Beyond the Classroom

Opportunities at The Perse

A handbook for pupils, parents and staff

Find your interest. Try something new. Make a contribution.

CREATE

Art, design, making and self-expression

PERFORM

Music, drama, film and public performance

DISCOVER

Ideas, reading, discussion and intellectual exploration

BUILD

STEM, coding, mathematics, design and problem-solving

LEAD & SERVE

Leadership, mentoring, service and community

EXPLORE

Adventure, Outdoor Education, belief and self-reliance

GET ACTIVE

Sport, fitness, movement and competition

WELCOME

Finding your place beyond lessons

MORE THAN A LIST OF CLUBS

Beyond the Classroom is not a catalogue. It is a handbook to help pupils navigate, understand and engage with the opportunities that shape Perse life.

The programme is broad by design. Some pupils will begin with an existing passion; others will discover an interest they had never previously considered. This handbook explains what each opportunity is for, what participation may feel like and where it might lead.

A GUIDE WITH CURRENT DETAILS

Descriptions in this handbook are designed to remain useful from year to year. Days, times, rooms, staffing and precise availability may change. Always use the current Activities and Sport Daily Schedule, SOCS, persesport.co.uk and the Daily Bulletin for live information.

CHOOSE SUSTAINABLY

Balance activities with lessons, friendships, family commitments and time to rest. Meaningful participation matters more than quantity.

COMMITMENT EXPECTED

An N.B. commitment marker appears only where accepting a place normally carries an expectation of reliable continuing participation. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably. Its absence is not a guarantee of drop-in attendance: check joining arrangements before attending.

Try something familiar. Try something unexpected. Give both a fair chance.

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GETTING STARTED

Choose with purpose

START WITH YOURSELF

What do you enjoy? What would you like to learn? Would you prefer to create, perform, discuss, compete, serve or explore?

READ FOR FIT

Each profile explains the experience, who it may suit, what participation looks like and why it may be worth trying. Year eligibility appears beside the activity name.

CHECK COMMITMENT

Look for the N.B. commitment marker. Ask the activity lead about joining arrangements, entry requirements and the expected pattern of participation.

CHECK LIVE DETAILS

Use the current Activities and Sport Daily Schedule and SOCS for days, times, rooms, staffing, entry arrangements and term-specific availability. The Daily Bulletin carries one-off events, tasters and exceptional changes.

EXPLORE ACROSS THEMES

The seven themes are invitations, not boxes. Many opportunities belong naturally in more than one. The A-Z index offers another way to find an activity; page numbers and contents entries are clickable.

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Create

3D ART & JEWELLERY CLUB

All students

A relaxed social workshop developing sculpting and jewellery techniques for individual practical projects.

For you? Pupils who enjoy making, designing or expressing ideas.

What you could do Develop practical or creative techniques • Work on individual or shared projects • Refine and share finished work

Why take part? Creative activities build confidence, patience and the ability to turn ideas into outcomes.

Also explore: Analogue Photography Club • Architecture Club • Ceramics Club

ANALOGUE PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

Y7-9

Analogue Photography Club provides a regular opportunity for pupils to explore its subject beyond lessons through practical activity, discussion or collaborative work.

For you? Pupils who enjoy making, designing or expressing ideas.

What you could do Develop practical or creative techniques • Work independently or with others • Refine and share finished work

Why take part? Creative activity builds confidence, patience and the ability to turn ideas into outcomes.

Also explore: 3D Art & Jewellery Club • Architecture Club • Ceramics Club

ARCHITECTURE CLUB

All students

Architecture Club provides a regular opportunity for pupils to explore its subject beyond lessons through practical activity, discussion or collaborative work.

For you? Pupils who enjoy making, designing or expressing ideas.

What you could do Develop practical or creative techniques • Work independently or with others • Refine and share finished work

Why take part? Creative activity builds confidence, patience and the ability to turn ideas into outcomes.

Also explore: Analogue Photography Club • Ceramics Club • Ceramics Club (Y10 - Y13)

CERAMICS CLUB

Y7-Y13

A practical ceramics workshop exploring coiling, plaster moulds, wheel-thrown vessels and decorative glazed finishes.

For you? Pupils who enjoy making, designing or expressing ideas.

What you could do Develop practical or creative techniques • Work on individual or shared projects • Refine and share finished work

Why take part? Creative activities build confidence, patience and the ability to turn ideas into outcomes.

Also explore: Architecture Club • Ceramics Club (Y10 - Y13) • Chinese Calligraphy Club

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Create

CERAMICS CLUB (Y10 - Y13)

Y10-13

A practical ceramics workshop exploring coiling, plaster moulds, wheel-thrown vessels and decorative glazed finishes.

For you? Pupils who enjoy making, designing or expressing ideas.

What you could do Develop practical or creative techniques • Work on individual or shared projects • Refine and share finished work

Why take part? Creative activities build confidence, patience and the ability to turn ideas into outcomes.

Also explore: Ceramics Club • Chinese Calligraphy Club • Create & Translate Club

CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY CLUB

Y7-13

A practical introduction to brush-and-ink calligraphy, character formation and the artistic traditions of Chinese writing.

For you? Beginners and experienced pupils interested in the meeting point between language, culture and visual art.

What you could do Practise brush control and character formation • Learn the meaning and structure of selected characters • Create traditional and contemporary calligraphic work

Why take part? Creative activities build confidence, patience and the ability to turn ideas into outcomes.

Also explore: Ceramics Club (Y10 - Y13) • Create & Translate Club • Creative Writing Club

CREATE & TRANSLATE CLUB

Y7-13

A collaborative project combining translation, storytelling, illustration and book design to create children’s books for younger readers.

For you? Linguists, writers, artists and anyone who enjoys communicating stories creatively.

What you could do Explore how stories change through translation • Write, adapt and illustrate material • Produce a book for a real audience

Why take part? Creative activities build confidence, patience and the ability to turn ideas into outcomes.

Also explore: Chinese Calligraphy Club • Creative Writing Club • DT Club

CREATIVE WRITING CLUB

Y7-13

A workshop community designed to spark creative energy, develop writing craft and support ambitious young writers.

For you? Pupils who enjoy making, designing or expressing ideas.

What you could do Develop practical or creative techniques • Work on individual or shared projects • Refine and share finished work

Why take part? Creative activities build confidence, patience and the ability to turn ideas into outcomes.

Also explore: Create & Translate Club • DT Club • Film Making

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Create

DT CLUB

Y7-8

A programme of time-limited design challenges and practical projects developing skills from woodworking to textiles.

For you? Pupils who enjoy practical design and can commit to the duration of a project.

What you could do Respond to a design brief • Develop workshop and making skills • Complete a project or competition challenge

Why take part? Creative activities build confidence, patience and the ability to turn ideas into outcomes.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Creative Writing Club • Film Making • GCSE Art Surgery

FILM MAKING

Y7-13

A practical filmmaking club covering animation, blocking, camera work, directing and editing, with the aim of producing short collaborative films.

For you? Beginners and experienced filmmakers willing to contribute regularly to a shared production.

What you could do Plan and storyboard a short film • Develop camera, performance and editing techniques • Create work for a possible school film festival

Why take part? Creative activities build confidence, patience and the ability to turn ideas into outcomes.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: DT Club • GCSE Art Surgery • Gundam Club

GCSE ART SURGERY

Y10-11

Supported studio time for GCSE Art pupils to develop coursework and make sustained progress on individual work.

For you? Pupils who enjoy making, designing or expressing ideas.

What you could do Develop practical or creative techniques • Work on individual or shared projects • Refine and share finished work

Why take part? Creative activities build confidence, patience and the ability to turn ideas into outcomes.

Also explore: Film Making • Gundam Club • Life Drawing (Sixth Form)

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Create

GUNDAM CLUB

Y7-8

Gundam Club focuses on the construction, customisation and display of model kits inspired by science-fiction engineering and design.

For you? Perfect for pupils who enjoy putting things together, working carefully with detail and creating high-quality finished models.

What you could do Build model kits • Learn assembly techniques • Develop finishing and detailing skills • Customise projects creatively • Share progress with fellow enthusiasts

Why take part? Gundam Club combines creativity, precision and practical making skills in a relaxed and supportive environment.

Also explore: GCSE Art Surgery • Life Drawing (Sixth Form) • Lower School Baking Club

LIFE DRAWING (SIXTH FORM)

Y12-13

An art extension opportunity introducing academic figure drawing through observation of tone, perspective, proportion and the human form.

For you? Pupils who enjoy making, designing or expressing ideas.

What you could do Develop practical or creative techniques • Work on individual or shared projects • Refine and share finished work

Why take part? Creative activities build confidence, patience and the ability to turn ideas into outcomes.

Also explore: Gundam Club • Lower School Baking Club • Stitch-It

LOWER SCHOOL BAKING CLUB

Y7-8

Lower School Baking Club provides a regular opportunity for pupils to explore its subject beyond lessons through practical activity, discussion or collaborative work.

For you? Pupils who enjoy making, designing or expressing ideas.

What you could do Develop practical or creative techniques • Work independently or with others • Refine and share finished work

Why take part? Creative activity builds confidence, patience and the ability to turn ideas into outcomes.

Also explore: Life Drawing (Sixth Form) • Stitch-It • Synthetic Violet

STITCH-IT

Y7-13

An inclusive making club for stitching, knitting, crochet and projects ranging from amigurumi to cushions, blankets and collaborative creations.

For you? Pupils who enjoy making, designing or expressing ideas.

What you could do Develop practical or creative techniques • Work on individual or shared projects • Refine and share finished work

Why take part? Creative activities build confidence, patience and the ability to turn ideas into outcomes.

Also explore: Lower School Baking Club • Synthetic Violet • Warhammer Club

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Create

SYNTHETIC VIOLET

Years 7-13

The award-winning termly magazine of articles, art and creative writing produced by members of the Perse community.

For you? Writers, artists, editors and designers who want to create a substantial shared publication.

What you could do Create or commission original work • Edit and curate submissions • Help shape and publish each edition

Why take part? Creative activities build confidence, patience and the ability to turn ideas into outcomes.

Also explore: Stitch-It • Warhammer Club • Y10 Art Extension Club

WARHAMMER CLUB

Y7-13

Warhammer Club combines model building, miniature painting, strategy and imaginative world-building.

For you? Ideal for pupils who enjoy creating detailed models, experimenting with painting techniques and engaging with strategy games.

