MERCHANT TAYLORS'
School

Co-Curricular Activities Booklet

Autumn Term 2026

(November update)








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 Autumn 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:

- Year 7 – 3rd Form
- Year 8 – U3rd Form
- Year 9 – 4th Form
- Year 10 – Divisions
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- Year 12 – L6th Form
- Year 13 – U6th Form

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)

Come and play this simple, yet tactical, football game where you flick your players to try and score goals and beat your opponent.



Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MA10

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Fothergill

Afro Caribbean Society

Learn more about the history, culture and achievements of the diverse group of people of African and Caribbean heritage.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week B;

Location: MA9

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Ezomo

Alfred Marshall Economics Society

This is a club dedicated to all things economics. The club aims to give students the opportunity to present and discuss ideas that interest them. Historically, this has been discussions of global events and their economic impacts, explaining economic theories that go beyond the A Level syllabus, to exploring how economic ideas can be used to understand why certain things occur the way they do (e.g. why some shares or Pokémon cards are worth more than others).

Year Group(s): Years 11-13;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

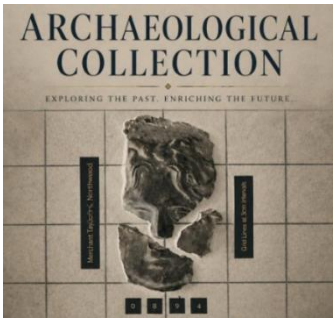
Frequency: Fortnightly Week B;

Location: EP106

Lead Staff/Contact: Dr Beacham

Archaeological Society

A club for those interested in working with the school's archaeological collections, based in the Archive. Activities include: cataloguing, research, object handling, conservation, auditing collection, photography. For more information, please visit the archivist Mrs Hesketh (Monday to Thursday).



Year Group(s): Years 10-11;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: The School Archive

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Hesketh

Art Cafe

Art Cafe is open to anyone who is passionate and enjoys art from Thirds to Divisions. Traditionally by invite only. Ask your teacher if you can attend if you are interested. Places will be available on a first-come, first-place basis and there are weeks that the club can fill up fast, so be here on time! There will be a mix of drawing, sculpture and printing this year. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Year Group(s): Years 7-10;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: FF6

Lead Staff/Contact: Ms Baruch

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: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week A;

Location: AD86

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Gosden

Athletic Development

Developing physical, happy and healthy pupils through dedicated and age appropriate strength and conditioning to help meet the demands of sport and physical activity for life. Please only attend appropriate slots for your year group categories. After school sessions finish by 5pm.

Year Groups and Timings:

Monday: MORNING (Years 9-10 from 7.20am), LUNCH HOUR (Years 9-13) and AFTER SCHOOL (Senior Rugby Squad);

Tuesday: MORNING (Years 11-13 from 7.20am) and LUNCH HOUR (Years 7-8);

Wednesday: MORNING (Years 9-10 from 7.20am), LUNCH HOUR (All) and AFTER SCHOOL (Senior Rugby Squad);

Thursday: MORNING (Years 10-13 from 7.20am) and LUNCH HOUR (Years 7-9);

Friday: MORNING (Years 7-8 from 7.20am) and LUNCH HOUR (All);

Location: Athletic Development Centre (New Gym)

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Tod

Badminton Club: Years 7 and 8

A fun and inclusive club for players of all abilities. Develop your badminton skills, improve your match play and enjoy competitive games, with opportunities to be selected to represent the school team.

Year Group(s): Years 7-8;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Sports Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Peace

Badminton Club: Years 9 and 10

A fun and inclusive club for players of all abilities. Develop your badminton skills, improve your match play and enjoy competitive games, with opportunities to be selected to represent the school team.

Year Group(s): Years 9-10;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Sports Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Peace

Badminton: U16 Training

An advanced badminton club focused on developing technique, tactical awareness and competitive match play. Ideal for GCSE PE pupils looking to improve their practical performance and grades, as well as other Year 11 pupils who want to play badminton competitively.

Year Group(s): Year 11;

Time: Tuesday AFTER SCHOOL (until 4.45pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Sports Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Peace

Junior Basketball Ball

An open basketball club to anyone who wants to join. All abilities and experiences are welcome. All participants must wear trainers.

Year Group(s): Years 7-8;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Sports Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Peace

Intermediate Basketball Club

Open to anyone who wants to play basketball. All abilities and experiences are welcome.

