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Principal's Weekly Update

Dear Parent/Carer,

I should like to start by commending the Year 11 cohort on their conduct during this examination period. It has been a long couple of weeks and I am sure they are all looking forward to some well earned rest from Tuesday of next week.

Enrichment assemblies Pupils have been informed by Miss Graper of the various trips that will be taking place during the term. Year 7 will hold their annual summer fair and this year they have elected to raise money for the Jerry Green Dog Rescue Centre in Sutterton.

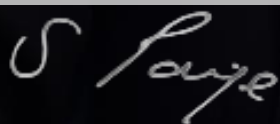
Geography Fieldtrips Year 10 have started their visits today with an excursion to Hunstanton to support their GCSE studies. Trips will continue throughout the term. Pupils are reminded of the importance of returning reply slips in a timely manner and to be dressed ready for all weathers.

Duke of Edinburgh Year 10 have been busy in the last few weeks preparing for their expedition, developing their map reading skills and planning their routes. It is very encouraging to see so many youngsters taking part in the award scheme that is highly viewed and valued.

Pupil Voice Pupils in Years 7-10 have been completing a safeguarding survey to ensure their voice is heard and that they are confident that they know how to report concerns or worries.

Uniform and Water Bottles With the variable weather it is important that pupils attend school with blazers. Being outdoors even in the event of light rain is a benefit. Water bottles can be filled free of charge and reduce the costs incurred from buying bottled water.

With a sunnier weekend ahead we wish you a restful and brighter few days.



S. Paige

Theme of the Week
Healthy Eating Week

"Your diet is a bank account. Good food choices are good investments." - Bethenny Frankel

