

The London Oratory School

Co-Curricular Programme 2020 -2021



At The London Oratory School we strongly believe that education is not just about activities defined by an examination syllabus. We encourage all our pupils to engage in a range of activities to develop their sporting, cultural and intellectual lives. Through participation in extra-curricular activities, pupils develop a variety of skills, ranging from teamwork, time management, leadership and technical proficiency. This booklet gives details of the activities presently on offer. We recommend that pupils are involved in at least one co-curricular activity each week. Participation will appear on a pupil's report.

Some activities are aimed at the VI form pupils and are therefore not available to lower school pupils.

When you read this booklet, try to keep the following advice in mind:

- Get involved! Identify two or three clubs you would like to be involved in, and choose them not necessarily because your friends do, but because you are interested in widening your own horizons.
- Think about your own personal qualities, and what you would benefit from improving. Try and match them with an activity which will help.
- Commit yourself to attending regularly for a term to give it a proper chance.

Community Service

All members of the VI form are expected to participate in a project supporting other people. Through a culture of service we hope to enrich and strengthen our pupils' abilities to contribute in their future lives. Involvement in a community service project provides excellent opportunities for making a difference to the lives of others and for personal growth for our own pupils. Below is a list of available projects.

Community Service Programme 2020 - 2021:

1. **Fulham Care Home, and Elsmere Care Home.** Pupils deal with the Activities Co-ordinators. Initially they only want 5 pupils per session. The morning session will run from 10.45 – 12.10 and the afternoon session will run from 1.45 – 3.15, Monday to Friday. The general request for the pupils working with these residents should be that individuals have the skills to interact well with the residents.
2. **Primary Schools.** The Fulham Primary school, St Thomas's RC Primary school, Holy Cross RC Primary School, Park Walk Primary School, Oratory Primary School and Our Lady of Victories primary school. Support is primarily in the form of pupils helping the reading skills of the younger pupils. The morning session will run from 9.00 to 10.30 and 10.45 -12.10 and the afternoon session runs from 1.45 -3.15.
3. **Snowflake** is a Special School for Autistic pupils that can cater for 15 pupils between the ages ranges of 8 to 14. Here they want 3 pupils on one afternoon a week with the session running from 2.00 – 3.00. It has been suggested that perhaps the placement might suit those interested in a medical future.
4. **Sports Leadership.** Mr Marty/Mr McDonough will be organising this. There will be one delivery session per week that will run within the PE/Games timetable. All the Sports Leaders will be supporting the delivery of PE to the younger pupils in PE or Games lessons. They will also have the opportunity to support the delivery of Sports Events both within school and the local primary schools.
5. **The Passage - Westminster Cathedral.** It will run once a month on Saturdays. Those involved will deliver the whole support package for the morning. They will purchase the food, cook it and then distribute it on the day to the local homeless community.
6. **Learning Support Pupil Mentoring.** This is a programme of support that we run within school helping our Academic departments & the Learning Support Department with the younger members of the school.
7. **Reading Mentors.** Help a Junior House, 1st or 2nd form pupil to become a more confident reader by meeting with him one period a week to listen to him read. You'll help him along with words he doesn't know, boost his confidence, help him decide what to read next, and encourage him to keep going.. As a reading mentor, your goal will be to give one pupil that little extra advantage by helping him become someone who enjoys reading.

Angling Club

The Angling Club is for any pupil interested in fishing. We meet most Fridays after school and activities include rod and float making, rig construction, fishing tips and different techniques. After all, the next best thing to actually fishing is talking fishing! Most importantly, we also go on several fishing trips over the year to waters around London. Boys have caught good bags of carp, tench, perch and roach. New members are always very welcome and no experience or tackle is required.

Staff Mr D littler

Location Room 38 and various lakes and rivers

Time Friday, 3:45 -4:45pm. Fishing trips normally on Saturdays during term time

No. of pupils 20, First form upwards



ART

Art Club

Art club is open to all. Here you can come along and continue with classwork or start a project of your own. Mr Rigano is happy to teach you cartooning and you can write and illustrate your own comic. There is an air of creativity and there have been some excellent things produced here. All are welcome. Ideas are free and so are the materials. I suggest you try it out.

Staff Mr D Deegan/ Mr A Rigano

Location 701

Time Wednesday, 3.30 – 4.30pm

Pupils KS2 & KS3



Pottery club

Pottery Club is open to all from first to third form. No prior experience necessary as we will introduce the processes of clay over the weeks. We explore the possibilities of the material and all the amazing things that can be created from slip casting; mould making; coiling; slab roiling and then leading on to glazing and decorating your pottery. We use a variety of clays from earthenware to terracotta. Come along and explore this exciting material. All you need to attend is a creative mind and an apron.

Staff Miss S Dyce

Location 710

Time Thursday, 3.45pm

Pupils KS2 & KS3



Design Club

Design Club will provide pupils in first to fourth forms with a platform from which to develop a range of individual and team entries to prestigious design and engineering competitions, hosted by a range of well-known organisations such as the Design Museum's 'Design Ventura' competition.

Pupils will have the opportunity to explore the work of current and past architects, designers, and to examine innovative solutions to problems in a variety of design contexts, as well as developing their own sketching, CAD and prototyping skills in order to solve problems in competitive environments against peers both within the school and across the country.

Staff TBC

Location DT workshops

Time Tuesday, 3.45pm

Pupils All welcome



Board Games Club

Board Game Club is open to 1st to 5th form. Here you can come along and play games which involve a skill, strategy and chance with people of all ages. Plenty of games to choose from but feel free to bring your own along.

Staff Miss L Costello & Miss M d'Aversa

Location 212

Time Thursday, 3.45pm

Pupils All welcome



Warhammer Club

Warhammer is a social game involving the painting and assembly of models and scenery. Players then use their creations to play interactive games which develop strategy, numeracy and team building skills whilst having fun! They mostly play Warhammer 40,000 but will play any system. The highlight of the year is taking part in the Warhammer School League.

Staff Miss Costello & Miss d'Aversa

Location 212

Time Thursday, 3.45pm

No. of pupils Open to pupils in the senior school



Classics Reading Group

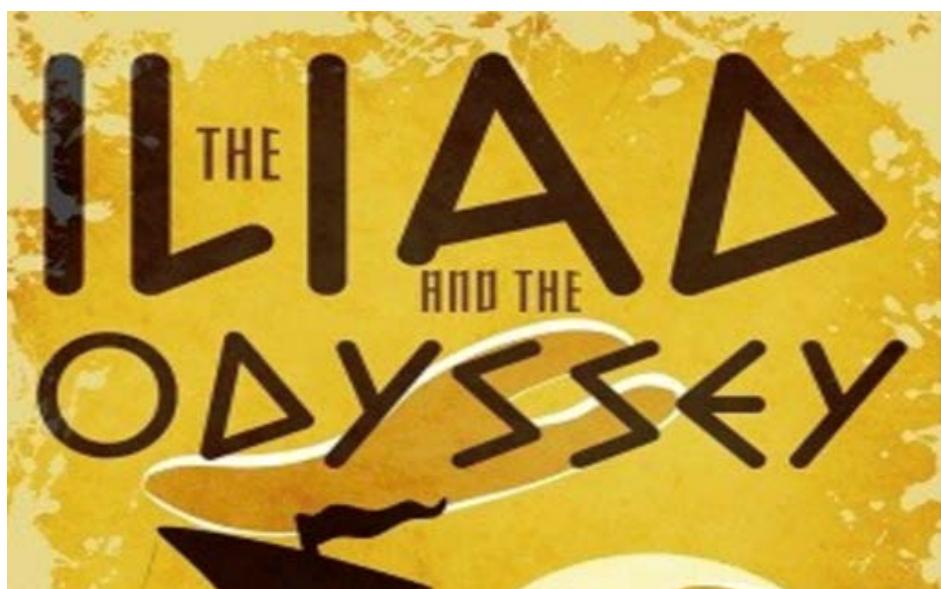
Arguably some of the greatest literature in the western world was written during the Greek and Roman periods. The Classics reading Group will therefore meet once a fortnight to discuss some of the most important and influential pieces of classical literature, such as Homer's Iliad and Odyssey and Virgil's Aeneid. This will be of interest to anyone interested in an Arts degree at university, especially Classics, Philosophy or English, or to those who are general interested in the Ancient World. We will read these works in English and so no knowledge of Latin or Greek is required.

