

Enrichment Booklet



A Better Chance of Success



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Message from the Headteacher

At Gloucester Academy, we believe education goes far beyond exam results. Our enrichment programme is central to our mission of nurturing well-rounded, ambitious, and confident young people who are fully prepared for life beyond school. Enrichment is not an “add-on”, it is a vital part of ensuring equity of opportunity for every student, no matter their background.

We want every student to uncover new passions, develop valuable skills, and build the confidence that comes from stepping outside their comfort zone, whether through sport, the arts, public speaking, music, leadership, or volunteering. Our programme helps students grow socially, emotionally, and culturally, equipping them with the character and experiences to thrive.

To ensure every young person benefits, enrichment is compulsory for Years 7–10 one afternoon each week. By embedding it within the school timetable, we remove barriers and guarantee that all students, not just those with access to activities outside school — can enjoy opportunities that build ambition, resilience, and curiosity.

Our vision is for Gloucester Academy to deliver one of the most ambitious and inclusive enrichment programmes in the country. I want every student to leave not only with excellent academic results but also with a personal story rich in experiences that have inspired, challenged, and shaped them.

This means:

- Access to high-quality sport and elite training for those with talent and drive
- A wide range of clubs, societies, and creative opportunities to nurture diverse interests
- A focus on leadership, confidence, and character development
- Removing barriers so that enrichment is for everyone, not just a few

We want enrichment to become a defining feature of the Gloucester Academy experience, something our students look forward to each week and remember long after they leave. It is a cornerstone of our culture of excellence and plays a crucial role in preparing students to succeed in a competitive, ever-changing world.

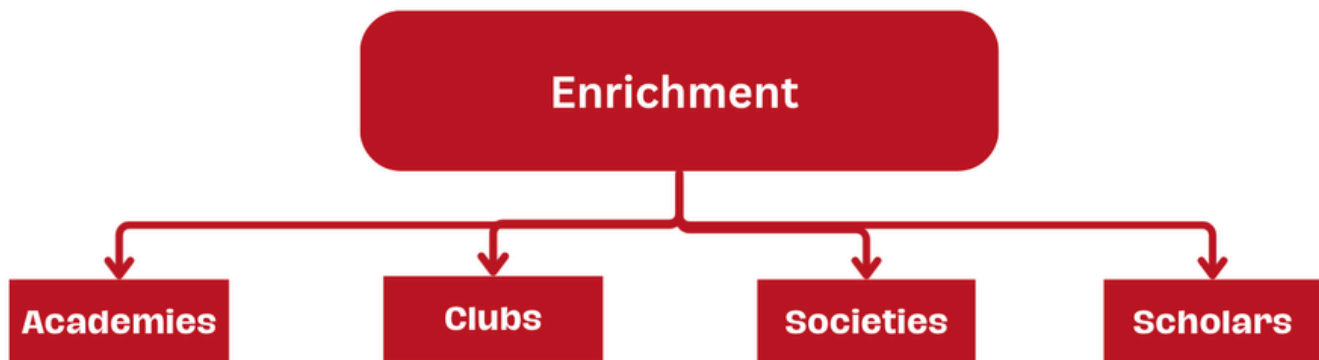
There is clear evidence that young people who engage in extracurricular activities achieve stronger long-term outcomes than those who do not. We are determined that every student leaves Gloucester Academy with a wealth of skills and experiences that extend far beyond the classroom, giving them the best possible foundation for the future.



Enrichment at Gloucester Academy

At Gloucester Academy, enrichment is a central part of our ethos. It offers students the opportunity to explore new interests, develop essential skills, and prepare for success both within school and in their futures. Our dedicated staff are committed to delivering a high-quality enrichment programme that is broad, inclusive, and designed to ensure every student can find an activity that inspires them and develop a passion for. Each year group has a designated enrichment time, with additional opportunities available beyond these sessions to encourage wider participation.

The enrichment offer at Gloucester Academy is organised into four strands: Academies, Clubs, Societies and Scholars.





Overview

Academies

Our Academies are elite performance teams representing the highest level of sporting excellence within the school. Students in these squads are selected for their exceptional talent, dedication, and potential. Members will compete in fixtures, tournaments, and special events, while also being part of the PE Scholars Programme, where they receive tailored support to balance both sporting achievement and academic success.

Clubs

Our Clubs are open to everyone and provide opportunities to enjoy recreational sports, creative activities, and social experiences beyond the classroom. They are a chance to try something new, stay active, and have fun with friends. Our wide variety of clubs allows students to explore interests, build confidence, and develop valuable life skills.

