

Electives 2018






Centre Site
Years 9 to 13
Terms 1 & 2

How to choose an elective?







1. Parents/ home are emailed the brochure on 9th September 2018
2. Students have 6 days to talk to friends and family to select activities
3. Mon 17th/Tues 18th Sept- dedicated tutor time to give their 1st, 2nd and 3rd choices.
4. Tutors will make a note of these choices and they will be sorted centrally.
5. Oversubscribed electives will be allocated on a 'pick out of a hat' basis
6. NB Bus students must choose a Wednesday activity or parents must let us know about alternative arrangements for getting home ie not on the bus.
7. These Electives choices are for a 11 week programme (till Christmas)
8. No swaps or changes after registers are made.
9. Confirmation of students choice will be given out on Friday 21st Sept.
10. Electives start on week commencing 24th September
11. The DoE sign tells you which activity this elective can be used as towards your DoE Award.

Elective	Lead Teacher	Description	Years	Max No	Additional Info
GCSE Maths	Maths	Come along to get further support in Maths	10-11	30	C3.13
A Level Maths	Maths	Support with A Level maths	12-13	30	C3.12
Current Affairs	Business	Discuss and debate current affairs	10-13	30	C3.14
KS4 English Film club: watch the texts come to life	English	Studying texts is all well and good, but most of what we study was meant to be performed and watched! Here's an opportunity for you to see some of the best actors in the world perform our set texts (and some other classics) in the comfort of your own school	9-11	30	C3.23
Year 11 GCSE Elective – mastering grades 4-6	English	Offering extra hints, tips and practise, come along and gets some help to make sure you secure your grade at 4, 5 or 6 in your English GCSEs this year .	11	25	C3.22
Year 11 GCSE Elective – working towards grades 7-9	English	Wanting to go for the top grades? Great! Come along and get some advice and practise on how to achieve grades 7-9 in your English GCSEs this year.	11	25	C3.21
KS4 English Homework and catch up club	English	Struggling to complete homework? Don't know what to write in a homework booklet? Or just need something explained again? Come along and get some help for a teacher from the English team.	10-11	25	Bring your homework/booklets/English book with you to get the most out of the help on offer. C3.24



Wednesday

Elective	Lead Teacher	Description	Years	Max No	Additional Info
KS4 Creative Writing	English	Fancy doing something creative just for fun? Whether its short stories, poems, an idea for a novel or if you quite like the idea of being a sports journalist or travel writer etc. pop along and get some advice on how to craft your ideas.	9-11	Min 8 Max 20	Bring something to write in and, if you have them, any ideas you would already like to work on! C3.25
Revision Café	English	There will be an English specialist at the GCSE revision café to answer any of your English-related questions!	11		Bring your English book(s) etc with you. Dining Hall
Ethics & Philosophy Revision	Dan Coles	An opportunity to revise over the ethics and philosophy curriculum before the exam in Year 10.	9-10	30	C4.21
Higher Project  Skill	Claire Clapton	A full GCSE create a project on a topic of your choice	10-11	10	Computer Room: tbc INVITE ONLY
Firefighting (Girls)  Skill	Juliane Spiers	Working with Wantage Fire station members	9-10	12	Register at bottom of four storey , walk as a student group to Fire Station and return to Centre at end
Pilates  Physical	KA Fitness Gym (near Sainsburys)	Pilates	12-13	5	Meet at bottom of four storey block and walk to Gym £100 for 10 sessions (33% discount)
Games at St Katherine's House  Volunteering	Juliane Spiers	Playing games with elderly residents of St Katherine's House	9-13	6	Register at bottom of four storey and walk as a student group to St Katherine's returning to Centre at end.
British Sign Language  Skill	Matt Taylor	Learn basic sign language	9-13	10	Room: C3.15



Wednesday

Elective	Lead Teacher	Description	Years	Max No	Additional Info
Business & Computing intervention group	Harket Sandhu	Pupils who take Business &/or Computing can come and receive targeted intervention to help with knowledge, exam technique or build confidence with a certain aspect of the subject	9-11		Revision Café—Dining Room
Science Pub Quiz	Science	Focus on scientific content in a pub quiz format	10-11	30	Room: CS.04L
Engineering  Skill	Paul Thompson	CREST qualification. Working with local science and industry experts, designing and building prototypes to test	12	6	Room: CS17 First week will be selection process
Revision Café (with weekly MFL provision)	Miss Alison Quick	A member of MFL staff will be on hand every week at Revision Café to support with independent study across subjects, targeted improvements, speaking and exam technique	9-13		Terms 1-6 Dining Hall
Dance  Physical	Miss Honess	An opportunity to improve your dance skills and perform in the dance show	7-13	30	PE Kit Dance Studio/West
Team 16 (5-a-side Football)  Physical	Mr Broome	Recreational football. Play in an organised league against other teams in school	9-11		PE Kit Football boots (not essential) Field
Fitness  Physical	Mr Bevan	Making exercise fitness and exercise fun	9-11		PE Kit Activities Room
Half court basketball  Physical	Miss Frost	A chance to improve your basketballs skills either for fun or competitively	9-11		PE Kit Sports Hall
Badminton  Physical	Mr Gayler	An opportunity to learn or improve your badminton skills	9-11	20	PE Kit Sports Hall



Wednesday continued

Elective	Lead Teacher	Description	Years	Max No	Additional Info
GCSE DT Work-shop Time	CARTS	An opportunity for GCSE students to use the equipment & gain support with their project	GCSE		CT0.1 & CT0.2W
GCSE Art, Textiles, Graphics Studio Time	CARTS	Time to develop your GCSE work and skills with support	GCSE		CA.01
GCSE Music Composition	CARTS	Improve your composition skills for your GCSE and use the software to complete your composition	GCSE		CT.02C
Production 'In the Heights'  Skill	Production Team	Principles Rehearsal	9-13		Only for principles who have been cast after auditions Drama/Music Studio
Production 'In the Heights'  Skill	Production Team	Chorus & band Rehearsal	9-13		Only for students who have been cast after auditions Drama/Music Studio
Media GCSE	CARTS	Time to work on Media GCSE using the Mac Suite	GCSE		CTA.01

Thursday

Elective	Lead Teacher	Description	Years	Max No	Additional Info
The Music Industry  Skill	CARTS	Learn all about music as an industry & profession. How to sell yourself as an artist. How to book gigs, concerts or festivals. Link this with playing & writing your own music	9-13	10	Meet in Drama/Music studio
Fencing  Physical	Olly Bickley		7-13		£40 per term 3.30-4.30 West Site Hall

Friday

Elective	Lead Teacher	Description	Years	Max	Additional Info
Band  Skill	CARTS	Come along and join our band. Enjoy performing with others and learning new pieces	7-13		Meet in the Drama/Music Studio
Upper School Vocal Group  Skill	CARTS	For students interested in singing as part of a choir & learning to perform concerts & community events	9-13		Meet in the Drama/Music Studio
Past Paper Club	Maths	End the week on a high – eating biscuits & improving your Maths through past papers	11		Dining Hall