Year Group(s): Years 9-10;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Sports Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Richardson



Senior Basketball Team

Training session for the U18 Basketball team. Only selected players will be able to join the sessions.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Indoor Games 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 Mr Gathercole, 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, all of whom should be Grade 5 or above, with a piano, bass, drum and percussion rhythm section - please come and speak with Mr Couldridge if you are interested in joining the Big Band.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday MORNING;

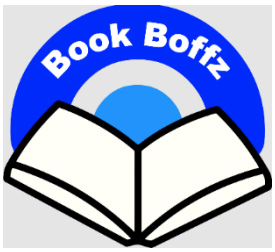
Frequency: Weekly;

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 (until 5pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Junior Library

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Harrison & 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: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: ML66

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs White



CCF – Combined Cadet Force

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 perserverance.

The Royal Navy, Army and Royal Air Force sections offer a broad range of challenging, exciting, adventurous and educational activities. Year 9s meet on Wednesdays, finishing by 5.30pm. Years 10-13 meet on Fridays, finishing by 5.45pm.

Year Group(s): Years 9-13;

Time: Wednesday AFTER SCHOOL (Year 9); Friday AFTER SCHOOL (Years 10-13);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Parade Square (Main Quad)

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Firestone

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 various 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 (until 5pm);

Frequency: Fortnightly Week B;

Location: Upstairs in the CCF Block

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Wells

Chamber Choir

A TTBB chamber choir of experienced singers from the School Choir. Repertoire is varied and includes both secular and sacred music. In addition to performing in choral concerts at school, the Chamber Choir is featured in the school Carol Service, performs in the annual concert at Merchant Taylors' Hall and sings two services of Evensong at external venues each year; 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 currently scheduled for 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

Chamber Orchestra is for the most advanced orchestral string players at school, occasionally augmented by senior wind or brass players as required. Chamber concertos, suites, serenades and string orchestra repertoire from a huge canon of works composed since the Baroque to the present day are performed at major concerts each term, including the Autumn Concert and the Merchant Taylors' Hall Concert. Membership of the Chamber Orchestra is by invitation only. Rehearsals start on Thursday 17th September.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Music Department - Mu82

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Couldridge

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, Staff vs Students events 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 (portacabins)

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Hall

Junior Chemistry Club

Thirds and Upper Thirds, come along and expand your Chemistry knowledge and carry out new and exciting Chemistry practical experiments! Maximum 24 pupils. Open to first to arrive each week.

Year Group(s): Years 7-8;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Ch44

Lead Staff/Contact: Dr Lomas

Middle School Chemistry Club

Opportunity to join us for advanced practical activities and theoretical discussions on high-level Chemistry, for anyone wishing to expand their knowledge of practical and theoretical Chemistry. Will also include preparation for the Junior Chemistry Challenge in February.

Year Group(s): Years 9-11;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: CH48

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Talboys & Mr Hughes

Chess Club

Come along for a combination of chess coaching and free play, with potential opportunities to represent the school at tournaments. You must sign up in advance of each session (sign up sheet on the door of EN34).

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: EN34

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Robinson

School Choir

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 (jazz, classical, pop, musical theatre) 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

School Choir: Lower Voices

A sectional rehearsal for the lower voices (Tenors and Basses) of the School Choir. We will learn the music to be sung with the upper voices on Fridays as well as singing bespoke repertoire for Tenors and Basses only. All Tenors and Basses are requested to attend this rehearsal where possible, and particularly if they are unable to make the full choir rehearsal on a Friday during the Hour.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Crawford

School Choir: Upper Voices

A sectional rehearsal for the upper voices of the School Choir. We will learn the music to be sung with the lower voices on Fridays as well as singing bespoke repertoire for upper voices only. All are requested to attend this rehearsal where possible, and particularly if they are unable to make the full choir rehearsal on a Friday during the Hour. Biscuits are served.

Year Group(s): Years 7-9;

Time: Wednesday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.15pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Crawford

Christian Union

An opportunity to play some games, eat doughnuts and discuss the big questions in life - seeing what the Bible has to say about them. This is open to all boys, whether you would call yourself a Christian or not.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: HY2.52

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Farrar-Bell

Classical 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: Music Department - MU82

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Hawkins

Classics Lecture Club

Every other week, external speakers, teachers 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

A club for students of Computing to practise programming and meet like-minded young people from across the school.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Tuesday AFTER SCHOOL; Thursday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5pm both days);

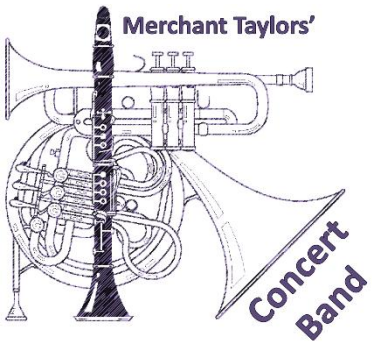
Frequency: Weekly;

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 sightreading. 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 (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Tonks

Cricket: High Performance Group 1-to-1s

1-1 sessions for high performance group cricketers. Invite only.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR and Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: JHCC

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Fowler

Cricket: Senior Batting

Senior batting practice for senior cricketers.