KEY DATES

Year 10 Exams
- WB 22nd June

Attendance
Target:
97%

7I – 95.9%

8I – 87.7%

9D – 95%

10E – 95.7%



Stars of the Week

Alesya L

Freya S

Teddy M

Tia B

Alfie T

Megan T

Jaycee C

Henryk J

Jesse C

Edgar T

Ava W

Amy M-B

Lily C

Isabelle D

Tristan D

Blake G

Nikola O

Aidan F

Taylor D

Lola J

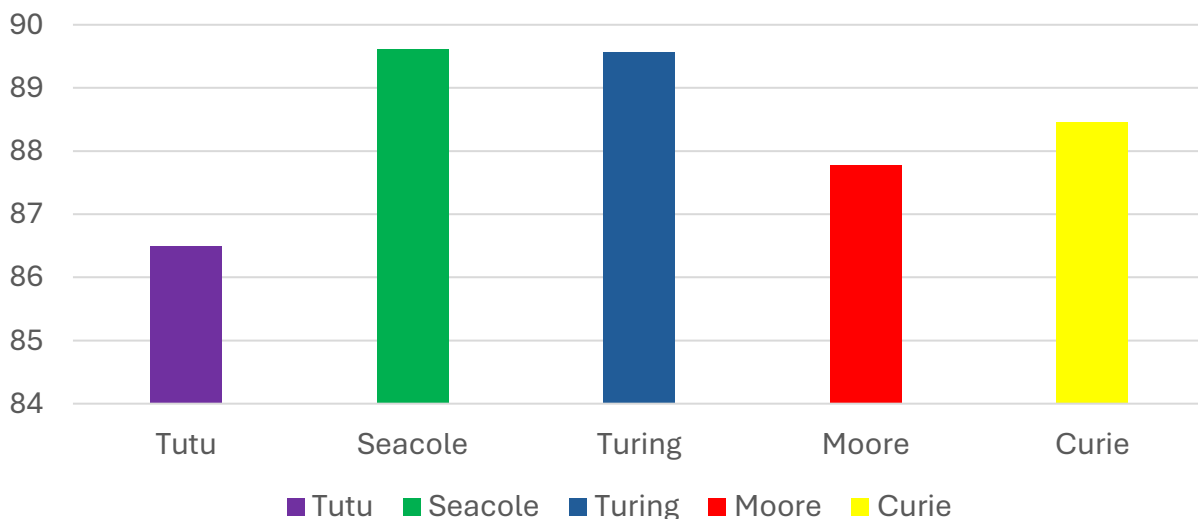
Maria M

House News – End of Term Results

House Attendance

Seacole

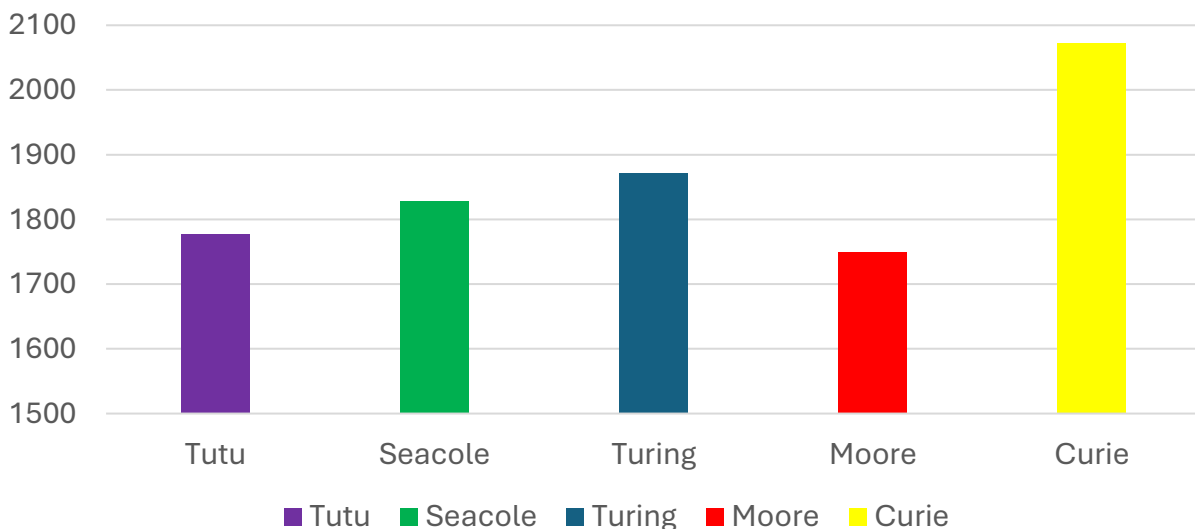
Attendance



House Achievement

Curie

Praise Points





Attendance during one school year	Equal days	Approx. weeks absent	Lessons missed	Approx absence over five school years
95%	9 days	2 weeks	50 lessons	¼ year
90%	19 days	5 weeks	100 lessons	½ year
80%	38 days	8 weeks	200 lessons	1 year
70%	57 days	11½ weeks	288 lessons	1¼ years
60%	80 days	16 weeks	400 lessons	2 years
50%	100 days	20 weeks	500 lessons	2½ years

Department News – Exams Office

DON'T RISK YOUR QUALIFICATIONS

Last summer (2025), Ofqual recorded **5,025** malpractice cases across GCSE, AS and A Level exams. That's 4,735 **students** receiving at least one penalty.

MOBILE PHONES ARE THE BIGGEST OFFENDER:

- 2,225 cases involved mobile phones or smart devices – that's 44.3% of all **cheating** cases.
- ✓ This is up from 2,140 cases (41.5%) the year before.
- ☒ **Phones** have been the most common cheating method every year since 2018.

THE REAL PRICE OF BEING CAUGHT:

Of those 2,225 students:

- ✗ 545 were **disqualified** from some or all of their qualifications
- ✗ 1,240 **lost** marks on their exams
- ✗ The rest faced other **serious** penalties

THE CHIEF REGULATOR SAYS:

"Please leave your phone at home, or hand it in before you go into the exam hall. Do not become one of those statistics and risk your qualification and your future prospects."

