



Waltham Toll Bar Academy

Enrichment Options Booklet

September – December 2023

We believe that success should not only come in the classroom, during our time with us, we want our young people to find their passion beyond the academic, and have the opportunity to grow and nurture this. We want our young people to find new talents and pursue these in a supportive and dynamic environment. We have a commitment that every child, regardless of background, can choose to take part in extra-curricular activities, trips and community engagement throughout their time in school.

Look through this booklet to find something you want to do for your enrichment in your first term with us. You can progress with this across the year, or change as you try multiple new skills.

You will not need to bring anything with you to the enrichment and materials will be provided for you unless stated otherwise.

You can do more than one enrichment activity in a week.



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Tuesday Options

Historical Fiction Society

Tuesday 3pm – 4pm

80H with Mrs Woodbridge



Are you interested in History? Do you want to know more about Historical Events?

If you do, or just want to learn some interesting facts, come to 12E on a Tuesday after school where you, and Mrs Woodbridge will write your own piece of Historical Fiction which we will enter into the National Historical Association Competition.

Be supported by an expert Historian to write your own fiction and potentially win a national prize. Some topics we are considering include The Titanic, World War Two, Roman England and The Tudors

Do I need any prior experience? – Not at all, you will learn the skills of fiction writing and history along the way.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone can take part; you can write in groups or individually and you'll be supported every step. All you need is a pen!



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Graphics & Photography Club

Tuesdays 3pm – 4pm

30S with Miss Blendell

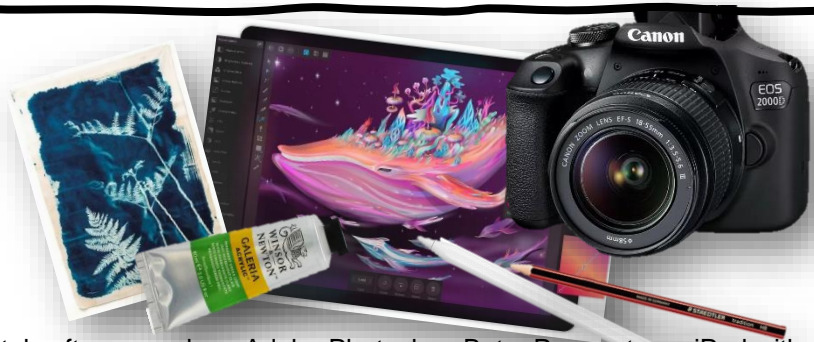
What will we be doing?

We will be using up-and-coming digital software such as Adobe Photoshop Beta, Procreate on iPad with Apple Pencils to create a broad range of fresh and exciting Graphic and Photographic works.

We will also use a range of traditional methods including printmaking, screen printing, drawing, and paintwork, as well as basic photography skills. We can then digitally manipulate these by scanning them in and uploading them into the different software. Using the dark room and a UV lamp we will be making cyanotype prints also!

Do I need any prior experience? No experience required- your skills learnt in KS3 Art lessons will be an ample skillset which we can then develop and build on!

Who is this suitable for? All KS3 students. This is an introduction and a taster of the Graphic Communication and Photography GCSE subjects. Anyone with any interest in art with any level of technical ability or creativity is welcome to join!



DebateMate

Tuesdays 3pm – 4pm

21A with Mrs Fothergill

What will we be doing?

Last year our team came SECOND in a regional debate competition. This year we want to win!! We have partnered with DebateMate who will train you in the valuable skills of debating and teach you how to make passionate and reasoned arguments and learn a valuable skill along the way. You will enter as a team into a national competition with the chance to be British Champions.

Do I need any prior experience? You don't need any experience at all, we will support you to learn Debate skills.

Who is this suitable for? All Students in Year 7 to 10 can attend. We encourage everyone who wants to, to come along and learn a really respected skill that is valued by lots of employers in the future.





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Waltham Toll Bar Singers:

Tuesday 3pm – 4pm

70F with Mrs Hadley

Singers from all years are invited and welcome to join Toll Bar singers! This will be a group of music loving pupils singing theatre and popular music together in harmony.



Waltham Toll Bar Singers vocal group will help you build your confidence and the group will perform a few times throughout the year in school concerts and you'll represent the school in front of parents and prospective year 5 and 6 students.

Do I need any prior experience? – You do not need any experience, just your enthusiasm for singing in a group.

Who is this suitable for? – Anybody, any voice, for all year groups.

Eco Club:

Tuesday 3pm – 4pm

40J – Miss Wright

In eco-club we look for new exciting and innovative ways to protect the environment. This includes organising charitable events to raise money for wildlife, improving the biodiversity of Waltham Tollbar Academy to work towards making us a “green-school”, and finding new methods to be more sustainable. Eco-club will help you improve your knowledge of our ever-changing ecosystems, and will give you an opportunity to meet like-minded peers who want to secure a future on a sustainable and biodiverse Earth.



Do I need any prior experience? – No, everyone has the potential to find new ways to help the environment.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone can take part, you can come with friends or come alone and meet come along to the club alone you will soon make friends with other interested students.



