

MERCHANT TAYLORS'
School

Co-Curricular Activities Booklet

Spring Term 2026



Welcome to Merchant Taylors' School Co-Curricular Activities Booklet!

In this booklet, you will find information on all the co-curricular activities on offer for the Spring Term at MTS. They are listed alphabetically but the index page also lets you know which activities are available to which year groups – if it is not specified, the activity is available to ALL students. The year groups are labelled as Years 7 to 13, which in MTS ‘language’ is as follows:

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- Year 8 – U3rd Form
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There are always so many things going on at MTS – we want you all to find your niche and get involved in a variety of activities during your time here. Not only is there sport on Saturdays and Outdoor Education on Fridays and Sundays, but there are also activities happening every lunchtime of the week and most days after school as well.

If you have any queries about any of the activities, please contact the staff member who is listed as the ‘Lead Staff/Contact’ in the booklet and they will be happy to give you more information. If you wish to start up your own club, please speak to Mr Greenaway or Miss Trafford who will be able to help you.

Most importantly, get involved! You will learn new things, make new friends and have new, interesting and exciting experiences along the way!

The Co-Curricular Programme aims to:

- **Support the development of well-rounded, interesting pupils and promote honesty, diversity, hard work, confidence, loyalty, leadership, self-esteem, service and enjoyment;**
- **Help pupils make memories and forge friendships for life;**
- **Provide a breadth and balance of activities.**

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ACADEMY OF FLICK FOOTBALL (SUBBUTEO)

Do you love football? Do you enjoy strategy and competition? Then come and try Subbuteo — the exciting table-top game where you flick players, score goals, and challenge your friends in mini-matches and tournaments.

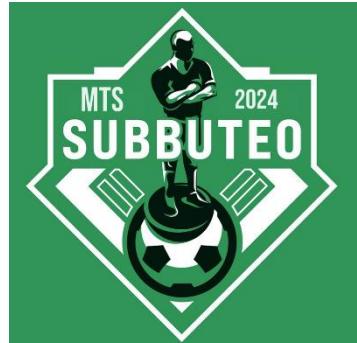
Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MA10 or Chapel

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Fothergill



AFRICAN CARIBBEAN SOCIETY

Learning about the cultures of people of African and Caribbean heritage through talks and activities.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week A;

Location: MA9 (at the end of the Maths corridor under the stairs)

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Ezomo

ALFRED MARSHALL POLITICS AND ECONOMICS SOCIETY

A club dedicated to discussing political and economic ideas. The society will look at a mix of contemporary and historical events with a view to deepening your understanding of the world around you. Events can be talks, debates, or guest speakers and are always guaranteed to make you think!

Year Group(s): Years 11-13;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week B;

Location: EP106 (upstairs in the portacabin)

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Rochow, Mrs Hall and Mr Martin

ARKWRIGHT SCHOLARS 25/26

Open to all 5th Form who wish to apply for a national Arkwright Engineering Scholarship, providing support in applying and help preparing for the exam.

Year Group(s): Year 11;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week A;

Location: DS01

Lead Staff/Contact: Ms Park

ART CAFE

A creative club for enthusiastic Lower School artists. Come along to develop your skills, try out new techniques, and enjoy a relaxed space to make art with others. There may even be biscuits to keep you going! This is an invite-only club, so if you're passionate about art and would like to take part, let your teacher know. Places are limited and will fill quickly—don't miss your chance.

Year Group(s): Years 7-9;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: AD90

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Cataldo



ART SCHOLARS: STUDIO 86

Studio 86 is the fortnightly workshop for Art Scholars, where they will explore taught sessions focusing on a wide range of media and techniques. This session is for Scholars to refine practical and contextual skills, creating ambitious statement pieces that become powerful exhibition works displayed across the school community.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week B;

Location: AD86

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Gosden



ATHLETIC DEVELOPMENT

Part of the pupil health and wellbeing programme aiming to support physicality, health and happiness during the school day.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday MORNING and LUNCH HOUR; Tuesday MORNING, LUNCH HOUR and AFTER SCHOOL; Wednesday MORNING and LUNCH HOUR; Thursday MORNING and LUNCH HOUR; Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: The new gym

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Tod

BADMINTON CLUB

Badminton Club for anyone wanting to play. Sessions in Week A are for students in Years 7, 8 and 9. Sessions in Week B are for students in Years 10 and above.

Year Group(s): All (see description);

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Sports Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Adams (Badminton coach) (and Mr Roots)

JUNIOR BASKETBALL CLUB

Junior Basketball Club offers a fun, friendly way to enjoy the game through matches practice, and skill-building games. Open to all levels from complete beginners to experienced players. It is the perfect place to learn, improve, and most importantly enjoy sport. Sessions will begin w/c 26th January.

Year Group(s): Years 7-9;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Sports Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Richardson

SENIOR BASKETBALL CLUB

Practise and be ready for the U18 basketball fixtures!

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Sports Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Oey

MTS BIG BAND

The Merchant Taylors' Big Band is a 17-piece jazz band which performs big-band charts in a variety of styles including jazz standards, swing, bop, fusions, and arrangements of popular music for jazz band. Coached by one of the Visiting Music Teachers who is a vastly experienced jazz performer and recording artist himself, the Big Band performs in the major concerts as well as the annual Jazz Night in the summer term. Open to trumpeters, trombonists, and sax players, with a piano, bass, drum and percussion rhythm section.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday BEFORE SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Gathercole

BOOK BOFFZ

Games, quizzes, activities and recommendations all connected to books and reading. You don't have to be a record-breaking reader to join in; just enjoy having fun with like-minded people, sharing views and ideas. And eating biscuits!

