

TERM 1 2022-23 ECAs

OVERVIEW

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Monday

Crochet Club with Ms. Parchment

Crochet club is a calm and tranquil environment where we will learn new crochet skills each term to create something wonderful. In term one we will focus on mastering 3 or 4 different techniques to create a small plushie elephant.

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All Years

Mondays; Lunchtime 11:50 –12:30

G8

*Maximum
Capacity
15*

“IT NEVER GETS EASIER,
YOU JUST GET
BETTER.”

EA SPORT/FIFA World CUP with Mr. Othman

Students will take part in a FIFA tournament.

THE BENEFITS OF PLAYING:

- Speed up response times
- Stimulate creativity, focus and visual memory
- Critical thinking

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Year 10 and Year 11

Monday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

Lab 1

*Maximum
Capacity
15*



BE WILLING TO **CHANGE**
BECAUSE LIFE WON'T
STAY THE SAME.

TUESDAY

How to Write a Book in 30 Days with

Ms. Brewer

Whether you struggle with creative writing and want to improve, or whether you have always dreamt of writing your own book one day, but haven't really known where to start, this ECA is for you. For the first six months of this year, I spent nearly every morning before school, evening and weekend writing a book and it was the hardest thing I have ever done. I would now like to share what I learnt and taught myself in that time and as I continue to develop myself as a writer.

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All Years

Tuesday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

G2

*Maximum
Capacity*
20

Chess ECA with Mr. Chikasa

In this Club, you will build your critical thinking and problem solving skills. Playing chess will allow your brain to be challenged to exercise logic, develop pattern recognition, make decisions both visually and analytically, and test your memory. Chess boosts the planning skills in addition to improving memory.

*If you have your own chess board, bring it along. This however is not mandatory.

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All Years

Tuesday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

Library (Cultural Studies area)

*Maximum
Capacity*
50

Art Mindfulness with Ms. Kadu

We will be exploring the various disciplines in what it means to explore wellbeing and mindfulness through various art forms. Students will have the opportunity to draw, colour, create and make in a series of hands on activities.

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All Years

Tuesday; Lunchtime 11:50—12:30

Art Room 1

*Maximum
Capacity*
20

Activities for Mindfulness with Ms. Johnson

Term 1 - crochet (with the aim of making blankets for charities)

Required: crochet hooks and wool - any type will do

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All Years

Tuesday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

S10

*Maximum
Capacity*
20

First Aid Club with Mr. Greenfield

Participants will learn important life-saving skills.

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Year 7, Year 8, and Year 9

Tuesday: After School 15:15—16:00

Lab 4

*Maximum
Capacity*
20

Old School Games with Ms. Trivic

Come and play Uno, Chess, do a puzzle or bring your own game from home. No devices in this club! Make new friends and enjoy some competitive fun!

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Year 7, and Year 8

Tuesday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

Library

*Maximum
Capacity*
25

Business Enterprise with Ms. O Keefe

Business Enterprise Club - students will learn skills to develop a product or service to sell at the Winter Enterprise Fair

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All Years

Tuesday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

F14

*Maximum
Capacity*
25

Running Club with Mr. Bowen

Students will be taken to Jumeriah Beach to run in a relaxed, non-competitive environment. Students can run, jog or walk along the beach path, running up to 5km each week. We challenge all students to attend every week and go further or faster each time.

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All Years

Tuesday; After School 15:15-16:30

Sunset Beach, Jumeirah

*Maximum
Capacity*
42

Big Data and Modelling Simulations with Mr. Munshi

Students will be introduced to the concept of 'Big Data'. They will be given the opportunity to take large amounts of data and using it to simulate or mirror real-world conditions to either predict a future instance, determine the best course of action or validate a model.