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Science club:

Tuesday 3pm – 4pm

40B – Miss Sultana

Come & try some exciting Science experiments!

In Science club you will have the opportunity to see and try fun experiments which you will not always get to try in class. This is a great chance to develop key team work and practical skills which will broaden your wider experience of science and technology. You will have the opportunity to work on longer projects, win prizes and make new friends during group tasks.



Do I need any prior experience? - No experience of experiments is needed; however, it is beneficial for you to have worked in a school lab and learnt about health & safety in the lab. We encourage all students who want to try something new, be creative and have fun with friends to attend. We will always demonstrate how to work safely in the lab and expect students to follow through. Please bring a bobble if you have long hair, goggles will be provided for you to wear.

Sustainable Sewing

Tuesday 3pm – 4pm

30L – Miss Brown



The clothing industry is one of the most polluting industries on earth. Each year, over 300,000 tonnes of fabric waste go to landfill- and only 1% of that is ever recycled. But we are going to do something about that!

At Sustainable Sewing, we are going to make a pair of pyjama bottoms (but you could wear them during the day if you fancied) out of old items of clothing. We are going to save them from landfill AND get an incredibly trendy item of clothing too!

Do I need any sewing experience?

Absolutely none! If you can sew- this is a wonderful opportunity to develop your skills further. If you have no experience- come along to try something new!

Do I need to bring anything?

No! All materials will be provided! As we are a sustainable sewing club, you are encouraged to bring along any old clothes that you would like to transform- but if you haven't any then no worries- we have plenty of spare!



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Beginners' German Club:

Tuesday 3pm – 4pm

30M with Mrs Rowe



“Mein Name ist Ben. Mein Haus ist in Berlin. Ich habe einen Bruder und eine Schwester. Meine Katze ist braun. Ich liebe Fussball und Musik.”

Did you understand any of that? Then you already know some German! German Club will teach you some basic German words and phrases. You will also learn about life in German-speaking countries. You will practise what you have learnt in group activities including games and songs.

Do I need any prior experience? – No. At first, we will only be learning useful basic phrases in German. As you improve, we can build on this and you can make suggestions about what you would like to learn.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone can take part. If you have an interest in languages and other cultures, this is a good choice for you to add on to the French or Spanish lessons you already do.

Charity Committee:

Tuesday 3pm – 4pm

40B – Miss Dixit



Come join the charity committee where you can bring your fantastic ideas for fundraising. We will be meeting weekly to raise ideas for fundraising, make resources and plan activities. Money raised will go directly to the charities we are fundraising for. Ideas could include bake sales, games, stalls, football, fashion shows, concerts and more!

Do I need any prior experience? – No prior experience is needed. We encourage all students to attend.

Do I need to bring anything? – No, all resources will be provided.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone is welcome to take part. You can come individually or with friends.



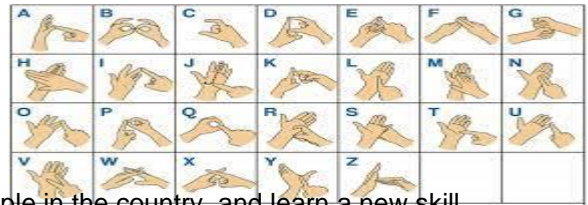
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British Sign Language

Tuesday 3pm – 3:30pm

Friday: 3pm – 3:30pm

80E with Mrs Knight



Come and learn a language spoken by 150,000 people in the country, and learn a new skill.

BSL is a visual means of communication using gestures, facial expression and body language. It is now an official language with the UK. By learning BSL, you gain the ability to communicate with the deaf community, fostering inclusivity and understanding. Expand your communication skills, career prospects and embrace a vibrant language. Break down barriers and make a positive impact.

Do I need any prior experience? - No experience of sign language is needed to join, just an interest in learning to communicate using hands.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone can take part; you can come along with friends and learn how to communicate witho

AIRFIX Model Club:

Tuesday 3pm – 4pm

30U with Mr S Marshall

Come learn the skills needed to create life-like models of your favourite aircraft, armoured vehicles etc

AIRFIX Model Club will teach you the basics of MODEL CONSTRUCTION, starting with the simple models leading to much larger and complexed designs. You will learn how to build and paint your models; your models can also be supported with fantastic scenarios and battles scenes. You will also research your chosen model and create an informative history of why it was created, its successes and failures and a famous person who was part of development or used it .

Do I need any prior experience? - No experience of MODEL CONSTRUCTION is necessary and we encourage all students who want to try something new and have fun with friends.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone can take part, you can play in groups, or as individuals and if you come along to the club alone you will soon make friends with other interested students.





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Kahoot and Blooket Club:

Tuesday 3pm – 4pm

22G – Mr Mosley



Come learn and engage in popular games and quizzes with likeminded people and compete to finish in 1st place.

Kahoot and Blooket club will teach you new, interesting facts and enhance your subject knowledge along with knowledge around topics of your own choice to battle against your friends. You will learn how to even create your own quizzes and broadcast to the rest of the group.