– **Sir Ian Bauckham, Ofqual**

YOUR ACTION PLAN:

- ✓ Leave your phone at **home** entirely
- ✓ If you bring it, **hand** it in before entering the hall
- ✓ Don't risk 2+ years of work for one **careless** moment

These are the rules of the JCQ (Exam Board Governing Body) and upheld by the school to ensure fairness to all students in exams.

Failure to adhere to these, may result in disqualification from ALL exams.

EXAMS w/c 15th June*

Mon 15 Jun	CHEMISTRY (A LEVEL)
	SCIENCE (PHYSICS)
	RELIGIOUS STUDIES
	ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION
Tue 16 Jun	SPANISH READING
	BIOLOGY A LEVEL
	POLITICS A LEVEL
Wed 17 Jun	SPANISH WRITING
Thu 18 Jun	MATHEMATICS A LEVEL STATS / MECHS

* Please check **EduLinkOne** for your individual timetable

YEAR 10 REMINDER

Mock exams start
w/c 22nd June

If you have any questions /concerns, please see your subject teacher or pop into the Exams Office

Warning to candidates



1

You **must** be on time for all your examinations.

2

Possession of a mobile phone or other unauthorised material **is not allowed** even if you do not intend to use it. You will be subject to penalty and possible disqualification from the examination or qualification.

3

You **must not** talk to, attempt to communicate with or disturb other candidates once you have entered the examination room.

4

You **must** follow the instructions of the invigilator.

5

You **must not** sit an examination in the name of another candidate.

6

You **must not** become involved in any unfair or dishonest practice in any part of the examination.

7

If you are confused about anything, only speak to an invigilator.

The **Warning to candidates** must be displayed in a prominent place outside each examination room. This may be a hard copy A3 paper version or an image of the poster projected onto a wall or screen for all candidates to see.

Breakfast Menu

The canteen is open to all pupils from 8am for a light breakfast.
Prices start at 35p

Morning Break Menu		THE HUB	
Monday		Tuesday	
Waffles	£1.10	Pizza Bagel	£1.00
Bacon Bap	£1.10	Cheese Bagel	90p
Hash Brown Bites	75p	Toast	35p
Toast	35p	Sausage Bap	£1.10
Bacon Bap	£1.10		
Wednesday		Thursday	
Nachos	£1.10	Pizza Bagel	£1.00
Garlic Bread	45p	Hash Brown Bites	75p
Toast	35p	Toast	35p
Hash Brown Bites	75p		
Friday		Available Every Day	
Pancakes & Syrup	£1.10	Fresh Fruit	65p
½ Cheese Bagel	90p	Fresh Fruit Salad	90p
Hash Brown Bites	75p		
Toast	35p		

The Hub

Grab & Go Menu



Monday	
Tomato Pasta	1.95 *
Tugo Pizza Slice	1.60 *
Sweet Chilli Chicken Wrap	2.00*
Tuesday	
Tomato Pasta	1.95 *
Hot Dog	1.90*
French Bread Pizza	1.65*
Wednesday	
Tomato Pasta	1.95 *
BBQ Chicken Wrap	2.00*
Pizza	1.60 *
Loaded Wedges	1.50
Thursday	
Tomato Pasta	1.95 *
Pannini, Cheese, Ham n Cheese or Tuna n Cheese	2.00*
Sausage Roll	1.65*
Friday	
Pizza	1.60 *
Pizza & Chips	2.00 *
Southern Fried Chicken Burger	2.00*

JACKET POTATOES ON EVERY DAY

*Means in Meal Deal

Water Bottles

Please note we are once again selling water bottles. These new bottles are available from Pupil Reception for £1.50. Pupils can pay electronically and these are also available to order on ParentPay. If you purchase one via ParentPay, pupils should then go to Pupil Reception to collect them.