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Year 10 and Year 11

Tuesday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

ICT 3

*Maximum
Capacity*
20

WEDNESDAY

Climbing Club with Ms. Kesterton

Completing NICAS qualifications in rock climbing and bouldering
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Year 8, Year 9, Year 10, Year 11, Year 12, Year 13

Wednesday; Afterschool 15:15 - 17:15

Offsite at Mountain Extreme Climbing Centre

Approximately AED 1300

Limited spaces available

F1 in Schools with Mr. Cahalane

F1 in Schools is an international STEM (science, technology, engineering, mathematics) competition for school children (aged 11–19), in which groups of 3–6 students have to design and manufacture a miniature car out of the official F1 Model Block using CAD/CAM design tools.

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All Years

Wednesday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

DT2

*Maximum
Capacity
20*

Enterprise with Ms. Doherty

The JC Enterprise Club enables students to experience what it is like to set up and run a business. The club aims to develop the values and skills required to become an entrepreneur. Students make all the decisions about their enterprise, from deciding on the name and product to creating a business plan, managing finances and selling to customers. They will sell their product at the Winter Enterprise Market.

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All Years

Wednesday; After School 15:15- 16:00

F18

*Maximum
Capacity
20*

JC Girls Out Loud with Ms. de Mascarel

Empowering year 9 girls to navigate the teenage world including self confidence, friendships, body image and social media choices.

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Year 9

Wednesday; Lunchtime 11:50—12:30

Library

*Maximum
Capacity
20*

Model United Nations with Mr. Hagar

Model United Nations (MUN) is an academic simulation of the United Nations that aims to educate participants about current events and topics in international relations, diplomacy and the United Nations agenda. Participants research a country, investigate international issues, debate, deliberate, consult, and then develop solutions to world problems. There will also be opportunities to attend both local and international conferences where you will be able to further develop your skills.

*Bring your device

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All Years

Wednesday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

Seniors Lab 3. Juniors Lab 4.

*Maximum
Capacity
40*

Debating with Mr. Tank

In debate club students will continually improve their debating, public speaking and critical thinking skills. Students will compete against other schools in debate competitions. Initially students will be invited to take part in a trial, and if they are successful will be invited back to join the debating ECA. Dates will follow for the trials and start of the ECA.

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All Years

Time to be confirmed upon sign up

*Maximum
Capacity
30*

Critical Thinking for Competitive Universities with Ms. Ryan

The world's top universities tell us they are looking for students who are independent thinkers and imaginative puzzle solvers. What is important is not what you think, but how you think. The Critical Thinking Club is devoted to presentations on controversial topics followed by group discussions to evaluate the quality of available information and help individual members to reach justified conclusions, and to avoid error. With the support of Mrs Howes (Careers Counsellor) and Miss Ryan (Head of Sixth Form), this club will provide students with the opportunity to develop their critical thinking skills to complement university applications and prepare them for the world of work. Complete perfection is not expected.

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Year 9, Year 10, Year 11, Year 12 and Year 13

Wednesday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

Sixth Form Study Room

*Maximum
Capacity
20*

Yoga with Ms. Enright

In this ECA students will learn yoga sequences, build strength, improve flexibility and harness deep breathing techniques. Each session will finish with a shavasana, a guided meditation, helping students to reduce stress and focus on their breathing.

Bring a yoga mat, bottle of water and PE kit

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All Years

Wednesday; Afterschool 15:15-16:00

Back of the library

Maximum
Capacity
15

Watercolour Art Club with Ms. Jackson

Students will learn different techniques using watercolours to produce a variety of Art pieces.

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All Years

Wednesday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

Art 1

Maximum
Capacity
20

French Native Speakers with Ms. Wissam

Students will enhance their French Vocabulary and Grammar as well as their knowledge of the French Culture, Geography and History

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All Years

Wednesday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

F22

Maximum
Capacity
15

Digital Drawing Club with Ms. Parsons

Come and learn a range of creative digital drawing techniques with Year 12 art students Hugh Glenwright and Raahil Chowdhury. Raahil and Hugh are amazing digital artists and they are excited to share their skills with you. To attend the club, you will need a device that is compatible with a stylus pen and access to drawing software such as Procreate or equivalent.