Do I need any prior experience? - No experience of Computing is necessary and we encourage all students who want to try something new and have fun with friends.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone can take part, you can play in groups, or as individuals and if you come along to the club alone you will soon make friends with others

Future Chef Jnr

Tuesday 3pm – 4pm

Room 30H with Miss Elsom

What will we be doing?

Future Chef Jnr is an introduction into the culinary arts. Build up your skills by learning new cooking techniques with hints and tips along the way. It offers the students to further develop their confidence in their existing cooking skills and knowledge of nutrition, food hygiene and knife skills. The students will have the opportunity to take part in a national Future Chef Bake Off competition.

Do I need any prior experience? No experience required- your skills learnt in KS3 Food Technology lessons will be an excellent skillset which we can then develop and build on!

Who is this suitable for? Y7 & 8 students. This is a national competition that is open to students in these year groups.





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Disney Club

Tuesdays 3pm – 4pm

801 with Miss Lyon

What will we be doing?

We will focus on creating a happy, positive space to discuss your love of Disney. We will watch films, create Disney artwork and focus on promoting the ideals of Walt Disney to give you a space to explore your inner child. A relaxed space will be created where we focus on laughter and imagination.

Do I need any prior experience? No experience required- just a love of Disney films, characters, parks and experiences.

Who is this suitable for? All KS3 and KS4 studen

Disney

Year 7, 8, 9 Football

Tuesday 3:15 – 4:15

Field with Mr Marshall, Mr Allenby and Mr McGrath



Would you like to develop your football skills? If so then come along to Football Club. There will be opportunities to develop skills, play games and if you want to, represent the Academy.

Do I need any prior experience? – No experience needed, everyone welcome.

What will I need?- Academy PE kit, football boots and shin pads.



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Girls Football

Tuesday 3:15 – 4:15

Field with Miss Warner



Would you like to develop your football skills? If so then come along to Football Club. There will be opportunities to develop skills, play games and if you want to, represent the Academy.

Do I need any prior experience? – No experience needed, everyone welcome.

What will I need?- Academy PE kit, football boots and shin pads.

Key Stage Three Art Club:

Tuesday 3pm – 4pm

Room: 30R – Mrs Stephen



Come explore your creativity in art club! We will be experimenting with a variety of materials and techniques in art club.

In art club we will explore a variety of medias such as, drawing, painting, printing, sculpture and many more. You will be able to create your own pieces of art work and develop your art skills. The themes in art club relate to topics that are current as well as seasonal occasions for example, creating Christmas ornaments.

Do I need any prior experience? – No experience is needed and we encourage students to explore and experiment with all different styles of art.

Do I need to bring anything? – No, all art materials will be provided for you.

Who is this suitable for? – This club is only for year 7 & 8 students.



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Tollbar 6th Form Debating Club

Tuesday 3.15pm until 4.15 pm

60I with Mr Dalton



Come and debate the issues of the week with other students across a range of subjects and disciplines. We will focus mainly on Political, Legal and Moral issues but will also spend time on the less serious issues of our time.

So we could debate over one session:

“Is it right the UK Government plans to send Asylum Seekers to Rwanda?”

Followed by,

“The best traybake sold in the 6th form café is the chocolate covered flapjack.”

Who can join? - Anybody in the 6th form!

Can I just come and listen to the debate and not be involved? -Yes of course! Although over time we would like to hear the views of all the attendees.

Anachronisms in History

Tuesday 3pm – 4pm

80C with Mr Green



Have you ever watched a historical movie and wondered just how accurate it really is? Would you like to know more about what the truth is behind some famous historical movies?

If you do, or if you just want to learn some interesting facts, the Anachronisms in History Club is the place for you.

You will see examples of how history has been presented on the silver screen and then learn about which parts were accurate and which parts absolutely wrong.

Do I need any prior experience? – None at all – just a keen interest in learning about what the past was really like.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone can take part; there will be opportunities for individual research and group discussions.



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Couch to 5K

Tuesday 3pm – 4pm

Meet outside PE Block with Mr Butterfield



Couch to 5K is a great programme to build up stamina and fitness. Over a period of time you'll develop the strength and skills to complete a 5 kilometre run alongside other students and staff.

This is really recommended for students interested in fitness and sport. However, we also encourage everyone to take part if you just want to get a bit more fitness. Running is proven to help with a mental health and lead to a healthier lifestyle. This is NOT a race and you can comfortably run at your own pace.

You'll need sensible running footwear and academy PE Kit.



Wednesday Options

Warhammer Club:

Wednesday 3pm – 4pm

12D with Mr Musgrave

Come learn an internationally popular game with likeminded people and discover the world of tabletop gaming.



Warhammer club will teach you the basics of tabletop gaming, starting with the simple rules and building up to you being able to host large-scale battles against your friends. You will learn how to build and design your own models and be supported to create fantastic scenarios and battles, each having a different outcome.