Staff Dr J Dixon

Location 232

Time Week B, Wednesday 3.35 -4.30pm

Pupils Sixth Form



Combined Cadet Force (CCF)

Becoming a cadet within the Combined Cadet Force (CCF) provides many exciting opportunities allowing you to take part in lots of challenging military-themed activities such as Fieldcraft, flying both fixed wing aircraft and gliders, Adventurous Training, First Aid, Music, Sports and Shooting. Being in the CCF is a fun and healthy experience which will allow you the opportunity to do something that you may never have done before and will probably never have the chance to do outside the CCF. LOS has both an Army and RAF section, each of which will follow their own training syllabus with their own specialist topics, however they all include aspects of: Drill, Skill at Arms and navigation. Adventurous Training opportunities include mountain walking, canoeing, gliding and offshore sailing. Training opportunities for cadets occur during weekly Parades within school, but there will also be whole day and weekend Field Days outside of school, and Annual Camp with cadets from other CCF contingents.

Staff Mr W McLennan & Mr L Philiotis

Location Playground

Time Friday, 3.45pm

No. of pupils No limits



Cookery Club

The Cookery Club will give you the opportunity to learn and develop basic culinary skills using minimum monetary resources. The main aim is to learn to cook cheaply, safely and have fun whilst doing it. It should be of particular interest to all sixth formers moving on to university or any form of independent living. You will soon be producing delicious food from mains to desserts.

Staff Miss M Mitchell & Miss M Tran

Location Arts Centre kitchen

Time TBC

Pupils Fifth & Sixth Form



Creative Writing Club

The Writing Club is designed to allow all pupils the opportunity to experiment and write in a variety of styles; read and critique others' work; enter in some of the impressive competitions offered at school and national level. Our focus will vary from term to term as we explore the various styles of writing from creative, non-fiction, poetry, blogs, interviews and scripts. Come along with an open and imaginative mind as we develop writing skills together!

Staff Mrs C Walsh

Location Room 163

Time Thursday, 3.45pm

Pupils No limits, 1st – 3rd Form



DANCE

VI Form Girls Dance

These dance sessions are for anyone – you do not need to have any rhythm, co-ordination, confidence or past experience in your dancing! The aim is to have some fun, get moving, and take a break from studying.

If you are a confident dancer then please do join us - there will be lots of opportunity for pupils to lead sessions, sharing dance styles such as contemporary, reggaeton, street, ballet.

My dance experience is predominantly in latin style dances such as salsa, bachata, and Brazilian zouk. Whilst these are normally partner dances, we will borrow these amazing styles of music, rhythms, and body movements to build confidence and co-ordination.

Give it a try – absolutely anyone can have fun dancing!

Staff Miss H Carradine

Location Theatre

Time Thursdays, 3.30 – 4.15pm

No. of pupils VI form girls



DEBATING

Junior Debate Club

Junior Debate Club challenges pupils in the First to Third Form to respond to topical, thought provoking debates each week. In the past we have debated issues such as, "Should we ban nuclear weapons?" or "This House would reinstate capital punishment." The club provides the opportunity for pupils to learn new skills or hone existing ones in the much needed art of debating, and gives them a chance to learn to respond to the objections of others. Debating remains a fundamental skill in life and so, whichever profession you are intending to join, come and develop this essential skill whilst you can!

Staff Mr M Murray

Location 114

Time Thursday, 3.45 – 4.30pm

No. of pupils Up to 20



Senior Debating Society

The Senior Debating Society will continue to meet the growing interest in debating and public speaking at The London Oratory School. The team will continue to participate in competitions including The Oxford Union, English Speaking Union and Debating Matters. This team is primarily lead by sixth formers but 4th and 5th formers are welcome to join. Debating Team gives anyone an opportunity to try debating for the first time, simply to enjoy a topical debate or train in the British Parliamentary style. This group will allow all pupils with an interest in critical enquiry, communication and team work to engage in lively and impassioned discussion each week.

Staff Mr J Sullivan

Location 164

Time Monday, 3.30 – 4.30pm

No. of Pupils Up to 20, VI Form



DRAMA

Junior Drama Club

Junior Drama Club is designed to encourage KS3 pupils to develop their acting skills in an enjoyable, collaborative environment. Pupils will get the opportunity to take part in drama games, and devise and perform scenes together. They will also choose and learn to perform a dramatic Shakespearian monologue with the aim of competing in the 'Performing Shakespeare' national competition. Pupils will work with and learn from experienced mentor actors from the sixth form. No prior experience of drama is necessary. The Club should help those taking part in the school's summer KS3 production by developing their acting skills.

Staff Mr R Beinart

Location Theatre

Time Monday, 3.45 pm

No. of pupils Approximately 20 pupils



Senior School Drama

The Senior School Michaelmas Term drama production has been an established tradition for many years. Auditions are held in September for boys and girls interested in performing in the play that usually takes place towards the end of November. This is an ideal opportunity for those interested in drama and the performing arts, but it also gives pupils a chance to meet others with similar interests and work on a collaborative project with a clear goal. Recent very successful productions range from *One Man, two Guvnors* to *Our Country's Good*. There are also opportunities afforded to those interested in helping 'behind the scenes' with things such as lighting and sound, make-up, costumes and props and sets.

Staff TBC

Location Rehearsals Michaelmas term; bespoke daily rehearsal schedule

No. of pupils Approximately 20 pupils



Backstage Theatre Club

The show must go on! Sixth Formers, if you want to work in the entertainment industry, or just want to see what is involved in staging a performance, this is a good place to start. Take an active role in school productions which happen each term, to learn about and help with lighting, sound, set, props, make-up and costume; as well as being part of the stagehand crew. The numbers who can be involved are limited so it is a good idea to sign up and even make yourself available well before a production. You don't have to be artistic or technical, just reliable, willing and ready to get involved.

Staff Miss J Dee

Location Arts Centre

Time TBC

Pupils Sixth Form



NEW VIEWS

New Views, a playwriting programme run by the National Theatre, will be back for a third year to The London Oratory School after an extremely successful intake last year that saw three LOS pupils longlisted and one pupil shortlisted to have their scripts read by actors on the National Theatre stage. This exciting and unique opportunity is open to just 10 pupils who have a keen interest in developing, writing and potentially staging their own short play. This intensive course takes place in workshops after school and includes two sessions with an established and successful professional playwright from the National Theatre. In addition, the pupils involved will attend theatre productions and learn the craft of playwriting and staging.

Staff Miss K Mee

Location 163

Time Wednesday, 3.30 – 4.30pm (fortnightly)

Pupils 4th--VI Form



The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award is a national, non-competitive and progressive award which is open to pupils at the following levels: 4th form, Bronze; 5th form, Silver, 6th form, Gold (two years). The DofE is open to all and requires pupils' regular extra-curricular participation and effort in developing a skill, increasing physical exercise, volunteering one's time for others, and undertaking an expedition section.

Approximately 120 pupils at Bronze level, and 40 pupils each at Silver and Gold each year train at school to prepare for two self-reliant walking expeditions at each level in areas such as the Surrey Hills, the New Forest, the Brecon Beacons, the Lake District and Snowdonia. At Gold level, there is the option to learn sea kayaking for the expedition section as well as the requirement to spend a week's residential project away from school, family and friends. The DofE is ideal for young people who wish to challenge themselves to attempt a new skill or activity, improve physical health, meet new friends and learn teamwork. It is also a brilliant way to give credit for the many existing ways in which our pupils already push themselves to develop beyond the classroom. See www.DofE.org or speak to Mr Edwards or Dr Dixon for more information.