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All Years

Wednesday; Afterschool 15:15 -16:00

Art 3

Maximum
Capacity
20

WEDNESDAY

Sixth Form Book Club with Ms. Trotman

Did you LOVE English in Year 11? Do you want to wow the admissions officers at MIT, Oxbridge, and the Ivy League by showing them that you're not just a number-guru but are incredibly literate too? Then come along to the Library on Wednesday lunchtimes, where we'll be reading A Level texts and having A Level discussions about all the books you should be reading before university.

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Year 12 & Year 13

Wednesday; Lunchtime 11:50—12:30

Library

Maximum
Capacity
15

Early GCSE Club for Modern Language Students with Ms. Temple– Smith

This club is for native speakers or gifted linguists who wish to complete their AQA Language GCSE this year. It is open to native speakers from Years 8-10 and to gifted linguists (your teacher will confirm suitability). In the club you will prepare for your GCSE in French or Spanish with Mrs. Temple-Smith and the native speaker teaching assistants - working on key topic language, grammar, translation skills, examination technique and oral stimulus cards and role plays. If you wish to be entered for the June 2023 French or Spanish GCSE examinations, you need to sign up for this club!

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Year 8, Year 9 and Year 10

Wednesday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

F22

Maximum
Capacity
20

Arabic Reading Club with Ms. Abdallah

Students will be able to develop their reading skills .

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Year 7, Year 8, Year 9, and Year 10

Wednesday; Before School 6:45am - 7:30am

S2

Maximum
Capacity
15

CAD (Computer Aided Design) ECA with Mr. Parkin

In this ECA students will use Onshape to develop their 3D modelling & printing skills

*Please bring a laptop

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Year 7, Year 8, and Year 9

Wednesday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

DT3

Maximum
Capacity
20

YOGA BEGINS RIGHT WHERE I AM—
NOT WHERE I WAS YESTERDAY OR
WHERE I LONG TO BE.

WEDNESDAY

History and Politics Club with Ms. Balfe

KS3 & KS4 Students will have the opportunity to lead and build History club projects.

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All Years

Wednesday; Afterschool 15:15-16:00

F12

*Maximum
Capacity*
30

Golden Bunsen with Ms. Scott

Students complete Science themed practical challenges and compete against their peers for house points. Get set to think on your feet, try out new ideas and test your resilience!

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Year 7, Year 8, Year 9, Year 10, and Year 11

Wednesday; Afterschool 15:15-16:00

Lab 8

*Maximum
Capacity*
20

STEAM Competition with Ms. Aziz

Students will participate in a STEAM competition that involves Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts and Maths. Students will choose a challenge that links all of these areas and must work together to come up with a solution. Students will then present their solution to judges at a regional competition with the chance to get to the finals that will take place in the USA. This is a global competition that takes place every year and will help students learn skills that will be useful in the future.

This ECA requires commitment so students should only join the ECA if they are committed to participating in this competition.

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Year 8, Year 9, Year 10 and Year 11

