

Enrichment	Description	Year	Day
Girls Netball Academy	<p>The Netball Academy is the perfect place for students who are excited to develop their skills, make new friends, and compete with confidence. Whether you're new to the sport or already play regularly, our supportive teachers will help you improve at your own pace while challenging you to reach your full potential.</p> <p>Training sessions focus on boosting all areas of your game fitness, footwork, passing, shooting, tactical decision-making, and teamwork. Each session is fun, energetic, and designed to help you grow as both a player and a teammate. There is a trial to join the Academy, and places are selective. Any student can express interest, but selection is based on talent, consistent effort in PE lessons, and always having the correct PE kit. This ensures that Academy members are committed, motivated, and ready to make the most of their training.</p> <p>As part of the Academy, you'll have the chance to represent your school in fixtures and competitions against other schools. These matches give you real game experience, help you build resilience, and let you showcase your progress in a competitive but encouraging environment.</p> <p>Join the Netball Academy to level up your skills, build confidence, and be part of a committed and motivating team.</p>	7+8 7+8 9+10 9+10	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday
Boys Football Academy	<p>The Football Academy is designed for students who are passionate about the game and eager to develop their skills in a fun, motivating, and professional environment. Whether you're an experienced player or just starting out, our dedicated teachers will help you improve your technique, confidence, and overall performance on the pitch.</p> <p>Training sessions focus on all aspects of the game, ball control, passing, shooting, positioning, fitness, and tactical understanding. Each session is fast-paced, engaging, and tailored to help you grow as both an individual player and a valuable team member.</p> <p>There is a trial to join the Academy, and places are selective. Any student can express interest, but selection is based on talent, effort in PE lessons, and consistently bringing the correct PE kit. This ensures that all members are committed, motivated, and ready to take full advantage of the Academy experience.</p> <p>As part of the Academy, you'll have regular opportunities to take part in fixtures and competitions against other schools. These matches allow you to put your training into practice, experience real match intensity, and proudly represent your school.</p> <p>Join the Football Academy to sharpen your skills, develop your game sense, and be part of a team that works hard, plays smart, and strives for success.</p>	7 8 9 10	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday

Basketball Club	<p>The Basketball Club is open to students who want to have fun, stay active, and enjoy playing basketball in a friendly, supportive environment. Whether you're completely new to the game or already have some experience, our sessions focus on developing basic skills, teamwork, and confidence on the court.</p> <p>Although the club is currently recreational, we have exciting plans to grow and develop it into a full Basketball Academy in the future. This means there will be opportunities for players to improve their skills, take part in more structured training, and eventually compete in fixtures and tournaments.</p> <p>We welcome all students who show enthusiasm, commitment, and a willingness to improve. Regular attendance, effort, and a positive attitude in PE lessons will be key to being involved as the club evolves.</p> <p>Join the Basketball Club now to learn new skills, enjoy the game, and be part of a team that is aiming high for the future!</p>	7 8 9 10	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday
Football Club	<p>The Football Club is open to students who want to play football for fun. This club is purely about game play, no pressure, no trials, just the chance to turn up and enjoy playing. Sessions are focused entirely on playing matches during the session and enjoying the sport. Everyone is welcome, regardless of experience or ability. Join the Football Club to have fun, stay active, and be part of a friendly team that loves playing football!</p>	7+8 7+8 9+10 9+10	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday
Functional Fitness Club	<p>The Functional Fitness Club is a space for students to build strength, improve muscular endurance, and develop full-body fitness through practical, real-life movement. Using a mix of bodyweight exercises, light equipment, and dynamic circuits, students will train to become stronger, more coordinated, and more confident. Workouts are adjustable for all fitness levels, creating a supportive environment where everyone can make progress and enjoy getting fit. Join us to challenge yourself, stay active, and have fun while improving your overall health.</p>	9 10	Wednesday Thursday
Table Tennis Club	<p>The Table Tennis Club is open to students who want to play table tennis for fun. This club is all about enjoying the game, no pressure, no trials, just the chance to turn up and play. Sessions are focused on friendly matches, rallying, and having a great time while improving your skills. Everyone is welcome, regardless of experience or ability. Join the Table Tennis Club to have fun, stay active, and be part of a friendly community that loves the sport.</p>	All Years	Monday Tuesday
Geography Scholars	<p>Geography Scholars is for students who find Geography fascinating and want to explore topics that go beyond the classroom. The Enrichment gives you the chance to watch documentaries, carry out your own research, and create a personalised scholar's project in an area that interests you. You'll develop your ideas through discussions with fellow</p>	All Years	Monday