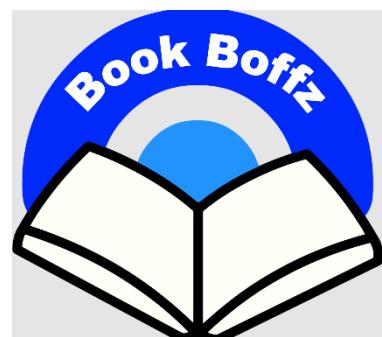
Year Group(s): Years 7-8;

Time: Friday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: The Library

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Harrison and Mrs South



BRIDGE CLUB

Bridge is a mind sport, a partnership trick-taking card game of skill, not luck, and each game offers a unique challenge of problems and solutions. Playing Bridge promotes good mental health and well-being and educational advantages include the development of numeracy, team building and strategic thinking skills. More importantly, it's simply good fun to play with your friends! This club is suitable for beginners and more experienced players alike.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: ML66

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs White



CCF

The Combined Cadet Force (CCF) provides a disciplined organisation within the school which enables pupils to develop powers of leadership by means of training to promote the qualities of responsibility, self-reliance, resourcefulness, endurance and perseverance. The Royal Navy, Army and Royal Air Force sections offer a broad range of challenging, exciting, adventurous and educational activities.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13

Time: Friday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Parade Square/Main Quad

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Firestone and Mr Anderson

CCF MARCHING BAND

Expand your music repertoire into military pieces, and learn how to march and play in an ensemble. We also play popular pieces. Uniform provided by the CCF. The band is an integral part of CCF and other school events. Open to woodwind, brass, and percussion musicians of around Grade 4 and above. If you are unsure whether you would be suitable, get in touch.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Wednesday AFTER SCHOOL, finishing at 5pm;

Frequency: Fortnightly (Week B);

Location: CCF Block

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Wells

CHAMBER CHOIR

An elite chamber choir comprising the very best singers drawn from the School Choir. Repertoire is varied, including both secular and sacred music. In addition to performing in Choral Concerts at School, the Chamber Choir features in the School Carol Service, performs in the annual concert at Merchant Taylors' Hall, and sings two Choral Evensong services each year at external venues, one in a cathedral and one at an Oxbridge College.

The Chamber Choir forms the core of a tour choir every two years, with the next tour taking place in July 2027. Membership is by invitation only.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Crawford

CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

The Sinfonia String Orchestra is the training ground for developing string players who aspire to progress to the Symphony and Chamber Orchestras when they are technically ready. The basis of any orchestra, string players in Sinfonia develop the ensemble of skills of playing in sections, following a conductor, and leading the other musicians around them, as they prepare to perform in the major concerts throughout the school year.

Open to all violinists, viola players, cellists and double bass players up to Grade 5-6 standard.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Tuesday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MU82

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Coulridge

CHARITY DRIVE

This is a group of 20/30 students from Years 11-13 that meet weekly to discuss and organise events to raise money for a range of different charities. Some of the events include the Non-Uniform days, Sleep Out, 24 hours of Music and Film nights. There is a short application and interview process that every student has to go through.

Year Group(s): Years 11-13;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: EP104

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Hall



JUNIOR CHEMISTRY CLUB

Open to Year 7 and Year 8, come along and expand your Chemistry knowledge and carry out new and exciting Chemistry practical experiments! Maximum 24 pupils. It will be open to first come first served each week.

Year Group(s): Years 7-8;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: CH45

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Knight and Mrs Rashid

CHESS CLUB

We provide a mixture of free play and chess coaching from a grandmaster, with opportunities to make it into the school's team. Wednesdays are free play sessions with friends. Fridays are a mixture of coaching and playing. Please try to come on the day that most suits your level of interest.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Wednesday AFTER SCHOOL, finishing at 4.45pm; Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: EN34

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Robinson

CHOIR (FULL)

A large-scale choir (over 100 singers) which is open to all – no audition required! The School Choir leads the singing in the School Carol Service and performs a wide range of sacred and secular music in Choral Concerts at school throughout the year. In the Spring Term, we join with parents and pupils from St Helen's, MTS Prep and St John's School to perform a major choral work.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Crawford

CHOIR: TENORS AND BASSES

A sectional rehearsal for the Tenors and Basses of the School Choir. Time is spent learning the notes of the music to be sung with the Trebles and Altos, as well as singing bespoke repertoire for Tenors and Basses only. Performances as a distinct Male Voice Choir take place alongside the School Choir performances in termly concerts as well as the Christmas Carol Service. Attendance is mandatory for the Tenors and Basses who sing in the School Choir, to which all are welcome – no audition.

Year Group(s): Years 9-13;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Music Dept.

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Crawford

CHOIR: TREBLES AND ALTOS

A sectional rehearsal for the Trebles and Altos of the School Choir. Time is spent learning the notes of the music to be sung with the Tenors and Basses, as well as singing bespoke repertoire for Trebles and Altos only. Attendance is mandatory for the Trebles and Altos who sing in the School Choir, to which all are welcome – no audition.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Wednesday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Crawford

CHRISTIAN UNION

All are invited to attend this friendly, welcoming group where staff and students can hang out, share their faith, and support each other. It's a space to have fun, play & pray together and explore what being a Christian means. The Youth Team from Christ Church Chorleywood will be leading this society this term.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MA1 - 1st classroom on the Maths corridor

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Hale and Mr Farrar-Bell



CLASSICS LECTURE GROUP

Every other week, external speakers and pupils of the Classics department will be giving talks on their favourite Classical subjects. The talks are open to anyone and everyone with an interest in Ancient Greece and Rome.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week B;

Location: CL83

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Goss

CODE CLUB

Code club is a community of students wishing to become better programmers - all ages and abilities are welcome. Those who regularly attend the club get valuable practice solving code problems, and therefore improve. Furthermore, the club is an ideal place to meet like-minded students and improve together.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Tuesday AFTER SCHOOL; Thursday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Co50

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Feleppa

CONCERT BAND

The School's flagship ensemble for wind, brass, and percussion players, which plays varied repertoire for intermediate to advanced musicians. We will develop our playing on a weekly basis through listening and tuning exercises, as well as practising key skills like sight-reading. A must for anyone aiming to take a higher grade on their instrument. All players should be Grade 6 or above.