The Hub

LUNCH Menu

WEEK ONE – SPRING/SUMMER

(Ve) Vegan option
(V) Vegetarian Option



Green Earth Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mediterranean Vegetable Ragu with Gnocchi (V)	Chicken in Arrabbiata Sauce with Pasta	Roast Chicken with Gravy & Roasties & Veg	Chicken & Sweetcorn Pie with Mashed Potato	Fish & Chips Southern Fried Chicken Burger
Mac & Cheese (V)	Chilli Sin Carne with Rice	Veggie Sausage & Tomato Turnover	Loaded Potato Skins with Cheese & Spring Onion	Pizza & Chips
Veg, Baked Beans, Mixed Salad	Sweetcorn & Baked Beans, Mixed Salad	Mixed Vegetables, Baked Beans, Mixed Salad	Mixed Veg, Baked Beans, Mixed Salad	Peas, Baked Beans, Mixed Salad
Sides				

Portion(s) of fruit or veg



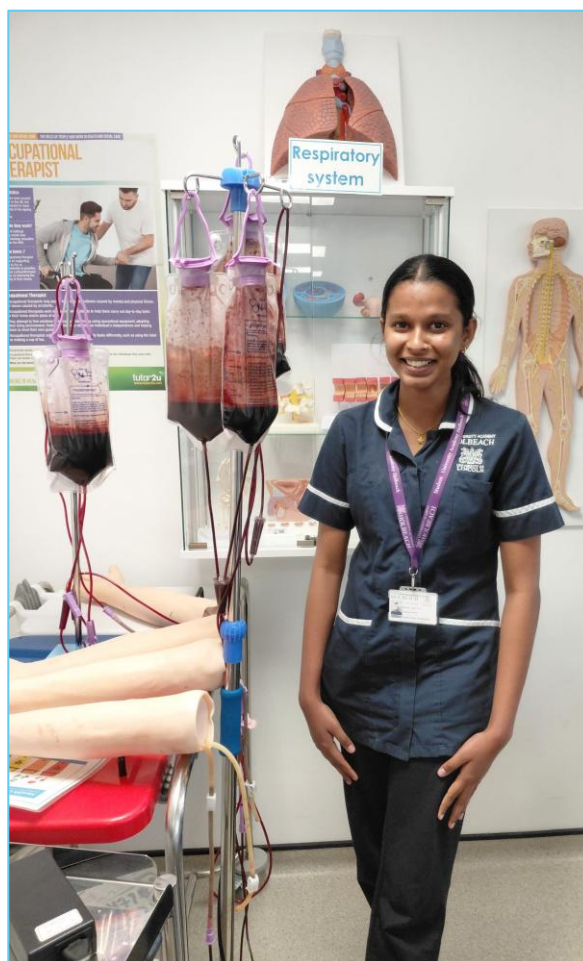
Source of Wholegrain



Contains plant-based proteins



Spotlight on 6th Form



BTEC Health & Social Care Extended Diploma

Angel enrolled in the BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health & Social Care at UAH from our sister school, University Academy Long Sutton. She chose it because, as well as being convenient, it covers the units she needs for her chosen vocation.

The course includes anatomy & physiology, human development, safeguarding, infection control, person-centred care, communication, and practical skills like basic observations, care planning and reflective practice, preparing students for work or university.