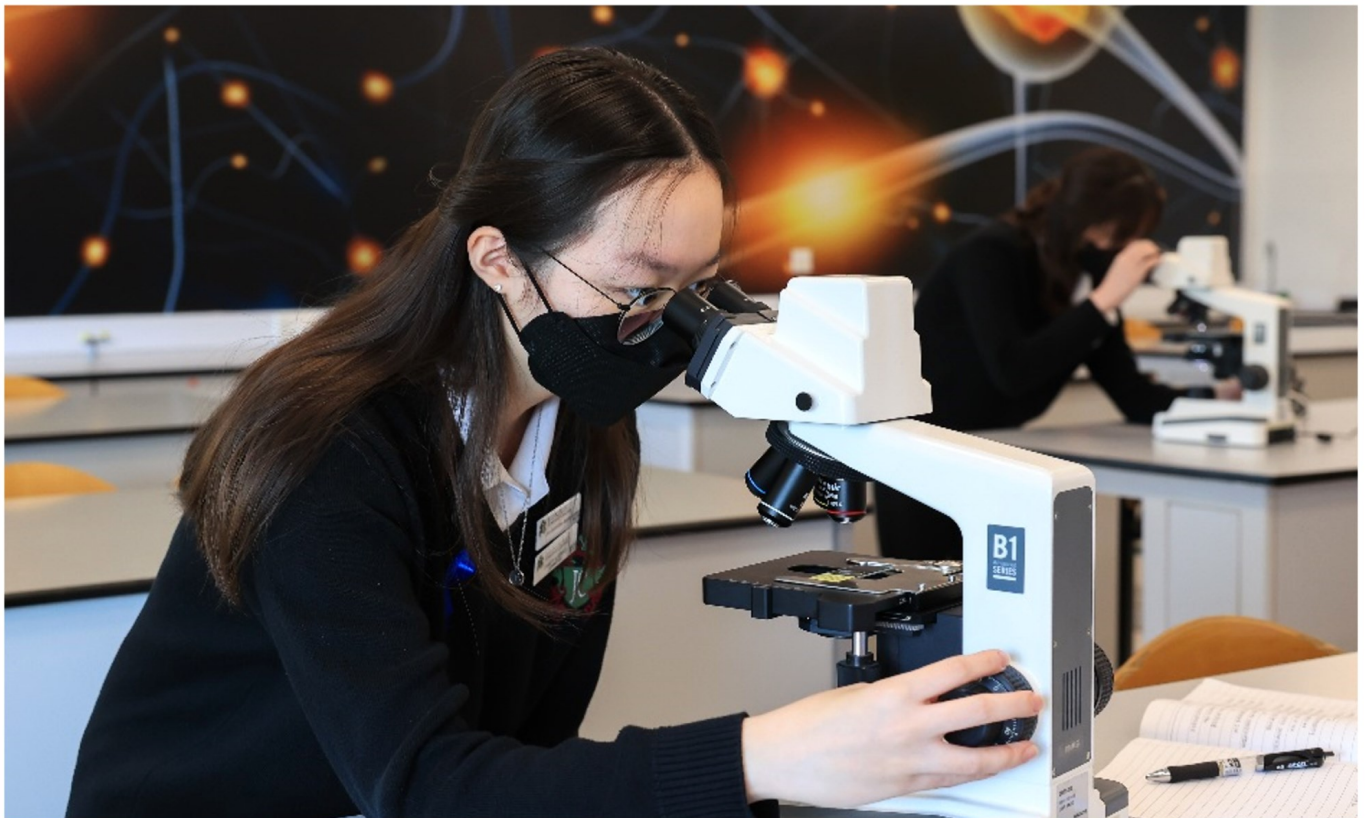
Wednesday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

Lab 5

*Maximum
Capacity*
20

The cost is 500 USD PER TEAM which can be split amongst the 7 team members. Please see Ms Aziz for more details.

“THE IMPORTANT THING IS TO
NEVER STOP
QUESTIONING.”



THURSDAY

DT Club with Mr. Parkin

Students will work with materials and tools to make small scale items in the workshop .

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Year 7, Year 8, and Year 9

Thursday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

DT1

*Maximum
Capacity*
20

KS3 Novels Plays and Poems with Ms. Ashton

In this ECA, students will explore many different types of writing, all of which make English the wonder that it is! Students will have the option to bring their own reading books, explore new reading challenges, participate in the reading of scenes from plays, experiment with script writing, and the reading and writing of poetry.

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Year 7, Year 8, and Year 9

Thursday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

Classroom G5

*Maximum
Capacity*
16

Public Speaking for Girls with Ms. Trotman

Hate public-speaking? Want to spend some time with other smart and brilliant girls? Wiktoria in Year 11 (champion debater and WSC Scholar) coaches girls to use their voice and boost their confidence! This is an ECA for girls who are looking to practice public speaking and who want their self-assurance to flourish.