Year Group(s): Years 11-13;

Time: Monday MORNING and Wednesday MORNING;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: JHCC

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Davies and Mr Fowler

Cricket: Senior Fast Bowling Club

Fast bowling academy for senior cricketers.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Thursday MORNING;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: JHCC

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Fowler

Cricket: Senior Open Nets

Open cricket nets for any senior cricketers wanting a net before games starts in period 5.

Year Group(s): Years 11-13;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: JHCC

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Davies and Mr Fowler

Cricket: Spin Academy

Spin bowling academy for all years.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: JHCC

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Davies

Cricket: Year 7 Performance

Performance group cricket for A and B team cricketers in Year 7.

Year Group(s): Year 7;

Time: Tuesday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: JHCC

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Davies and Mr Fowler

Cricket: Year 7 Club Session

Open cricket club aimed at C, D and E team cricketers.

Year Group(s): Year 7;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR and Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: JHCC (Wednesday) and Sports Hall Balcony (Friday)

Lead Staff/Contact: External staff

Cricket: Years 7-8 Batting Practice

Morning batting practice for Year 7 and 8 batters.

Year Group(s): Years 7-8;

Time: Tuesday MORNING;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: JHCC

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Davies

Cricket: Years 7, 8 and 9 High Performance Group

Year 7, 8 and 9 high performance group cricket. Invite only.

Year Group(s): Years 7-9;

Time: Thursday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: JHCC

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Fowler and Mr Davies

Cricket: Year 8 Club

Open cricket club for C, D and E team cricketers in Year 8. This takes place on the Sports Hall balcony, not in the Julian Hill Cricket Centre.

Year Group(s): Year 8;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Sports Hall balcony

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Davies

Cricket: Year 8 Performance

Performance cricket for A and B team cricketers in Year 8.

Year Group(s): Year 8;

Time: Monday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: JHCC

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Davies and Mr Fowler

Cricket: Year 9 Performance

Year 9 performance cricket for A and B team players.

Year Group(s): Year 9;

Time: Friday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: JHCC

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Fowler

Cricket: Years 9 and 10 Batting

A practice for Year 9 and 10 batters.

Year Group(s): Years 9-10;

Time: Friday MORNING;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: JHCC

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Hobday

Cricket: Years 9-10 Cricket Club

Cricket practice for C, D, E team cricketers in Years 9 and 10 .

Year Group(s): Years 9-10;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: JHCC

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Davies

Cricket: Year 10 Performance

Performance cricket training for boys in the A and B teams in Year 10.

Year Group(s): Year 10;

Time: Wednesday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

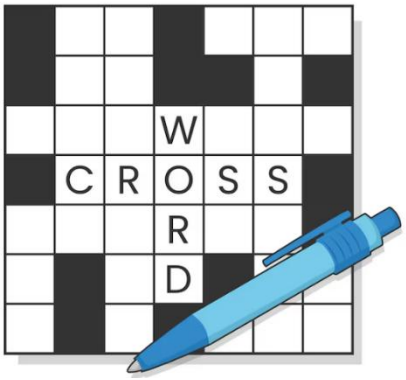
Frequency: Weekly;

Location: JHCC

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Fowler

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: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: EN40

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Trafford

Debating Society

An opportunity to participate in debates and practise debating skills in advance of inter-school competitions.

Year Group(s): Years 9-13;

Time: Wednesday 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 the appointment of the new Head Master, the lunch queue and the King's visit! There is a preliminary meeting in the Quarter towards the end of the first half-term of each term, which then gives you time to write a piece ready for publication at the end of each term. Look out for further details in Tutor Notices or speak to Mrs Shockley or Miss Trafford.

Year Group(s): Years 9-13;

Time: Termly meeting in the Quarter in October;

Frequency: Termly;

Location: EN35

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Trafford

THE DEPENDENT

DET Scholars Club

DET Scholars Club introduces students to workshop machinery, including centre lathes, milling, sanding and drilling machines, alongside 3D printing and laser cutting. Through practical tasks, KS4 pupils develop designing and manufacturing skills, culminating in a coursework-style project demonstrating their capabilities

Year Group(s): Years 7-10;

Time: Wednesday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: CAD CAM suite and DET Workshop 1

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Docherty & 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. This club will start after October half-term.