DofE Manager – Mr S Edwards

DofE Leader – Dr J Dixon



ECONOMICS

Sustainable Economics Society

Greta Thunberg, WWF, Greenpeace, resources, energy, Greenland, polar caps, Gig Economy, poverty, inequality, GMOs, Amazon, Australia, Hydropower, Donut-Economics, Anthropocene, etc. This society will try to answer the question: "Where are we going?"

Staff Mr P Gardescu & Mr D Compton

Location 109

Time Monday, 3.45pm

Pupils VI Form

Sustainable Business Society

Looking into 21st century business models and technologies. We will look through a multitude of case studies and will try to understand how certain factors model business behaviour and how can businesses adapt to the requirements of a continuous changing environment.

Staff Mr P Gardescu & Mr D Compton

Location 109

Time Tuesday, 3.45pm

Pupils VI Form



Financial Investments Society

First steps into investment; bonds, equities and derivatives, investment simulations and markets evaluations. Commodities and their markets. Case studies.

Staff Mr P Gardescu & Mr D Littler

Location 109

Time Thursday, fortnightly, 3.45pm

Pupils VI Form



The Geography Society

The Society will explore topical geography through games, debates, competitions and more! This is your opportunity to see the world in a different context and develop your skills to make you a better geographer.

Staff Mrs J fox

Location 212

Time Tuesday, 3.45pm

Pupils Open to all pupils



HISTORY

The History Society

History Society is a weekly meeting for sixth formers who wish to explore history beyond their A Level. It involves learning about aspects of history not studied on the curriculum, considering different ways of studying history, and thinking about history as a discipline. It is vital preparation for those wanting to study history at university, but it is open to all who are interested.

In addition, at regular intervals throughout the year, History Society hold talks open to all pupils given by a wide range of excellent speakers. Over the years, these have including Lady Antonia Fraser, Dr. Richard Rex (University of Cambridge), Professor Eric Evans (Lancaster University), Professor John Morrill (University of Cambridge) and Professor Edward Vallance (University of Roehampton). Look out for advertisements for the next talk!

Staff Miss L Davenport

Location 117

Time Friday, 3.45pm (fortnightly)

No. of pupils No limits



History Club

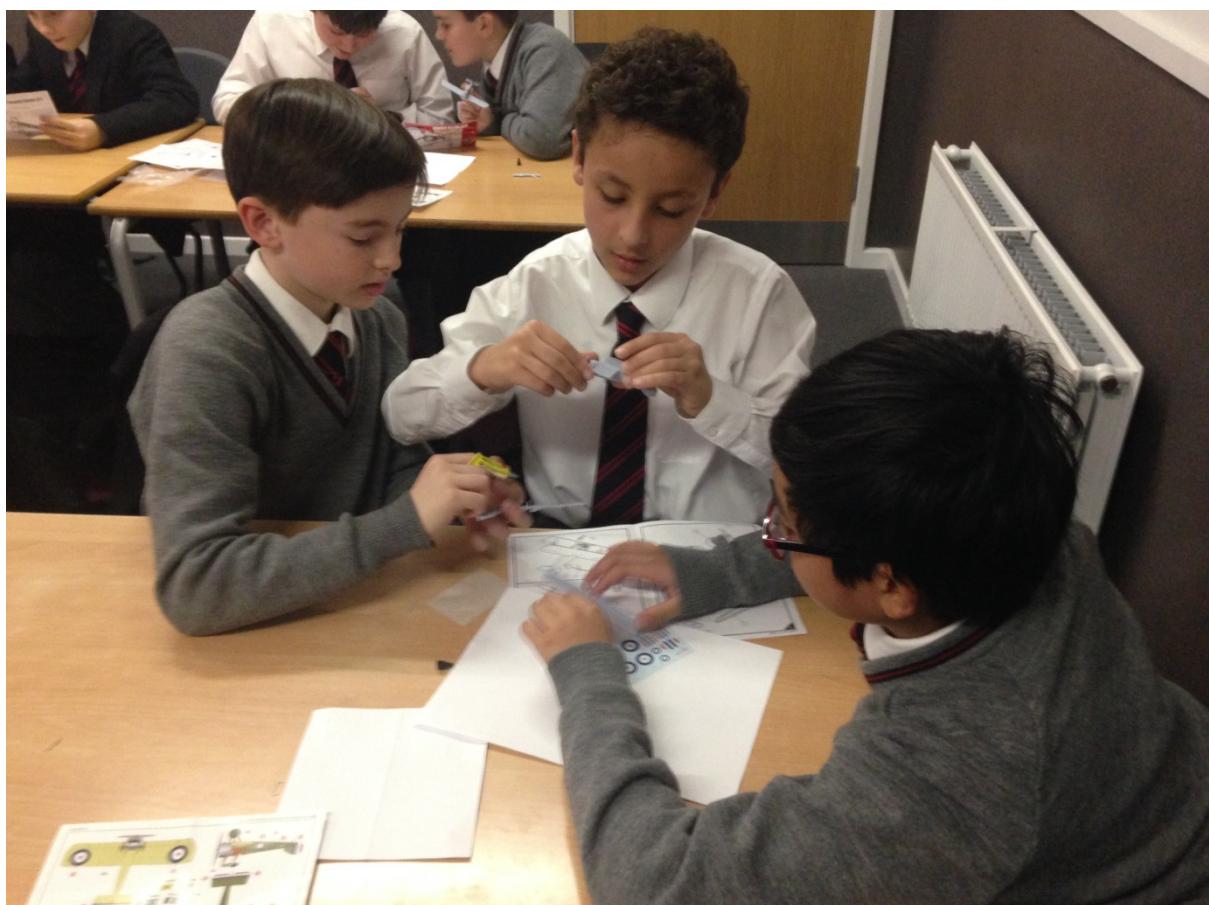
History Club was set up 2 years ago and attracts eager young historians from KS3. Activities include building airfix models, researching family history and playing history games. Members have participated in the Historical Association's Balloon Debate with one U13 team winning their category this year.

Staff Miss L Davenport

Location 114

Time TBC

No. of pupils No limits, J3, J4 & KS£



Politics Society

A discussion group to debate current events in politics and explore political ideologies and theories in more depth. We will read articles and extracts, choose particular issues to discuss, and hold informal debates on a wide range of topics.

Staff Miss P Shevlin

Location: Room 117

Time Tuesday, 3:45 (fortnightly)

No. of pupil VI Form



ICT

Coding Club

The Coding Club is for anyone interested in learning to code or develop their programming skills. Members can choose to develop in a range of languages with Scratch, HTML and Python being the most used. You can work on virtually any project you like, but game development is perennially popular. The best coding is a collaborative process and boys will always find someone very willing to help them overcome a hurdle or show them new tricks and techniques. Beginners are very welcome and absolutely no experience is required.

Staff Mr D Littler

Location: Room 38

Time Wednesday, 3:45 - 4:45pm

No. of pupil 18 (can work in groups); 1st form upwards



Early Morning Computer Club

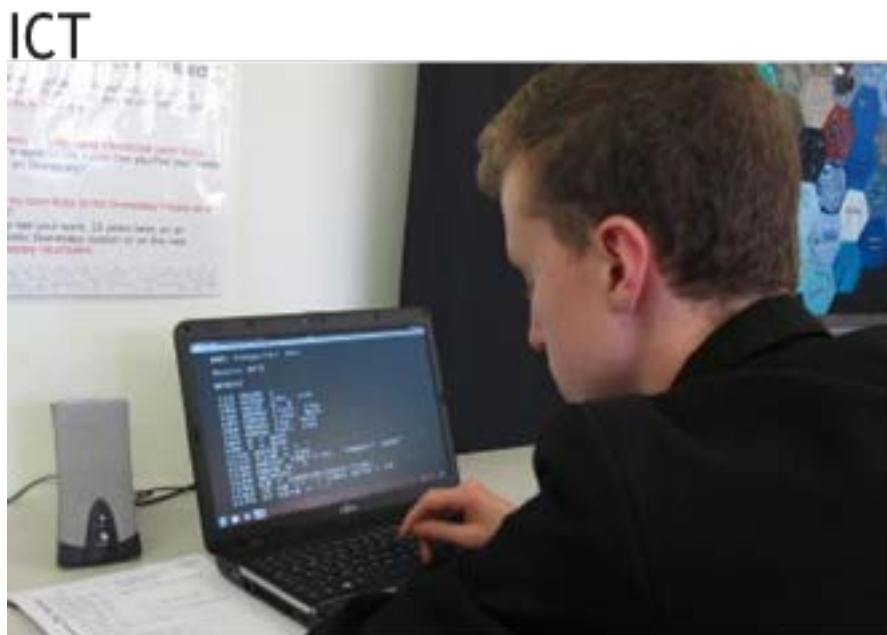
The Early Morning Computer Club has been running for many years, where it gives you an opportunity to ask someone "How do I format this document to look more professional?", "How can I build this chart in Excel?", "How do I edit that image to fit in my homework?" The club is run every day and you can pop in to ask that simple question, print off your homework or just do some early morning research.