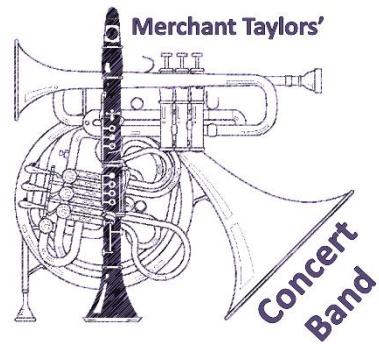
Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Tonks



CREATIVE WRITING

Creative Writing is a space for students of all years to explore language, imagination and storytelling beyond the classroom. Each week we write, share and discuss original pieces, from poetry and short fiction to scripts and novels, in a supportive and inspiring environment.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Every Friday LUNCH HOUR; Monday LUNCH HOUR Week A;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: EN43

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Wilson

CRICKET: HIGH PERFORMANCE GROUP

This is a session for one-to-one cricket practice. Invite only.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Julian Hill Cricket Centre

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Davies

CRICKET: SENIOR BATTING

Senior batting practice

Year Group(s): Years 11-13;

Time: Monday MORNING; Wednesday MORNING;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Julian Hill Cricket Centre

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Davies

CRICKET: SENIOR FAST BOWLING ACADEMY

This is a fast bowlers academy for cricketers in Years 10, 11, 12 and 13.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Friday MORNING;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Julian Hill Cricket Centre

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Evans

CRICKET: SENIOR OPEN NETS

Open cricket nets for players in Years 11,12 and 13. This is predominantly for boys that might be on a games option currently that is not cricket.

Year Group(s): Years 11-13;

Time: Wednesday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Julian Hill Cricket Centre

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Shah

CRICKET: SPIN BOWLING ACADEMY

Cricket spin bowling academy for all ages.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Julian Hill Cricket Centre

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Davies

CRICKET: YEAR 10 & 11 HIGH PERFORMANCE GROUP

A and B team practice for Year 10 and some invited Year 11s.

Year Group(s): Years 10-11;

Time: Tuesday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Julian Hill Cricket Centre

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Davies

CRICKET: YEAR 7 & 8 BATTING

Batting practice for Year 7 and 8 cricketers who are in the A and B teams. For Year 7s, this takes place in Week A. For Year 8s, this takes place in Week B.

Year Group(s): Years 7-8;

Time: Tuesday MORNING;

Frequency: Fortnightly (dependent on year group – see description);

Location: Julian Hill Cricket Centre

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr De Weymarn

CRICKET: YEAR 7 CLUB

Cricket practice for C, D and E team cricketers in Year 7.

Year Group(s): Year 7;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Julian Hill Cricket Centre

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Shah

CRICKET: YEAR 7 PERFORMANCE TEAM

Cricket nets for A and B team players in Year 7.

Year Group(s): Year 7;

Time: Thursday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Julian Hill Cricket Centre

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Davies

CRICKET: YEAR 7, 8 & 9 HIGH PERFORMANCE GROUP

High Performance cricket group for Years 7, 8 and 9. Invite only.

Year Group(s): Years 7-9;

Time: Monday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Julian Hill Cricket Centre

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Davies

CRICKET: YEAR 8 CLUB

Open nets for Year 8 cricketers not involved in the high performance group sessions.

Year Group(s): Year 8;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR; Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Julian Hill Cricket Centre

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Galloway and Mr Davies

CRICKET: YEAR 9 & 10 CLUB

Year 9 and 10 cricket club for C, D and E team cricketers.

Year Group(s): Years 9-10;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Julian Hill Cricket Centre

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Davies

CRICKET: YEAR 9 PERFORMANCE GROUP

Cricket practice for Year 9 A and B team cricketers.

Year Group(s): Year 9;

Time: Friday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Julian Hill Cricket Centre

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Davies

CRICKET: YEARS 9 & 10 BATTING

Batting practice for selected Year 9 and 10 cricketers. Invite only.

Year Group(s): Years 9-10;

Time: Thursday MORNING;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Julian Hill Cricket Centre

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Roots

CRYPTIC CROSSWORD CLUB

Do you want to learn the essential intellectual life skill of solving cryptic crosswords? Do you like anagrams and word play? Come along to EN40 every Wednesday lunchtime to learn the art of cruciverbalism!

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: EN40

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Trafford

DEBATING SOCIETY

Weekly club where boys can practice debating skills and consider different arguments on a range of issues.

Year Group(s): Years 9-13;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: HY2.52

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Farrar-Bell

THE DEPENDENT

The Dependent is the school's satirical magazine: think Private Eye, the Daily Mash or TV programmes like Have I Got News for You or Mock the Week. Last year's editions featured articles about Demerits, Finance Bros, tangerines in the 6th Form Common Room and St Barnabas Day, to name a few! There is a preliminary meeting towards the end of the first half-term of each term, which then gives you time to write a piece ready for publication near the end of each term. The first meeting this term will be w/c 9th February! Look out for further details in the weekly bulletin or speak to Mrs Shockley or Miss Trafford.



Year Group(s): Years 9-13;

Time: tbc during The Quarter;

Frequency: Termly;

Location: EN40

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Trafford and Mrs Shockley

DET SCHOLARS CLUB

DET Scholars (only) will have an opportunity to use the workshop to work on a variety of Engineering projects to extend their DET experience.

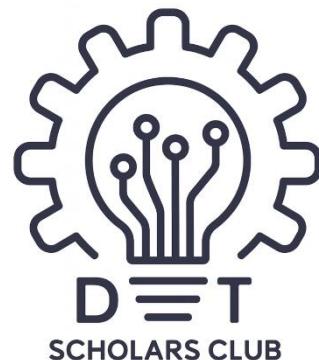
Year Group(s): All;

Time: Wednesday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Workshop 2

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Tang and Mr Omoyeni



DISSECTION CLUB

In this academic club you will have the opportunity to learn about the anatomy of a variety of different animals through the lens of dissection, and will have the opportunity to both observe dissections as well as take part in dissecting a specimen yourself.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: BY60

Lead Staff/Contact: Dr Komissarova

DIXIELAND BAND

The Dixieland Band is one of the School's three jazz bands, specialising in early jazz styles, with a focus on learning to improvise. The players are amongst the best in the school, and represent the School and the Department throughout the year at Open Mornings, Jazz Night, and Quiz Evenings in addition to the main school concerts. Membership of the Dixieland Band is by invitation only.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Martin

DJ SOCIETY

Come and learn the basics of DJing - no prior experience required. For more information, the Teams code is xnhvkvl.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week B;

Location: GY2.3

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Murray-Brown

DRAMA TECHNICAL THEATRE CLUB

A weekly club for boys to learn about lighting, sound, set, stage management etc. Boys will start by attending the club and, in the future, may have the option to apply to be in on Drama Technical Teams for future productions. New members in 4ths up welcome.

