

16 June 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

### **National Citizenship Service (NCS) - Year 11 into Year 12 Summer School 2021**

I write to inform you that the school is taking part in an exciting two-week long summer programme with the National Citizenship Service (NCS). This exciting and dynamic programme is a truly fantastic enrichment opportunity, something to help your son/ward get back on track with their learning recovery.

The NCS is a 10-day programme of team-building, problem-solving, enterprise work and social action (volunteering) in our local community. Students must complete all ten days. Normally, this national programme would be worth £1,050 for the ten days but:

- **your son/ward can access it for ONLY £50.00; and**
- **any student on Free School Meals can access the programme for only £10.00.**

It is an incredible opportunity - something that will look truly amazing on their curriculum vitae (CV). Indeed, universities and employers highly value the NCS programme as it develops an array of soft, key skills or competencies. This includes: leadership, problem-solving, oracy (making a pitch), listening, empathy and social justice, and teamwork.

The dates for the standard two-week NCS programme (ten days) at school are:

- Monday 16 August to Friday 20 August; and
- Monday 23 to Friday 27 August.

We require a minimum number of 16 people to run the programme at Isleworth & Syon School and students **MUST** complete all ten days.

- **I urge your son/ward to sign up before Thursday 17 June, 4.00pm.**

To find out more, go [here](#). Your son/ward has been asked to sign up via a survey sent out by the school via email.

If there are any problems in relation to funding, email me directly as I can always work out a payment plan.

From a personal perspective, my own daughter completed the NCS programme two years ago and she thoroughly enjoyed the experience. It broadened her outlook, strengthened some of her competencies and provided her with new real-life skills during the summer holidays. Please give it serious consideration and sorry about the short notice.

Yours sincerely,



**Mr S Fisher**  
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