Do I need any prior experience? - No experience of Warhammer or tabletop gaming is necessary and we encourage all students who want to try something new and have fun with friends.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone can take part, you can play in groups, or as individuals and if you come along to the club alone you will soon make friends with other interested students.



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Ukulele Club:

Wednesday 3pm – 4pm

10L with Miss Davidson

Come and join a group of music loving pupils playing ukuleles to pop songs. We will learn bar chords and strumming patterns to play alongside the music. Ukulele club is very informal and you do not need to have any experience playing ukulele to join. Year 8 music will teach you the ukulele basics which can be useful but these are also things you can learn week by week at the club. This club will teach you music skills such as playing in time to a backing track and keeping in time with a group of performers, it will also help build your confidence and communication skills.



Do I need any prior experience? - No experience necessary, just your effort and enthusiasm for playing instruments in a group and having fun with friends.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone can come and take part; we provide all instruments so you do not need to bring one in!

Jewellery Making Club:

Wednesday 3pm – 4pm

22D with Miss Crosby

Come along and learn techniques you could use to make jewellery.

Jewellery making club will teach you the basics of making bracelets and necklaces, starting with simpler knotting methods and building up to making your own designs. You will even learn how these can be used to make models.

Do I need any prior experience? - No experience of jewellery making or crafting is necessary and we encourage all students who want to try something new and have fun with friends.

Who is this suitable for? – Anyone and everyone can take part. You can create as individuals or to share in groups. If you come along to the club alone you will soon make friends with other interested students.





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Games Programming Club:

Wednesday 3pm – 4pm

21F – Mr Brown

Have you ever wanted to create your own games?

During these sessions you will learn the basics of the Unity game engine and how to use this to create games. You'll develop an understanding of the C# programming language that can be used for both app and games development.



You will build a game across a term that can be played using an xbox controller and would run on a games console!

Do I need any prior experience? – No experience of programming or game engines is required and very minimal computing power is required to continue this at home.

Parkour Club

Wednesdays 3pm – 4pm

Aerobics Gymnasium with Mrs Fuller



Parkour is the practice of navigating through a man-made or natural environment through the use of running, vaulting, jumping, climbing, rolling, and other movements in order to travel from one point to another in the quickest and most efficient way possible without the use of equipment. Parkour club will teach you the basics of travelling using different ways of movement and using our bodies. We will explore the use of contact, and lifting our peers in order to gain experience and confidence in weightbearing and counterbalance activities.

Do I need any prior experience? - No experience of Parkour is necessary and we encourage all students who want to try something new and have fun with friends.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone can take part, you can practise in groups, or as individuals and if you come along to the club alone you will soon make friends with other interested students.



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Gardening Group:

Wednesday 3pm – 4pm

Meet in 10B with Miss Logan

What will we be doing?

Spend some time getting back to nature! We will be exploring the area of garden in the middle of block 3, considering how it can be developed and made use of for students and staff in the future. Along with designing what the area should look like and be used for, you will work as part of a team to dig out areas for planting, help to select plants and also care for them. There will be manual work involved!

Do I need any prior experience? - No experience of gardening or knowledge of plants is necessary – just a love of the outdoors and seeing things grow.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone can come along – you may need to bring appropriate outdoor wear, depending on the weather and some of the messier / more physical activities.



Minecraft Club

Wednesday 3pm – 4pm

21B with Miss Walker



Ever wanted to explore a cave, vast waters or another dimension? Ever wanted to mine different ores or even set up a quaint farm? Ever wanted to build your own civilisation and create your own rules? Minecraft is for you! This open world game can open many opportunities for your gameplay and let you choose your own destiny. Minecraft club will explore the basics of the game such as starting out and the first few days, building worlds and communities together and using creativity to act out own scenarios. Minecraft is a great way to enhance problem solving skills, communication, teamwork, managing resources and so much more!

Do I need any prior experience? – You do not need experience of playing Minecraft to join. We encourage students to try something new. We welcome all abilities and experiences. Difficulties and modes can be changed.

Who is this suitable for? – Anyone can participate. You can play alone, or with a group of friends or even find other students with common interest in the game.



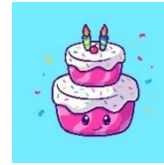
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The Tasty Baking Club

Wednesdays 3pm – 4pm

30H with Mrs Susewitz

What will we be doing?



Do you want to learn how to bake like on GBBO? Do you want to impress your friends and family with your baking skills? Then come along to The Tasty Baking Club!

We will be baking basic treats such as brownies and blondies, tray bakes, muffins, cookies and biscuits.

There is no pressure for your baking to look good, just to taste good! Also, you will be able to take something home every week to wow your friends and family. There is no secret to baking, it's just about practice and skills, so come along and learn how to do it in a friendly environment.

Do I need any prior experience? No experience required- none whatsoever! You just need to have an interest in wanting to learn how to bake. All ingredients will be provided, so you will not need to bring anything with you or prepare anything beforehand.