Year Group(s): Years 9-13;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Studio Theatre

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Clarke and Mr Gimmi

DRAMA: LOWER SCHOOL PRODUCTION

Rehearsals for boys who auditioned last term and were cast for the production of *Private Peaceful*.

Year Group(s): Years 7-9;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR; Tuesday AFTER SCHOOL; Thursday LUNCH HOUR; Thursday AFTER SCHOOL; Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Studio Theatre

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Clarke

DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD

The Duke of Edinburgh Award (DofE) is a progressive programme offered at three levels: Bronze (Divisions), Silver (Fifths) or Gold (L6). There are four sections to complete at Bronze and Silver level and five at Gold. They involve helping the community/environment, becoming fitter, developing new skills, planning, training for and completing an expedition and, for Gold only, working with a team on a residential activity.

Year Group(s): Years 10-12

Time: Mentor meetings every week, fortnight or half-term plus expeditions;

Frequency: Weekly, fortnightly and half-termly;

Location: Various, according to Mentor

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Firestone and Mr Shirley

DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS

A lighthearted group of adventurers meet weekly in Design Studio 3.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Tuesday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Design Studio 1

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Willson

ECO CLUB

Students meet to discuss and implement environmental issues within the school.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MA10

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Fothergill

FENCING

School fencing club (foil) suitable for beginners or the more experienced fencer. Open to all year groups; all equipment provided. Come and try fencing or, for more experienced fencers, come and improve your technique.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Meet in the Dining Hall Corridor

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Spikings

FILM-MAKING CLUB

Lights, Camera, Action! Welcome to the world of cinematography! Here at Film-Making Club, we will shoot a film based off an original concept, which will then be edited and finally premiered in our last session. Lots of fun, especially if you like acting and photography.

Year Group(s): Years 7-8;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: RM43

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Richardson

FINANCE SOCIETY

Curious about the world of finance? Do you want to learn how to build a portfolio fit to battle the stock market? Well, we are pleased to introduce to you the Merchant Taylors' Finance Society. Learn to build a portfolio and test strategies on a paper trading account, whilst developing skills that will help nurture you toward a career in finance. Join us biweekly on a Thursday in Dr Beacham's room in the Economics corridor to begin your journey! We look forward to seeing you there!

Year Group(s): Years 11-13;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week A;

Location: EP106 (upstairs in the portacabins)

Lead Staff/Contact: Dr Beacham

MTS FOOTBALL ACADEMY

Friday after school club for those keen to hone and improve their football skills.

Year Group(s): Year 8;

Time: Friday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Top astro

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Robinson and Mr Carroll

FORMULA 1 CLUB

Formula 1 Club is an exciting lunchtime club where students use our driving simulator to race on iconic tracks and develop driving skills. Members watch live Formula 1 Practice sessions on the big screen and enjoy talks from guest speakers working in the world of Formula 1. Ideal for students interested in racing, engineering, technology, and motorsport careers.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Design Studio 3 - Design, Engineering, & Technology Building

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Palmer-Reid



FRENCH FILM CLUB

Interested in French culture and language, and eating snacks? Attend to watch a French film with English subtitles - all snacks provided. This is a great way to boost your exposure and understanding of this wonderful language and its culture. It takes 5/6 weeks to finish a film but feel free to attend as and when you would like.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: ML71

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Wells



FRIDAY PRAYERS AKA JUMMAH

Jummah is the weekly Friday prayer for Muslims.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Chapel

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Sa'id

GCSE DRAMA REHEARSALS

Rehearsals for devised and scripted performances. A schedule will be published in due course.

Year Group(s): Years 10-11;

Time: Every LUNCH HOUR; Tuesday and Thursday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Studio Theatre

Lead Staff/Contact: Ms Clarke

JUNIOR GEOGRAPHY SOCIETY

The Junior Geography Society will be looking to build on and extend students' knowledge and passion of Geography. This will include quizzes, games and discussion of current Geographical issues, topics and trends occurring in the world.

Year Group(s): Years 7-8;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week A;

Location: GY - 2.3

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Brennan

SENIOR GEOGRAPHY SOCIETY

Come to Senior Geography Society to broaden and deepen your knowledge and understanding. We will be hosting talks from pupils, staff and external academics, as well as getting involved in a range of activities connected to various topics from Human and Physical Geography. All are welcome; however this club is compulsory for A Level students applying for Geography at university.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week B;

Location: GY2.2

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Burnham

GUITAR ENSEMBLE

The Guitar Ensemble gives classical guitarists the opportunity to develop ensemble skills, explore ensemble repertoire and perform with other guitarists in Informal and Chamber Concerts throughout the year. Open to classical guitarists of all ages and abilities.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MU82

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Hawkins

(THE) HERRICK: ENGLISH LITERATURE SOCIETY

'The Herrick', named after OMT Robert Herrick, the 17th Century metaphysical poet, is a society dedicated to those with an intellectual curiosity for English. Its purpose is to introduce students to the wider world of literature and language in ways that go far beyond the exam syllabus. The Herrick is a meeting point of different disciplines, a place where you will discover writers, texts and ideas that will enlarge your mind, feed the soul, and make you see the world and humanity in a more complex and different light.

Meeting weekly or fortnightly, The Herrick takes the form of an informal presentation, by either a teacher or student, followed by lively discussion. It feels very much like a university seminar and is the perfect preparation for those looking to take a degree English or in the wider arts and humanities.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: EN41

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Hilton-Dennis



JUNIOR HISTORY CLUB

Junior History Club is a great place to explore your interest in History through all sorts of fun activities. The sessions are based on members' interests and are a great chance to go far beyond what we cover in lessons, so whether you are intrigued by the Ancient world, fascinated by the 20th Century or anything inbetween, there will be lots to discover. We also run an annual Castle building competition in the summer term, giving students the chance to combine historical knowledge and their engineering skills!

Year Group(s): Years 7-9;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: HY2.91 - top of the History block on the side nearest the main building

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Blatchford Pace

HOCKEY: OPEN TRAINING

Open hockey session to practise any and all skills.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Every LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Blue Astro Training Area

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Middleton and Mr Haynes

HOCKEY: U13 PERFORMANCE SESSION

Hockey training session for U13 performance group. Selected squad only.