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 Club

Come to learn the basics of DJing if you're interested in dance and electronic music, and would like to learn how to mix. This club will teach you the basics in DJing and provide you with the possibility at performing at school events. For more advanced DJs who would like to learn more than the basics, contact me directly via email.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5pm);

Frequency: Fortnightly Week B;

Location: GY2.3

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Murray-Brown

Drama: Technical Theatre Club

Lighting, Sound, Set & Stage Management. This term the club is for the Technical Team signed up for the Senior Joint Musical. Monday Hour is the regular timeslot plus all the additional rehearsal evenings and weekend specified on the schedule. In January, there will be an opportunity for younger boys to join the club.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Studio Theatre

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Clarke

Drama: Joint Musical - Guys and Dolls

Rehearsals for 'Guys and Dolls' all boys who were cast at the end of last term. Full details on rehearsal schedule published last term - in the hour, evenings & weekends.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

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

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Studio Theatre/Exam Hall/Great Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Clarke

Drama: Junior Production

Information will be distributed in October ready for auditions and meetings in the second half of the Autumn Term.

Year Group(s): Years 8-9;

Time: Audition notices will be posted in October;

Frequency: Audition and meeting dates TBC; everything will start after half-term

Location: Studio Theatre

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Clarke

Duke of Edinburgh Award (DofE)

The Duke of Edinburgh Award (DofE) is a progressive programme offered at three levels: Bronze (Fourths), Silver (Divs) 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 9, 10 and 12;

Time: Form Time;

Frequency: Monthly;

Location: Form Room

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Firestone & Mr Shirley

Dungeons and Dragons

Weekly Dungeons & Dragons session for keen adventurers. Dungeons & Dragons beyond knowledge desirable.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Tuesday AFTER SCHOOL, until 5.30pm;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Design Studio 3

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Willson

Edward Bond Archive Society

A society for those interested in the school's amazing history! We will be looking at books in our rare book collection called the Goad Library this term with Miss Nava from the English Department. There will also be opportunities to research objects and people related to the school's collections and history. You will be able to help the archivist to organise the collections, learn how collections are managed, learn about object handling, conservation, archives management, write and curate social media content, and much, much more! We will not be working with archaeological material in this session.

Year Group(s): Years 7-9;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: The School Archive

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Hesketh



Entrepreneurship Club

Eliyaan Jamal runs the new Entrepreneurship Club encouraging students of all ages to be entrepreneurs of the future!

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: EN35

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Shockley, Mrs Grice and Mrs Allen

F1 Club

Meet to chat F1, watch practice races, discuss Fantasy league tactics and take on some hot laps in the sim.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: DET Car Workshop

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Palmer-Reid

Fencing Club

School fencing club, suitable for beginners or the more experienced fencer. Open to all year groups; all equipment provided.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Bursar's Quad (outside dining hall)

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Spikings

Film Club (Lower School)

Lower school film club runs after school on a Wednesday and welcomes boys from Year 7, Year 8 and Year 9 to gather, watch and discuss a variety of classic (and on occasion some slightly more obscure) films and ponder what makes them rank among the greats. Themes, individual performances, plot twists etc are all up for exploration. As well as discussion, there will be opportunities for presentations and fun quizzes. Hope to see you there!

Year Group(s): Years 7-9;

Time: Wednesday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Room 17

Lead Staff/Contact: Ms Lewis

MTS Football Academy

The MTS Football Academy is a weekly club which aims to develop key skills through small group activities, drills and miniature games. Shinpads and AstroTurf trainers are essential for participation.

Year Group(s): Year 8;

Time: Monday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Upper Astros

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Carroll & Mr Robinson

Football Club (Divisions)

A student-led football club in which teams will play each other in a league. Each team will play each other at least once. This will then culminate in play-offs between the best ranked teams for which an overall team will be crowned the champions!

Year Group(s): Year 10;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Astros

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Allen

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 to 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: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: ML71

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Wells

Friday Prayers (Jummah)

Muslims gather on Friday, listen to a sermon and perform Friday prayers. Find Mr Sa'id in PH12 if you have any questions. Prayer room is available for prayers throughout the week during lunchtime and the Lunch Hour.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Chaplaincy

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Sa'id & Mrs Rashid

Junior Geography Society

The JGS offers students the chance to explore geography in engaging and creative ways. Students have a real say in what and how we investigate, whether that's environmental challenges, fascinating places or current events. This year, we'll enter the Climate Detectives competition and begin planning an exciting trip for 2027.