Societies

Our Societies are entirely student-led communities that bring together individuals with shared passions, values, or causes. They empower students to create, lead, and grow their own initiatives, whether that's a cultural society, an environmental action group, or a student publication. Societies are a platform for leadership, collaboration, and self-expression, helping students make a lasting impact within the school community.

Scholars

The Scholars Programme at Gloucester Academy enriches students' education by offering opportunities beyond the classroom, including trips, workshops, clubs, and special projects. It is designed to inspire ambition, develop lifelong skills, and raise aspirations. The programme encourages all students to see themselves as scholars, curious, confident, and driven, supporting a school culture built on ambition, excellence, and pride.





Enrichment Timetable

At Gloucester Academy, each year group has a designated enrichment slot within the weekly timetable. In addition, students are encouraged to take part in extra-curricular, clubs and societies open to all year groups, as outlined in the enrichment timetable available on our website and shared at the start of each unit.

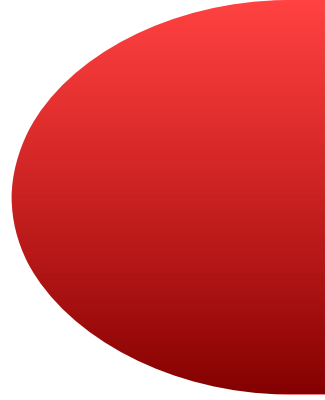
Students involved in academy teams will also attend fixtures and training sessions scheduled throughout the week. These may include home and away matches, as well as inter-school competitions. Full details are published on SOCS and communicated in advance.

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| Year 7 | Monday | 3.05-4.05pm |
| Year 8 | Tuesday | 3.05-4.05pm |
| Year 9 | Wednesday | 3.05-4.05pm |
| Year 10 | Thursday | 3.05-4.05pm |
| Year 11 | Elite Training Monday-Friday | 4-5pm |





Enrichment process



Enrichment Fayre



These will take place at the beginning of each unit. These events provide students with the opportunity to engage with staff, learn about the enrichment activities available, and seek clarification on any questions they may have regarding the options offered.

Sign-Up



Following the fayre, students will be asked to indicate three enrichment preferences, ranked in order of priority (with “1” representing their first choice). Student preferences will be carefully considered when allocations are made. Final assignments will be communicated to both students and parents prior to the commencement of the unit.



Timetable and Communication

The enrichment timetable, along with details of the activities available, will be published online and made accessible via the school website as well as official social media channels, including Facebook.

The timetable will be available before the start of each unit.



Enrichment and Character Education



Character Education



Gloucester Academy is delighted to have been awarded the Association of Characters Education's Character Quality Mark.

The development of each and every pupil's character is a key ambition of every member of staff at Gloucester Academy. As we work hard and be kind, in order to make steps up our personal mountain the visions and values of Gloucester Academy are taught explicitly, caught as you move around our school and sought out by our pupils.

The Character Quality Mark exemplifies the journey that pupils undertake as they move through from Year 7 to Year 11, and the support they receive from each and every member of our Gloucester Academy family, from student leaders through to staff. Through Character Badges, Character Challenges, Character lessons daily chants, Golden Tickets and much more the essence of Character really permeates through every aspect of our daily life.

Character education is central to Gloucester Academy's enrichment programme, promoting both academic success and personal development. Students earn badges aligned with school values ambition, excellence, and pride, progressing through bronze to platinum levels. For example, 10 football fixtures earn a Bronze Excellence badge, while drama club involvement can lead to Culture Badges, encouraging active participation and pride in achievement.

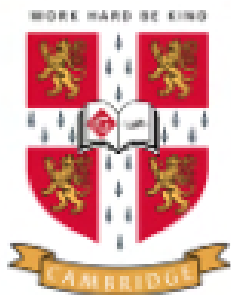
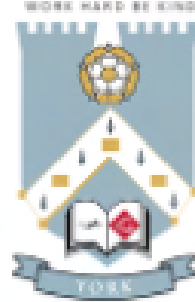
At Gloucester Academy, every student receives a character education booklet outlining the available badges and the steps required to earn them.

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House System



At Gloucester Academy, our House system is at the heart of school life, promoting our core values of ambition, excellence, and pride. Every student belongs to a House and proudly wears their House badge, working alongside peers from all year groups to earn points through a wide range of competitions. These include inter-House sporting events such as rugby, football, cricket and rounders, as well as challenges in areas like languages, chess, and the arts. Sports Day is a major highlight, offering students the chance to earn significant points towards the House Cup. Together, these events foster a strong sense of community, teamwork, and friendly competition, ensuring every student has the opportunity to shine.