Year Group(s): Year 8;

Time: Wednesday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Red Astro

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Haynes

HOCKEY: YEAR 7 & 8 TRAINING

Open training session for all Year 7 and Year 8 pupils.

Year Group(s): Years 7-8;

Time: Monday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Blue Astro

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Middleton

JSOC (JEWISH SOCIETY)

Our JSOC is a warm and welcoming community open to everyone, whether you're Jewish or just curious to learn more. We host engaging guest speakers, fun discussions, and inclusive events where you can make friends, share ideas, and explore Jewish culture and traditions. Come along for great conversation and a friendly atmosphere - and pizza!

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: CL81 or Main Quad benches

Lead Staff/Contact: Ms Cebon

LAW SOCIETY

A chance to learn about the law for those considering applying to read the subject at university, work in the legal profession or who think they might need to know a bit in the future (for whatever reason...).

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: HY2.51

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Evans

LIFE DRAWING CLUB

Join us for the opportunity to draw from a live model, looking at anatomy, the language of posture, movement, expression, use of materials, with an emotional/poetic exploration of our response to having a body.

Sessions take place every Tuesday from 23rd September to 2nd December (inclusive).

Year Group(s): Years 11-13;

Time: Tuesday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Mr Leech's Art Studio FF11

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Leech



LINGUACHEF

Learn to cook some dishes from Germany, Spain and France.

Year Group(s): Years 7-9;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week A;

Location: MLSR

Lead Staff/Contact: Ms Castro



MAGIC AND CARDISTRY

Learn card tricks and card manipulation.

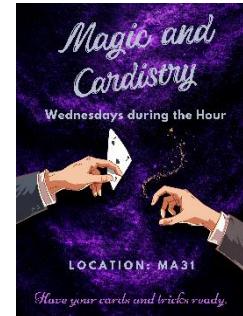
Year Group(s): All;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MA31

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Patel



MAGIC: THE GATHERING CLUB

Step into a world of strategy, lore and intellectual challenge with our Magic: The Gathering Club. This extracurricular club is dedicated to the sophisticated art of deck-building and strategic gameplay of the world's best collectible card game. Members engage in thought-provoking tabletop matches that test their tactical acumen and creativity. Whether you're a seasoned planeswalker or a curious novice, our club offers a welcoming environment to refine your skills, share insights, and enjoy the camaraderie of fellow enthusiasts.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MA6

Lead Staff/Contact: Ms Manek

JUNIOR MATHS CLUB

A chance to spend some time tackling different types of problems and puzzles. From Sudokus to Futoshiki to the Junior Maths Olympiad, this is a great opportunity to stretch and challenge your mathematical ability.

Year Group(s): Years 7-9;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MA3

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Prashar

SENIOR MATHS CLUB

Each year MTS participates in UKMT Junior, Intermediate, Senior and Team Maths Challenges, as well as the Hans Woyda maths competition. The focus of the Senior Maths Club is to dedicate time towards the extension of students' mathematical abilities by engaging in UKMT-style problem solving. If you enjoy maths and would like to partake in a weekly activity which will utilise your skills in a challenging environment, then please feel welcome to attend.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MA30

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Carroll



MATHS SOCIETY

Sixth form students present talks on Mathematics outside of the A Level syllabus.

Year Group(s): Years 12-13;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MA9

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Ezomo

MEDICINE AND DENTISTRY SOCIETY

The MTS Medicine and Dentistry Society offers fun, hands-on activities and real insights into medical and dental careers for all year groups. From suturing bananas and lamb hearts to dexterity games, disclosure tablets and talks from a range of renowned external speakers from a range of healthcare careers, every session is exciting, practical and inspiring for future medics and dentists!

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: BY63

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Pratt



MIDDLE SCHOOL CHEMISTRY CLUB

New for January 2026! Open to all Middle School pupils with an interest in developing their understanding of Chemistry beyond the confines of the iGCSE syllabus. A mixture of practical investigations and discussions to enhance and enrich. Bring questions and curiosity; your ideas can help shape what we do. We will also prepare for the Junior Chemistry Challenge held in February.

Year Group(s): Years 10-11;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: CH44

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Talboys

MODEL UNITED NATIONS (MUN)

If you have an interest in working together to respond to global issues, then this is the club for you! Members will discuss the root cause of international problems, research the impact on their country, and work collaboratively to propose solutions. In 2025-26, MUN members will have the chance to attend workshops with the goal of becoming experts on their country, with a view to attending an MUN conference later in the year. Beginners and new students are welcome to join the meetings to learn about how MUN works before joining in more fully.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Lecture Theatre (Week A); CO51 (Week B)

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Martin



MORNING RESET

A calm space to begin the day with prayer or meditation. This is not a taught or led session — simply a time of silence together. Doors open at 8.00 for a friendly chat. At 8.05 the doors will close for 20 minutes of quiet contemplation. Please contact Mr Cataldo or Mr Waterhouse before attending and we will send you some resources.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday MORNING;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Chaplaincy

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Cataldo and Mr Waterhouse



MUSIC AURAL CLASS

This supports all boys who are preparing to sit a higher ABRSM Music practical exam - that is, Grades 6, 7 or 8. This is a free class in addition to the instrumental lessons, in which Miss Clark, herself an ABRSM examiner, will coach pupils through the Aural tests for these grades.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday BEFORE SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MU89

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Clark

MUSIC THEORY CLASS

The weekly Music Theory Club is designed to support all boys who are preparing to sit an ABRSM Music Theory exam - particularly Grade 5, which is required before being able to enter for a Grade 6 practical exam. Miss Clark, one of our Visiting Music Teachers, is herself an ABRSM examiner, and has published an excellent book which you will use in these sessions. Also essential for those who need to brush up their knowledge for GCSE Music!