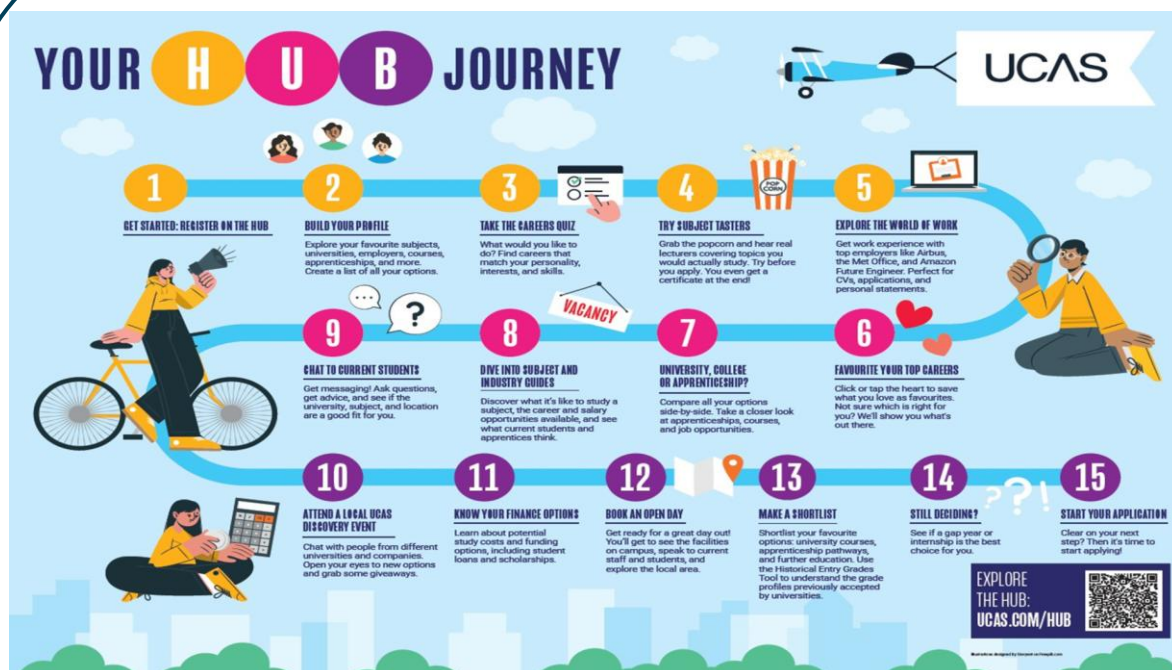
Angel has completed work experience at Littlebury Medical Centre and Holbeach Hospital, observing outpatient clinics, ward routines, and teamworking. She is keen to return to hospital placements next year to build confidence and practical skills in all departments. Angel hopes to become a paediatric nurse one day, but she is open-minded—she may go to university first and let her experiences help her choose a final speciality.

To enrol for this subject, you will need: 5 GCSEs, Grades 9-4 including Maths, English Language and Science.

UAH Pupils: Click on the personalised link sent to your UAH email inbox

External candidates, apply here: www.uah.applicaa.com

Department News - Sixth Form



Year 12 students have been continuing to look at careers and starting their UCAS journey. UCAS is the Universities and Colleges and Admission Service; it is the centralized shared admissions service for higher education in the UK. Almost everyone applying for full-time undergraduate degrees at British universities must apply through the UCAS website.

UCAS can now also be used to search and apply for Apprenticeships; it is an option where you can be earning whilst you study, spending 80% the time in employment and 20% in Education.

Now is a good time for students to start considering their options. There are over 50,000 undergraduate courses in the UK based at around 400 providers, from online, to colleges and Universities. This can feel quite over-whelming when you first start searching, so is definitely best not left to the last minute, we often run trips to local Universities over the academic year, but we encourage students to attend as many University Open Days as they can so that they can get a feel as to what sort of establishment they want. For example, do they want City based? A large or small institution? One that is based on the same campus? They may also wish to consider a course that offers studies abroad. There are so many options and it is good to be able to narrow choices down. The Sixth Form Team is always on hand if help is required with this.

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Year 13 students have been utilising any spare time for revision, as they continue with their exams and assessments. It is important that all students continue to arrive at school in the correct uniform and ensure they are wearing their lanyards at all times.