At Gloucester Academy, we are proud to offer a range of Sport Academies and clubs to support our students' physical and personal development.

We also actively encourage students to get involved in sports clubs outside of school. Participating in community clubs not only enhances athletic skills but also builds confidence, teamwork, and discipline, benefits that extend into both academic life and future pathways.

Included in this booklet is a list of local sports clubs across the Gloucestershire area.

If you would like further information or assistance in finding a suitable club for your child, please don't hesitate to get in touch via email at mbrazil@gloucesteracademy.co.uk

| Sport | Name | Contact Details |
|--------------|---|---|
| Athletics | Gloucester Athletics | https://www.gloucesterac.co.uk |
| Cheerleading | Gloucestershire Cheer Academy | info@gcacheer.com |
| Cricket | Gloucester Cricket Club | JUNIOR CRICKET - (gloucestercc.co.uk) |
| Dance | Centre Pointe Creative Dance Academy | centrepointecda@gmail.com |
| Football | Abbeymead Rovers | youth.secretary@abbeymeadroversfc.com www.abbeymeadroversfc.com |
| Football | Tuffley Rovers | youthadmin@tuffleyroversfc.co.uk www.tuffleyroversfc.co.uk |
| Golf | Gloucester Golf Course | info@gloucestergolf.com stuartarchibaldgolf1@gmail.com |
| Gymnastics | Cheltenham & Gloucester Gymnastics Club | cggcgymnastics@gmail.com |
| Hockey | Gloucester City Hockey Club | https://www.gloucestercityhockey.co.uk |
| Karate | Dragon Martial Arts Gloucester, | https://www.dragonmartialarts.uk/ |
| Netball | Churchdown Netball | https://www.churchdownladiesnetball.co.uk/ |
| Rugby | Matson RFC | https://www.pitchero.com/clubs/matson/contact |
| Rugby | Old Cryptians | https://www.oldcryptiansrfc.co.uk/contact |
| Rugby | Old Centrillians | https://www.pitchero.com/clubs/oldcents/contact 1452303768 |
| Skiing | Gloucester Ski Centre | enquiries@gloucesterski.com |
| Table Tennis | Gloucester Table Tennis | https://gloucesterttc.ttclubs.co.uk/page/contactus |



Sport Uniform

At Gloucester Academy, we believe that wearing uniform plays a vital role in promoting a sense of identity, unity, and pride within the school community. It also helps to establish a focused and respectful atmosphere appropriate for learning. During enrichment activities, students are expected to wear the designated kit, which aligns with the standards set for both Core and Elite PE.



01 PE top



02 PE Jumper



03 PE shorts



04 PE skort



05 Tracksuit bottom



06 Red socks





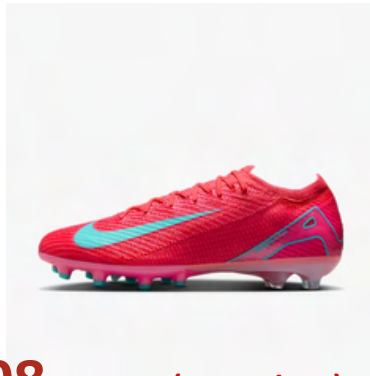
Sport Uniform



Uniform



07 Trainers (any colour)



08 Boots (any colour)



09 Base layer



10 Gum shield



11 Shin pads



12 Hair band



13 Leggings





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| Monday | 9AM - 4:30PM |
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| Thursday | 9AM - 4:30PM |
| Friday | Closed |
| Saturday | 9AM - 4:30PM |
| Sunday | Closed |



Ofsted achievements

Our 2024 Ofsted Report showcases the significant strides our school has made to ensure the **success** of all of our students. The Academy achieved a ‘Good’ rating in **Quality of Education, Behaviour and Attitudes, and Leadership and Management**, with an ‘Outstanding’ rating for Personal Development.



Highlights include

High expectations of students’

behaviour and academic achievement which is consistently achieved

Outstanding personal development

of staff leading to fostering pupils’ character and resilience

Students with SEND are accurately identified

resulting in all pupils learning well and being supported



**Gloucester Academy
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Thank you for exploring Gloucester Academy. We hope that we have answered all your questions. If you have any more, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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