Staff Mrs M Green

Location 39

Time Daily 7.40 – 8.25 (last admission 8.15)

No. of pupils 32 (at busy times, you will have a 15 minutes slot); All year groups



JUNIOR HOUSE

Chess Club

Chess Club is a popular activity for pupils of all ages and ability. It is a great opportunity for Junior House pupils to meet boys from other forms and to develop a useful skill. No experience is needed.

Staff Mr B Paull

Location J2 classroom

Time Thursday, 3.45 – 4.30pm

No. of pupils No limits



Lego Club

Lego has been fascinating children and adults since the 1940s. Legoland has over 2, 250, 000 million visitors a year! Have you ever been inspired to build a tower scraper in Lego? Do you still have boxes of Lego in the loft? In the Lego Club, working as a team, we will choose a project and construct our own scene. Where are your skills? In design or construction? Come and help build the next Lego world.

In charge 4th Form Duke of Edinburgh

Location Justice

Time Monday, 3.30 – 4.15pm (TBC)

No. of pupils up to 20 Junior House



Poetry Club

The Poetry Club will provide Junior House pupils the opportunity to explore a variety of poetic forms. Students will experiment with different poetic structures, from limericks to diamante poems, offering their analysis of the works of famous poets before writing their own poetry. The club will also examine aspects of performance poetry with the aim of competing in various local and national poetry competitions.

Staff Miss D Buckley

Location Junior House

Time Tuesday, 3.30pm

No. of pupils No limits



Rosary Club

The Junior House Rosary Club is an opportunity for boys in the Junior house to explore what the Rosary is, how we pray the rosary together, and we will learn how to they are made by making our own.

Staff Miss S O'Shea
Location J1 classroom
Time Thursday, 8.25am
No. of pupils Open to all JH boys



Young Engineers

Young Engineers is aimed at J3&J4. It provides an opportunity to experiment with materials and processes common to engineering and combining science and DT. Previous projects have included The Great egg Drop, pneumatic toys, marble runs and Roman catapults.

Staff Mrs S Harris

Location DT Workshop

Time Wednesday, 3.30pm

No. of pupils J3 & J4



Literary Society

Literary Society is a fortnightly meeting open to all sixth formers interested in extending their reading of literary texts. At meetings, we read and discuss novels, plays and poetry covering a range of styles and periods. There will also be theatre trips to see some of the texts we have been reading. Literary Society is ideal for all keen readers; you don't have to be taking A Level English to join in. It is essential preparation for those students who are hoping to read English Literature at university.

Staff Miss K Mullooly

Location 164

Time Thursdays (fortnightly), 3.45pm

Pupils No limits, VI Form



Model United Nations (MUN)

The Model United Nations Society is open to 5th and 6th Formers, and the 4th Form can join from Lent onwards. Members role-play delegates representing different countries, to debate a broad range of issues which require resolution according to the procedures of the United Nations.

There are regular weekly meetings chaired by Upper Sixth Formers on Mondays after school, lasting an hour. Members travel to debate regularly in Conferences with leading schools from all over the UK, and we host a major Conference of our own in November. MUN experience is highly valued by universities, as it develops essential skills in advocacy and the ability to make good arguments in an adult way.

Staff Fr George Bowen & Mr D Lynch

Location Chapel Study

Time Monday, 3.45pm



LANGUAGES

The Modern Foreign Languages Society

The MFL Society organises a range of activities including inviting guest speakers into the school, foreign film screenings and cinema and theatre visits. The aim of the society is to promote the intrinsic link between language and cultural learning. We have an enormous linguistic wealth at the School and the events organised are not just limited to reflect the languages studied here.

Staff Mr J Rodmell

Location 113

Time Mondays, 3.45pm

No. of pupils No limits



The Modern Foreign Languages Club

The MFL Club explores different languages and cultures in Europe and beyond. The aim of the Club is to promote links between languages and cultural learning. What do Russians have for breakfast? What are a French teenagers' music preferences? What does a Persian poem sound like? This Club is for pupils interested in languages, drawing on the linguistic wealth of the school.

Staff Mr G Dolatshahi

Location 113

Time Mondays, 3.45pm

No. of pupils KS3



MUSIC

Chamber Choir

The Chamber Choir is a well-established group of around forty members. It is open to all boys and sixth form girls after a short audition. No previous singing experience is necessary, potential is the key and subsidised singing lessons may be available. The choir sings at major liturgical events through the year, concerts, recordings and undertakes a foreign tour each year. Recent destinations have included New York, Heidelberg, Lisbon and Prague. The group is ideal for those who love to sing, and the emphasis is on the enjoyment of what we perform. Please speak to Miss Dawson if you are interested.

Director Miss C Dawson

Location Music Department

Time Monday, Tuesday and Friday morning trebles and sopranos;
 Tuesday lunch, tenors and basses;
 Tuesday, 3.30 Full

No. of pupils approximately 40 1st – VI form



Close Harmony

The Close Harmony group comprises a group of sixth form boys who all read music to a high standard. The group has performed at concerts in and out of school.

Director Miss C Dawson

Location Room 616

Time Thursday lunchtime

No. of pupils 10



Girls' Choir

The London Oratory Girls' Choir is open to all 6th form girls who enjoy singing. Last year the choir sang in chapel, at the school carol service, and gave a couple of short recitals at Chelsea and Westminster hospital. The choir usually rehearses once a week, although there are occasionally extra rehearsals as needed.

Director	Mr J Speakman
Location	Junior House Choir Room
Time	Monday lunchtime
No. of pupils	Between 10 and 20 singers



Schola Cantorum

The Schola is the school's liturgical choir which sings for school Masses and also for the Saturday Vigil Mass at the Oratory Church. In addition the Schola gives regular concerts and goes on tour annually. The choir also makes recordings for CDs and soundtracks. The Schola recruits primarily from Junior House however boys entering the Upper School of advanced vocal/musical ability are also eligible to audition. Many of the Schola's Tenors and Basses go on to win Choral Scholarships to Oxbridge.

Director	Mr C Cole
Location	The Song Room
Time	Weekdays 8am
No. of pupils	55 boys J2 – VI form



School Choir

This large group is open to all and sings the major choral works twice a year with a professional orchestra and soloists. This choir joins with the adults in the Choral Society to form a large choir of over 100. Recent concerts include Verdi, Requiem; Brahms, Requiem; Mozart, Solemn Vespers and Haydn, Creation. No experience or audition is necessary and we welcome all. It is ideal if you enjoy singing, no matter what your experience. Please speak to Miss Dawson if you are interested.

Director	Miss C Dawson
Location	Music Department
Time	Thursday am altos, tenors and basses Thursday 3.30 Trebles and Sopranos
No. of pupils	100+ senior school



Jazz Appreciation Club

The Jazz Appreciation Club is a new club open to any pupil interested in learning about the history, ideas, and people important in the development of jazz and its various styles. This will all be covered in fortnightly sessions while listening to various examples and, in some cases, playing as well. While there will be some discussion of jazz theory, no previous experience is required or necessary, just an open ear.