What you could do Assemble and customise miniatures • Learn painting techniques • Develop modelling skills • Participate in games and campaigns • Share ideas and techniques with others

Why take part? Warhammer develops creativity, patience and craftsmanship while encouraging imagination and strategic thinking.

Also explore: Synthetic Violet • Y10 Art Extension Club • Year 7 Chill Club

Y10 ART EXTENSION CLUB

Y10

Y10 Art Extension Club provides a regular opportunity for pupils to explore its subject beyond lessons through practical activity, discussion or collaborative work.

For you? Pupils who enjoy making, designing or expressing ideas.

What you could do Develop practical or creative techniques • Work independently or with others • Refine and share finished work

Why take part? Creative activity builds confidence, patience and the ability to turn ideas into outcomes.

Also explore: Synthetic Violet • Warhammer Club • Year 7 Chill Club

YEAR 7 CHILL CLUB

Y7

A relaxed drop-in space for Year 7 pupils to play games, read, draw, make art or simply spend time with others.

For you? Year 7 pupils looking for a calm, welcoming and flexible lunchtime space.

What you could do Choose a quiet or creative activity • Meet and relax with other pupils • Take a restorative break in the school day

Why take part? Creative activities build confidence, patience and the ability to turn ideas into outcomes.

Also explore: Synthetic Violet • Warhammer Club • Y10 Art Extension Club

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Perform

BANDSOC A

Y9-13

BandSocs support pupils interested in rock and pop songwriting, rehearsal and performance within a collaborative band setting.

For you? Singers and instrumentalists who want to create and perform contemporary music with others. Current grouping and joining arrangements are published annually.

What you could do Form or join a band • Develop and rehearse songs • Explore songwriting and arrangement • Work towards live performance

Why take part? BandSocs combine creativity, collaboration and performance while giving pupils ownership of their musical identity.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Big Band Y11+ • Chamber Choir (Y11-Y13) • Chamber Music & Small Ensembles

BIG BAND Y11+

Y11-13

Big Band Y11+ develops ensemble playing through regular rehearsals and performances for suitable instrumentalists.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: BandSoc A • Chamber Choir (Y11-Y13) • Chamber Music & Small Ensembles

CHAMBER CHOIR (Y11-Y13)

Y11-13

Chamber Choir (Y11-Y13) is a vocal ensemble in the school music pathway, rehearsing repertoire suited to its age group and experience.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Big Band Y11+ • Chamber Music & Small Ensembles • Concert Voices (Y7-Y10)

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Perform

CHAMBER MUSIC & SMALL ENSEMBLES

Years 7-13

Small ensembles bring pupils together in chamber groups such as string quartets and flute choirs, with membership shaped by instruments, experience and available combinations.

For you? Instrumentalists who enjoy detailed, independent ensemble work. Places are allocated and cannot always be guaranteed, particularly for instruments with fewer possible groupings.

What you could do Rehearse closely with a small group • Take individual responsibility for a musical part • Develop communication and interpretation • Perform chamber repertoire

Why take part? Chamber music develops independence, listening and musical leadership because every contribution is clearly heard.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Chamber Choir (Y11-Y13) • Concert Voices (Y7-Y10) • Drama Rehearsal Priority Evening

CONCERT VOICES (Y7-Y10)

Y7-10

Concert Voices (Y7-Y10) is a vocal ensemble in the school music pathway, rehearsing repertoire suited to its age group and experience.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Chamber Music & Small Ensembles • Drama Rehearsal Priority Evening • Grade 5 Music Theory Clinic (Option A)

DRAMA REHEARSAL PRIORITY EVENING

Y10-11

Drama Rehearsal Priority Evening provides a regular opportunity for pupils to explore its subject beyond lessons through practical activity, discussion or collaborative work.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Concert Voices (Y7-Y10) • Grade 5 Music Theory Clinic (Option A) • Junior Drama

GRADE 5 MUSIC THEORY CLINIC (OPTION A)

Y7-9

A focused clinic supporting pupils who are working towards Grade 5 music theory.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

Also explore: Drama Rehearsal Priority Evening • Junior Drama • Junior Musical Theatre (Y7-Y8)

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Perform

JUNIOR DRAMA

Y7-8

A drama opportunity for younger pupils to develop performance skills, creativity and confidence through practical theatre work.

For you? Pupils who want to create performances on stage or behind the scenes.

What you could do Develop performance or production skills • Rehearse and collaborate with others • Contribute to a finished production

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, creativity, resilience and shared responsibility.

Also explore: Grade 5 Music Theory Clinic (Option A) • Junior Musical Theatre (Y7-Y8) • Middle School Voices (Y9-Y10)

JUNIOR MUSICAL THEATRE (Y7-Y8)

Y7-8

Junior Musical Theatre (Y7-Y8) provides a regular opportunity for pupils to explore its subject beyond lessons through practical activity, discussion or collaborative work.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

Also explore: Junior Drama • Middle School Voices (Y9-Y10) • MusicTechSoc

MIDDLE SCHOOL VOICES (Y9-Y10)

Y9-10

Middle School Voices (Y9-Y10) is a vocal ensemble in the school music pathway, rehearsing repertoire suited to its age group and experience.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Junior Musical Theatre (Y7-Y8) • MusicTechSoc • Perse Players

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Perform

MUSICTECHSOC

Years 7-13

MusicTechSoc explores music production and sequencing, giving pupils a route into the creative and technical processes behind recorded music.

For you? Pupils interested in producing, arranging or sequencing music, whether or not their main experience is as a traditional instrumental performer.

What you could do Learn music-production techniques • Create and sequence original material • Explore recording and arrangement • Develop individual or collaborative projects

Why take part? Music technology connects musical imagination with practical digital skills and offers another way to create, refine and share music.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Middle School Voices (Y9-Y10) • Perse Players • Perse Production Company

PERSE PLAYERS

Years 7-13

The flagship whole-school production, bringing pupils together on stage and behind the scenes to create an ambitious Michaelmas Term show.

For you? Performers and production pupils ready to rehearse reliably and contribute to a major shared project.

What you could do Audition or join an appropriate production role • Rehearse and develop the show • Perform or support the final production

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, creativity, resilience and shared responsibility.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: MusicTechSoc • Perse Production Company • Senior Voices (Y11-Y13)

PERSE PRODUCTION COMPANY

Y7-13

Perse Production Company provides opportunities to contribute to major productions both on stage and behind the scenes.

For you? Suitable for pupils interested in theatre production, technical theatre, performance and event management.

What you could do Support school productions • Work on technical theatre elements • Collaborate with performers and staff • Develop backstage skills • Contribute to large-scale performances

Why take part? PPC develops teamwork, responsibility and practical production skills while contributing to memorable school events.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Perse Players • Senior Voices (Y11-Y13) • Sinfonietta (Y7-Y10)

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Perform

SENIOR VOICES (Y11-Y13)

Y11-13

Senior Voices (Y11-Y13) is a vocal ensemble in the school music pathway, rehearsing repertoire suited to its age group and experience.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Perse Production Company • Sinfonietta (Y7-Y10) • Sixth Form Acting & Musical Theatre

SINFONIETTA (Y7-Y10)

Y7-9

Sinfonietta (Y7-Y10) is an orchestral ensemble offering structured rehearsal and performance within the school music pathway.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Senior Voices (Y11-Y13) • Sixth Form Acting & Musical Theatre • Stand-Up Comedy

SIXTH FORM ACTING & MUSICAL THEATRE

Y12-13

Sixth Form Acting & Musical Theatre provides a regular opportunity for pupils to explore its subject beyond lessons through practical activity, discussion or collaborative work.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

Also explore: Sinfonietta (Y7-Y10) • Stand-Up Comedy • String Orchestra 1 (Y10-Y13)

STAND-UP COMEDY

Check current eligibility

A developing performance opportunity for pupils interested in writing and trying original stand-up material.

For you? Pupils who enjoy observation, comic writing and performing ideas aloud.

What you could do Develop short routines • Test and refine material • Learn about timing, structure and audience

Why take part? Comedy develops confidence, originality, concise writing and responsiveness to an audience.

Also explore: Sixth Form Acting & Musical Theatre • String Orchestra 1 (Y10-Y13) • String Orchestra 2 (Y7-Y10)

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Perform

STRING ORCHESTRA 1 (Y10-Y13)

Y10-13

String Orchestra 1 (Y10-Y13) is an orchestral ensemble offering structured rehearsal and performance within the school music pathway.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Stand-Up Comedy • String Orchestra 2 (Y7-Y10) • String Orchestra 3 (Y7-Y10)

STRING ORCHESTRA 2 (Y7-Y10)

Y7-9

String Orchestra 2 (Y7-Y10) is an orchestral ensemble offering structured rehearsal and performance within the school music pathway.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: String Orchestra 1 (Y10-Y13) • String Orchestra 3 (Y7-Y10) • Symphony Orchestra (Y10-Y13)

STRING ORCHESTRA 3 (Y7-Y10)

Y7-9

String Orchestra 3 (Y7-Y10) is an orchestral ensemble offering structured rehearsal and performance within the school music pathway.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: String Orchestra 2 (Y7-Y10) • Symphony Orchestra (Y10-Y13) • Wind Band 1 (Y10-Y13)

SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA (Y10-Y13)

Y11-13

Symphony Orchestra (Y10-Y13) is an orchestral ensemble offering structured rehearsal and performance within the school music pathway.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: String Orchestra 3 (Y7-Y10) • Wind Band 1 (Y10-Y13) • Wind Band 2 (Y8-Y11)

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Perform

WIND BAND 1 (Y10-Y13)

Y11-13

Wind Band 1 (Y10-Y13) develops ensemble playing through regular rehearsals and performances for suitable instrumentalists.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Symphony Orchestra (Y10-Y13) • Wind Band 2 (Y8-Y11) • Wind Band 3 (Y7-Y9)

WIND BAND 2 (Y8-Y11)

Y9-11

Wind Band 2 (Y8-Y11) develops ensemble playing through regular rehearsals and performances for suitable instrumentalists.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Wind Band 1 (Y10-Y13) • Wind Band 3 (Y7-Y9) • Y7-9 Composition Club

WIND BAND 3 (Y7-Y9)

Y7-9

Wind Band 3 (Y7-Y9) develops ensemble playing through regular rehearsals and performances for suitable instrumentalists.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Wind Band 2 (Y8-Y11) • Y7-9 Composition Club • Year 7 Voices

Y7-9 COMPOSITION CLUB

Y7-9

A music-writing group in which pupils develop, share and refine original compositions.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

Also explore: Wind Band 3 (Y7-Y9) • Year 7 Voices • Year 8 Voices

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Perform

YEAR 7 VOICES

Y7

Year 7 Voices is a vocal ensemble in the school music pathway, rehearsing repertoire suited to its age group and experience.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Wind Band 3 (Y7-Y9) • Y7-9 Composition Club • Year 8 Voices

YEAR 8 VOICES

Y8

Year 8 Voices is a vocal ensemble in the school music pathway, rehearsing repertoire suited to its age group and experience.