Who is this suitable for? All students. This is an introduction to baking for anyone with any interest in eating cakes, cookies and other treats 😊

Waltham Tollbar Newspaper Club:

Wednesday 3pm – 4pm

11B with Mr Driscoll

Join and we can explore the power of storytelling to change lives and impact society. In today's world, where information is abundant but the truth is often buried beneath a sea of noise, journalism has never been more important.



1. Become a Better Communicator

Exploring journalism will teach you to be a better communicator. Your writing will improve exponentially. Learning to express yourself articulately and learning to decode exactly what is being communicated to you will be indispensable throughout academia and beyond.

2. Learn to Ask Questions

You will also learn the skill of asking good questions, this will be a foundational skillset as you pursue any and all professional endeavours.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone can take part; you will be part of our team but you will have the opportunity to write as individuals. Bring along a friend to the club or come alone and you will soon make friends with other interested students.



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E-Sports Club:

Wednesday 3pm – 4pm

21C with Mr Smith



Have an interest in Video Games? Have you ever wanted to try your hand at gaming in a more competitive environment?

E-Sports club will provide you with an opportunity to play some of your favourite games either with or against your fellow students and is a great way of developing team work skills and confidence! E-Sports club will teach you the basics of the games before allowing you to play against or with players of similar abilities, Initial games on offer will include:

- League of Legends
- Fifa23

We will be looking to expand the games on offer over time to provide a range of different opportunities.

What is our aim? – Once you have gained some experience with the games and developed your skills, we will be looking at building teams that can be entered to compete against other students and schools across the country!

Do I need any prior experience? – No experience is necessary and you will be able to pick up the games and play with people with similar levels of experience.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone! you can play in groups, or as individuals, students have attended alone previously and have made friends with students across different year groups here at the academy!

Mock Trial Competition

Wednesday 3pm – 4pm

80D with Mrs Delgado and Mr Tye



The Mock Trial Competition is a national competition. You will have the opportunity to prepare legal arguments for a specially written criminal case. After preparation our team may be given the opportunity to go head-to-head with other schools to prosecute and defend the cases in a real court room setting. If successful we will then be invited to a national final.

Students will be given the opportunity to play different roles within the court, from a jury member, court usher to a barrister or witness. The skills you develop will be extremely beneficial for your future career choices such as public speaking, critical thinking and gaining knowledge of the English Legal System.

Do I need any prior experience? - No experience of the law is necessary but an interest in this area will be beneficial.

Who is this suitable for? – KS4 & KS5 – Students aged 15-18 years of age can compete in the competition, if you are younger, please come and speak to Mrs Delgado or Mr Tye as you may still be able to be involved. Students who are interested in the legal profession and also those who have an interest in drama due to the nature of the roles needed within the court are also encourage to take part.



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Technology Club

Wednesdays 3pm – 4pm

Room 30E with Mrs Collins

What will be doing?

An opportunity to make a variety of small projects, learn new skills and develop existing ones while using a range of tools and equipment.

Do I need any prior experience? No experience required other than that gained from your lessons.

Who is this suitable for? Anyone in KS3 who would like to make small projects or develop their practical skills and anyone in KS4 that would like to practice and improve their skills particularly those studying GCSE Technology.



All years Netball

Wednesday 3pm – 4pm



Netball Courts with Mrs Shaw, Miss Seal, Miss Warner, Mrs Pharaoh, Mrs Longmate

Would you like to develop your netball skills? If so then come along to netball club. There will be opportunities to develop skills, play games and if you want to, represent the Academy.

Do I need any prior experience? – No experience needed, everyone welcome.

What will I need?- Academy PE kit and trainers.



Waltham Toll Bar Academy

All years Table Tennis

Wednesday 3pm – 4pm

Aerobics Gym with Mr Marshall



Would you like to develop your table tennis skills? If so then come along to table tennis club. There will be opportunities to develop skills, play games and if you want to, represent the Academy.

Do I need any prior experience? – No experience needed, everyone welcome.

What will I need?- Academy PE kit and trainers. Equipment will be provided.

Year 10, 11, 12,13 Fitness Gym

Wednesday 3pm – 4pm

Aerobics Gym with Mr McGrath and Mrs Clorley



Would you like to develop your fitness and use a well-equipped gym? receive specialist training advice from qualified members of staff? Please come along to use the fitness suite, for whatever goals you have.

Do I need any prior experience? – No experience needed, everyone in KS4 and 5 welcome.

What will I need?- Academy PE kit and trainers.



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Make Your Own Hair Accessories Club:

Wednesday 3pm - 4pm

Meet in 30K with Mrs Douglas



What we will be doing? Learn how to make your own hair accessories from scrunchies to sparkly hair grips to a cute headband. Develop skills in sewing, wire manipulation and many more.

Do I need any prior experience? No experience needed as I will show you what to do – just a love of crafting!