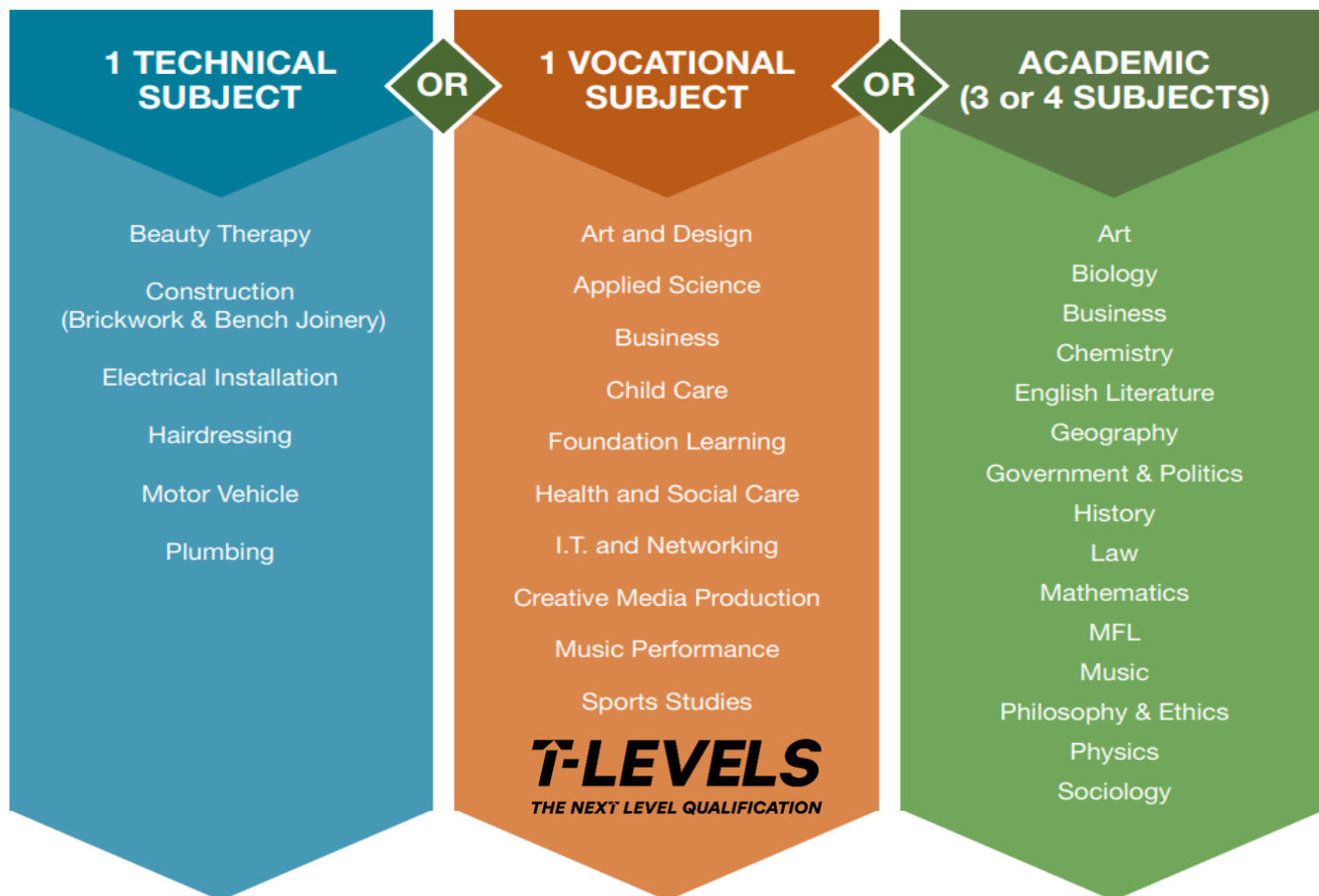
We are delighted to be able to include some pictures from the wonderful health awareness campaign led by the Health and Social Care Students last week; a wonderful learning and development experience for staff and students alike.

The Motor Vehicle Department is giving staff the opportunity to have their car air-con systems serviced - great timing, ready for next week's heatwave!

This will continue over the summer term, with any funds raised going back into the department to support the purchasing of new tools and maintaining current tools and equipment to ensure everything we have remains relevant and up to date.

It is a great opportunity for learners to develop a better understanding of air-conditioning systems, components, operation and awareness of health and safety requirements.