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday BEFORE SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Clark

NON-FICTION READING CLUB

Want to get your head around something new? Would like to read, but not sure what? Interested in finding out about the world and the people in it? Fancy a change from reading fiction? Biography, history, science, sport, politics, the ecology... There are so many fascinating non-fiction books out there. Come along to help choose some really interesting books, read them and discuss them. Broaden your horizons and make yourself a more interesting person! Middle School boys are particularly encouraged to attend, but Upper School boys welcome to come along too.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week A;

Location: HY2.52

Lead Staff/Contact: Dr Hesketh

PANGLOSSIA

Panglossia is the MFL Club where our Sixth Form linguists, OMTs and MFL teachers deliver talks on their chosen subject matter, mostly in a target language. Attendance of such talks is a great way to broaden one's cultural awareness of the studied country but is also an opportunity to participate in a Q&A session. It is open to MTS students from Year 10 and above who are considering studying a modern foreign language in the 6th Form.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week B;

Location: ML78

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Kotsuba

PEER COACHING PROGRAMME

Peer Coaching is a fortnightly 1:1 conversation, running for two terms. 4th Form and Divisions students who choose to participate will be paired with a trained Sixth Form coach, who will guide and support them through personalised discussions that help them grow, solve problems, and make progress—academically and personally.

Year Group(s): Years 9, 10 and 12;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week B;

Location: Exam Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Ms Wallace

PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE

Percussion Ensemble caters for all boys who play percussion - both untuned (such as a drum kit) and tuned (such as a xylophone). If you are a pianist and fancy trying your hand at playing in an ensemble, you can join this group to play tuned percussion straight away! The Percussion Ensemble also trains percussionists for larger ensembles such as the Symphony Orchestra, Concert Band or Wind Band, and performs in major concerts and chamber concerts throughout the year. Open to players of all levels.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday BEFORE SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Lawrence

PHAB CLUB

The PHAB Club is a place to belong, a place to thrive, where disabled and non-disabled people come together to socialise, have fun and build lifelong friendships. (It is invitation only.)

Year Group(s): Years 12-13;

Time: Friday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week A;

Location: Design Studio 1

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Cataldo and Ms Knight



PHAB WEEK

This is the Phab Meeting Team which discusses fundraising activities and the Phab week at Easter.

Year Group(s): Years 12-13;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MA5

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Hazan and Mrs Omert

PHILOSOPHER'S WORLD

Unlike the philosopher's stone, we cannot promise immortality, but we can continue down the very human path on the search towards wisdom, inspiration and enlightenment. All Lower School students are invited to join us as we explore the big questions in life through a mixture of film, TV, podcasts and good old fashioned debate. Last year's sessions focused upon themes raised in the hit Netflix series, 'The Good Place'. Let us know what you would like to do, read, watch or discuss next!

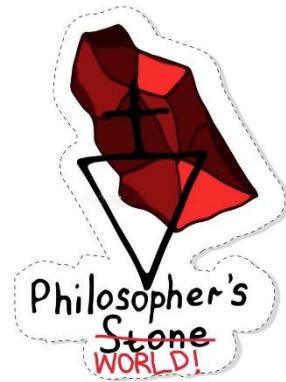
Year Group(s): Years 7-9;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: RP20

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Lightfoot



PHILOSOPHY SOCIETY

Philosophy Society provides a unique forum for student-led debate to tackle some of the most pressing issues of our time. Before the discussion commences, attendees are introduced to a particular thinker or school of thought, after which they are free to explore the nuances of these topical and perhaps controversial subjects. Come along to RP18 during the Hour on Thursdays to engage in demanding conversations, question your preconceptions and challenge everything you thought you already knew.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: RP18

Lead Staff/Contact: Ms Solomons



PHYSICS FORUM

A club for Physics and Engineering enthusiasts to do hands-on activities and give talks.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: PH12

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Sa'id

PLAY READING GROUP

Reading and discussing texts, expanding your breadth of knowledge beyond the confines of the public exam Literature syllabus. The pieces we read are entertaining and provoke lots of discussion among our group. You will gain insight into a wide range of texts beyond the curriculum, giving you invaluable hinterland & cultural capital, and a familiarity with some seminal Literary texts.

Year Group(s): Years 10-12;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: EN32

Lead Staff/Contact: Ms Scott



POLITICS SOCIETY

A fortnightly group to discuss the biggest events, political philosophies and current affairs! Just how much power does Keir Starmer have? How has the Trump presidency shaped international diplomacy? Is liberal democracy in decline? This is the place to discuss and debate.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week B;

Location: EP53 (next to the IT office)

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Martin



RECORDER CONSORT

The Recorder Consort is a chamber group of around four players which gives students the opportunity to play the school's range of professional recorders. Repertoire for this instrument is amazingly broad and affords players the chance to explore the finer details of tuning and ensemble playing. The consort will play in a range of concerts throughout the year.

Year Group(s): Years 11-13;

Time: Friday MORNING;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Mr Tonks's Office

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Tonks

ROWING CLUB

Whether you are an absolute novice or an experienced oarsman the Rowing Club will enable you to row on our beautiful, convenient lake with coaching. It is great for fitness and lots of fun. It is open to boys in any year group. We are attending the British Rowing Indoor Championships at the start of December so some time will be devoted to land training on the ergos beforehand.

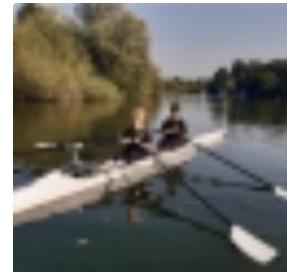
Year Group(s): All;

Time: Wednesday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: The Watersports Centre

Lead Staff/Contact: Ms Scott



RUGBY 7s CLUB

Rugby 7s training for Divs to Upper 6th Formers.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Pitches

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Conway

RUGBY: SCRUM HALF CLUB

Extra skills and technical development for current or aspiring scrum halves.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Sports Hall Balcony

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Conway

RUGBY: ENHANCED PROVISION

Time: Extra skills club for 4ths and Divs students.

Year Group(s): Years 9-10;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Sports Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Conway

RUN MTS

Walk, jog or run. Come along to improve your fitness, hit a PB, get some fresh air or socialise with friends. Start with a mile and build up over time. There will be additional routes around the grounds during good weather, alongside leaderboards of times and attendance, and rewards as you hit milestones.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Start (and finish) by the Tommy White Statue (by the D&T building), meeting at 13:55.