	<p>students and guidance from a Geography teacher.</p> <p>In Unit One, we saw some fantastic Bronze Scholar Projects on topics such as dams, beaches, the northern lights, and much more. We've also enjoyed watching breathtaking documentaries like <i>Our Planet</i>, taking notes, and working out the food webs and systems shown on screen.</p> <p>A highlight of the term was a visit from a real Geography professor, who shared insights into his research and what life is like as a geographer.</p> <p>If you're curious, enthusiastic, and eager to explore the world in new ways, Geography Scholars is the place for you.</p>		
The Crafty Loop Club	<p>Are you ready to get creative, unwind, and learn some amazing new skills? The Crafty Loop Club is the perfect place for students who love (or want to learn!) crochet, knitting, scrunchie-making, and so much more. This club offers a calm, welcoming space where you can relax after a busy day, chat with new friends, and let your creativity flow through colourful yarn and fun projects. Whether you're a complete beginner or already a crafting pro, there's something for everyone! Join Miss Exton each week as we stitch, loop, knot, and create together — all while having fun, supporting each other, and making something you can be proud of. Come and join The Crafty Loop Club... where creativity begins and friendships grow!</p>	7	Monday
Matson Library Club	<p>Students have a weekly visit to our local library in Matson. They are able to read, use the computers, play games, colouring and talk with their friends in a friendly, welcoming environment. We can help students join the public library so they can borrow up to 20 books at a time! We travel in style, in the school minibus!</p>	7	Monday
Pokémon Society	<p>The Pokémon Society is a student-led club supervised by a member of staff. It's the perfect place for trainers to meet, play, and enjoy everything Pokémon. Bring your Pokémon cards to battle other members or take part in friendly matches. Trading is also encouraged, and all trades will be checked to make sure they are fair.</p> <p>Students are welcome to bring any Pokémon-related items, and may also play Pokémon games during the society.</p>	All Years	Monday
Live Theatre Club	<p>Experience the magic of the stage! We are a social club for theatre enthusiasts who organize group outings to see a diverse range of plays, musicals, and performances. Join us to share critiques, discover new works, and make live theatre a regular, affordable, and fun group activity.</p>	All Years	Monday

GA Choir	Do you like singing, making music, and performing in front of a crowd? GA Choir is the place to be! We welcome anyone who loves to sing, or wants to learn how to. In Choir Club, you'll develop vocal skills, build confidence, and make music with others in a fun, supportive environment. Students have exciting opportunities to perform at school awards evenings and take part in special events, including singing at the cathedral, where our voices come together in an amazing setting. Whether you're an experienced singer or just starting out, come join us and be part of something powerful, creative, and unforgettable!	All Years	Monday
Script Club	Students will take part in a script reading enrichment activity, exploring a range of performance formats including monologues, duologues and small-group scenes. Through practical workshop tasks, they will develop confident vocal delivery and expressive physical skills, focusing on clarity, intention and characterisation. This enrichment aims to broaden their performance toolkit, build resilience in presenting work, and strengthen their overall stage confidence.	All Years	Monday
Matilda JR	Step into the world of <i>Matilda Jr.</i> and bring this magical story to life. Join us to act, sing, and perform while learning teamwork, creativity, and behind-the-scenes production skills. Students will gain confidence, explore their talents, and experience the thrill of being part of a live theatre performance. Be ready to shine on stage and help make a show to remember!	7, 8, 9 +10	Tuesday Wednesday Thursday
Song Writing Club	Learn how to create and compose your own smash hits. Song writing Club is the place where your musical ideas come to life. You'll learn how to build a chord progression, craft meaningful lyrics, and design catchy melodies that stick in people's heads. We'll explore how to layer all these elements together to create polished, original songs worthy of the GA Billboard Charts. Throughout the club, you'll experiment with different genres, collaborate with other students, and discover what makes a great song truly stand out. Whether you're a complete beginner or already writing your own music, you'll get the support, techniques, and inspiration you need to express yourself and develop your unique sound. If you've ever dreamed of writing your own hit, or just love making music, Song writing Club is the perfect place to start.	All Years	Wednesday
Music Tech Club	Learn how to become the next great music producer. Music Tech Club is your chance to explore the world of digital music creation and discover the tricks professionals use to make chart-topping tracks. You'll learn how to use music production software, create your own beats, layer sounds and samples, and experiment with synthesisers, effects, and mixing tools. We'll break down how songs are built, from rhythm and bass to melody	9+10	Thursday