Your Choice - you will need to choose from:



GRADE REQUIREMENTS

Level 1 courses - 5 GCSEs 9-1

Level 2 courses - 5 GCSEs 9-3

**Level 3 courses (including T Levels) -
5 GCSEs 9-4 including
Maths & English**

**A Level courses - 5 GCSEs 5 or above
Plus a 6 or above in your chosen subjects**

Extra Curricular Clubs

At University Academy Holbeach, we are proud to offer a programme of extra curricular activities, designed to support their interests, learn new skills and help them reach their full potential. From sports and creative arts to academic support and special interest groups, there is something for everyone to enjoy

Monday

Club	Time	Room	Year
Silent reading and craft	Break and Lunch	LRC	All
Homework Club	Lunch	Language Lab	All
Keyboard Club	12:30 – 1pm	Music 1	All
Mash Up!	12:30 – 12:55pm	Music 2	All
KS4 Cricket Nets	12:30 – 12:55pm	Field	KS4
KS3 Girls T1 Rugby	12:30 – 12:55pm	Field	KS3
All Years' Cricket	12:30 – 12:55pm	Field	All
Athletics Throws	12:30 – 12:55pm	Field	All
Tennis	12:30 – 12:55pm	PE	All
Spanish Club	12:30 – 12:55	Language Lab	All
Girls' Fitness Suite	12:55 – 1:20pm	Fitness Suite	All
Talent Show Rehearsals	12:55 – 1:20pm	Sports Hall	All
Knit and Natter	12:30 – 12:55pm	Room 1	All
Programming with Micro:Bits	12:30 – 12:55pm	6Cisco	All

Club	Time	Room	Year
Independent practice	3:35 – 4:30pm	Music 2	All
Trampolining	3:45 - 4:45pm	Sports Hall	All
Darts – Group 2	3:45 - 4:45pm	Gym	All

Please note: our club offerings are subject to change throughout the academic year

Extra Curricular Clubs

Tuesday

Club	Time	Room	Year
Silent reading and craft	Break and Lunch	LRC	All
Homework Club	Lunch	Language Lab	All
Ukelele Club	10:00 – 10.30am	Music 2	All
Orchestra	12:30 – 1:00pm	Music 2	All
Young Carers	12:30 – 1:00pm	Glasshouse	All
Sociology Drop-In / Intervention	12:30 – 12:55pm	Science 9	11
Dungeons & Dragons	12:30 – 1:00pm	4	All
Warhammer	12:30 – 1:00pm	4	All
Chess	12:30 – 1:15pm	T4	All
Athletics Track	12:30 – 12:55pm	Field	All
GCSE PE Intervention	12:30pm – 12:55pm	Science 12	11
Athletics Throws – Discuss	12:30 – 12:55pm	Field	All
Golf	12:55 – 1:20pm	Gym	All
KS3 Boys Rugby (Contact)	12:30 – 12:55pm	Field	KS3
Cricket (Girls)	12:55 – 1:20pm	Sports Hall	All
Science Club	12:30 – 1:00pm	Science Club	7
Knit and Natter	12:30 – 12:55pm	1	All
British Sign Language Club	12:30 – 12:55pm	IT3	7-10
Debate Club	12:30 – 12:55pm	12	7-10

Club	Time	Room	Year
Independent practice	3:35 – 4:30pm	Music 2	All
Badminton	3:45 - 4:45pm	Sports Hall	All

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Extra Curricular Clubs

Wednesday

Club	Time	Room	Year
Silent reading and craft	Break and Lunch	LRC	All
Homework Club	Lunch	Language Lab	All
Eco Team	12:30 – 1:00pm	Glasshouse	All
Rock Club	12:30 – 1:00pm	Music 2	All
Music Production	12:30 – 1:00pm	Music 1	All
Pride Club	12:30 – 12:55pm	Upper LRC	All
Religious Studies Drop-In / Intervention	12:30 – 12:55pm	Science 9	11
Athletics Throws – Shot	12:30 – 12:55pm	Field	All
Fitness Suite	12:30 – 12:55pm	Fitness Suite	All
Geography Club	12:30 – 12:55pm	15	7-9
Blooket Club	12:30 – 12:55pm	Language Lab	KS3
All Years' Cricket	12:30 – 12:55pm	Field	All
Bronze Duke of Edinburgh	12:30 – 1:20pm	16	10
Tennis	12:30 – 12:55pm	PE	All
KS3 Cricket Nets	12:30 – 12:55pm	Nets	All
Y9-11 Rounders	12:55 – 1:20pm	Field	9-11
Animation Club	12:30 – 1:00pm	Art 3	8
Graphics DT / RM	12:30 – 1:20pm	DT Graphics	KS4
Knit and Natter	12:30 – 12:55pm	1	All
Hooked on Books	12:30 – 1:00pm	LRC	All