For you? Pupils who enjoy rehearsing, performing or contributing to a shared production.

What you could do Rehearse with others • Develop performance skills • Prepare work for an audience

Why take part? Performance develops confidence, discipline, collaboration and communication.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Wind Band 3 (Y7-Y9) • Y7-9 Composition Club • Year 7 Voices

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Discover

ACROPOLIS (LOWER SCHOOL CLASSICS)

Y7-8

Acropolis (Lower School Classics) provides a regular opportunity for pupils to explore its subject beyond lessons through practical activity, discussion or collaborative work.

For you? Curious pupils who enjoy ideas, discussion, reading and asking questions.

What you could do Explore ideas beyond lessons • Discuss and debate • Learn from pupils and visiting speakers

Why take part? Intellectual societies create space to follow curiosity and encounter new perspectives.

Also explore: Art History Society • Biology Society • Classics Conversations & Coffee (CCC)

ANTHEA BELL TRANSLATION COMPETITION

Check current eligibility

Take part in the Anthea Bell Translation Exchange Competition, run by the University of Oxford, and explore the art of translation through a national competition.

For you? No previous translation experience is needed - just a passion for languages and a willingness to get creative.

What you could do Develop your language skills • Explore creative approaches to translation • Take part in the national competition

Why take part? Discover how language and creativity work together as you develop your translation skills.

Also explore: Create & Translate Club • French Society • Polyglossia

ART HISTORY SOCIETY

Y11-13

A society exploring artists, objects, movements and visual culture beyond the taught curriculum.

For you? Pupils who enjoy asking questions, following ideas and hearing different perspectives.

What you could do Explore material beyond the curriculum • Discuss, question or research ideas • Contribute to talks, debates or publications

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Acropolis (Lower School Classics) • Biology Society • Classics Conversations & Coffee (CCC)

BIOLOGY SOCIETY

Y12-13

Practical and intellectual extension beyond A level biology, including anatomy, physiology, genetics and preparation for Olympiads and competitive university entry.

For you? Pupils who enjoy asking questions, following ideas and hearing different perspectives.

What you could do Explore material beyond the curriculum • Discuss, question or research ideas • Contribute to talks, debates or publications

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Art History Society • Classics Conversations & Coffee (CCC) • Dungeons & Dragons Club

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Discover

CLASSICS CONVERSATIONS & COFFEE (CCC)

Y10-13

Classics Conversations & Coffee is a seminar-style discussion group exploring aspects of classical antiquity beyond the classroom.

For you? Pupils in Year 10 and above who enjoy exchanging ideas about the ancient world.

What you could do Join informal seminar discussions • Consider texts, objects, events and interpretations • Listen, question and contribute

Why take part? It offers an intellectually sociable way to pursue Classics beyond examined courses.

Also explore: Biology Society • Dungeons & Dragons Club • Economic Perspectives

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS CLUB

Y7-13

A shared space for tabletop role-play, collaborative storytelling and exploring the world and rules of Dungeons & Dragons.

For you? New and experienced players who enjoy imagination, teamwork and sustained campaigns.

What you could do Create characters and shared stories • Solve challenges collaboratively • Take part reliably in an ongoing campaign

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Classics Conversations & Coffee (CCC) • Economic Perspectives • Economics Society

ECONOMIC PERSPECTIVES

Primarily Sixth Form; contributions welcomed from Years 10-11

A termly Economics magazine unpacking the economics, politics, geography and ethics of a chosen theme through articles, reviews and current affairs.

For you? Pupils who want to communicate economic thinking and contribute to a professionally produced magazine.

What you could do Research and write themed articles • Explore economic thinkers and current affairs • Contribute to editorial production

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Dungeons & Dragons Club • Economics Society • Explore (Christian Society)

ECONOMICS SOCIETY

Primarily Sixth Form; open to interested pupils

Presentations and discussion on economics led by A level pupils and occasional external speakers.

For you? Pupils who enjoy asking questions, following ideas and hearing different perspectives.

What you could do Explore material beyond the curriculum • Discuss, question or research ideas • Contribute to talks, debates or publications

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Economic Perspectives • Explore (Christian Society) • Extension English

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Discover

EXPLORE (CHRISTIAN SOCIETY) Y7-13

Explore is the school's Christian Society: a welcoming lunchtime community combining games, fun and food with opportunities to explore the Bible and the Christian message.

For you? Anyone curious about Christianity, whether committed, questioning or simply interested.

What you could do Take part in games and conversation • Explore passages and ideas from the Bible • Consider the difference Christian belief makes

Why take part? It provides a relaxed, inclusive setting in which pupils can ask questions and explore faith. Drop in and join in.

Also explore: Economics Society • Extension English • Extension Maths

EXTENSION ENGLISH Y12-13

A programme of literary discussion and extension beyond examination courses, with current themes and texts advertised through the department.

For you? Pupils who want to extend their reading and literary discussion beyond lessons.

What you could do Read beyond the curriculum • Discuss writers, genres and interpretations • Develop confidence with advanced literary ideas

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Explore (Christian Society) • Extension Maths • Extension Physics

EXTENSION MATHS Sixth Form

Advanced classes extending Sixth Form mathematics towards university study, STEP preparation and the requirements of competitive offers.

For you? Pupils who enjoy asking questions, following ideas and hearing different perspectives.

What you could do Explore material beyond the curriculum • Discuss, question or research ideas • Contribute to talks, debates or publications

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Extension English • Extension Physics • Forensic Psychology

EXTENSION PHYSICS Sixth Form

Fortnightly problem-solving that stretches physics beyond A level and supports Olympiad, interview and university-level preparation.

For you? Pupils who enjoy asking questions, following ideas and hearing different perspectives.

What you could do Explore material beyond the curriculum • Discuss, question or research ideas • Contribute to talks, debates or publications

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Extension Maths • Forensic Psychology • French Society

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Discover

FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGY

Y11-13

A themed psychology club exploring how psychological ideas illuminate crime, evidence and unusual behaviour; themes may alternate between years.

For you? Pupils interested in psychology, human behaviour and applying ideas to intriguing real-world questions.

What you could do Investigate a changing psychology theme • Discuss evidence and explanations • Apply psychological thinking to cases and questions

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Extension Physics • French Society • G6 Geography Society

FRENCH SOCIETY

Check current eligibility

A flexible programme of French-language and cultural events advertised across the year.

For you? Pupils who enjoy asking questions, following ideas and hearing different perspectives.

What you could do Explore material beyond the curriculum • Discuss, question or research ideas • Contribute to talks, debates or publications

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Forensic Psychology • G6 Geography Society • General Knowledge (GK Club)

G6 GEOGRAPHY SOCIETY

Sixth Form

A Sixth Form society exploring geographical topics beyond the A level course and preparing pupils for university-level discussion and interviews.

For you? Pupils who enjoy asking questions, following ideas and hearing different perspectives.

What you could do Explore material beyond the curriculum • Discuss, question or research ideas • Contribute to talks, debates or publications

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: French Society • General Knowledge (GK Club) • History Games Club

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE (GK CLUB)

Y7-13

General Knowledge (GK Club) provides a regular opportunity for pupils to explore its subject beyond lessons through practical activity, discussion or collaborative work.

For you? Curious pupils who enjoy ideas, discussion, reading and asking questions.

What you could do Explore ideas beyond lessons • Discuss and debate • Learn from pupils and visiting speakers

Why take part? Intellectual societies create space to follow curiosity and encounter new perspectives.

Also explore: G6 Geography Society • History Games Club • History Society

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Discover

HISTORY GAMES CLUB

Y7-13

A social club using board games, computer games and creative platforms such as Minecraft to explore and recreate historical settings.

For you? Pupils who enjoy games and are curious about how they can model or reinterpret the past.

What you could do Play historically themed games • Discuss how games represent the past • Recreate historical settings collaboratively

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: General Knowledge (GK Club) • History Society • Japanese Club

HISTORY SOCIETY

Y7-13

A Sixth Form ambassador-led society exploring global history through talks, activities, documents, objects, debates, games and creative work.

For you? Anyone who enjoys history or wants to encounter periods and places beyond lessons.

What you could do Explore historical evidence and interpretations • Take part in talks, debates and competitions • Create and share historical recommendations or fiction

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: History Games Club • Japanese Club • Law Society

JAPANESE CLUB

Y7-13

An introduction to Japanese language and culture through hiragana, selected kanji, everyday vocabulary, food, origami, manga and pupil-led cultural topics.

For you? Beginners and pupils curious about Japanese language, writing and culture.

What you could do Learn hiragana and introductory kanji • Practise useful Japanese words and phrases • Explore food, festivals, art and history

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: History Society • Law Society • Library Activities

LAW SOCIETY

Sixth Form

A forum for discussing and debating contemporary legal issues, with additional application support for pupils considering university law.

For you? Pupils who enjoy asking questions, following ideas and hearing different perspectives.

What you could do Explore material beyond the curriculum • Discuss, question or research ideas • Contribute to talks, debates or publications

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Japanese Club • Library Activities • Literary Society

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Discover

LIBRARY ACTIVITIES

Y7-13

Library Activities provides a regular opportunity for pupils to explore its subject beyond lessons through practical activity, discussion or collaborative work.

For you? Curious pupils who enjoy ideas, discussion, reading and asking questions.

What you could do Explore ideas beyond lessons • Discuss and debate • Learn from pupils and visiting speakers

Why take part? Intellectual societies create space to follow curiosity and encounter new perspectives.

Also explore: Law Society • Literary Society • Lower School Geography Club (starts October)

LITERARY SOCIETY

Sixth Form

Discussion of writers, genres and texts beyond A level, particularly for pupils considering English Literature at university.

For you? Pupils who enjoy asking questions, following ideas and hearing different perspectives.