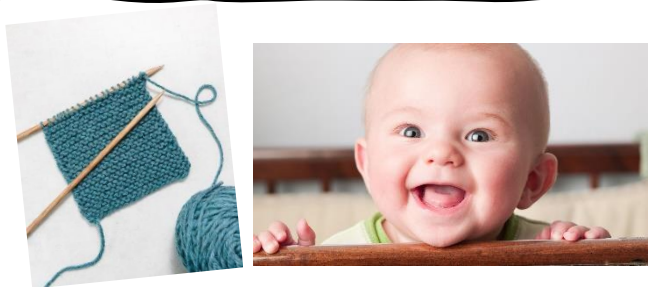
Who is this suitable for? This is suitable for everyone interested in hair, fashion and crafting!

Please note: This may only run for the first half term.

Knitting for Babies

Wednesday 3pm - 4pm

Meet in 50F with Mrs Willoughby



What we will be doing? You will learn to knit and all things we make will be donated to Grimsby hospital for premature babies. The hospital always needs warm clothes for babies born early and your skills will help support a young family.

Do I need any prior experience? No experience needed as I will show you what to do – just a willingness to learn.

Who is this suitable for? This is suitable for everyone interested in knitting or charity work.



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Chess Club

Wednesday 3pm – 4pm

80B with Mr Everitt



Learn the world's most popular game with our expert Chess player Mr Everitt. You can come along to learn the basics of chess, or play against other students or staff in high-intensity games of speed chess. We also have a range of types of chess to play including the modern 3D Chess and 3-person chess.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone can take part; we encourage students who just want to learn how to play to come alongside more experienced players.

How can I find out more? – Speak to Mr Everitt or Mr Fothergill to find out more information, we hope to see you there.

Lego Robotics Club

Friday 3pm – 4pm

11A with Miss Davis



Combining colourful LEGO building elements, easy-to-use hardware, and an intuitive drag-and-drop coding language based on Scratch, the Lego robotic kits enable learners to participate in playful learning activities. These sessions will help you to think critically and solve complex problems. Develop 21st century robotics skills needed for the world of tomorrow... while having fun!

You can apply engineering design skills at each step and design projects that combine both hardware and software components.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone can take part, but a passion for coding and engineering is essential



Thursday Options

Board Games and Fantasy Football Club:

Thursday 3pm – 4pm

22F – Mr Langridge



Learn skills such as planning ahead, budgeting, strategy and risk. Choose from a range of popular Board Games (we will always take suggestions for more) and play with your friends in a calm and fun atmosphere. You can also try out our WTBA Fantasy Football League and build a team of real life players from the Premier League and earn points as they score goals/offer assists etc;

Do I need any prior experience? – Not at all, we will teach you how to play a range of popular board games and we are sure you can teach us a thing or two as well.

Do I need to bring anything? – No, all resources and games will be provided and students will use the Academy's PC's to access the content if required



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Baking and cake decorating club:

Thursday 3pm – 4pm

30J with Miss Holden

Come and learn to bake and decorate cakes and cupcakes! We will teach you a range of simple recipes and tutorials for buttercream icing, sugar craft and piping techniques



Do I need any prior experience? – No experience is needed but it may be useful!

Who is this suitable for? – Anyone with a keen interest in baking and/or cake decoration.

Crafting Club

Thursday 3pm – 4pm

12A with Mrs Hall



Come and create a range of gifts, decorations and keepsakes with a range of different crafts.

At craft club, you can do a craft you already love doing at home or learn something completely new. I love cross stitch, diamond dots, hand-sewing, card-making and any other craft activity and would love to share my knowledge or even learn something new myself. You will get to create something you can take home to keep or give as a gift.

Do I need any prior experience? - No experience of any crafting is necessary. I will help you get started and find the right craft for you.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone is welcome. You just need an interest in creating something new.

Craft Club

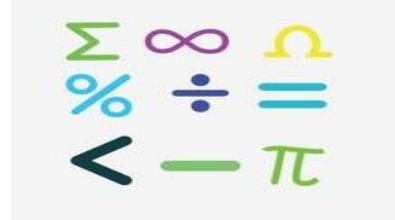


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Maths Games Club

Thursday 3pm – 4pm

22G with Miss Stothard



Improve your maths skills and quick responses with online maths games

Do I need any prior experience? - No experience needed, we encourage all students who want to try and have fun learning skills with friends.

Do I need to bring anything? – usual equipment, especially your calculator. We shall be in the computer rooms.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone can take part, you can play in groups, or as individuals and if you come along to the club alone you will soon make friends with other interested students.

Where can I go for further information? – Speak to Miss Stothard (20D) or Mr Fothergill (Office in Block 1), or members of the Maths team for any further questions you have and everyone will be happy to answer anything for you.

Animal Lovers Society

Thursday 3pm – 4pm

40D with Mrs Plant



Come and discover the world of animals - learn important skills on how to look after animals in the wild or at home with likeminded people.

Animal Care club is based around the welfare needs, the things all animals need to be healthy and happy. You will be learning how to make a positive difference to pets and animals in your local community, while having a lot of fun throughout the journey. Throughout the year, we will hear from a variety of guest speakers and professionals from the industry as well as a range of animals you will get to handle.

