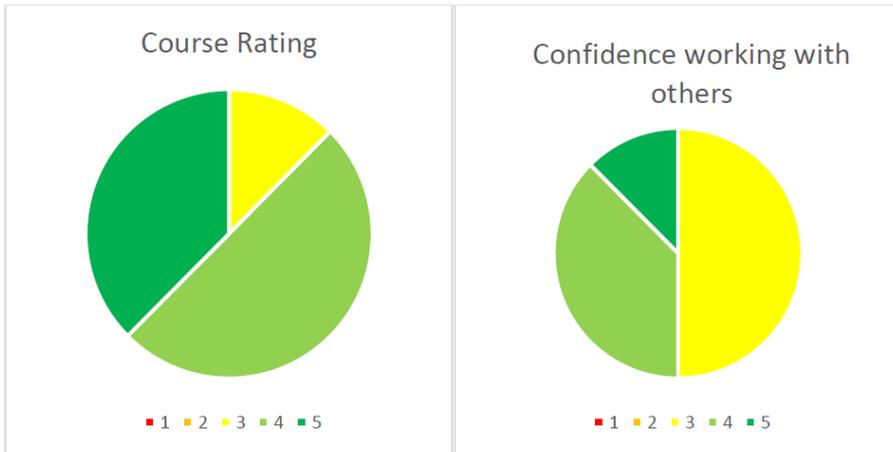
"I was very nervous for secondary school so doing some team building activities helped"

"Pet – Xi's summer school was amazing and I loved doing it. I have learned a lot of things"

"It's really helped with my confidence, and they are really good teachers"

"I loved the fact that I was selected for this! I'd 100% recommend this for Yr 7's 😊"

Group C (Year 10)



Quotes from Year 10 – Group C to describe the favourite part of the course.

“Enrichment activities”

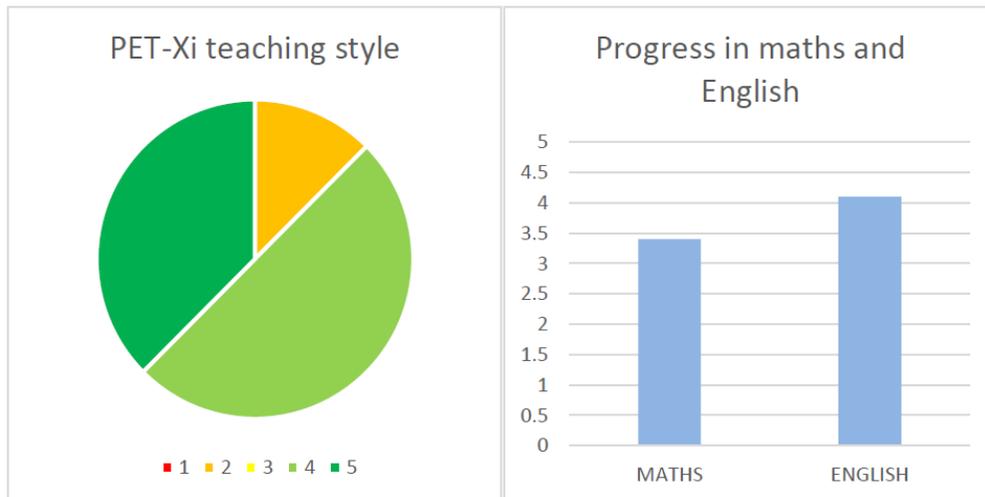
“Earning raffle tickets and having a great team teaching us”

Quotes to describe their experience.

“It has helped me with topics I wasn’t so confident with”

“Learned new things and hilarious with Bob and fun exercise”

“I had fun learning new things and the teachers were extremely nice and funny”



Summary

The summer school was particularly successful for Year 6 to 7 transition and represented good value for money because of the outcomes which have had a lasting impact into the new academic year. Year 7 pupils who attended summer school were well equipped to begin secondary school and were more confident and less anxious about starting at Light Hall.

We will explore ways to repeat this experience for the incoming Year 7s in the future.