Year Group(s): Years 7-8;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week A;

Location: Gy2.1

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, 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: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

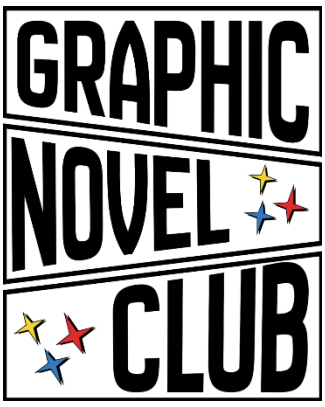
Frequency: Fortnightly Week B;

Location: GY2.2 Resources Room

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Burnham

Graphic Novel Club

Love graphic novels? We'll read, discuss and explore all things graphic novels, comics and manga whilst eating biscuits.



Year Group(s): Years 7-8;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: The Library

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Millard

'The Herrick' English Society

'The Herrick', named after OMT Robert Herrick, the 17th Century metaphysical poet, is a society dedicated to those with intellectual curiosity. 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 light. Meeting weekly or fortnightly, and led by either a student or teacher or visiting speaker, The Herrick takes the form of a lively discussion. It is open to all students who are seeking to learn simply for the sake of learning. With the feel of a university seminar, The Herrick is also the ideal preparation for those considering a degree in English or in the wider arts and humanities.



Year Group(s): Years 9-13;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: EN41

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Hilton-Dennis

Junior History Club

Junior History Club is your chance to explore any historical topics you are interested in, especially those not covered in lessons. Sessions are tailored to what you enjoy and want to learn about, with a huge range of fun activities on offer such as quizzes, debates, escape rooms, model building etc.

Year Group(s): Years 7- 9;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

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

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Blatchford Pace

Hockey: Lunch Time Club

Lunch time hockey club open to all ages and ability to come down to the Astro to practise.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR; Tuesday LUNCH HOUR; Wednesday LUNCH HOUR; Thursday LUNCH HOUR; Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Red Astro

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Haynes

Hockey: Senior Training

Pre-season training.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Monday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Astros

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Middleton

Hockey: U12 Training

Training session for the U12 group.

Year Group(s): Year 7;

Time: Wednesday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Astros

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Middleton

Hockey: U13 Extended Session

Continued training session after Games.

Year Group(s): Year 8;

Time: Tuesday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Astro

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Haynes

Hockey: U14 and U15 Indoor Training

Indoor hockey training in preparation for County, Regional and National competitions.

Year Group(s): Years 9-10;

Time: Wednesday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Sports Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Haynes

Hockey: U14 Training

Training in the build-up to the hockey season.

Year Group(s): Year 9;

Time: Monday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Astros

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Haynes

Hockey: U16 and U18 Indoor Training

Indoor hockey training in preparation for County, Regional and National tournaments.

Year Group(s): Years 11-13;

Time: Thursday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Sports Hall

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.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Location tbc

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Firestone & Ms Baruch

Lego Club

Lego club is a fun, interesting club for students in all years where you can express your creativity through playing with Lego. We invite Lego enthusiasts to join us for fun Lego creativity and challenges.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: EP104 (portacabins)

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Hall

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.

Year Group(s): Years 11-13;

Time: Wednesday AFTER SCHOOL, 4.30-6.30pm;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Mr Cataldo's Art Studio

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Cataldo

Linguachef

Learn to cook while using a foreign language! This club will start after October half-term.

Year Group(s): Years 7-9;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week A;

Location: MSR

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Castro



Magic and Cardistry

A fun and creative club where students learn and practise magic tricks, cardistry and sleight of hand. Members develop dexterity, confidence and presentation skills while performing tricks, learning new techniques and sharing their skills with others in a relaxed and enjoyable environment.



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: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: FF11 (Art-DT block)

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Aleksanyan

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): Years7-9;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MA3

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Prashar

Senior Maths Club

Senior Maths Club provides a space for those who wish to develop their problem solving using a variety of resources from UKMT and other such national and international Mathematical competitions.

Year Group(s): Years 9-13;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MA30

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Carroll

Senior Mathematics Society

Exploring Mathematics beyond the classroom and strengthening mathematical communication.

Year Group(s): Years 12-13;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MA6

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

Metal Detecting Society

A club for keen metal detectorists! We will continue to look for treasures on our historic campus. Training provided. Invitation only. Please wear suitable coats and shoes for this outside activity.

Year Group(s): Years 10-11;

Time: Thursday AFTER SCHOOL (finishing by 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Meet at the Depot at 3.50 for 4pm.

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Hesketh

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 2026-27, 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: CO51 until October, then Lecture Theatre (Week A) and CO51 (Week B)

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Martin

Motorsports Kit Car Club

Continued build of the MEV Exocet kit car - knowledge of and interest in car mechanics highly desirable.