Staff Dr. R Terri

Location 608

Time Friday, 3:45-4:30

No. of pupils no limits



Junior String Orchestra

Junior Strings is a popular lunchtime activity for 1st – 3rd form pupils. They learn a varied repertoire of classical and popular music with recent pieces being *Jupiter from the Planets*, *The Magnificent Seven* and *The Billy Tell Overture*. They perform in the Christmas and summer concerts in the theatre. Pupils have the opportunity to make music with friends and find out how enjoyable ensemble playing is. Pupils can be of any standard but must be able to read music and have their own instrument. Music Scholars who learn a string instrument are expected to be members.

Staff Miss E Devaney & Mr D Saunders

Location Theatre

Time Tuesday lunchtime

No. of pupils No limits 1st – 3rd form



Senior Orchestra

The Senior Orchestra is the largest instrumental ensemble in the school, and comprises the most experienced performers. The group is open to all string players of grade 5 standard or above, and wind, brass and percussion players by selection. Repertoire played ranges from classical overtures to film and TV scores. The orchestra performs twice a year in the theatre, also taking part in an annual workshop led by professional players. Please speak to Miss Dawson if you are interested in joining.

Director	Mr M Ward
Location	Theatre
Time	Wednesday from 3.30 – 4.30 pm
No. of pupils	Between 55 and 70 players, Senior school



Wind Orchestra

The Wind Orchestra is a well-established and large ensemble. The group is open to all pupils who play a Woodwind, Brass or Percussion instrument. Members of this ensemble range in ability level from recent beginner up to grade 8 standard. The repertoire performed covers many styles from Classical to Jazz, Film Music and Popular genres. Public performances take place at Senior Instrumental concerts in the Theatre each term. This group is ideal for instrumentalists who want to improve their playing, ensemble skills and general musicianship through rehearsing and performing interesting and fun pieces. Please speak with Dr Sutherland if you are interested in joining.

Staff Mr J Speakman

Location Theatre

Time Thursday lunchtime

No. of pupils Ranges from roughly 40-55 players



Composition Drop-in

This drop-in class provides an opportunity for all pupils to develop their own composition work using MACs and a range of composing software. Priority will be given to GCSE and A Level musicians in the first instance, but pupils may speak with any of the curriculum music teachers if they wish to attend a session.

Staff Music Department

Location 617

Time Friday, 3.30pm

No. of pupils Maximum 18 pupils



The Newman Society

The Newman Society exists to stimulate debate and discussion in the sixth form on matters theological, philosophical, moral and political. It is named after the schools patron Blessed John Henry Newman who believed that students should be taught "to think and to reason and to compare and to discriminate and to analyse".

Staff Mr O Newton

Location RE Department

Time 3.45pm, individual days throughout the year

No. of pupils No limits



Junior Philosophy Club

Junior philosophy will be a discussion group learning about philosophical methods through enquiries based on some major questions in philosophy. It will broadly use an open discussion format, loosely based on the Philosophy Foundation and Philosophy for Schools methods, which have been proven to develop critical thinking skills and improve attainment in other subject areas. It's also fun and could be characterised as 'thought play', in a similar way that one might consider team sports a preparation for warfare.

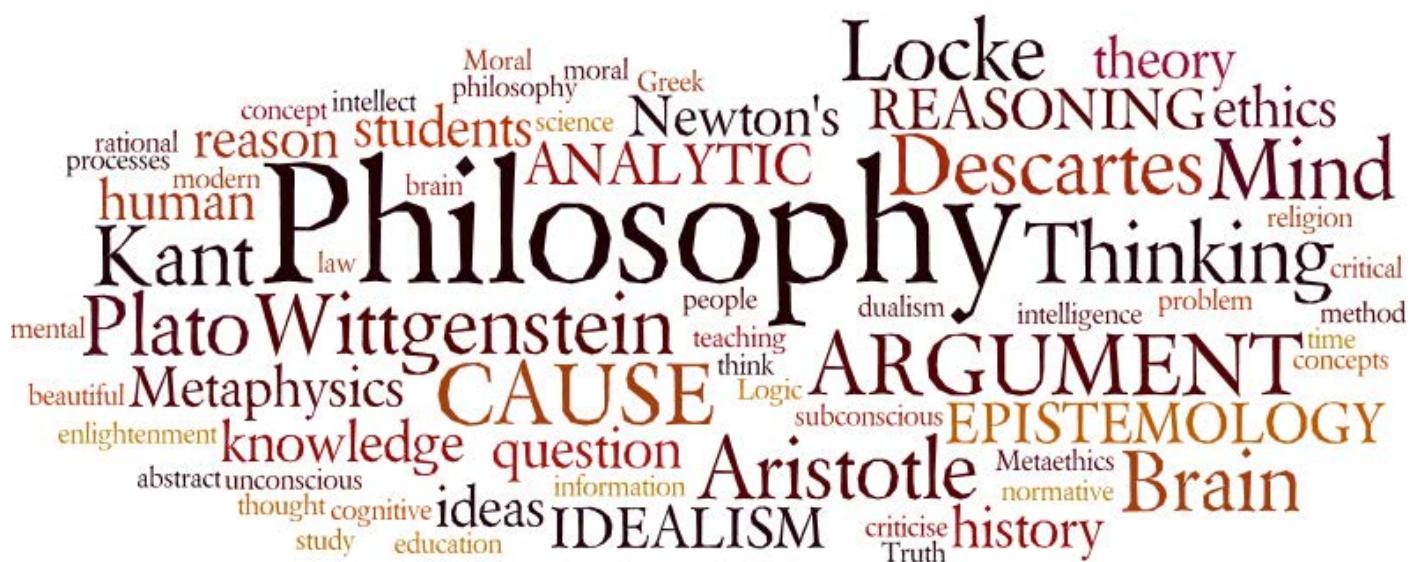
It will start by looking at a series of questions based on the IF machine by Peter Worley.

Staff Mr O Newton & RE Department

Location 232

Time Tuesday, 3.45pm

No. of pupils 1st - 3rd form



Photography Club

For beginners and more experienced budding photographers. Joining the photography club is a wonderful opportunity to share ideas, ask questions, practice new techniques and accelerate your learning curve. Learn all about F stops, shutter speeds, focal lengths and much more through photographic challenges, games and projects. Learn how to edit using Photoshop and share your own experiences of Photo editing with pupils from all years.

Get Clicking

Staff Miss P Madigan

Location 39

Time Thursday, 3.45 – 4.30pm

No. of pupils Up to 15



Quiz Club

Quiz Club is open to first and second formers and runs on Tuesdays after school in Lent Term. Whether you see yourself as a future Mastermind or Egghead, or simply want to test your general knowledge, it's a great opportunity to train your mind in a fun and friendly setting. We also try to send a team to the national Schools' Challenge competition, where the country's quickest young minds pit their wits against each other. Notices of sessions and events will go out in Lent term, but you can also speak to Mr Moyes for details.

Michaelmas term:

Senior Schools' Challenge (open to third- VI form).

Lent term

Junior School Challenge (open to first & second form).

Staff Mr D Moyes

Location Campion Houserom

Time Tuesdays 3:45 – 4:30pm

No. of pupils No limits 1st and 2nd form



SCIENCE

Aspiring Chemists Society

The Aspiring Chemists Society has been founded for pupils in the Sixth Form looking cultivate an interest in Chemistry that extends beyond their school work. We will be looking to prepare pupils for two prestigious Chemistry competitions that occur in the year. Lower Sixth pupils are able to enter the Cambridge Chemistry Challenge which takes place in June, while those continuing into Upper Sixth will be able to enter the International Chemistry Olympiad early in Lent term. In addition to these two major competitions, this group provides pupils with an opportunity to take part in guided discussion and exploration of topics bridging A-Level and university Chemistry. We are looking to foster cooperation between Upper and Lower Sixth pupils which will be beneficial to the efforts of both.