What you could do Explore material beyond the curriculum • Discuss, question or research ideas • Contribute to talks, debates or publications

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Library Activities • Lower School Geography Club (starts October) • Lyceum

LOWER SCHOOL GEOGRAPHY CLUB (STARTS OCTOBER)

Y7-8

Lower School Geography Club (starts October) provides a regular opportunity for pupils to explore its subject beyond lessons through practical activity, discussion or collaborative work.

For you? Curious pupils who enjoy ideas, discussion, reading and asking questions.

What you could do Explore ideas beyond lessons • Discuss and debate • Learn from pupils and visiting speakers

Why take part? Intellectual societies create space to follow curiosity and encounter new perspectives.

Also explore: Literary Society • Lyceum • Maclaurin Society (Maths)

LYCEUM

Y10-13

Lyceum provides a regular opportunity for pupils to explore its subject beyond lessons through practical activity, discussion or collaborative work.

For you? Curious pupils who enjoy ideas, discussion, reading and asking questions.

What you could do Explore ideas beyond lessons • Discuss and debate • Learn from pupils and visiting speakers

Why take part? Intellectual societies create space to follow curiosity and encounter new perspectives.

Also explore: Lower School Geography Club (starts October) • Maclaurin Society (Maths) • Medical Society

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Discover

MACLAURIN SOCIETY (MATHS)

Y11-13

An informal mathematical lecture society where pupils and staff share talks on topics ranging from pure mathematics to unexpected applications.

For you? Pupils who enjoy mathematical ideas; listening is welcomed and giving a talk is optional.

What you could do Attend informal mathematics talks • Encounter topics beyond examination courses • Offer an optional presentation

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Lyceum • Medical Society • Methics

MEDICAL SOCIETY

Y12-13

A society for prospective medicine and dentistry applicants, focusing on careers, admissions preparation and talks of broader medical interest.

For you? Pupils who enjoy asking questions, following ideas and hearing different perspectives.

What you could do Explore material beyond the curriculum • Discuss, question or research ideas • Contribute to talks, debates or publications

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Maclaurin Society (Maths) • Methics • MFL Film Society

METHICS

Y11-13

A pupil-led medical ethics forum exploring difficult questions about patient care, public resources, human life and clinical decision-making.

For you? Pupils interested in medicine, veterinary medicine, ethics or the dilemmas created by healthcare decisions.

What you could do Examine a medical-ethical dilemma • Use evidence and ethical principles • Challenge and refine viewpoints

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Medical Society • MFL Film Society • MFL Spelling Bee

MFL FILM SOCIETY

Y10-13

A chance to experience films from different language communities and discuss their cultural, historical and contemporary contexts.

For you? Pupils interested in film, languages and cultures beyond the English-speaking world.

What you could do Watch selected international films • Encounter colloquial language and cultural conventions • Discuss historical and contemporary perspectives

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Methics • MFL Spelling Bee • Middle School Investment & Economics

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Discover

MFL SPELLING BEE

Y7-8

A vocabulary and memory challenge in which younger linguists prepare for school and regional or national spelling competitions.

For you? Year 7 pupils learning French, Spanish or German who enjoy language challenges and friendly competition.

What you could do Build vocabulary and accurate pronunciation • Practise memory and spelling strategies • Take part in competitive challenges

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: MFL Film Society • Middle School Investment & Economics • Mindfulness and Relaxation Club

MIDDLE SCHOOL INVESTMENT & ECONOMICS

Y9-11

An introduction to economic choices, pricing, taxation, financial markets and investment through discussion, competitions and trading simulations.

For you? Middle School pupils curious about economics, business, markets and real-world decision-making.

What you could do Explore core economic ideas • Compare investments and financial assets • Take part in simulations and competitions

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: MFL Spelling Bee • Mindfulness and Relaxation Club • Model United Nations (MUN)

MINDFULNESS AND RELAXATION CLUB

Y7-13

A welcoming space to play games, talk, meet trained older peer mentors and, when scheduled, enjoy the company of Pets as Therapy dogs.

For you? Any pupil seeking a relaxed social space, friendly conversation or one-to-one peer support.

What you could do Relax and connect with other pupils • Speak with trained peer mentors • Help sustain a supportive community

Why take part? Taking part develops responsibility, empathy, communication and leadership through service.

Also explore: Middle School Investment & Economics • Model United Nations (MUN) • Neuroscience Society

MODEL UNITED NATIONS (MUN)

All years

A simulation of international diplomacy in which pupils represent countries, investigate global issues and negotiate responses through formal debate.

For you? Pupils interested in international relations, current affairs, negotiation and public speaking.

What you could do Research a country and global issue • Draft resolutions and negotiate alliances • Debate through formal conference procedures

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Mindfulness and Relaxation Club • Neuroscience Society • Norrish Society (Chemistry)

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Discover

NEUROSCIENCE SOCIETY

Y12-13

A strongly pupil-led society for exploring the brain and nervous system in greater depth.

For you? Pupils who enjoy asking questions, following ideas and hearing different perspectives.

What you could do Explore material beyond the curriculum • Discuss, question or research ideas • Contribute to talks, debates or publications

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Model United Nations (MUN) • Norrish Society (Chemistry) • Perse Investment Club

NORRISH SOCIETY (CHEMISTRY)

Y11-13

The Perse chemistry extension society, combining experiments, demonstrations, current research and preparation for national chemistry challenges.

For you? Pupils who enjoy asking questions, following ideas and hearing different perspectives.

What you could do Explore material beyond the curriculum • Discuss, question or research ideas • Contribute to talks, debates or publications

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Neuroscience Society • Perse Investment Club • Perse Periodical

PERSE INVESTMENT CLUB

Y11-13

Perse Investment Club provides a regular opportunity for pupils to explore its subject beyond lessons through practical activity, discussion or collaborative work.

For you? Curious pupils who enjoy ideas, discussion, reading and asking questions.

What you could do Explore ideas beyond lessons • Discuss and debate • Learn from pupils and visiting speakers

Why take part? Intellectual societies create space to follow curiosity and encounter new perspectives.

Also explore: Norrish Society (Chemistry) • Perse Periodical • Philosophy Club

PERSE PERIODICAL

Years 7-13

A pupil-produced science magazine offering opportunities to communicate scientific ideas through accessible articles.

For you? Pupils interested in science communication, journalism or contributing an article to a student publication.

What you could do Research a scientific topic • Write for a wider audience • Work with pupil editors to refine an article

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Perse Investment Club • Philosophy Club • Philosophy Reading Group

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Discover

PHILOSOPHY CLUB

Y10-13

An open discussion group in which pupils examine questions about reality, knowledge, belief, morality and everyday life.

For you? Anyone curious about philosophical questions; everyone is encouraged to contribute.

What you could do Discuss a structured philosophical question • Listen to contrasting arguments • Develop and defend a reasoned position

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Perse Periodical • Philosophy Reading Group • PhysSoc

PHILOSOPHY READING GROUP

Y12-13

A Sixth Form reading and discussion group examining philosophical ideas and their relationship to many areas of life.

For you? Pupils who enjoy asking questions, following ideas and hearing different perspectives.

What you could do Explore material beyond the curriculum • Discuss, question or research ideas • Contribute to talks, debates or publications

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Philosophy Club • PhysSoc • Polyglossia

PHYSSOC

Y9-13

Physics talks led by Sixth Form pupils for Middle School audiences, opening up ideas and applications beyond the taught curriculum.

For you? Pupils curious about physics who enjoy hearing older students explain challenging ideas.

What you could do Attend short physics talks • Question speakers and discuss ideas • Encounter topics beyond lessons

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Philosophy Reading Group • Polyglossia • PPE Society

POLYGLOSSIA

Y7-13

A linguistics society exploring how language works: accents, bilingualism, language change, identity and the diversity of languages around the world.

For you? Anyone curious about language as a social, cultural and scientific phenomenon; no specialist knowledge is required.

What you could do Investigate questions about language and identity • Discuss linguistic research and examples • Experience tasters in less familiar languages

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: PhysSoc • PPE Society • Psychology Book Club

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Discover

PPE SOCIETY

Y10-13

A weekly exploration of major political, philosophical and economic questions through topical discussion and competing viewpoints.

For you? Pupils who enjoy examining public questions from more than one disciplinary perspective.

What you could do Analyse a topical issue • Compare political, philosophical and economic viewpoints • Express and test personal arguments

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Polyglossia • Psychology Book Club • Psychology Society

PSYCHOLOGY BOOK CLUB

Sixth Form

A half-termly reading group discussing an advertised psychology book or text under pupil leadership.

For you? Pupils who enjoy asking questions, following ideas and hearing different perspectives.

What you could do Explore material beyond the curriculum • Discuss, question or research ideas • Contribute to talks, debates or publications

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: PPE Society • Psychology Society • Purple Planet

PSYCHOLOGY SOCIETY

Y12-13

A Sixth Form pupil-led society exploring brain and behaviour science through discussion, pupil presentations and visiting speakers.

For you? Pupils curious about psychology who may want to listen, question or present an area of interest.

What you could do Explore topics in brain and behaviour • Hear pupil and guest presentations • Research and deliver an optional talk

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Psychology Book Club • Purple Planet • Retro Games Club (Lent & Summer only)

PURPLE PLANET

Years 7-13

The termly geography magazine featuring articles, news, reviews, games and other geographical writing, with opportunities to contribute or join the editorial team.

For you? Geographers who enjoy writing, editing, design or communicating ideas beyond lessons.

What you could do Write or commission geographical content • Review and edit submissions • Help produce a termly publication

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Psychology Society • Retro Games Club (Lent & Summer only) • Russian Club (Summer Term only)

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Discover

RETRO GAMES CLUB (LENT & SUMMER ONLY) Y7-13

Retro Games Club (Lent & Summer only) provides a regular opportunity for pupils to explore its subject beyond lessons through practical activity, discussion or collaborative work.

For you? Curious pupils who enjoy ideas, discussion, reading and asking questions.

What you could do Explore ideas beyond lessons • Discuss and debate • Learn from pupils and visiting speakers

Why take part? Intellectual societies create space to follow curiosity and encounter new perspectives.

Also explore: Purple Planet • Russian Club (Summer Term only) • Star Wars Club

RUSSIAN CLUB (SUMMER TERM ONLY) Y7-13

An introduction to the language and cultures of the Russophone world through Cyrillic, basic conversation, history and traditional stories.

For you? Pupils interested in beginning Russian and exploring its cultural context; no previous knowledge is required.