	<p>and texture and show you how to shape them into your own original productions. Throughout the club, you'll have the opportunity to collaborate with others, remix existing tracks, and develop your own signature sound. Whether you're into pop, hip-hop, electronic, or cinematic music, you'll learn the skills and techniques to bring your ideas to life.</p> <p>If you're curious about how music is made behind the scenes or dream of producing your own tracks, Music Tech Club is the perfect place to start.</p>		
Star Wars Society	<p>A long time ago in a galaxy far, far away... Star Wars Society began! This is the perfect club and place for fans of all ages, whether you're a Jedi, a Sith, a smuggler, or somewhere in between.</p> <p>Each week, students come together to dive into all things Star Wars: from debating the best light saber duels and ranking the movies, to exploring lore, analysing characters, and discovering hidden details from across the saga. You might take part in designing your own droids or ships, watch-along sessions, or even create your own theories and stories set in the Star Wars universe.</p> <p>Whether you're here for the films, the shows, the books, the games, or just the memes, the Star Wars club is an open, friendly space where every fan belongs.</p>	All Years	Monday
Homework Club	<p>The Homework Club is a supportive space where students can complete homework and coursework and stay organized after school. Staff and peers are available to help with questions, explanations, and guidance, making it easier to understand classwork and stay on track. Whether you want a quiet place to focus, need help with a tricky subject, or simply want to finish your work before heading home, the Homework Club provides the structure and support you need to succeed.</p>	7 8 9 10	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday
Maths Sparx Support Leader	<p>Sparx Support is exactly what it sounds like, a dedicated space to help students with their Sparx. This club is perfect for budding leaders who want to make a difference by supporting and guiding Year 7 students as they build their maths confidence.</p> <p>As a Sparx Support leader, you'll help younger pupils understand tricky concepts, keep on top of their homework, and develop positive study habits. You'll also have the chance to strengthen your own maths skills, work as part of a supportive team, and develop communication and mentoring abilities that will serve you well both in and out of school. If you're patient, enthusiastic, and enjoy helping others succeed, Maths Sparx Support Club is the ideal place to shine.</p>	9 10	Wednesday Thursday

Bike Maintenance Club	Bike Maintenance Club welcomes experts Mr. Jamie Tabor and Mr Wijker who know about all things bike! Students will be shown how to maintain your bike so that it is safe to ride. We have already replaced a crank, repaired a puncture and corrected brakes. The students attending the club have suggested obtaining broken bikes and using them for spare parts in order to make a safe bike to ride! What an amazing idea! So, if you're interested in looking after your bike, we look forward to seeing you.	All Years	Tuesday
Science Club	Science Club is a place for students to explore science after school. Each week, we try out exciting activities like small experiments and building challenges. The club helps students grow their confidence and learn new skills. Everyone is encouraged to ask questions and enjoy finding out how things work. If you love science and want to do more practical things, science club is the club for you!	8	Tuesday
History Club	Are you curious about parts of the past that we don't explore in History lessons? History Club is your chance to dive into unusual, exciting, and sometimes mysterious historical topics. In our last unit, students created a shoebox theatre to retell the story of the Great Fire of London, investigated the crimes of Jack the Ripper and Fred West, explored the origins of Halloween, and researched the wives of Henry VIII. If you want to discover more about the world's hidden stories and fascinating events, come and join us, everyone is welcome.	All Years	Tuesday
Wargaming Club	Do you enjoy strategy, storytelling, and epic battles? War Gaming Club is the perfect place for anyone who loves tabletop wargames, or wants to learn how to play them. The club caters for players of all experience levels and welcomes a wide range of games, including Warhammer, Warhammer 40,000, Flames of War, and many more. You'll have the opportunity to plan tactics, command armies, and take part in friendly battles against fellow club members. We provide a small selection of terrain and scenery to set the stage for your games, but pupils are encouraged to bring their own armies to create truly immersive and personalised battles. Whether you're painting miniatures, building armies, or mastering new rules, War Gaming Club offers a fun, social, and competitive space to develop your skills. Join us and bring your strategies to life on the tabletop.	All Years	Tuesday
Cooking Club	The GA Cooking Club is a highly rewarding club where students develop essential culinary skills through practical, hands-on sessions. The foods prepared focus on savoury dishes and sweet treats ranging from homemade pizza, mac n cheese and nachos with tomato salsa to Eton Mess, fudge, cookies and fruit crumbles. GA cookery club members master fundamental kitchen safety and hygiene practices, develop knife skills (like the 'bridge' and 'claw' techniques), improve time management and measuring skills by accurately following recipes. Overall, the club is a fun and exciting cheffing experience giving you the chance to be a chef and gain the confidence and expertise of turning a recipe into a truly tasty treat!	7+8	Tuesday