Year Group(s): Years 11-13;

Time: Monday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: DET Car Workshop

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Willson

Music Aural Training Class

This class offers additional support to all pupils 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 MORNING;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Music Department - MU89 (The Keyboard Room)

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Clark

Music Theory Club

The weekly Music Theory Club is designed to support all pupils 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! To join simply sign up on the noticeboard in the Music Department or speak to a Music teacher.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday MORNING;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Music Department - MU82

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Clark

Panglossia

The Panglossia Club is the MFL platform for giving talks in the target language by our Year 10-13 linguists. It is here where our linguists showcase their speaking skill on the topic of their choice. The talks are followed by a Q&A session in a target language too. The Panglossia Club meets on a fortnightly basis. It is an excellent opportunity to give a talk or to listen and to extend one's erudition.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week A;

Location: ML78

Lead Staff/Contact: Ms Kotsuba

Peer Coaching Programme

Peer Coaching is a fortnightly 1:1 conversation during a Tuesday lunchtime (Week B), running for two terms. Each member of the 4ths/Divs will be paired with a trained Sixth Form coach, who will guide and support them through personalised discussions that help you grow, solve problems, and make progress—academically and personally. This isn't about being told what to do or being given advice; nor is it about 'needing help'. Instead, it's a collaborative partnership that helps you: identify and set meaningful goals, and work towards them; explore challenges and create your own solutions; develop confidence, communication skills, and self-awareness; understand your strengths and identify areas for growth. You choose the focus—whether it's improving study habits, building friendships, managing stress, or simply navigating school life more confidently. 4ths & Divs will need to opt in once they have had their year group assembly launch in weeks 2 & 3.The first meeting between the coach and the coachee will take place on Tuesday 29th September.

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

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week B;

Location: Exam Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Ms Smith & Mrs Hale

Percussion Ensemble

The 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, the Concert Band and the 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 MORNING;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Lawrence

PHAB Club

This club is run by our Lower 6th and Upper 6th PHAB Team, on a rota basis. It takes place Week A from 4 - 5.30pm in the DET Department, where we welcome young people and provide opportunities for disabled and non-disabled individuals to come together and socialise, and enjoy a range of activities. We are assisted by some of the 6th Form from RMS for Girls.

Year Group(s): Years 12-13;

Time: Friday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Fortnightly Week A;

Location: DT Block

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Knight & Mr Cataldo

PHAB Week

Phab Week Team Meetings.

Year Group(s): Years 12-13;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MA5

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Hazan & Mrs Omert

Senior Philosophy Society

From issues of justice and power to the true nature of reality, from questions of what we can know to how we should live, the Senior Philosophy Society is a student-run club which provides you with a forum to argue, discuss, provoke and, crucially, think.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: RP20

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Birch

Philosophers' World

If you're interested in thinking about the meaning of life and why we're here, and you also love TV, then come to Philosophers' World to spend the Hour watching hit show The Good Place.

Year Group(s): Years 7-9;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: RP18

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Lightfoot

Physics Forum

Students research, build and present on any physics-related topic they like. In the past, we have built stomp rockets and mini wind turbines. Students have researched and presented talks on black holes and quantum physics. This is your chance to explore the parts of physics you enjoy the most.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: PH12

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Sa'id

Piano Trio

A chamber music ensemble for advanced players, by invitation only. Recent repertoire has included Shostakovich's String Quartet No. 7, Ravel's Piano Trio, Haydn's 'Emperor' String Quartet and Poulenc's Trio for Violin, Clarinet and Piano, and several Miniatures for Piano Trio by Frank Bridge.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Music Department - MU82

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Couldridge

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 to 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 10-13;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: EN32

Lead Staff/Contact: Ms Scott



Politics Club (Middle School)

This club is for students interested in understanding how the UK works today. Each week we look at a different topic, starting with a short, balanced overview before opening up discussion. Students are encouraged to share ideas and perspectives, helping build confidence in debating and thinking about real world issues.

Year Group(s): Years 9-11;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: PO53 (next to IT Services Office)

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Martin

Public Speaking Club

A chance to practise your public speaking skills, led by Leo McCormick in the Fourth Form.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: EN35

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Shockley

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: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Tonks

MTS Robotics

Merchant Taylors' Robotics Club gives pupils the opportunity to design, engineer, build and program innovative robots. Working within dedicated teams, members develop engineering, coding, problem-solving and leadership skills before competing in VEX Robotics events, with the potential to progress to regional and national competitions. Open to all abilities, the club promotes creativity, resilience and teamwork.

Year Group(s): Years 8-13;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR; Monday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5pm); Thursday LUNCH HOUR; Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: DET Workshops

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Sadler

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. Numbers for the club are not limited, but when you decide to try Rowing Club this academic year, please email DMS to inform Ms Scott, so she can send you some information.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Meet at the Watersports Centre, by the lake, by the road to the Julian Hill Cricket Centre.