Do I need any prior experience? - No experience of animal care is necessary and we encourage all students who want to try something new and have fun with friends.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone is welcome. Whether you have an interest in becoming a vet, dog groomer, or just have a love for wildlife and pets. You will soon make friends with other interested students.



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Singing Club:

Thursday 3pm – 4pm

10L with Mrs Grantham

Come and learn how to sing as part of a group, make new friends and learn from your fellow students!

Studying singing in a group format is a fantastic way to build skills and confidence in singing, enabling you to perform your favourite songs.

Through vocal warm ups, technique classes and ensemble singing you will **learn how to sing using the correct vocal techniques. You will also have the opportunity to work on solo songs (if you want to) and receive encouragement and feedback from your teacher and your friends.**

Do I need any prior experience? - No experience of singing is necessary and we encourage all students that would like to learn a new skill and take on a new challenge.

Who is this suitable for? – Anyone can take part in this class; however, this club would suit students that enjoy performing arts, music and musical theatre.

Tap Dancing:

Thursday 3pm – 4pm

Brown Gym – Mrs Hodgson



Ever dreamt of performing on a West End Stage? Ever wanted to learn a new dance skill but just not had the chance? Why not come along to Tap Dancing Club where you can practise your rhythmic skills, learn something new and enjoy staying active to songs and music from a wide range of genres.

Tap Dancing Club will keep your toes tapping long after class, teaching you new steps and rhythms to music from the stage and popular culture. Come along and challenge yourself to learn something new, meet new friends and work together to create your own tap-dancing performances.

Do I need to bring anything? – Comfortable dance wear or active wear is recommended. If you have your own tap shoes, great! But don't worry if you don't, comfortable trainers or shoes, which you don't mind getting scuffed, will do to begin with. A bottle of water to keep hydrated is also a good idea.

Who is this suitable for? – From beginners to more advanced tappers, this class is open to anybody wanting to keep active and learn a new skill.



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3D Rendering – Architecture and Products

Thursdays 3pm – 4pm

Room 30W with Mr. Jones

What will we be doing?



We will be using up-and-coming digital software such as Sketchup on computers to create a range of innovative architecture and creative products.

We will also be learning about the life of an architect in order to understand their creative process, the steps they took to become an architect and the drawing skills needed to create new designs. We will be starting with the basics of traditional hand drawing method and then transfer those sketches into the 3D world of CAD. We will build up our CAD skills with mini projects learning about all the different digital tools to then, work on the Eco-House Project, all designed by you.

Do I need any prior experience? No experience required- your skills learnt in KS3 Art, ICT, Technology & Design lessons will be a great help to your skillset which we will build up together.

Who is this suitable for? All KS3 students. This is an introduction and a taster of the Graphic Communication and Technology & Design GCSE subjects. Anyone with any interest in Architecture and Product design with any level of technical ability or creativity is welcome to join!

[NOTE: Space is limited to 25 due to use of computers.]

Bloom Course

Thursday 3pm – 4pm

60C with Mrs Gabbitas



Bloom is an excellent 6-week self-help mental health course where you will be provided with the tools to manage stress, organise your studies and solve problems. This has been run by the Sixth Form Leadership Team for the past two years with excellent results and a proven track record of supporting students with their studies and mental health.

Please speak to Mrs Gabbitas for further information.

The Bloom Course is only available for Year 12 and Year 13 in the first Half-Term



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Mindfulness:

Thursday 3pm – 4pm

50H Miss Allison



Each week we will do a different activity that you can fully engage with and benefit from. Activities will be both indoors and outdoors, they will be creative, relaxing, and at times energetic. We will do activities from art work and reading to gentle exercise and enjoying the outdoors. We will create projects that you can do at home for your own enjoyment and wellbeing.

Do I need any prior experience? - No experience needed, we encourage all students who want to try something new and have fun with friends.

Do I need to bring anything? – No, just yourself and everything will be provided for each activity each week.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone can take part in groups, or as individuals and if you come along to the club alone you will soon make friends with other interested students.

Where can I go for further information? – Speak to Miss Allison (Office in Block 1) for any further questions you have.

All Years Badminton

Thursday 3pm – 4pm

Sports Hall with Mrs Pharaoh



Would you like to develop your badminton skills and fun with friends? Would you like to play some friendly games and if you wish, represent the academy?

Do I need any prior experience? – No experience needed, everyone welcome.

What will I need?- Academy PE kit and trainers, equipment will be provided.



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Year 10, 11, 12, 13 Football

Thursday 3pm – 4pm

Field with Mr Ward and Mr Cowie



Would you like to develop your football skills? If so then come along to Football Club. There will be opportunities to develop skills, play games and if you want to, represent the Academy.

Do I need any prior experience? – No experience needed, everyone welcome.

What will I need?- Academy PE kit, football boots and shin pads.

Year 10, 11 Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme

Thursday 3:15 – 4:15

30M With Miss Seal



This session will be open to any students enrolled on the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award.

Come along to get some support in completing your Duke of Edinburgh award, you will be able to use this time to complete your e-DofE in uploading your evidence for all sections and to complete your training and mapping for the expedition.