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Year 7, Year 8, Year 9, and Year 10

Thursday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

Lab 1

*Maximum
Capacity*
15

Mindfulness Science Colouring with Ms. Marmar

In this ECA you can increase attention span, improve motor skills and have a fun way to explore a range of scientific topics. We will have a theme each week and have open discussions about the mindfulness colouring image we are working on. This will allow you to combine creativity and science.

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All Years

Thursday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

Lab 2

*Maximum
Capacity*
20

Intermediate Biology Olympiad with

Ms. Godinho

The competition is open to students in the first year of post-16 education anywhere in the world. The competition consists of a one-hour multiple choice paper to be taken online. Questions are set on topics students are likely to have covered at GCSE and in their first year of A level. Some additional ideas will be introduced requiring their problem solving skills and understanding of core principals. Students who take part in the Intermediate Biology Olympiad are encouraged to reference their participation in their further/higher education applications.

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Year 12

Thursday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

Library Classroom (back of the library)

*Maximum
Capacity*
40

Web Design Club with Ms. Radcliffe

Enhance your web authoring skills using the MS Expression Web 4 package!

Bring your laptops, preferably with Microsoft Expression Web 4

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Year 9, Year 10, and Year 11

Thursday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

ICT Lab 2

*Maximum
Capacity*
25

Medical Society (MedSoc) with Mr. Berry

Medical discussion and activities to prepare students interested in a career in Medicine.

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Year 11, Year 12 and Year 13

Thursday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

Lab1

*Maximum
Capacity*
30

Mixed Art Media Club with Ms. Jackson

Students will learn how to work with a variety of materials to create Art pieces.

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All Years

Thursday; Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

Art 1

*Maximum
Capacity*
20

Language Leader Award with Mr. Flaherty

An award to linguists who will develop communication skills and deliver MFL lessons to younger members of the community.

You must be nominated and recommended by your MFL teacher to complete the course.

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Year 8, Year 9, Year 10, Year 11, and Year 12,

Thursday, Lunchtime 11:50-12:30

Science Lab 1

*Maximum
Capacity*
20

Friday

Sailing with Mrs. Hosking

In this ECA Students will gain RYA Qualifications.

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All Years

Friday; After School 13:00 – 15:15

Dubai Offshore Sailing ECA

Approximately AED 1344 (8 Week Course)

Book online with DOSC using this link:

<https://scm.dosc.ae/booking/type/schools>

*Maximum
Capacity
20*



“LIFE IS LIKE SAILING. YOU
CAN USE ANY WIND TO GO
IN ANY **DIRECTION.**”

International Award

International Award with Mr. Bowen

International Award will run treks and organise lunchtime / afterschool meetings, to help students prepare for this. Students will have a mentor to help guide them through the other aspects of the IA course.

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Year 10, Year 11, Year 12 and Year 13

Date and time to be confirmed after sign up.



Drama

Auditions - Back Stage Crew

A chance to learn all the technical aspects of the theatre and what it takes to become a stage manager. During this ECA you will develop your knowledge of all lighting and sound equipment. Moreover, you will understand the logistics of how theatre is created backstage.

**Monday; Afterschool
Recording Studio**

Improvisation Club

Two of our best performers in year 12 will be running an improvisation club on Monday lunchtimes. Here you will have a chance to remove yourself from your comfort zone and have some amazing spontaneous fun. This is a very engaging casual class that suits students with a range of experience.

**Monday; Lunchtime
Drama 1**

Auditions - Youth Theatre School Production

For term 1 and 2 we will be auditioning for the annual whole school production. There you will be apart of the company that will perform on March the 14th and 15th. Please look out for audition dates and prepare yourself accordingly. This ECA becomes very demanding in the 2nd term and will require most of your time.

**Tuesday; Lunchtime &
Thursday; Afterschool
Drama 1**

Dance Club

If you enjoy dance and want to learn more, this is the ECA for you. Dance Club is a fun, interactive ECA where students will learn many different dance combinations.