Club	Time	Room	Year
Independent practice	3:35 – 4:30pm	Music 2	All
GCSE Trampolining	3:45 – 4:45pm	Sports Hall	KS4
Chamber Choir	3:45 – 4:30pm	Music 2	All

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Extra Curricular Clubs

Thursday

Club	Time	Room	Year
Silent reading and craft	Break and Lunch	LRC	All
Homework Club	Lunch	Language Lab	All
UAH Community Champions	12:30 – 1:00pm	Upper LRC	All
Concert Singers	12:30 – 1:00pm	Music 2	All
Dungeons and Dragons	12:55 – 1:25pm	4	All
Warhammer	12:55 – 1:25pm	4	All
Graphics DT / RM	12:30 – 1:20pm	DT Graphics	KS4
Athletics Jumps – Long & Triple	12:30 – 12:55pm	PE	All
All Years’ Cricket	12:30 – 12:55pm	Field	All
Fitness Suite	12:30 – 12:55pm	Fitness Suite	All
Athletics Throws – Javelin	12:30 – 12:55pm	Field	All
F1 in Schools	12:30 – 1:00pm	Science 12	7-9
French GCSE Revision	12:55 – 1:20pm	Language Lab	11
Lunchtime Fitness	12:30 – 12:55pm	Fitness Suite	All
Darts – Group 1	12:30 – 1:20pm	Gym	All
Entrepreneur Club	12:30 – 1:20pm	T2	All

Club	Time	Room	Year
Independent practice	3:35 – 4:30pm	Music 2	All
KS4/5 Fitness Suite	3:45 – 4:45pm	Fitness Suite	KS4/5
Y9/10 Indoor Cricket Nets	3:45 – 4:45pm	Sports Hall	Y9/10

Extra Curricular Clubs

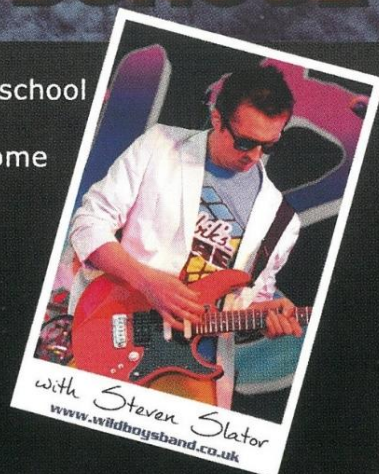
FRIDAY

Club	Time	Room	Year
Silent reading and craft	Break and Lunch	LRC	All
Homework Club	Lunch	Language Lab	All
All Years' Cricket	12:30 – 12:55pm	Field	All
Year 7/8 Rounders	12:30 – 12:55pm	Field	7/8
Table Tennis	12:30 – 12:55pm	Sports Hall	All
Book Buddies (SEN)	12:30 – 12:55pm	5	7
Fitness Suite	12:30 – 12:55pm	Fitness Suite	All
Gardening Club	12:30 – 1:00pm	Glasshouse	7

Department News - Music

GUITAR LESSONS AVAILABLE IN YOUR SCHOOL

- ⦿ weekly guitar lessons given during school-time in the school
- ⦿ all ability levels catered for- complete beginners welcome
- ⦿ electric, acoustic & bass-guitar tuition available
- ⦿ grades and music GCSE assistance offered
- ⦿ learn YOUR favourite songs
- ⦿ electric guitars available to use during lessons



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