Do I need any prior experience? No, just to have signed up for the D of E Bronze award schem



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Be An Author Club

Thursday 3pm – 4pm

Room 12B with Mrs O'Donoghue

What will we be doing?



We will be discussing different topics and writing styles. You will then choose a topic and produce a piece of writing (short story, poem, song, research article, play, etc.) This will be drafted and edited to ensure your work is accurate. We will be using CANVA to produce relevant illustrations and design your work professionally. You will also explore the uses of Amazon Kindle Direct Publishing: Self-Publishing.

Do I need any prior experience? No experience required. All students are welcome.

Who is this suitable for? All students. If you are creative, have a passion for writing and would like to see your work published then this is the club for you. You can **write in any language** so this club is also suitable for students whose English is not their first language.

Japanese Language & Culture Club

Thursday - 3pm – 4pm

12G with Mrs Schultz

Do you long to know about Japan and Japanese Culture? Are you a massive fan of Manga and Anime? Do you love all things Japanese?

If so, this club is for you. Having lived and worked in Japan, Mrs Schultz is passionate about sharing her insight. You will learn about the culture and customs, as well as a little of the language. From Japanese films and art to learning about the food and the beautiful calligraphy, come and find out more about this beautiful and fascinating country.

Do I need any prior experience? - No experience of Japan or Japanese is needed; just an openness to learning about a new culture and meet like-minded people.

Who is this suitable for? – Anyone can take part. You can come with your friends or by yourself – you are sure to make lots of tomodachi (Friends)





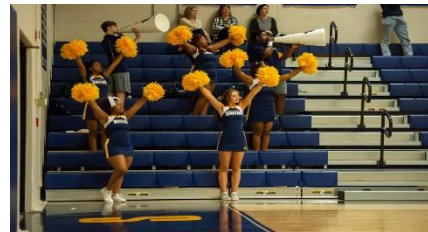
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Friday Options

Cheerleading Club:

Fridays 3pm – 4pm

Aerobics Gymnasium with Mrs Fuller



Come and learn the basic cheerleading skills! We will cheer, jump, tumble, perform stunts (building pyramids), and dance. These are the fundamental techniques that form every facet of cheerleading. To master these skills, it is especially important to possess and develop your balance, strength, flexibility, and endurance.

Do I need any prior experience? - No experience of Cheerleading is necessary and we encourage all students who want to try something new and have fun with friends.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone can take part, you can practise in groups, or as individuals and if you come along to the club alone you will soon make friends with other interested students.



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Upper school Crochet Club

Day to be confirmed - 3.15 to 4.15

30Q – Miss Brown

A calm space to come and relax and learn the craft of crochet. We will be learning types of stitches, making hand made items to take home and treasure, create art and crochet displays exploring our art schemes of work and looking at interesting artists male and female textile artists and designers for inspiration.

No experience needed, materials will be provided. *Limited group size of 10 students to start with.* Projects will be gender neutral, such as, wearables and home items, plushies and more.





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EqualiTEA: Pride Club

Friday 3pm – 4pm

Library – Block 1 – Miss Bates



Do you want to be a member of a club that recognises, accepts and supports everyone? **EqualiTEA** is a student-led safe space for members of the LGBTQI+ community and allies alike. We welcome everyone and would love for you to join us in celebrating diversity and individuality; promoting visibility, compassion and understanding throughout the academy.

This enrichment programme will allow for you to celebrate who you are! Just a small number of activities that will take place in **EqualiTEA** include: debates and discussions exploring relevant topics, reviewing LGBTQI+ material (films/books/art/music) and organising events.

Requirements – No specific requirements to join. Everyone is expected to be kind and compassionate.

Do I need to bring anything? – You are not required to bring anything with you. However, you may want to come with some ideas of what you want to do - remember it is student-led!

Who is this suitable for? – Anyone who is part of the LGBTQI+ community or who wants to learn more.

Where can I go for further information? – Speak to Miss Bates if you wish to learn more or have any questions.

British Sign Language

Tuesday 3pm – 3:30pm

Friday: 3pm – 3:30pm

80E with Mrs Knight



Come and learn a language spoken by 150,000 people in the country, and learn a new skill.

BSL is a visual means of communication using gestures, facial expression and body language. It is now an official language with the UK. By learning BSL, you gain the ability to communicate with the deaf community, fostering inclusivity and understanding. Expand your communication skills, career prospects and embrace a vibrant language. Break down barriers and make a positive impact.

Do I need any prior experience? - No experience of sign language is needed to join, just an interest in learning to communicate using hands.

Who is this suitable for? – Everyone can take part; you can come along with friends and learn how to communicate without talking.



PRESENTING:

**WALTHAM TOLL BAR
MUSICAL AUDITIONS**

WHEN: TUESDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER

WHERE: DRAMA HALL

WHO? YOU!

Come along to audition for either a
Lead role, Dancer or Chorus Member.

More information about the musical
and what to prepare to follow.