What you could do Learn the Cyrillic alphabet • Build basic Russian vocabulary • Explore history, culture and literature

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Retro Games Club (Lent & Summer only) • Star Wars Club • The 42

STAR WARS CLUB Y7-13

A fan-led exploration of Star Wars through viewing, games, quizzes, debates and imaginative creative projects.

For you? Pupils who enjoy the Star Wars universe and want to share, debate and create with other fans.

What you could do Discuss stories, characters and themes • Take part in quizzes, games and debates • Develop creative fan projects

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Russian Club (Summer Term only) • The 42 • The Forum

THE 42 Years 7-13

The Perse flagship lunchtime lecture series, bringing national and global speakers to school to extend thinking far beyond the curriculum.

For you? Anyone willing to follow an unfamiliar idea, hear from an expert and leave with new questions.

What you could do Attend talks across many fields • Question speakers and reflect on ideas • Discover interests beyond familiar subjects

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: Star Wars Club • The Forum • The Psychology of Weird Stuff

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Discover

THE FORUM

Y11-13

A weekly debating club where younger pupils argue topical and enduring motions, question speakers, vote and learn to chair debates.

For you? Younger pupils who want a welcoming introduction to debating and public speaking.

What you could do Speak for or against a motion • Question arguments and vote • Learn how to chair a debate

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: The 42 • The Psychology of Weird Stuff • The Rest is Geography

THE PSYCHOLOGY OF WEIRD STUFF

Middle School

A Middle School society examining unusual claims, experiences and behaviours through the methods and questions of psychology.

For you? Pupils curious about apparently strange features of human thought and behaviour.

What you could do Discuss unusual psychological topics • Evaluate explanations and evidence • Question assumptions

Why take part? It uses memorable questions to develop critical thinking and psychological curiosity.

Also explore: The Forum • The Rest is Geography • The Rostrum

THE REST IS GEOGRAPHY

Y9+

A geographical look at current affairs inspired by conversational current-affairs podcasts.

For you? Pupils interested in connecting geography with contemporary events and public debate.

What you could do Explore the geography behind current stories • Discuss competing explanations and viewpoints • Connect classroom concepts with the wider world

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: The Psychology of Weird Stuff • The Rostrum • Veterinary Society

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Discover

THE ROSTRUM

Y10-13

The senior debating society, offering regular debates alongside opportunities for external competitions and workshops.

For you? Older pupils who want to form sustained arguments and develop confident public speaking.

What you could do Debate varied motions • Refine rebuttal and persuasive speaking • Enter competitions and attend workshops

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: The Psychology of Weird Stuff • The Rest is Geography • Veterinary Society

VETERINARY SOCIETY

Y12-13

A programme of talks, current research, work-experience guidance and application preparation for pupils interested in veterinary medicine.

For you? Pupils who enjoy asking questions, following ideas and hearing different perspectives.

What you could do Explore material beyond the curriculum • Discuss, question or research ideas • Contribute to talks, debates or publications

Why take part? This opportunity develops intellectual curiosity, confidence and independent thought.

Also explore: The Psychology of Weird Stuff • The Rest is Geography • The Rostrum

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Build

AI AND DATA SCIENCE CLUB

Y7-13

AI and Data Science Club provides a regular opportunity for pupils to explore its subject beyond lessons through practical activity, discussion or collaborative work.

For you? Pupils who enjoy problem-solving, experimentation, technology or practical challenges.

What you could do Investigate problems • Test ideas • Build knowledge or practical solutions

Why take part? STEM and problem-solving activities develop persistence, precision and inventive thinking.

Also explore: Aviation Club • Bridge Club • Chemistry Clinic

AVIATION CLUB

Y7-13

Aviation Club provides a regular opportunity for pupils to explore its subject beyond lessons through practical activity, discussion or collaborative work.

For you? Pupils who enjoy problem-solving, experimentation, technology or practical challenges.

What you could do Investigate problems • Test ideas • Build knowledge or practical solutions

Why take part? STEM and problem-solving activities develop persistence, precision and inventive thinking.

Also explore: AI and Data Science Club • Bridge Club • Chemistry Clinic

BRIDGE CLUB

Y7-13

Bridge Club introduces pupils to the strategic card game played by millions around the world.

For you? Suitable for pupils who enjoy teamwork, strategy and problem-solving.

What you could do Learn the rules of bridge • Develop bidding and play strategies • Work with a partner • Participate in friendly games • Develop tactical decision-making skills

Why take part? Bridge combines communication, logic and teamwork in a uniquely challenging and rewarding activity.

Also explore: Aviation Club • Chemistry Clinic • Chess

CHEMISTRY CLINIC

Check current eligibility

Chemistry Clinic provides targeted support, problem-solving and extension within the relevant subject area.

For you? Pupils who enjoy problem-solving, experimentation, technology or practical challenges.

What you could do Investigate problems • Test ideas • Build knowledge or practical solutions

Why take part? STEM and problem-solving activities develop persistence, precision and inventive thinking.

Also explore: Bridge Club • Chess • Cipher Challenge

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Build

CHESS

Y7-13

Chess Club develops strategic thinking through friendly games, learning opportunities and competitive play.

For you? Suitable for both experienced players and those who would like to learn the game.

What you could do Play chess with other pupils • Learn strategies and tactics • Analyse games and positions • Participate in competitions • Improve decision-making skills

Why take part? Chess develops concentration, planning, patience and the ability to think several moves ahead.

Also explore: Chemistry Clinic • Cipher Challenge • Computer Science Surgery

CIPHER CHALLENGE

Y7-13

Cipher Club explores coding, cybersecurity, logic and advanced computing challenges in a collaborative environment.

For you? Perfect for pupils who enjoy programming, technical challenges and developing their computational skills.

What you could do Write and improve code • Solve programming challenges • Explore cybersecurity concepts • Develop technical projects • Collaborate with other programmers

Why take part? Cipher encourages logical thinking, persistence and creativity while providing opportunities to develop advanced technical skills.

Also explore: Chess • Computer Science Surgery • Digital Literacy

COMPUTER SCIENCE SURGERY

Y7-13

Computer Science Surgery provides targeted support, problem-solving and extension within the relevant subject area.

For you? Pupils who enjoy problem-solving, experimentation, technology or practical challenges.

What you could do Investigate problems • Test ideas • Build knowledge or practical solutions

Why take part? STEM and problem-solving activities develop persistence, precision and inventive thinking.

Also explore: Cipher Challenge • Digital Literacy • Engineering Club

DIGITAL LITERACY

Y7-13

Digital Literacy provides a regular opportunity for pupils to explore its subject beyond lessons through practical activity, discussion or collaborative work.

For you? Pupils who enjoy problem-solving, experimentation, technology or practical challenges.

What you could do Investigate problems • Test ideas • Build knowledge or practical solutions

Why take part? STEM and problem-solving activities develop persistence, precision and inventive thinking.

Also explore: Computer Science Surgery • Engineering Club • Girls' Coding GCSE

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Build

ENGINEERING CLUB

Y12-13

A team engineering project in which pupils design, make and test a battery-powered car while encountering different engineering disciplines.

For you? Sixth Form pupils interested in engineering, practical design and sustained teamwork.

What you could do Design and manufacture a working vehicle • Test and improve performance • Collaborate through a long-term engineering project

Why take part? These activities develop curiosity, reasoning, resilience and practical problem-solving.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Digital Literacy • Girls' Coding GCSE • Girls' Coding Y7-Y9

GIRLS' CODING GCSE

Y10-11

Girls' Coding GCSE develops computational thinking and practical coding through collaborative projects and challenges.

For you? Pupils who enjoy problem-solving, experimentation, technology or practical challenges.

What you could do Investigate problems • Test ideas • Build knowledge or practical solutions

Why take part? STEM and problem-solving activities develop persistence, precision and inventive thinking.

Also explore: Engineering Club • Girls' Coding Y7-Y9 • Go Club

GIRLS' CODING Y7-Y9

Y7-9

Girls' Coding Y7-Y9 develops computational thinking and practical coding through collaborative projects and challenges.

For you? Pupils who enjoy problem-solving, experimentation, technology or practical challenges.

What you could do Investigate problems • Test ideas • Build knowledge or practical solutions

Why take part? STEM and problem-solving activities develop persistence, precision and inventive thinking.

Also explore: Girls' Coding GCSE • Go Club • HackClub

GO CLUB

Check current eligibility

Go Club introduces pupils to one of the world's oldest strategy games, combining simple rules with remarkable depth.

For you? Ideal for pupils who enjoy strategic thinking, pattern recognition and learning new ways to approach problems.

What you could do Learn the rules and strategies of Go • Play against other pupils • Develop tactical awareness • Explore different approaches to the game • Participate in informal competitions

Why take part? Go encourages patience, long-term thinking and creative approaches to complex challenges.

Also explore: Girls' Coding Y7-Y9 • HackClub • Jigsaws Club

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Build

HACKCLUB

Y7-13

A project-based coding space in which pupils develop individual ideas, respond to challenges and may submit work for external recognition or prizes.

For you? Independent programmers and digital makers who would value a supportive project community.

What you could do Plan and build an individual project • Solve optional coding challenges • Share progress and submit completed work

Why take part? These activities develop curiosity, reasoning, resilience and practical problem-solving.

Also explore: Go Club • Jigsaws Club • Lego Robotics Club

JIGSAWS CLUB

Years 7-13

Jigsaws Club offers a relaxed environment in which pupils work collaboratively to solve complex puzzles and visual challenges.

For you? Ideal for pupils who enjoy pattern recognition, teamwork and tackling challenges at a steady pace.

What you could do Work collaboratively on large puzzles • Develop visual problem-solving skills • Build concentration and patience • Contribute to shared challenges • Enjoy a reflective and sociable activity

Why take part? Jigsaws encourages perseverance, attention to detail and collaborative problem-solving in a low-pressure environment.

Also explore: HackClub • Lego Robotics Club • Lego Robotics Team Training

LEGO ROBOTICS CLUB

Y7-9

Lego Robotics Club develops engineering, programming and teamwork through practical robotics challenges.

For you? Pupils who enjoy problem-solving, experimentation, technology or practical challenges.

What you could do Investigate problems • Test ideas • Build knowledge or practical solutions

Why take part? STEM and problem-solving activities develop persistence, precision and inventive thinking.

Also explore: Jigsaws Club • Lego Robotics Team Training • Maths Olympiad Club

LEGO ROBOTICS TEAM TRAINING

Team members

Lego Robotics Team Training develops engineering, programming and teamwork through practical robotics challenges.