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Prashar and Dr Beacham

SANĀTANA DHARMA (सनातन धर्म) SOCIETY

An inclusive school society exploring Dharmic religion, Hinduism, Indian philosophy, culture, and religious traditions as a perennial path. We engage with timeless ideas about reality, self, ethics, and meaning, alongside cultural and religious expression. Open to anyone—regardless of heritage—interested in thoughtful exploration.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: RP19

Lead Staff/Contact: Dr Birtles



SAXOPHONE ENSEMBLE

A Chamber Music ensemble that caters exclusively for saxophonists. This is another of the groups representing MTS at the annual South East Schools' Chamber Music Competition and, in addition to performing at the Chamber Music Concert and other school concerts throughout the year, features in Jazz Night during Music Week in the Summer Term.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MU65

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Robb

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

Scholars will follow an innovative and engaging programme of scholarship study to broaden and extend their knowledge beyond the curriculum in a comprehensive number of areas. Scholarship sessions will be held weekly, with the area of focus changing each half term, with scholars gaining knowledge of previously unknown ideas and concepts (and hopefully, interest to independently research even further!) The intention of the programme is for our scholars to develop into the characterful leaders of the future underlined by their integrity, hard work and proactivity.

Year Group(s): Years 7-10;

Time: Primarily Tuesday LUNCHTIMES, but possible alternatives for 4ths and Divs are Thursday LUNCHTIME or AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Various

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Miller

SENIOR SCIENCE SOCIETY

6th Form presentations/talks.

Year Group(s): Year 12;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week A;

Location: PH13

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Rashid

SINFONIA

The Sinfonia String Orchestra is open to all violinists, viola players, cellists and double bass players up to and including Grade 5 standard. Members of Sinfonia develop the skills of playing in sections, following a conductor, and leading the other musicians around them, as they prepare to perform in the major concerts throughout the school year, including the Winter Concert and Summer Serenade. Sinfonia occasionally combines with the Wind Band to form a full orchestra – Winfonia – for special performances!

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Tuesday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Music Dept.

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Crawford

SPANISH CULTURE CLUB

Come and celebrate Spanish culture every Friday during the Hour by watching Spanish films, hosting and watching Spanish talks, playing games and more!

Year Group(s): Years 9-13;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: ML74

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Edwards

SPANISH FUN CLUB

Join the Spanish Fun Club for Years 7 and 8! Explore Spanish and South American culture through games, sports, TikToks, films, music, and food. Learn fun Spanish phrases each week with a new theme like footballers, actors, and more. Come along, have fun, and discover something new every session!

Year Group(s): Years 7-8;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: ML76

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Edwards

SQUASH CLUB

Squash Club is led by our professional squash coach each week and is designed for those boys in the Lower School looking to develop their skills in squash at all levels. Boys should wear non-marking indoor shoes, ideally squash shoes. No black-soled shoes are allowed. Due to limited spaces available, entry to the club is by invitation only. Any boy interested in joining should speak with Mr Hilton-Dennis.

Year Group(s): Years 7-9;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Squash Courts

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Hilton-Dennis

STORYTELLING CLUB

Storytelling Club seeks to revitalise the traditional art of oral storytelling. Taking place once every half-term on a Friday after lessons, everyone is invited from across the school community, either just to listen or, best of all, to tell a story. The stories take all kinds of different forms, including folktales, myths, ghost stories and those you have created yourself. But there is one golden rule: stories must be told from memory and not read; this is what creates the magic between the teller and the listener. So come lose yourself in the world of a story and enjoy the finest in school catering.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday AFTER SCHOOL, finishing by 5pm;

Frequency: Half-termly;

Location: Library

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Hilton-Dennis

STRATEGY BOARD GAME CLUB

Board games such as Coop, Sushi Go, Bang the dice game, King of Tokyo (and many more) are played during the hour. No previous experience needed. All year groups welcome.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR; Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MA2

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Rowlands

SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

The Symphony Orchestra is a full-size orchestra of approximately 65 players, and performs a mixture of symphonic repertoire from the Classical, Romantic and Modern eras (right up to the present day) at the major concerts each year. There are no auditions, but a minimum level of above Grade 5 is required for string players (Grade 6 for violinists), and usually higher for wind, brass and percussion players.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Tuesday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Coulridge

TABLE TENNIS CLUB

Join our table tennis club where lightning-fast rallies, epic spins, and the occasional wild miss are all part of the fun! Open to all years and skill levels, it's the perfect spot for enthusiasts and curious beginners alike. Sessions will begin w/c 26th January.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Sports Hall Balcony

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Richardson

TAYLORS' BRASS

Taylors' Brass is the School's brass ensemble for more advanced brass players, including trumpets, cornets, trombones, euphoniums, tenor horns, French horns and tubas. A mixture of brass band and smaller brass ensemble repertoire is performed in major concerts (including the Autumn Concert and the Merchant Taylors' Hall Concert) each year; Taylors' Brass also plays at other important School events such as the Carol Service and the Triennial Service.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday BEFORE SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Byron

JUNIOR TENNIS CLUB

For students in Years 7, 8 or 9 who want to improve their tennis skills. Sessions are supported by our coach, Anjan Chowdhury.

Year Group(s): Years 7-9;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Tennis Courts

Lead Staff/Contact: Dr Lohr

THOMAS WHITE SINGERS

An elite singing group for a small number of senior Tenors and Basses. The Thomas White Singers perform in Chamber Music Concerts and at the Merchant Taylor's Hall. Membership is by invitation only.

Year Group(s): Years 9-13;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Music Dept.

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Crawford

TYCOON 2026

The Tycoon enterprise competition run by the Peter Junes Foundation. Pupils will create a micro business in the first half of the term and then trade in the following weeks until April.

Year Group(s): Year 10;

Time: Monday AFTER SCHOOL (for two weeks); Thursday AFTER SCHOOL, finishing at 4.45pm;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Sir Geoffrey Holland Room

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Grice



UKULELE CLUB

This is a club for anyone who fancies having a go at playing the ukulele - you do not have to be 'musical' but come ready to just have a go! Open to all boys and staff.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: GY3.3

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Lemoine and Mrs Buckhaven

VEX IQ VRC

Lower School Teams design, build and code robots to take part in an international competition. Teams will compete at regional competitions with the aim of making it through to the UK finals and, beyond, to the World Championships. You will need to apply for selection into the Club as places are in high demand.