Unity Mountain Club	<p>GA Unity Mountain is a safe, welcoming space for LGBTQ+ students to connect, share, and be themselves. This club is all about sharing thoughts and experiences and building a supportive community.</p> <p>Members have the opportunity to discuss both past and current topics, explore important issues, and have their voices heard in a friendly and respectful environment. Beyond discussion, the club also offers fun activities, games, creative projects, and social events that bring everyone together.</p> <p>Whether you want to meet new friends, learn from others, or just relax in a space where you can be accepted as you are, GA Unity Mountain is the perfect place to belong, contribute, and celebrate diversity.</p>	All Years	Wednesday
GCSE Art Club	<p>GCSE Art club provides the opportunity for students wanting to take Art at GCSE to refine their skills and explore new materials. You will focus on your portraiture skills in Unit 2 and focus on Natural Forms in Unit 3. By choosing this club you will ensure that GCSE Art not only is the right choice for you, but you will be able to go into your GCSE with confidence in your abilities and understanding of the course. GCSE Art is a course that requires a lot of effort outside of lessons so this club is a great taste of what that will be like.</p> <p>You will have the opportunity to work in pencil, pen, chalk, charcoal, mono-printing, lino printing, coloured pencil, watercolour, acrylic, oil pastel and much much more. You will get your own mini sketchbook to work in. This club is a fun opportunity to test the GCSE Art waters and to set you up for the best start at GCSE!</p>	9 10	Wednesday Thursday
Words that Burn Club	<p>Words That Burn challenges you to explore and take action for human rights through poetry. Within this club we will explore difference makers from all walks of life who have used the written word to platform the things they care about most. We will explore the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and uncover which aspect you have the burning desire to fight for within your own communities.</p> <p>Throughout the project you will hone your writing skills and discover what drives you. Together we will uncover your unique voice with the goal of empowering you to take part in a performance at Cheltenham Literature Festival joined by like-minded thinkers from nearby schools.</p> <p>Take the first step towards being the change you want to see.</p>	9	Wednesday
Criminology Club	<p>The GA Criminology Club offers students an exciting introduction to the world of crime, justice, and law enforcement. In our first unit, <i>Changing Awareness of Crime</i>, students explore different types of crime, examine the factors that shape public perceptions, and investigate why some crimes go unreported.</p> <p>The club goes beyond the classroom with real-world experiences, including a planned visit to Shrewsbury Prison and insightful talks from both retired and active police officers. Members will have the opportunity to engage in discussions, analyse case studies, and develop critical thinking skills as they explore the complex social, psychological, and legal aspects of crime.</p>	9	Wednesday