For you? Pupils who enjoy problem-solving, experimentation, technology or practical challenges.

What you could do Investigate problems • Test ideas • Build knowledge or practical solutions

Why take part? STEM and problem-solving activities develop persistence, precision and inventive thinking.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Lego Robotics Club • Maths Olympiad Club • Programming Club (Competitor)

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Build

MATHS OLYMPIAD CLUB

Y7-13

Maths Olympiad Club provides a regular opportunity for pupils to explore its subject beyond lessons through practical activity, discussion or collaborative work.

For you? Pupils who enjoy problem-solving, experimentation, technology or practical challenges.

What you could do Investigate problems • Test ideas • Build knowledge or practical solutions

Why take part? STEM and problem-solving activities develop persistence, precision and inventive thinking.

Also explore: Lego Robotics Team Training • Programming Club (Competitor) • Programming Club (Developer)

PROGRAMMING CLUB (COMPETITOR)

Y9+

Advanced programming practice focused on the algorithms, data structures and problem-solving needed for major computing competitions.

For you? Experienced programmers willing to practise regularly and tackle demanding competition problems.

What you could do Study advanced Python and algorithms • Solve timed and unfamiliar problems • Prepare for national and international challenges

Why take part? These activities develop curiosity, reasoning, resilience and practical problem-solving.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Maths Olympiad Club • Programming Club (Developer) • Science Club (Y 7-8)

PROGRAMMING CLUB (DEVELOPER)

Y7-13

A drop-in Python club using weekly challenges to develop sequencing, selection, repetition and increasingly sophisticated data structures.

For you? Younger programmers, including beginners, who want to build confidence in Python at their own pace.

What you could do Complete weekly programming challenges • Practise core Python structures • Progress towards more advanced coding

Why take part? These activities develop curiosity, reasoning, resilience and practical problem-solving.

Also explore: Programming Club (Competitor) • Science Club (Y 7-8) • STEM Club

SCIENCE CLUB (Y 7-8)

Y7-8

A rotating programme of practical science that explores physics, chemistry and biology beyond normal lessons.

For you? Lower School pupils who enjoy experiments, demonstrations and asking how the natural world works.

What you could do Carry out practical investigations • Explore a different science each term • Develop safe and thoughtful experimental habits

Why take part? These activities develop curiosity, reasoning, resilience and practical problem-solving.

Also explore: Programming Club (Developer) • STEM Club • Y9 Robotics Challenge

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Build

STEM CLUB

Y9-10

A research and careers-focused STEM group with opportunities to investigate scientific and technological questions and work towards a CREST award.

For you? Middle School pupils interested in STEM research, careers and sustained project work.

What you could do Investigate a STEM question • Plan and develop a research project • Communicate findings and work towards recognition

Why take part? These activities develop curiosity, reasoning, resilience and practical problem-solving.

Also explore: Programming Club (Developer) • Science Club (Y 7-8) • Y9 Robotics Challenge

Y9 ROBOTICS CHALLENGE

Y9

Y9 Robotics Challenge develops engineering, programming and teamwork through practical robotics challenges.

For you? Pupils who enjoy problem-solving, experimentation, technology or practical challenges.

What you could do Investigate problems • Test ideas • Build knowledge or practical solutions

Why take part? STEM and problem-solving activities develop persistence, precision and inventive thinking.

Also explore: Programming Club (Developer) • Science Club (Y 7-8) • STEM Club

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Lead & Serve

ABA & PEER MENTORS

Typically Years 10-13

ABA and Peer Mentors provide support, guidance and encouragement for younger pupils and members of the school community.

For you? Suitable for pupils who enjoy helping others and acting as positive role models.

What you could do Support younger pupils • Build mentoring relationships • Encourage confidence and belonging • Help pupils settle into school life • Develop communication skills

Why take part? Mentoring develops empathy, leadership and interpersonal skills while making a meaningful difference to others.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: CH Schools Club • First Aid Club • Green Team

CH SCHOOLS CLUB

Y7-13

The renamed Christel House Schools Club supports and develops the school's relationship with Christel House schools and their communities.

For you? Pupils interested in international partnership, education and purposeful service.

What you could do Learn about partner schools • Help plan awareness or fundraising activity • Contribute to sustained partnership work

Why take part? It connects pupil initiative with a continuing educational partnership and a wider global community.

Also explore: ABA & Peer Mentors • First Aid Club • Green Team

FIRST AID CLUB

Y9-13

First Aid introduces pupils to essential skills that can help them respond appropriately in emergency situations.

For you? Ideal for pupils who enjoy practical learning and helping others.

What you could do Learn basic first-aid techniques • Explore emergency response scenarios • Develop confidence in practical situations • Understand personal responsibility • Build useful life skills

Why take part? First Aid develops confidence, responsibility and the ability to support others when it matters most.

Also explore: CH Schools Club • Green Team • House Activities (Senior)

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Lead & Serve

GREEN TEAM

Years 7-13

Green Team focuses on environmental awareness, sustainability and positive action within the school community.

For you? Ideal for pupils interested in environmental issues and creating positive change.

What you could do Support sustainability projects • Raise environmental awareness • Participate in campaigns and initiatives • Contribute ideas for improvement • Work collaboratively on community projects

Why take part? Green Team allows pupils to turn concern for environmental issues into practical action and positive leadership.

Also explore: First Aid Club • House Activities (Senior) • House Events Lower School

HOUSE ACTIVITIES (SENIOR)

Y11-12

House Activities (Senior) provides a regular setting for participation, community, competition and contribution within the House system.

For you? Pupils who want to contribute to the school or wider community.

What you could do Work with others • Support a project or community • Develop responsibility and initiative

Why take part? Service and leadership help pupils understand how their contribution can make a difference.

Also explore: Green Team • House Events Lower School • IE&D: INCLUSION EQUALITY & DIVERSITY

HOUSE EVENTS LOWER SCHOOL

Y7-8

House Events Lower School provides a regular setting for participation, community, competition and contribution within the House system.

For you? Pupils who want to contribute to the school or wider community.

What you could do Work with others • Support a project or community • Develop responsibility and initiative

Why take part? Service and leadership help pupils understand how their contribution can make a difference.

Also explore: House Activities (Senior) • IE&D: INCLUSION EQUALITY & DIVERSITY • Interact

IE&D: INCLUSION EQUALITY & DIVERSITY

Years 7-13

IE&D provides opportunities to explore inclusion, equity and diversity while contributing positively to school culture.

For you? Ideal for pupils who are interested in promoting belonging, understanding and respect within the community.

What you could do Explore issues relating to inclusion • Participate in discussions and initiatives • Promote awareness and understanding • Contribute to school projects • Support community engagement

Why take part? IE&D helps pupils develop empathy, understanding and the confidence to contribute positively to an inclusive community.

Also explore: House Events Lower School • Interact • Lower School Charities

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Lead & Serve

INTERACT

Years 9-13

Interact enables pupils to contribute to local and wider communities through service projects and charitable initiatives.

For you? Ideal for pupils who enjoy taking action, working collaboratively and making a difference.

What you could do Participate in service projects • Support charitable causes • Organise activities and events • Collaborate with other pupils • Contribute to community initiatives

Why take part? Interact develops leadership, organisation and social responsibility through meaningful service.

Also explore: IE&D: INCLUSION EQUALITY & DIVERSITY • Lower School Charities • Middle School Charities

LOWER SCHOOL CHARITIES

Lower School

Lower School Charities enables pupils to contribute to organised service, partnership and charitable activity.

For you? Pupils who want to contribute to the school or wider community.

What you could do Work with others • Support a project or community • Develop responsibility and initiative

Why take part? Service and leadership help pupils understand how their contribution can make a difference.

Also explore: Interact • Middle School Charities • PrideSoc

MIDDLE SCHOOL CHARITIES

Middle School

Middle School Charities enables pupils to contribute to organised service, partnership and charitable activity.

For you? Pupils who want to contribute to the school or wider community.

What you could do Work with others • Support a project or community • Develop responsibility and initiative

Why take part? Service and leadership help pupils understand how their contribution can make a difference.

Also explore: Lower School Charities • PrideSoc • Sixth Form Charities

PRIDESOC

Y7-13

PrideSoc provides a supportive space for discussion, community and awareness-raising within the school.

For you? Open to pupils who wish to explore issues of identity, belonging and inclusion or support a culture of mutual respect.

What you could do Participate in discussion and awareness activities • Support inclusion initiatives • Celebrate diversity within the community • Work collaboratively with others • Contribute ideas and projects

Why take part? PrideSoc encourages understanding, respect and community while providing opportunities for leadership and positive contribution.

Also explore: Middle School Charities • Sixth Form Charities • Student Council

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Lead & Serve

SIXTH FORM CHARITIES

Y12-13

Sixth Form Charities enables pupils to contribute to organised service, partnership and charitable activity.

For you? Pupils who want to contribute to the school or wider community.

What you could do Work with others • Support a project or community • Develop responsibility and initiative

Why take part? Service and leadership help pupils understand how their contribution can make a difference.

Also explore: PrideSoc • Student Council • Year 11 Primary Partnerships

STUDENT COUNCIL

Years 7-13

Student Council provides a formal opportunity for pupils to represent the views of their peers and contribute to school development.

For you? Ideal for pupils who want to help improve school life and ensure that pupil voices are heard.

What you could do Gather views from other pupils • Participate in discussions and meetings • Share ideas for improvement • Represent pupil perspectives • Help shape school initiatives

Why take part? Student Council develops leadership, communication and collaboration skills while giving pupils a meaningful voice within the school community.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Sixth Form Charities • Year 11 Primary Partnerships • Year 12 Primary Partnerships

YEAR 11 PRIMARY PARTNERSHIPS

Y11

Year 11 Primary Partnerships enables pupils to contribute to organised service, partnership and charitable activity.

For you? Pupils who want to contribute to the school or wider community.

What you could do Work with others • Support a project or community • Develop responsibility and initiative

Why take part? Service and leadership help pupils understand how their contribution can make a difference.

Also explore: Sixth Form Charities • Student Council • Year 12 Primary Partnerships

YEAR 12 PRIMARY PARTNERSHIPS

Y12

Year 12 Primary Partnerships enables pupils to contribute to organised service, partnership and charitable activity.

For you? Pupils who want to contribute to the school or wider community.

What you could do Work with others • Support a project or community • Develop responsibility and initiative

Why take part? Service and leadership help pupils understand how their contribution can make a difference.