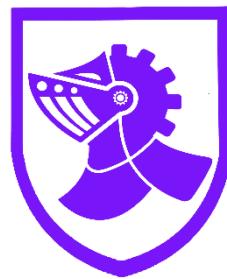
Year Group(s): Years 8-9;

Time: Monday AFTER SCHOOL; Monday LUNCH HOUR; Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Workshops 2 & 3

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Willson and Mr Docherty



VEX V5 VRC CLUB

Middle and Upper School Teams design, build and code robots to take part in an international competition. Teams will compete at regional competitions with the aim of making it through to the UK finals and, beyond, to the World Championships. Applications for next season will open in the Summer Term.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR; Monday AFTER SCHOOL; Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Design Centre Foyer & Workshop 1

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Docherty and Mr Willson

VOLLEYBALL CLUB

As in the Autumn Term, these students meet up after school on Fridays to play some volleyball.

Year Group(s): Year 13;

Time: Friday AFTER SCHOOL, finishing at 5pm;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Sports Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Vernice

WARHAMMER CLUB

Dive into the exciting world of Warhammer, where you can build and paint your own miniatures and engage in strategic tabletop battles set in a richly detailed sci-fi universe. Choose your faction from a diverse range of options, including terrifying aliens, aggressive orks, elite super soldiers, and ordinary humans fighting for survival in a grimdark, war-torn galaxy. Whether you're a seasoned player or a complete beginner, everyone is welcome! We provide all the models you need. Curious to see what it's all about? Come along and watch a battle unfold!

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: PH14



Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Waterhouse

WATER POLO CLUB

Water Polo Club - open to all pupils on a Thursday Week B. Please speak to Hassan Faisal in Divisions if you would like to join the Water Polo Club. Some experience of playing the sport would be beneficial and you must be a proficient swimmer.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week A;

Location: Swimming Pool

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Roots

WIND BAND

Do you play a wind, brass, or percussion instrument? Then Wind Band might be the ensemble for you! Wind Band is open to all pupils who play around grade 1-5 standard. It is the preparation group for Concert Band (in which students tackle music around grade 6+) and it is an amazing way to develop as a musician. In rehearsals, we play fun pieces and practise essential skills like sight reading and listening. The Wind Band plays in each of the school's major concerts.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Martin

YOUNG ENTERPRISE

L6th students learn how to run a real business under the guidance of a Business Advisor. It helps build skills that will equip them for the next stage of their lives, university and the world of work. These are highly transferrable skills for any career they might choose.

Year Group(s): Year 12;

Time: Tuesday AFTER SCHOOL; Plus one other meeting at a time that suits your team;

Frequency: Twice weekly;

Location: TBC

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Thobhani

YOUNG REPORTER

A scheme in association with Newsquest whereby students learn how to write for a real live newspaper. The scheme is structured as if students are working directly for the paper, as they are given deadlines to work to. Every article is published on This is Local London, the online newspaper that covers all areas within the M25.

Year Group(s): Years 10 and 12;

Time: Ad hoc meetings;

Frequency: Ad hoc meetings;

Location: In school, location TBC, and virtually

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Thobhani

Academic Support Sessions, Autumn Term 2025

ART & DESIGN GCSE AND A LEVEL STUDIO ACCESS

Come to Ad86 for support with your GCSE and A Level course work. The studio is open for boys to continue their media exploration and experimentation work. Practical guidance is on offer for all art boys in Divisions to Upper Sixth.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR; Monday AFTER SCHOOL (Week A); Tuesday AFTER SCHOOL; Wednesday LUNCH HOUR; Wednesday AFTER SCHOOL; Thursday LUNCH HOUR; Thursday AFTER SCHOOL; Friday LUNCH;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: AD86

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Gosden

BIOLOGY ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Drop into our Year 7-11 Biology Academic Support for friendly help with classwork, revision, or tricky topics. No appointment needed—just turn up and get the help you need to boost your confidence and understanding.

Year Group(s): Years 7-11;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: BY61

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Stuteley

CHEMISTRY ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Chemistry Academic Support is a club for pupils in 3rd–5th Form who want support with homework, help understanding concepts, or guidance in preparing for tests.

Year Group(s): Years 7-11;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: CH47

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Vernice and Mr Hughes

CHEMISTRY (6TH FORM) ACADEMIC SUPPORT

A drop-in session for anyone studying A Level Chemistry to talk through a specific part of a topic or problem question.

Year Group(s): Years 12-13;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: CH48

Lead Staff/Contact: Dr Lomas

CLASSICS ACADEMIC SUPPORT

For support and coaching on any Latin, Greek or Classical Civilisation-related matter. Contact me in advance, or just drop in.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: CL82

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Wille

DET OPEN WORKSHOP

Year 11 and Year 13 students have the opportunity to use the workshops to work on their Non-Examined Assessment (NEA) coursework with the support of DET staff. Y10s and Y12s are welcome to come and catch up on their current curriculum projects.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR; Thursday LUNCH HOUR until half-term; then Thursday LUNCH HOUR; Thursday AFTER SCHOOL, finishing at 5.30pm, until Easter;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Workshops 2 & 4

Lead Staff/Contact: DET Teachers

FRENCH ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Providing one-to-one help for French learners to build up confidence and bridge gaps.

Year Group(s): Years 7-11;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR; Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: ML71 (Tuesday) and ML67 (Thursday)

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Wells and Ms Haye

FRENCH (6TH FORM) ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Providing extra support for our A Level cohort with tailored help to meet their needs.

Year Group(s): Years 12-13;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: ML69

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Danis

MATHS ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Supplementary support for Mathematics. Get help from a Mathematics teacher for classwork, homework or any other mathematical concept you have been grappling with.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR; Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MA10

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Hardman

MUSIC COMPOSITION ACADEMIC SUPPORT

An opportunity to spend more time on coursework in the Tom Isaacs Room.

Year Group(s): Year 11;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR; Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Tom Isaacs Room

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Tonks and Miss Martin

PHYSICS ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Please bring any Physics work or topic you are struggling with to the Physics office and we will help you with it.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Come to the Physics Office

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Mayadeen and all Physics teachers

SPANISH ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Struggling with a Spanish lesson? Need some extra help or practice? Been asked to attend by your teacher? Or just want to ask a question to a Spanish specialist? Come along to Spanish Academic Support!

Year Group(s): Years 9-13;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: ML76

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Rittey