Lead Staff/Contact: Ms Scott

Junior Rugby Club

Rugby training ahead of the season in Term 2. Open to all with any amount of experience.

Year Group(s): Years 7-8;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Flagstaff/Junior 1

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr de Weymarn

Rugby Forward Factory

Rugby training with a focus around scrums and lineouts.There are two different sessions. Monday is for Years 9-11; Wednesday is for Years 11-13.

Year Group(s): Years 9-13;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR (Years 9-11); Wednesday LUNCH HOUR (Years 11-13);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Flagstaff/Flagstaff Grids

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr de Weymarn and Mr Richardson

Rugby: Kicking Kings

Training session focused around kicking in rugby, including goal kicking, drop kicks and punting.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Flagstaff

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr de Weymarn

Rugby: Scrum Half Club

Rugby training based around skill set for scrum halves including passing and box kicking.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Flagstaff

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Wickham

Rugby: Senior Analysis

Post match analysis from the weekend's fixtures.

Year Group(s): Years 12-13;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: HY2.02

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr de Weymarn

Rugby: Senior Pool Recovery

Pool recovery session following fixtures at the weekend.

Year Group(s): Years 11-13;

Time: Monday MORNING;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Swimming Pool

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr de Weymarn

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 (outside the DET building), meeting at 13:55.

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Prashar & Dr Beacham

Sanātana Dharma Society

The Sanātana Dharma Society is a friendly and welcoming club for anyone interested in Hindu philosophy, culture and spirituality. Open to Hindus and non-Hindus alike, we explore Hindu ideas through discussion, debate and shared learning. Activities include watching and discussing Kurukshetra, singing bhajans, hearing from Hindu speakers, and exploring some of life's deepest philosophical and religious questions. Whether you know a lot about Hinduism or are simply curious to learn more, all are welcome. Join us for thoughtful conversation, new perspectives and a chance to engage with one of the world's oldest living traditions.



Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: RP19

Lead Staff/Contact: Dr Birtles

Saxophone Ensemble

A small wind ensemble that caters exclusively for saxophonists! This group is coached by Mr Robb, one of the visiting music teachers, and performs throughout the year at informal tea-time concerts and other events, culminating in a showcase performance in the annual Jazz Night during Music Week in the summer term. A variety of musical styles is explored. Please speak to Mr Robb or another Music teacher if you would like to join.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Music Department - 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. Scholarships 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: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR; Thursday AFTER SCHOOL (until 4.45pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Various

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Miller

Senior Science Society

6th Form science presentations. This club will start after October half-term.

Year Group(s): Years 12-13;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Fortnightly Week B;

Location: PH16

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Rashid

Sinfonia

The Sinfonia String Orchestra is the ensemble for developing string players who aspire to progress to the Symphony and Chamber Orchestras. Students develop vital skills such as playing together, following a conductor and performing with expression and musicality. They will perform in major concerts throughout the school year. It is open to all violin, viola, cello and double bass players.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Tuesday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Coleman

SINFONIA

Junior Squash Club

An opportunity for younger boys to develop their skills in squash. Sessions are led by our professional coach and, due to limited capacity, are available by invitation only. Please email Mr Hilton-Dennis if you are interested in getting involved. All ability levels are welcome.

Year Group(s): Year 9;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Squash Courts

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Hilton-Dennis

Storytelling Club

Storytelling Club seeks to revitalise the ancient art of oral storytelling. Taking place in the Library 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. Stories can 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, sharpen your oracy skills and learn the wisdom that can be only passed down by word of mouth – all the while enjoying the finest in school catering.

Year Group(s): Years 7-9;

Time: Friday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5pm);

Frequency: Half-termly;

Location: The School Library

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Hilton-Dennis

Strategy Board Game Club

Play games such as Machi Koro, Bang the Dice game, Coup, Flip 7....during the Lunch Hour.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MA2

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Rowlands

String Chamber Music

A chamber music ensemble for more advanced string players that explores the canon of great string chamber music or piano trios and quartets composed over the last 300 years. This ensemble performs in chamber concerts at school throughout the year. Coaching is given by Mrs Tait, a Visiting Music Teacher who herself is a vastly experienced chamber musician, having recorded and performed around the world with the Fitzwilliam String Quartet. If you would like to be involved in the chamber music programme at MTS please speak with Mr Couldridge.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Monday AFTER SCHOOL (until 4.40pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Music Department - Mu91

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Tait

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 (usually Grade 6 for violinists), and usually higher for wind, brass and percussion players. Rehearsals start on Tuesday 15th September.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Tuesday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Couldridge

Table Tennis Club

A fun club for anyone interested in playing table tennis. All abilities are welcome to join.