Also explore: Sixth Form Charities • Student Council • Year 11 Primary Partnerships

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Explore

ARCHERY CLUB

Y7-13

Archery develops precision, concentration and technique through structured practice and skill development.

For you? Ideal for pupils who enjoy focus, patience and individual challenge.

What you could do Learn safe shooting techniques • Develop accuracy and consistency • Improve concentration • Set personal goals • Participate in practice sessions and challenges

Why take part? Archery rewards patience, self-discipline and careful attention to detail.

Also explore: Bushcraft Club • Climbing Club (informal) • Competition Shooters

BUSHCRAFT CLUB

Y7-13

Bushcraft Club is part of the Outdoor Education programme, offering supervised practical challenge and progressive skill development.

For you? Pupils who enjoy practical challenges, adventure and learning beyond familiar settings.

What you could do Learn practical skills • Work safely with others • Build confidence through challenge

Why take part? Outdoor and exploratory activities develop judgement, resilience and self-reliance.

Also explore: Archery Club • Climbing Club (informal) • Competition Shooters

CLIMBING CLUB (INFORMAL)

Y7-13

Climbing Club (informal) is part of the Outdoor Education programme, offering supervised practical challenge and progressive skill development.

For you? Pupils who enjoy practical challenges, adventure and learning beyond familiar settings.

What you could do Learn practical skills • Work safely with others • Build confidence through challenge

Why take part? Outdoor and exploratory activities develop judgement, resilience and self-reliance.

Also explore: Bushcraft Club • Competition Shooters • Development Climbing Club

COMPETITION SHOOTERS

Y7-13

Competition Shooters is part of the Outdoor Education programme, offering supervised practical challenge and progressive skill development.

For you? Pupils who enjoy practical challenges, adventure and learning beyond familiar settings.

What you could do Learn practical skills • Work safely with others • Build confidence through challenge

Why take part? Outdoor and exploratory activities develop judgement, resilience and self-reliance.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Climbing Club (informal) • Development Climbing Club • Foundation Climbing Club 1

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Explore

DEVELOPMENT CLIMBING CLUB

Y7-13

Development Climbing Club is part of the Outdoor Education programme, offering supervised practical challenge and progressive skill development.

For you? Pupils who enjoy practical challenges, adventure and learning beyond familiar settings.

What you could do Learn practical skills • Work safely with others • Build confidence through challenge

Why take part? Outdoor and exploratory activities develop judgement, resilience and self-reliance.

Also explore: Competition Shooters • Foundation Climbing Club 1 • Foundation Climbing Club 2

FOUNDATION CLIMBING CLUB 1

Y7-13

Foundation Climbing Club 1 is part of the Outdoor Education programme, offering supervised practical challenge and progressive skill development.

For you? Pupils who enjoy practical challenges, adventure and learning beyond familiar settings.

What you could do Learn practical skills • Work safely with others • Build confidence through challenge

Why take part? Outdoor and exploratory activities develop judgement, resilience and self-reliance.

Also explore: Development Climbing Club • Foundation Climbing Club 2 • Intermediate Climbing Club

FOUNDATION CLIMBING CLUB 2

Y7-13

Foundation Climbing Club 2 is part of the Outdoor Education programme, offering supervised practical challenge and progressive skill development.

For you? Pupils who enjoy practical challenges, adventure and learning beyond familiar settings.

What you could do Learn practical skills • Work safely with others • Build confidence through challenge

Why take part? Outdoor and exploratory activities develop judgement, resilience and self-reliance.

Also explore: Foundation Climbing Club 1 • Intermediate Climbing Club • Paddlesports Club

INTERMEDIATE CLIMBING CLUB

Y7-13

Intermediate Climbing Club is part of the Outdoor Education programme, offering supervised practical challenge and progressive skill development.

For you? Pupils who enjoy practical challenges, adventure and learning beyond familiar settings.

What you could do Learn practical skills • Work safely with others • Build confidence through challenge

Why take part? Outdoor and exploratory activities develop judgement, resilience and self-reliance.

Also explore: Foundation Climbing Club 2 • Paddlesports Club • PES Ascent Group

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Explore

PADDLESPORTS CLUB

Y7-13

Paddlesports provide opportunities to develop confidence and competence on the water through kayaking, canoeing and related activities.

For you? Suitable for pupils who enjoy adventure, teamwork and learning practical outdoor skills.

What you could do Learn paddling techniques • Develop boat-handling skills • Build confidence on the water • Participate in training and journeys • Work collaboratively with others

Why take part? Paddlesports combine adventure, problem-solving and teamwork while helping pupils develop independence and resilience.

Also explore: Intermediate Climbing Club • PES Ascent Group • PES Peak DofE - Bronze & Silver

PES ASCENT GROUP

Y8-10

PES Ascent Group is part of the Outdoor Education programme, offering supervised practical challenge and progressive skill development.

For you? Pupils who enjoy practical challenges, adventure and learning beyond familiar settings.

What you could do Learn practical skills • Work safely with others • Build confidence through challenge

Why take part? Outdoor and exploratory activities develop judgement, resilience and self-reliance.

Also explore: Paddlesports Club • PES Peak DofE - Bronze & Silver • PES Peak DofE - Gold

PES PEAK DOFE - BRONZE & SILVER

Y10-13

PES Peak DofE - Bronze & Silver is part of the Outdoor Education programme, offering supervised practical challenge and progressive skill development.

For you? Pupils who enjoy practical challenges, adventure and learning beyond familiar settings.

What you could do Learn practical skills • Work safely with others • Build confidence through challenge

Why take part? Outdoor and exploratory activities develop judgement, resilience and self-reliance.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: PES Ascent Group • PES Peak DofE - Gold • Rifle Club (all levels)

PES PEAK DOFE - GOLD

Y12

PES Peak DofE - Gold is part of the Outdoor Education programme, offering supervised practical challenge and progressive skill development.

For you? Pupils who enjoy practical challenges, adventure and learning beyond familiar settings.

What you could do Learn practical skills • Work safely with others • Build confidence through challenge

Why take part? Outdoor and exploratory activities develop judgement, resilience and self-reliance.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: PES Peak DofE - Bronze & Silver • Rifle Club (all levels) • Target Sports (informal)

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Explore

RIFLE CLUB (ALL LEVELS)

Y7-13

A Home Office-approved small-bore rifle club run through Outdoor Education with structured safety, sign-up and training requirements.

For you? Pupils who enjoy practical challenge, adventure and learning beyond familiar environments.

What you could do Develop technical and safety skills • Respond positively to challenge • Work responsibly with other participants

Why take part? Outdoor and adventurous activity develops judgement, resilience, teamwork and self-reliance.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: PES Peak DofE - Gold • Target Sports (informal) • Urban Uprising

TARGET SPORTS (INFORMAL)

Y7-13

Target Sports (informal) is part of the Outdoor Education programme, offering supervised practical challenge and progressive skill development.

For you? Pupils who enjoy practical challenges, adventure and learning beyond familiar settings.

What you could do Learn practical skills • Work safely with others • Build confidence through challenge

Why take part? Outdoor and exploratory activities develop judgement, resilience and self-reliance.

Also explore: Rifle Club (all levels) • Urban Uprising • Woodworking Club

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

ACTIVITIES & ENRICHMENT | Explore

URBAN UPRISING

Y12-13

Urban Uprising is an Outdoor Education Department partnership through which Perse pupils help deliver climbing experiences to groups attending through a partner charity.

For you? Older pupils who are confident climbers and want to use their experience in a purposeful partnership setting.

What you could do Support supervised climbing sessions • Welcome and encourage visiting groups • Help participants develop confidence on the wall • Learn through service

Why take part? It combines practical Outdoor Education experience with service, communication and meaningful engagement with a partner charity.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Rifle Club (all levels) • Target Sports (informal) • Woodworking Club

WOODWORKING CLUB

Y7-13

Woodworking Club is part of the Outdoor Education programme, offering supervised practical challenge and progressive skill development.

For you? Pupils who enjoy practical challenges, adventure and learning beyond familiar settings.

What you could do Learn practical skills • Work safely with others • Build confidence through challenge

Why take part? Outdoor and exploratory activities develop judgement, resilience and self-reliance.

Also explore: Rifle Club (all levels) • Target Sports (informal) • Urban Uprising

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

SPORT | Get Active

BADMINTON

Years 7-13

Badminton is offered through Lower School, Middle School and Senior clubs, giving pupils age-appropriate opportunities to play and improve.

For you? Beginners and experienced players who enjoy a fast, skilful racket sport.

What you could do Develop serving, movement and shot selection • Practise singles and doubles • Play conditioned and competitive games

Why take part? Badminton develops agility, coordination, tactical awareness and confidence.

Also explore: Basketball • Circuits • Couch to 5K Running Group

BASKETBALL

Years 7-13

The basketball programme includes Lower School, Middle School, Sixth Form, senior, open and invitation sessions. Pupils should check the current programme for the strand appropriate to them.

For you? Pupils at all stages, from those trying basketball through an open club to experienced players joining senior or invitation training.

What you could do Develop handling, passing and shooting • Learn individual and team defence • Play conditioned games • Train towards team performance where appropriate

Why take part? Basketball develops coordination, decision-making, fitness, teamwork and competitive confidence.

Also explore: Badminton • Circuits • Couch to 5K Running Group

CIRCUITS

Y7-U6

Circuits provides a structured opportunity to develop fitness, technique and confidence through regular physical activity.

For you? Pupils who want to move, train, compete or enjoy being active with others.

What you could do Develop technique and fitness • Train or play with others • Work towards personal or team goals

Why take part? Physical activity supports wellbeing, confidence, teamwork and healthy habits.

Also explore: Basketball • Couch to 5K Running Group • Dance

COUCH TO 5K RUNNING GROUP

Check current eligibility

Couch to 5K Running Group provides a structured opportunity to develop fitness, technique and confidence through regular physical activity.

For you? Pupils who want to move, train, compete or enjoy being active with others.

What you could do Develop technique and fitness • Train or play with others • Work towards personal or team goals

Why take part? Physical activity supports wellbeing, confidence, teamwork and healthy habits.

Also explore: Circuits • Dance • Equestrian

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

SPORT | Get Active

DANCE

Years 7-9

Dance offers a creative and active lunchtime session for pupils in Years 7-9.

For you? Pupils who enjoy movement, music and learning choreography, including those new to dance.