Staff Mr L Cahill

Location Room 314

Time Wednesday, 3.45 – 4.45pm

No. of pupils Up to 30



Key Stage 3 Science Club

A group for pupils 1st to 2nd form who enjoy exploring a range of exciting experiments with help from Sixth Form volunteers. There is a positive competitive element encouraged with some activities such as: building the Crafty Raft that will float with added mass or designing the most aerodynamic Super Looper. Working as part of a team and scientific knowledge are regularly enhanced. The activities involve all three sciences: Biology, Chemistry and Physics and aim to develop pupils' knowledge beyond the syllabus in a fun and practical way

Staff Mr Cahill & Science Department

Location 302

Day Wednesday, 3:45-4:45pm

Number of pupils 32 max



Medical Society

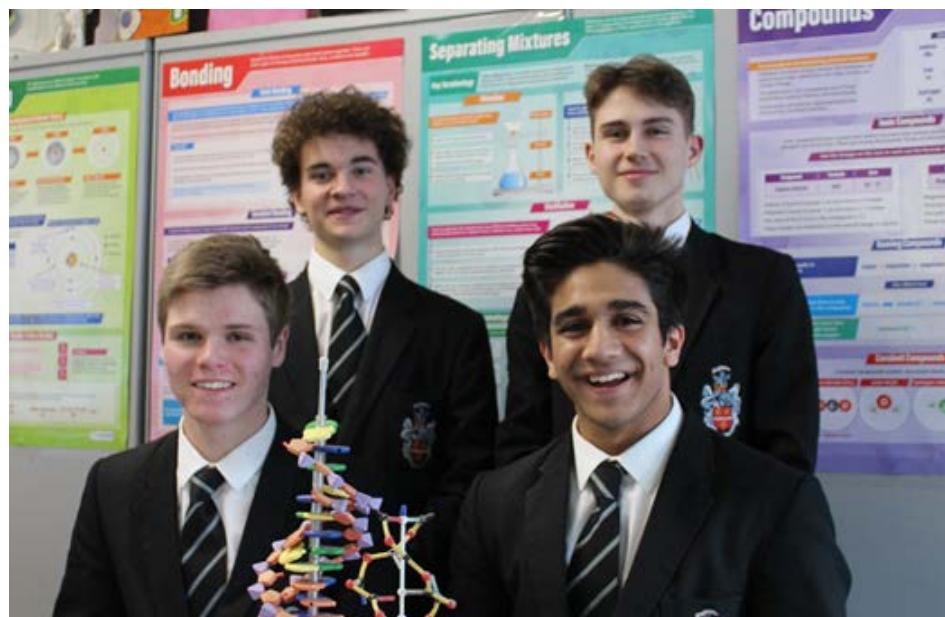
A group of prospective medics meet weekly to navigate through the medical and veterinary school application process. The pupils support each other, share information and discuss current medical topics in the news. Help is provided by sitting UKCAT and BMAT examinations, volunteering and work experience placements, as well as information on differing course requirements and admissions criteria.

Staff Mr Gunasekara

Location 319

Day Thursday, lunchtime

Number of pupils 15-20 VI Form



Science Society

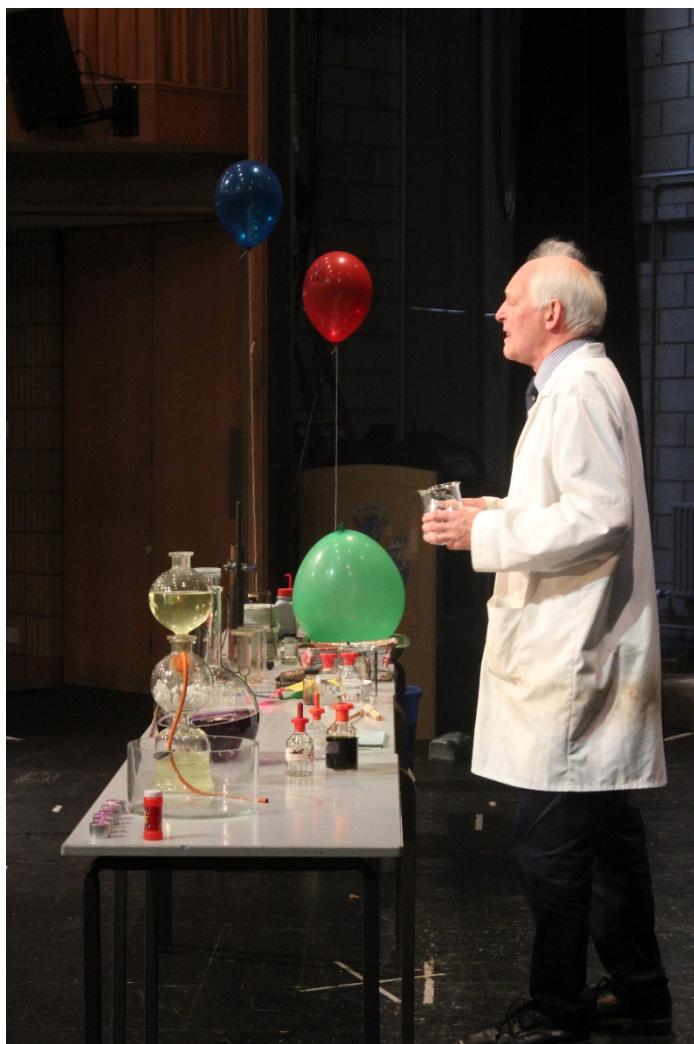
Science Society arranges talks from academics and professionals on Science and Engineering to be held at school and visits to public talks at universities and institutions in London. The Society has a history of hosting speakers highly notable in their fields, such as: Professor Martinez-Botas on the internal combustion engine, Brendan Curran on 'Are we more than our genes' and Dr Jessica Wade on Plastic electronics. If you know anyone who would be happy to give a talk or are interested in going to any events please contact Miss Lucas.

Staff Mr Cahill

Talks 4th - UVI

Visits: VI form only

Day 3.45pm, various afternoons



GCSE Physics Olympiad Club

“To raise new questions, new possibilities, to regard old problems from a new angle, requires creative imagination and marks real advance in science.” Albert Einstein.

The Physics Department invites enthusiastic 5th form pupils to meet every Friday lunchtime and take on the challenge of Oxford University’s Physics Olympiad Papers. The club has proved popular with pupils hoping to study Physics at A-Level and beyond. The tasks set each week are suitably mind-boggling; pupils relish the chance to discuss their ideas and get ‘stuck in’ to each open ended problem. Mathematical aptitude is a key factor behind the reasoning involved with these unique set of problems. Pupils display genuine pleasure weighing up the countless possibilities when approaching each new task, and passionately attempt to justify their first ideas. The Physics Olympiad Challenge takes place during March and is an optional examination for club members. Many club members choose to participate and compete for the much coveted Gold, Silver and Bronze Awards

Staff Mr T Walsh & Dr R Terri

Time Friday lunchtimes, Michaelmas and Lent terms only

Location 311



AS Physics Olympiad

The AS Physics Olympiad club runs once a week, after school. This serves as an excellent opportunity for enthusiastic pupils to enhance their understanding of Physics and improve their problem solving skills. Each question is designed to stretch gifted pupils and develop their resilience and level-headed approach towards tricky problems. The AS Physics Olympiad Challenge is run in March by Oxford University and assesses Lower Sixth pupils across the country, to determine the most talented.

Staff Physics Department

Time Tuesday, 3.45pm

Location 311



THE EUCLIDEAN SOCIETY

Over the last few year, extracurricular mathematics has continued to grow. From fun activities and puzzles all the way up to national competitions, if you're interested, there will be a circle for you.

