

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are excited to be working with Lymm High School this year to deliver an unforgettable summer experience for students in year 11.

The NCS programme offers young people, aged 16-17, a once in a lifetime opportunity to do something meaningful with their summer break, as well as a chance to develop skills and take on new challenges that will set them up for adult life. They'll also do something good for their local community, carrying out a project to support a cause they care about. We've seen first-hand what an amazing feeling of accomplishment and increased confidence this brings. Last August, teenagers on NCS donated 200,000 hours of their time to help rebuild their communities after the first lockdown, showing what a difference young people can make when they work together towards a goal.

More information on the NCS summer programme can be found below or on our website; Over a period of 2 or 3 weeks, they will;

✓ Meet new people
 ✓ Try new things
 ✓ Give back to their local community through voluntary action

✓ Take on new challenges

Develop the skills and confidence to take on their next steps

Generate experience for their university application, job/apprenticeship interview or CV and more!

NCS is all about helping teenagers realise their potential by giving them a taste of independence and loading them up with new skills that set them up to achieve their future goals, whatever they may be. And this year, it's your teen's turn!

We will be attending Lymm week commencing the 22nd of March to talk more about the NCS programme. We'll answer any questions your young adult may have (at a safe distance, of course) and give them a chance to register their interest for the summer 2021 programme. We will then follow this up with further Q+A sessions at lunch time in school.

If your young adult does want to register their interest in taking part in NCS this summer, we will ask them to share your contact details. This is so that we can complete the administrative process required to get them signed up to a programme date. If they do let us know they're interested, we'll be in touch with you by email or phone to run through the steps we need to complete their booking.

A place on NCS is worth around £1500. However, thanks to government funding for the programme, we only ask for a contribution of £50 to cover some basic costs. We want to ensure that everyone can do NCS so there are bursaries available if you need some help to cover the cost please ask.

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NCS this summer is adaptable with two options for your young adult.

- 2-week option based in Warrington, approximately 10 4pm each day with weekends free.
- 3-week option with 4 nights at a local residential centre and then 2 weeks based in Warrington, approximately 10 4pm each day with weekends free.

If the government guidelines change and we are not able to run the 3-week option, this will simply change into the 2-week option so your young adult can still have a fantastic summer.

This summer, we've got a few start dates you can choose from:

- 12th July 2-week option
- 19th July 3-week option
- 2nd August 3-week option
- 16th August 2-week option

Please note places are allocated on a first come first served basis.

Go to <u>wearencs.com</u> to sign up or for more information Frequently asked questions can be found at <u>wearencs.com/faqs</u>. Alternatively, if you have any questions or don't think these dates will work with your summer plans, give the local team at Warrington Youth Club a call on 01925 909676.

We look forward to welcoming your young adult on NCS this summer!

Warm wishes,
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