RLP summer school – next steps and information

- **I have informed the school that my child wishes to take part. Is he or she now enrolled in the RLP summer school?**
    - No, the confirmation to the schools does NOT yet mean that you have enrolled your children in the RLP summer school as neither the time nor the place of the courses were then known. The confirmation to the schools was for planning purposes. This is, after all, the first time the RLP summer school is being held, and we need to know how many people are interested. Now the state and the town councils, districts and local government associations know how many places are needed.
- **How do I enrol my child in the RLP summer school?**
    - You can enrol your child through your local authority, i.e. usually your local government association or your town council. This is because the local authorities organise the programme locally. They will also advertise the summer school offers in the region to parents, for example through the official gazette or newspaper. Take a look at ferien.bildung-rp.de. There the local authorities can enter the regional offers of the RLP summer school and the contact persons for enrolment from the beginning of July. So, keep an eye on this website from time to time.
- **Is the RLP summer school held at all schools?**
    - No, because not every school has enough children who wish to take part. Therefore, the RLP summer school is to be held at a centrally located school or another public building for the surrounding area. This means that, if possible, there should be at least one offer per local government association or town. However, the local authorities are free to decide whether they wish to offer an RLP summer school. The exact location is also decided by the local government association or the town council or the administrative district.
- **Who is the RLP summer school for?**
    - The summer school offer is aimed at pupils from the 1st to the 8th grade.
- **When does the RLP summer school take place?**
    - Die RLP summer school is usually held in the last two weeks of the summer holidays (from 3 to 7 August 2020 or 10 to 14 August 2020). However, local authorities can also set a different period so as to combine the RLP summer school with their holiday childcare offers. In some towns and municipalities, the RLP summer school may therefore be held at a different time. Please also take a look at ferien.bildung-rp.de. The local authorities can enter the regional offers there.
- **How long does the RLP summer school go on for?**

    - The children usually take part for one week, three hours a day, from Monday to Friday. However, it may be possible to take part for both weeks if there is a sufficient number of places and in consultation with the local authority.
- **What does it cost to take part in the RLP summer school?**
    - Participation in the RLP summer school is free of charge. It is possible that additional holiday childcare is also offered after the summer school, which may be charged for. However, the RLP summer school itself is still free of charge.
- **Who are the teachers at the RLP summer school?**
    - The teachers are volunteers with a close connection to school education, e.g. schoolteachers, retired teachers, trainee teachers, day-care assistants and staff of the supervising elementary school, student teachers and adult senior secondary school students. All of them are prepared and receive teaching materials from the state. Before taking up their voluntary work they have presented an extended police clearance certificate.
- **Is there subsequent childcare?**
    - It is possible that the local authority combines the RLP summer school with a childcare offer, but this is not compulsory. It is therefore best to ask your local government association or town council.
- **Is lunch provided?**
    - The RLP summer school itself is a half-day offer without lunch. However, during the three hours, the children should have the chance to eat breakfast they brought with them or a snack. If the towns and local authorities integrate the summer school into their holiday childcare offer, it is also conceivable that lunch is provided. That depends on the local organisation. It is best to simply ask your municipality or town council when you register.
- **How does my child get to the RLP summer school?**
    - Our aim is to provide such offers throughout the region and close to the residential areas, so that the distances are not too long. However, there is no school bus during the holidays. Therefore, you need to organise bringing and collecting your child yourself.
- **What should my child bring to summer school?**
    - A pencil case with pens and paper for writing, preferably a large pad of squared paper.
    - Perhaps their own learning materials, e.g. tasks that the teachers have set for the holidays, or workbooks that your child would like to continue working on or repeat something from
    - Enough to drink and a snack.

    - Sunscreen and/or a hat for the breaks or if the summer school is held in the green classroom.
- **Is the RLP summer school a one-off event, or will it be held again in the future?**
    - We are currently looking into continuing the offer in the autumn holidays and possibly beyond.