Chess Circle



- Weekly opportunities to play chess
- All pupils
- Various competitions

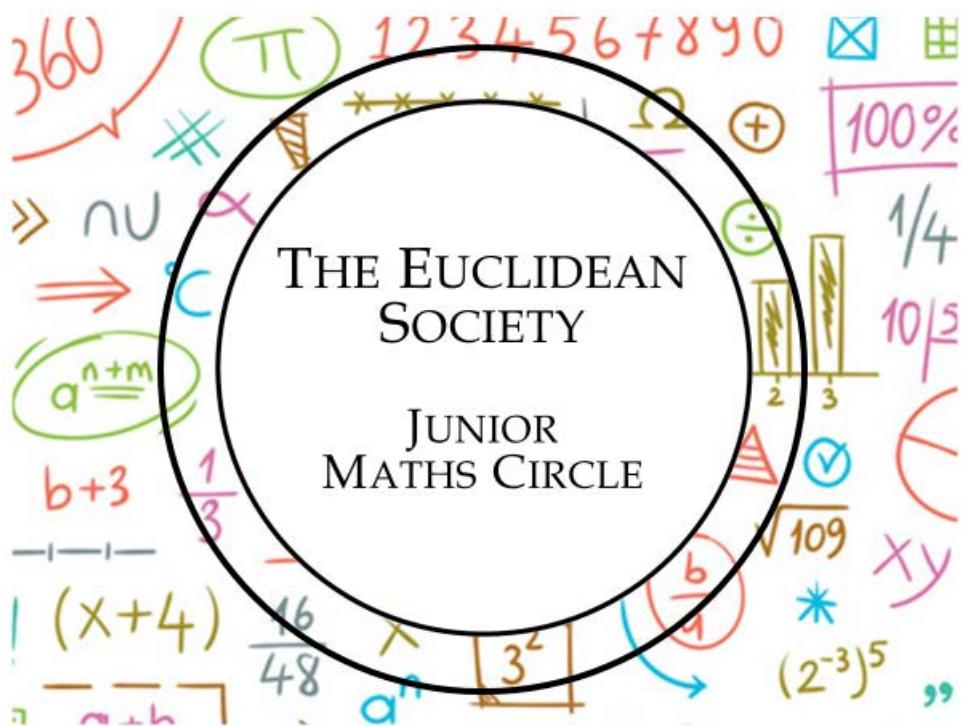
Junior Chess

Staff Mr B Paull
Time Thursday after school

Senior (No Stress) Chess

Staff Mr A Sztranyovszky & Mr Z Iqbal
Time TBC

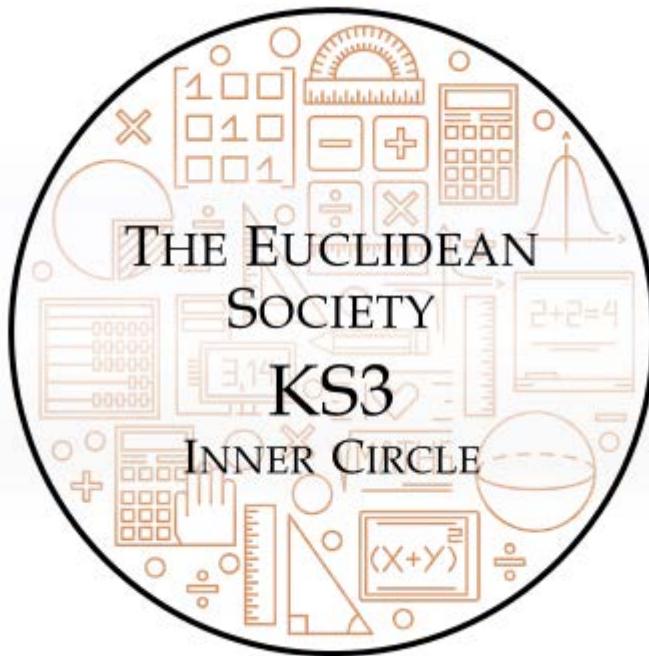
Junior Maths Circle



- Primary Mathematics Challenge
 - Junior House pupils only
 - Weekly activities led by two lower sixth form pupils
 - Activities include using maths to cheat, solving riddles and sending coded messages

Staff Time

KS3 Inner Circle

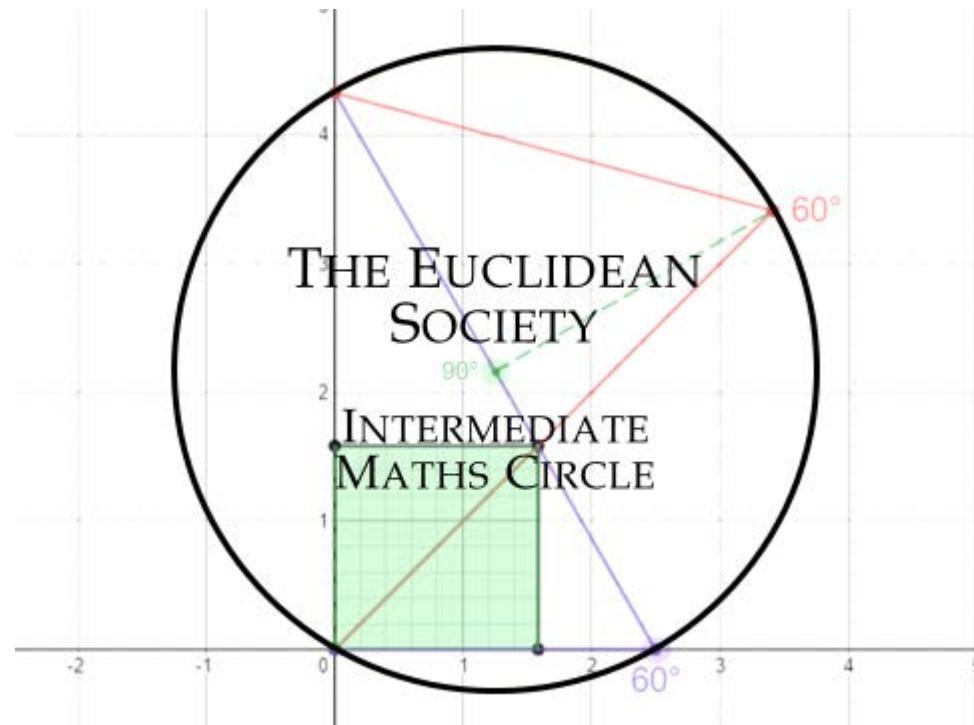


- Open to pupils in 1st, 2nd and 3rd forms
- Junior Mathematics Challenge - First and Second form pupils only
- Team Mathematics Challenge
Two pupils from 2nd form and two pupils from 3rd form join forces to compete in a fast paced competition for a position in the regional finals.

Staff
Time

Mr Z Iqbal
Friday lunchtime

Intermediate Maths Circle

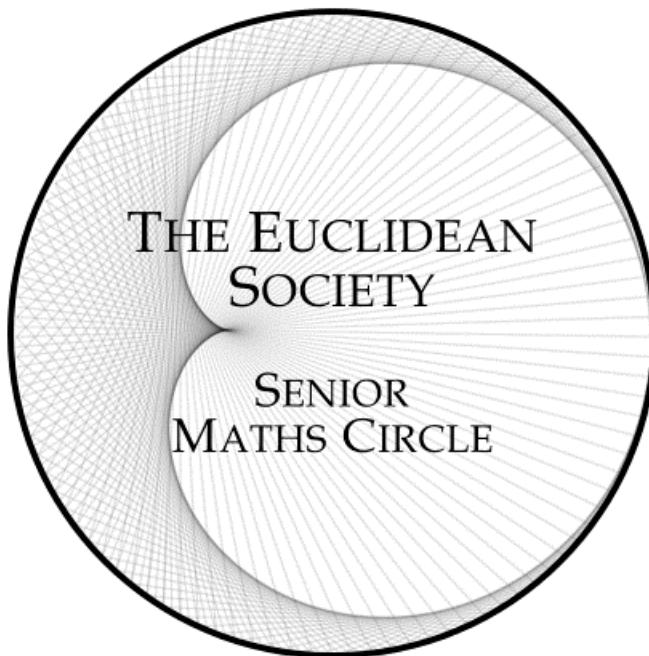


- Open to pupils in 4th and 5th forms
- Intermediate Mathematics Challenge - Fourth and Fifth form pupils only
- Ibstock Place Fourth Form Competition
Four 4th form pupils take part in an afternoon of problem solving and challenges.