What you could do Learn and rehearse movement sequences • Develop coordination and expression • Create and perform with others

Why take part? Dance combines physical activity with creativity, confidence and collaborative performance.

Also explore: Couch to 5K Running Group • Equestrian • Football

EQUESTRIAN

Experienced riders with their own horse and transport

School competition opportunities in show jumping, cross-country and dressage through the National Schools Equestrian Association.

For you? Established riders able to meet the practical requirements of external competition.

What you could do Train independently with an appropriate coach • Enter school competition teams where available • Represent the school at NSEA events

Why take part? Sport supports wellbeing while developing resilience, teamwork and commitment.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Dance • Football • Girls' Indoor Cricket

FOOTBALL

Years 7-13

The football programme includes open Lower School clubs for boys and girls and senior training for pupils in Years 10-13. Current sessions and selection arrangements vary by term.

For you? Pupils who enjoy football, from those seeking an accessible club session to those ready for structured senior training.

What you could do Develop individual technique • Play small-sided and conditioned games • Improve tactical awareness • Train and compete with others

Why take part? Football develops skill, decision-making, teamwork, fitness and enjoyment of the game.

Also explore: Equestrian • Girls' Indoor Cricket • Hockey

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

SPORT | Get Active

GIRLS' INDOOR CRICKET

Years 7-10

Girls’ Indoor Cricket provides age-group sessions for pupils in Years 7-10 during the current programme.

For you? Girls who want to develop cricket skills in a fast-paced indoor setting, whether experienced or relatively new to the game.

What you could do Practise batting, bowling and fielding • Develop quick decision-making • Play adapted indoor games

Why take part? Indoor cricket develops core technique, agility, teamwork and confidence.

Also explore: Football • Hockey • Junior Academy

HOCKEY

Years 7-13; strand-specific eligibility

The hockey programme includes open girls’ sessions, boys’ and girls’ performance squads, cup preparation and U16/U18 indoor hockey. Entry and selection depend on the particular strand.

For you? Pupils seeking an open introduction to hockey and experienced players training for outdoor or indoor school teams.

What you could do Develop technical and tactical skills • Train within an age-group or performance squad • Prepare for outdoor and indoor competition

Why take part? Hockey develops skill, speed of thought, resilience, teamwork and competitive understanding.

Also explore: Girls' Indoor Cricket • Junior Academy • Netball

JUNIOR ACADEMY

Check programme

Junior Academy provides a structured opportunity to develop fitness, technique and confidence through regular physical activity.

For you? Pupils who want to move, train, compete or enjoy being active with others.

What you could do Develop technique and fitness • Train or play with others • Work towards personal or team goals

Why take part? Physical activity supports wellbeing, confidence, teamwork and healthy habits.

Also explore: Hockey • Netball • Olympic Lifting (Y7-U6)

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

SPORT | Get Active

NETBALL

Selected or invited squads

The netball programme includes academy and school-nominated squad activity, U14 Cup training and senior cup-squad preparation.

For you? Players invited or selected for the relevant development or competition group.

What you could do Develop positional technique and tactical understanding • Train within a squad • Prepare for school competition

Why take part? Netball squad training develops skill, athleticism, communication and collective responsibility.

N.B. Commitment expected. If you take up a place, you are expected to participate fully and reliably.

Also explore: Junior Academy • Olympic Lifting (Y7-U6) • Open Gym

OLYMPIC LIFTING (Y7-U6)

Y7-U6

Olympic Lifting (Y7-U6) provides a structured opportunity to develop fitness, technique and confidence through regular physical activity.

For you? Pupils who want to move, train, compete or enjoy being active with others.

What you could do Develop technique and fitness • Train or play with others • Work towards personal or team goals

Why take part? Physical activity supports wellbeing, confidence, teamwork and healthy habits.

Also explore: Netball • Open Gym • Open Swim Club

OPEN GYM

Years 7-13

Open Gym provides supervised access to strength and conditioning facilities for pupils from Year 7 to Upper Sixth.

For you? Pupils who want to improve general fitness, movement quality and confidence in a gym environment.

What you could do Learn safe training habits • Follow suitable exercises • Develop strength, mobility and physical confidence

Why take part? Supervised gym work helps pupils build physical literacy and sustainable training habits.

Also explore: Olympic Lifting (Y7-U6) • Open Swim Club • Open Tennis

OPEN SWIM CLUB

All Years

Open Swim Club provides a structured opportunity to develop fitness, technique and confidence through regular physical activity.

For you? Pupils who want to move, train, compete or enjoy being active with others.

What you could do Develop technique and fitness • Train or play with others • Work towards personal or team goals

Why take part? Physical activity supports wellbeing, confidence, teamwork and healthy habits.

Also explore: Open Gym • Open Tennis • Performance Sport

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

SPORT | Get Active

OPEN TENNIS

Y7-13

Open Tennis provides a structured opportunity to develop fitness, technique and confidence through regular physical activity.

For you? Pupils who want to move, train, compete or enjoy being active with others.

What you could do Develop technique and fitness • Train or play with others • Work towards personal or team goals

Why take part? Physical activity supports wellbeing, confidence, teamwork and healthy habits.

Also explore: Open Swim Club • Performance Sport • Perse Runners

PERFORMANCE SPORT

Check current programme

Performance Sport provides structured physical preparation for pupils following an identified performance pathway, alongside designated open sessions.

For you? Pupils on relevant performance programmes and, where advertised, pupils eligible for an open session.

What you could do Develop strength, speed and movement quality • Follow progressive training • Support sporting performance and physical resilience

Why take part? Purposeful physical preparation can improve performance, reduce avoidable injury risk and build good training habits.

Also explore: Open Tennis • Perse Runners • Rugby

PERSE RUNNERS

Check programme

Inclusive group running through the local Cambridge countryside, with routes for experienced runners and a Couch-to-5K-style entry point.

For you? Pupils who want to be active, improve or enjoy sport with others.

What you could do Develop technique and physical confidence • Train or play with others • Work towards personal or competitive goals

Why take part? Sport supports wellbeing while developing resilience, teamwork and commitment.

Also explore: Performance Sport • Rugby • Speed/Agility (outside) (Y7-U6)

RUGBY

Years 7-13

The rugby programme includes Lower School development, open sessions for Years 7-9 and training for Years 10-13.

For you? Pupils who want to learn or develop rugby in an age-appropriate, coached setting.

What you could do Develop handling, movement and contact skills appropriate to the group • Learn team structures • Train and play with others

Why take part? Rugby develops physical confidence, decision-making, teamwork and resilience.

Also explore: Perse Runners • Speed/Agility (outside) (Y7-U6) • Table Tennis Club

WHAT'S ON OFFER?

SPORT | Get Active

SPEED/AGILITY (OUTSIDE) (Y7-U6)

Y7-U6

Speed/Agility (outside) (Y7-U6) provides a structured opportunity to develop fitness, technique and confidence through regular physical activity.

For you? Pupils who want to move, train, compete or enjoy being active with others.

What you could do Develop technique and fitness • Train or play with others • Work towards personal or team goals

Why take part? Physical activity supports wellbeing, confidence, teamwork and healthy habits.

Also explore: Rugby • Table Tennis Club • Volleyball Club

TABLE TENNIS CLUB

Check programme

Social and developmental table tennis for everyone from complete beginners to accomplished players.

For you? Pupils who want to be active, improve or enjoy sport with others.

What you could do Develop technique and physical confidence • Train or play with others • Work towards personal or competitive goals

Why take part? Sport supports wellbeing while developing resilience, teamwork and commitment.

Also explore: Speed/Agility (outside) (Y7-U6) • Volleyball Club • Yoga Club

VOLLEYBALL CLUB

Check programme

Supportive and enjoyable volleyball sessions focused on playing, learning and refining the game with others.

For you? Pupils who want to be active, improve or enjoy sport with others.

What you could do Develop technique and physical confidence • Train or play with others • Work towards personal or competitive goals

Why take part? Sport supports wellbeing while developing resilience, teamwork and commitment.

Also explore: Speed/Agility (outside) (Y7-U6) • Table Tennis Club • Yoga Club

YOGA CLUB

Y7-13

Guided stretching and strengthening sessions designed to support movement, physical confidence and wellbeing.

For you? All pupils, including beginners, who would like an active but non-competitive wellbeing opportunity.

What you could do Practise mobility and controlled movement • Develop strength and body awareness • Use movement to support wellbeing

Why take part? Sport supports wellbeing while developing resilience, teamwork and commitment.

Also explore: Speed/Agility (outside) (Y7-U6) • Table Tennis Club • Volleyball Club

WAYS TO GROW

Pathways through Perse life

There is no single correct route through Perse life. These examples show how a first experience can lead to deeper skill, contribution or leadership.

THE CURIOUS THINKER

Try a subject society → contribute a question or article → enter a competition → help lead discussion

THE MAKER

Join a practical club → develop technique → complete a project → share expertise with others

THE PERFORMER

Join an ensemble or production → rehearse reliably → perform → mentor or lead

THE TEAMMATE

Attend an open session → train consistently → represent a team → support younger pupils

THE CONTRIBUTOR

Join a service group → take responsibility for a task → shape a project → lead sustained change

Progress may mean greater skill, deeper enjoyment, stronger relationships or more responsibility. All are valuable.

WIDER EXPERIENCE

Depth, identity and progression

Perse life offers connected opportunities across several years. Check the current programme for entry points and timetables.

MUSIC AT THE PERSE

Individual tuition and a large family of choirs, orchestras, bands, chamber groups and music societies form a connected musical pathway.

Learn • join • create • perform • lead

OUTDOOR EDUCATION

Progressive clubs, training and journeys develop judgement, practical competence, teamwork, independence and resilience.

Try • train • journey • reflect • lead

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Pupil leadership ranges from everyday contribution and mentoring to formal representation and programme responsibility.

Notice • contribute • support • represent • shape

THE HOUSE SYSTEM

House life builds belonging across year groups through participation, competition, service, celebration and leadership.

Belong • take part • support • represent • lead

CURRENT DETAILS

Where to find the latest arrangements

ACTIVITIES AND SPORT DAILY SCHEDULE

Check the current regular weekly programme.

SOCS

Check registration, participation and activity information where applicable.

SOCS / PERSESPORT.CO.UK

Check current sport, teams and fixtures.

DAILY BULLETIN

Check one-off events, tasters and exceptional changes.

EXTRACURRICULAR FAIR

Meet pupils and staff and compare opportunities in person.

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