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, in the years in which it takes place, the Triennial Service at St Paul's Cathedral.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday MORNING;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Byron

Junior Tennis Club

Join us for some fun tennis sessions with our coach! Whether you are a beginner looking to learn or an experienced player wanting to improve your skills, everyone is welcome. No racket? No problem. We have rackets available to borrow. Just bring yourself and a pair of sports shoes.

Year Group(s): Years 7-9;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Tennis courts

Lead Staff/Contact: Dr Lohr

Thomas White Singers

A close harmony/barbershop group for a small number of Tenors and Basses. TWS perform in Choral and Chamber Music Concerts, and at external venues such as Merchant Taylors' Hall. Membership is by invitation only.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Music Dept.

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Crawford

Trading Card Game Club

The Trading Card Game Club creates a space for all those wanting to play and trade within their preferred Trading Card Game. Whether that's Magic the Gathering, One Piece TCG, or Pokémon - all players of all skill levels are welcome. Learn to play, trade cards, and compete in local tournaments every Wednesday from 3:40-5:30. See you there!

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Wednesday AFTER SCHOOL (unitl 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: FF6 (or in the DET building)

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Aleksanyan

Ukulele Club

Learning to play the ukulele and learning new songs, possibly performing in a concert once a term.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: GY3.1

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Buckhaven

Volleyball Club

We play volleyball and welcome players of any ability.

Year Group(s): Years 10-13;

Time: Monday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.15pm);

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 (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: PH14

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Waterhouse



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 (until 5.15pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Recital Hall

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Martin

Wind Chamber Music

A wind chamber music ensemble for advanced players of woodwind and French Horn that explores a rich repertoire under the guidance of Miss Cotton who teaches the oboe here at MTS. This ensemble offers performances in a variety of settings at school, including tea-time concerts throughout the year, as well as at the Merchant Taylors' Hall concert. Membership is by invitation, but if you would like to become a member please speak to Miss Cotton or one of the Music teachers.

Year Group(s): All;

Time: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: Music Department - Mu82

Lead Staff/Contact: Miss Cotton

The Writers' Guild - Creative Writing

The Writers' Guild is a space for anyone who likes making things out of words. Poetry, fiction, scripts, or something stranger. Bring what you're working on, or start fresh. We share drafts, experiment with new forms, and read widely. All years welcome. No experience needed: just curiosity and a pen.



Year Group(s): All;

Time: Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: EN43

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Wilson

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 transferable skills for any career they might choose. All students who have secured a place on the scheme have to attend a compulsory Orientation Meeting on Mon 28th September. Team meetings then commence on Tues 29th September.

Year Group(s): Year 12;

Time: Tuesday AFTER SCHOOL; Plus one other meeting during the week at a time that is agreed by the team; Thursday AFTER SCHOOL;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: In school, rooms TBC

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Thobhani

Young Reporter

A scheme run 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): Year 10 and Year 12;

Time: Ad hoc meetings;

Frequency: Ad hoc meetings;

Location: In school (location TBC)

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Thobhani



Academic Support Sessions, Autumn Term 2026

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: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR; Tuesday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm); Wednesday LUNCH HOUR; Thursday LUNCH HOUR; Thursday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm); 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 help sessions for Lower and Middle School students. All students in Years 7 to 11 are welcome to drop in with any questions you have, and teachers and 6th Formers will be happy to help you. This is an informal session so you are welcome to come along for part or all of the session, depending on what help you need. Hope to see you soon!

Year Group(s): Years 7-11;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: CH47

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Knight & Dr Lohr

Chemistry (6th Form) Academic Support

Year 12 and 13 students are invited to drop in with any Chemistry questions. Teachers will be available throughout the session to offer support. Feel free to stay for the whole hour or just pop in briefly for help with a specific problem. We hope to see you there!

Year Group(s): Years 12-13;

Time: Thursday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: CH47

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Vernice

Economics Academic Support

Drop in sessions for all Economic students (Y12 and Y13) for additional help and support.

Year Group(s): Years 12-13;

Time: Monday LUNCH HOUR; Wednesday LUNCH HOUR; Friday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: EP classrooms (see poster)

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Hall

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 Academic Support

An academic support session for GCSE Music candidates. Pupils can use this as controlled assessment time for their composition coursework or seek further help with the appraising paper.

Year Group(s): Year 11;

Time: Wednesday LUNCH HOUR; Thursday AFTER SCHOOL (until 5.30pm);

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: MU91a

Lead Staff/Contact: Mr Crawford

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: Tuesday LUNCH HOUR;

Frequency: Weekly;

Location: ML76

Lead Staff/Contact: Mrs Rittey