Staff
Time

Mr A Rubio
Monday lunchtime

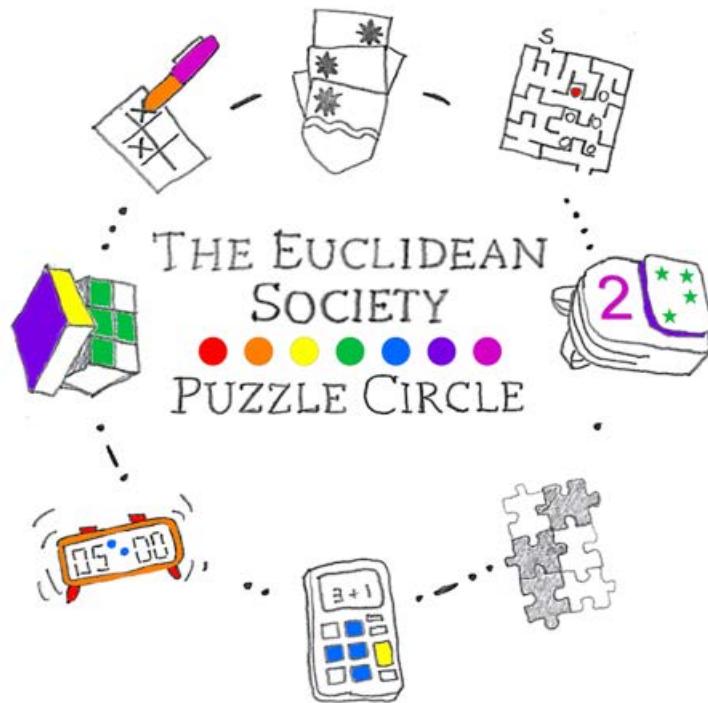
Senior Maths Circle



- Open to pupils in 6th form
- Senior Mathematics Challenge - Sixth form pupils only
- Senior Team Challenge
 - A team of four sixth form pupils engage in a challenging and varied event against many of the prestigious independent schools in London.
- Senior Mathematics Challenge - Sixth form pupils only
- Hans Woyda Mathematics Challenge
 - A team of four are entered in a league competition in which schools in London compete against each other in mathematical problem-solving.
- Olympiads work through some of the more challenging problems from the UKMT mentoring program.
- Kangaroo and Olympiad competitions
 - High scoring individuals get the opportunity to compete in the tougher follow on rounds

Staff	Mr A Rubio
Time	Tuesday lunchtime

Puzzle Circle



- Open to all pupils
- Explore a variety of puzzles to develop problem solving techniques
- Compete as part of a team ~4 pupils
- Take part in various puzzle hunt events

Staff Mr A Rubio
Time Friday after school TBC

SPORT

There is a wide range of sporting activities available throughout the week.

Activity	Location	Staff	Year group	Day	Time
U18	Astro & Barn Elms	Mr B Maguire & Mr B Lewis	VI th Form	Tues & TBC	3.30 – 5.00 / 3.00 – 5.00 pm
U16	Astro & Barn Elms	Mr C Devlin	5 th Form	Wed & Tues	3.30 – 5.00 / 3.00 – 4.30 pm
U15	Astro & Barn Elms	Mr M McDonough & Mr C Lawson	4 th Form	Mon & Thurs	3.30 – 5.00 / 3.00 – 4.30 pm
U14	Astro & Barn Elms	Mr L Philiotis & Mr J Harnett	3 rd Form	Tues & Wed	7.30 - 8.20 am / 3.00 – 4.30 pm
U13	Astro & Barn Elms	Mr J Gallagher & Mr S Fernandez-Cuervo	2 nd Form	Thurs & Mon	7.30 - 8.20 am / 3.00 – 4.30 pm
U12	Astro & Barn Elms	Mr K Moran & Mr B Paull	1 st Form	Mon & Fri	7.30 - 8.20 am / 3.00 – 4.30 pm
Water Polo	Pool	Mr R Rocha & Mr R Chee-A-Tow	JH-6 th (invite)	Mon/Wed/Thurs	3.30 – 5.00pm
Netball	Astro	Dr J Dixon & Miss I Thornton	VI th Form girls	Thursday	3.30 – 5.00 pm
Morning gym	Gym	Mr W MacLennan	1 st – 6 th	All	7.30 – 8.20 am
Fitness Club	Gym	Mr W MacLennan	1 st – 6 th	Wed & Fri	3.30 – 4.45 pm
Girl's HITT	Gym	Miss K Mee	VI th Form girls	Monday	3.30 – 4.30 pm
Boxing	Gym	Mr W MacLennan, Mr L Philiotis & Mr R West	1 st -3 rd & 4 th -6 th	Tues & Thursday	3.30 – 5.00 pm
Dance	Theatre	Miss H Carradine	VI th Form	Thursday	3.30 – 4.30 pm
Stretch & tone	TBC	Miss T Madigan	VI th Form girls	TBC	3.30 – 4.30 pm
Football	Astro	Mr D Rees Williams & Mr D Compton	VI th Form boys	Friday	3.30 – 5.00 pm
Table tennis	6 th Form common room	Dr G Clottey	All	Tuesday	3.30 – 4.30 pm
Recreational swimming	Pool	S Marty	ALL	TBC	7.30 - 8.20 am

Boxing

Boxing is open to all pupils in the Senior School. There is not a requirement for previous boxing experience to join the Club. The Boxing Club is a new addition to the co-curricular activities and will prove to be challenging yet fulfilling experience for the pupils. The Club hopes to enter interschool competitions in the near future. For more details please see Mr McLennan.

Staff Mr W McLennan, Mr L Philiotis & Mr R West

Location Gym

Day Tuesday and Thursday, 3.30 – 5pm

Number of pupils 1st – 3rd, 4th – VI



Cricket

The Cricket Club is a well-established Trinity Term activity for pupils from First to Fourth Form. Once per week training sessions take place after school on the Astroturf, focusing on skill development and games understanding. Training is open to all pupils, regardless of ability or prior experience. In recent years, the school teams have been very successful when competing in the Hammersmith and Fulham Cricket League. Matches take place after school at Barn Elms or at other local schools, lasting between 16-20 overs.

Staff	TBC
Location	Astro
Training	Up to 40 pupils
Matches	11 pupils



Fitness Club

Fitness club is open to all from Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Form and runs throughout all Three Terms. The club aims to meet a range of needs whether pupils wish to take part in fitness sessions such as Insanity or group cycling, learn new exercise techniques or take advantage of the opportunity to socialise and make new friends. During the Michaelmas Term, The London Oratory School will take a team of Fourth Form pupils to compete in the Hammersmith and Fulham 'x-fit challenge', consisting of indoor cycling, rowing and other strength based activities.

Staff Mr W McLennan

Location Gym

Time Wednesday and Friday, 3.30 – 4.45pm

Pupils 1st - VI



Girls HIIT

Staff Miss K Mee

Location Gym

Time Monday, 3.30 – 4.30 pm

Pupils VI form girls



Netball

Open to all Sixth Form Girls, training takes place every Tuesday on the Astroturf. Teams are selected to participate in the Hammersmith and Fulham Netball Competition and a number of matches also take place during the Michaelmas and Lent Terms. The club proves increasingly popular and is a great place to relax and make new friends, as well as becoming better new players! All girls welcome!

Staff Dr J Dixon & Miss I Thornton

Location Astro

Time Thursday, 3.30 - 5pm

Pupils VI form girls



Table Tennis

Table tennis has proven to be ever-popular. As a sport for all, table tennis club is a great place to make new friends as well as learn the skills required to play this tremendously enjoyable activity. Pupils will learn a range of serving techniques and develop basic or complex skills, depending on ability. There is opportunity for pupils to represent the school in the Hammersmith and Fulham Table Tennis Competition. All equipment is provided; however, pupils are welcome to bring their own bat. New members are always welcome.

Staff	Dr G Clottey
Location	VI Form Common Room
Time	Tuesday, 3.30 – 4.30pm
Pupils	1 st – VI Form



RUGBY

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Water Polo

Water polo is open to select pupils from the Junior House and Senior School who have prior experience of water polo or club swimming. The water polo team have been incredibly successful in recent years, winning the South of England Schools Competition in 2015. For further details, please speak with Mr Rocha

Staff	Mr R Rocha & Mr R Chee-A-Tow
Location	Pool
Time	Monday, Wednesday & Thursday, 3.30-5.00pm
Pupils	JH – VI (invite)