**Wednesday; Afterschool
Drama 1**

LAMDA Examinations

This ECA will push your skills theatrically within a number of specialisms. There will be a chance to enter several exams that will test your ability in Acting, Singing and Public speaking. In addition these examinations can be counted for your DofE award.

**Thursday; Lunchtime
Drama 1**

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Music

Community Choir - Monday; Lunchtime

Junior Choir - Monday; Afterschool

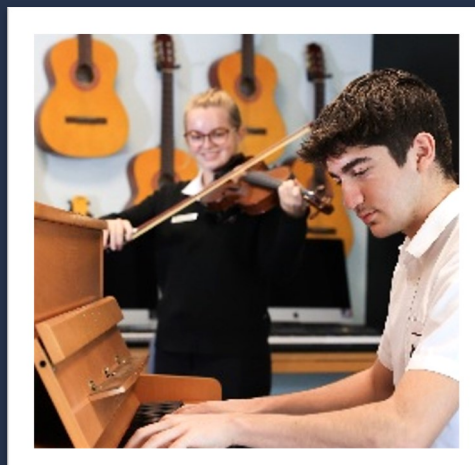
Chamber Choir Auditions - Tuesday; Afterschool

Band - Thursday; Afterschool

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“THE TRUEST
EXPRESSION OF A
PEOPLE IS IN ITS
DANCE AND ITS MUSIC.

* Students are kindly requested to speak to the Music/Drama Department in order to join the mentioned ECAs.



SPORTS EXTRA-CURRICULAR PROGRAMME

- All before school clubs start at 6:30am – 7:30am
- All lunchtime clubs start at 11.50am – 12:30pm
- All after school clubs start at 3:10pm – 4:30pm
- An up to date list can be found on the Sports ECA noticeboard in the Sports Hall Foyer

Students are kindly requested to speak to the PE Department in order to join the below ECAs

Day	Astro	Villa Fields	Sports Hall	Foyer	Courts	Pool	GYM	Matches
Monday AM	U14 Girls Football						Girls Fitness KS3	
Monday Lunch	X—Country		U16 & U19 Girls Basketball	Table Tennis KS 4/5			KS4/5 GYM Boys & Girls	
Monday After School	U19 Boys Football	U12A & B Boys Football						U16 Boys Football U16 Girls Football U19 Boys Basketball
Tuesday AM								
Tuesday Lunch			U16 Boys Basketball	Table Tennis KS3				
Tuesday After School	U14 Boys Football					Swim Squad		U19 Girls Basketball
Wednesday AM					Netball Skill School All Years	Swim Squad		
Wednesday Lunch	U19 Girls Rounders		U19 Boys Basketball	Table Tennis KS3	INVITE ONLY Cricket Net		Girls Fitness KS4	
Wednesday After School	U13 Boys Football	U16B Boys Football				Duathlon All Years		U19 Boys Football U16 Girls Football U16 Girls Basketball
Thursday AM	U12 Girls Football							
Thursday Lunch	Rugby All Years		Volleyball All Years	Table Tennis KS 4/5	INVITE ONLY Cricket Net		KS 4/5 GYM Boys & Girls	
Thursday After School	U16 & U19 Girls Football							U13 & U14 Girls Football U13 & U14 Boys Football U16 Boys Basketball U19 Rounders
Friday AM	U16A Boys Football				U16 Cricket			

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Football Girls	n.deans_jcd@gemsedu.com
Football Boys	g.stokes_jcd@gemsedu.com
Basketball Girls	s.pedder_jcd@gemsedu.com
Basketball Boys	s.pedder_jcd@gemsedu.com
Rugby	m.richards_jcd@gemsedu.com
Swimming	e.silverwood_jcd@gemsedu.com
Duathlon	e.silverwood_jcd@gemsedu.com
X-Country	e.silverwood_jcd@gemsedu.com
Fitness	m.richards_jcd@gemsedu.com
Volleyball	e.silverwood_jcd@gemsedu.com
TT	e.silverwood_jcd@gemsedu.com