	Whether you're interested in a career in law enforcement, forensics, or simply curious about the criminal justice system, GA Criminology Club is a chance to learn, discuss, and experience criminology in an engaging, hands-on way.		
Salsa Dance Club	Dance is an existing and valued cultural activity in UK schools that is part of the national curriculum and contributes positively to student well-being and cultural awareness. Salsa dance club is linked to Spanish as a foreign language and is used to teach cultural empathy and understanding. Implementing salsa dance as an enrichment activity is an effective way to enrich education and promote creativity, teamwork, and physical and mental health. The aim is to express ourselves and by learning a different dance style from Latin America students are exposed to new cultural narratives, histories, and traditions. Experiencing other cultures through dance fosters tolerance, understanding, and a sense of global citizenship. Collaborative dance activities build social skills, cooperation, and the ability to work together. Salsa dance is an alternative activity for those who may be resistant to competitive sports, offering an engaging form of physical activity and artistic expression. ¡Bailemos! (Let's dance!)	9	Wednesday
Community Action	The GA community action club offers students the opportunity to give back to our local community through the residents of the Saintbridge Care Home (many of which have dementia). Students plan and prepare activities e.g., bingo, singing, dance, colouring, card making e.c.t for the residents and facilitate those activities. The purpose is to help give the residents stimulation, keep them active and allow them to feel connected to other people outside of the care home.	9	Wednesday
Lego Club	An extended Lego project, attempting to build a scale model of the school out of Lego. This is open to Lego enthusiasts as well as those with less Lego experience. It will involve working together on a large build to create an accurate replica of the school out of Lego.	All Years	Wednesday
Anime/ Manga Club	If you are an Anime/ Manga fan then this is for you! Whether drawing your favourite character, reading your favourite story or talking about your favourite cartoon/ movie. Students are able to share their passion for this very popular medium.	All Years	Wednesday
Sport Science Club	This is only open to Sports Science students to complete/alter their coursework, which they have completed in lessons. Students will be called out each week before P6 to complete coursework each week. Once WTR/EBN are happy, you can join another enrichment option. If your name is called, it is compulsory . This provides you a great opportunity to get 1-on-1 support with a subject expert to ensure your coursework is completed to the best possible standard.	10	Thursday

<p>Culture Club</p>	<p>Culture Club provides a safe space for our students to come together to celebrate our diversity in terms of languages and culture. It offers students the opportunity to meet others who speak the same language, and to share information about their language and culture with other members of the club. It is open to any students from any culture who would like to learn more about other languages and cultures.</p> <p>Students are invited to prepare and share presentations about your culture which could include for example, key phrases, information about traditional food, festivals, clothing, beautiful or interesting places to visit, music, games or any other aspects of culture that you would like to share.</p> <p>In Unit 1, we have looked at maps to see where we're all from, listened to favourite songs, and talked about festivals, clothing, food, urban legends, history and language, including teaching each other numbers in different languages and playing bingo.</p>	<p>All Years</p>	<p>Thursday</p>
<p>Engineering Club</p>	<p>This session is only open to Engineering students who need to complete or improve their coursework, which has already been started in lessons.</p> <p>Students will be called out each week before P6 to continue their coursework. Once the Engineering staff team is satisfied with the standard of your work, you may join another enrichment option.</p> <p>If your name is called, attendance is compulsory. This provides a valuable opportunity to receive 1-on-1 support from a subject specialist, helping you ensure your coursework is completed to the highest possible standard.</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>Thursday Week A</p>
<p>Diversity ITY Club</p>	<p>The Divers ITY Talent Group is a technology organisation based in Swindon, Wiltshire, that gives schools the opportunity to tackle community issues through the use of technology. The group at Gloucester Academy was established around three years ago and was initially led by Mrs Blick Melart, followed by Ms Jess Collins in the second year. I took over at the end of that year. My name is Mrs Larder, and I supported last year's group, who called themselves "The Night Sparks."</p> <p>Their chosen challenge focused on homelessness in Gloucestershire. The group competed against other participating schools and won the overall competition, earning £500 for the school.</p> <p>The group consists of students from all year groups, who meet once a week after school on Thursdays from 3pm to 4pm. Each session is supported by a representative from the Divers ITY Talent Group, who helps guide the students through the decision-making process. By the end of the challenge, students understand the full journey of their project and work hard to reach the finals, held annually in Swindon at the Diversity Talent Group premises in partnership with Nationwide Building Society.</p> <p>Throughout the year, students take part in a range of outings and meet a variety of inspiring people. They develop valuable skills in communication, teamwork, and understanding different perspectives. They also learn to respect group decisions and recognise that choices are made collectively rather than individually.</p>	<p>8,9+10</p>	<p>Thursday</p>

	<p>The group can accommodate up to ten students, who must be willing to commit to the enrichment programme for the full school year. This introduces them to the importance of dedication and follow-through.</p>		
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