CHILTERN HILLS ACADEMY

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Extra-Curricular Activities

Chiltern Hills Academy

2026-27

Clubs and Activities 2025-26

Monday	Clubs	Venue/Teacher
During lunchtime	Netball	Sports Hall, SCR
	Rock/Keyboard/Guitar/Percussion/Swing	1F1
	Poetry Club	Ms Clow 1A4
	Year 7 dance Club	Dance Studio – Year 9 students and JAL
After school	Year 9-11 Girls Football	Astro - GEM/OLS, NIW
	All Years Rugby	Field / Astro - JCA
	Year 7 & 8 Netball	Hard Courts - SCR, MIF
	GCSE PE Revision	0E7 - GEM/OLS
	Great Big Dance Off KS4/5	Dance Studio
	Dance rehearsals	Dance studio – JAL / EBA

Tuesday		
During lunchtime	Pickle Ball	Sports Hall - JCA
	Ukulele Group	1F1
	Competition and rehearsals	Dance studio- JAL
After school	Year 7 Boys Football	Astro - JCA
	Year 8 & 9 Boys Football	Astro - OLS, JAP
	Year 10 Boys Football	Astro - GEM
	Year 9-11 Netball	Hard Courts - SCR, MIF
	Dance rehearsals	Dance studio – JAL
	Choir/Glee/School Show	1F1

Wednesday	Clubs	Venue/Teacher
During lunchtime	Basketball	Sports Hall - GEM, OLS
	Student Newspaper	Ms Colbran
	Year 8 dance Club	Dance Studio – Year 9 students and JAL
After school	Year 7 & 8 Girls Football	Astro - GEM, MIF, NIW
	All Years Badminton	Sports Hall - OLS
	All Years Gymnastics	Assembly Hall - SCR
	Dance rehearsals	Dance studio – JAL

Thursday	Clubs	Venue/Teacher
During lunchtime	Volleyball	Sports Hall - JCA, SCR
	String Group/Wind Group/Swing	1F1
	Competition and rehearsals	Dance studio – KIF
After school	Orchestra	1F1

Friday	Clubs	Venue/Teacher
During lunchtime	Badminton	Sports Hall – GEM, OLS
	Mentoring/Trusted adult	Ask trusted adult.
	Senior Band Practice	MUSIC
	KS3 (Y9) GBDO rehearsals	Dance Studio – KIF
After school	GCSE PE Badminton	Sports Hall – PE Team

	GCSE PE Revision	0E7 - JCA

Duke of Edinburgh

Duke of Edinburgh's Award opportunities explained

Approved Skill | Approved Physical | Approved Volunteering

Look out for the following labels to see which extra-curricular opportunities can be used as part of the skill, physical or volunteering sections of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award. The Award is open to students in year 9 and above. The member of staff who runs the club will act as your assessor. Please speak to Mr Driscoll for more information.

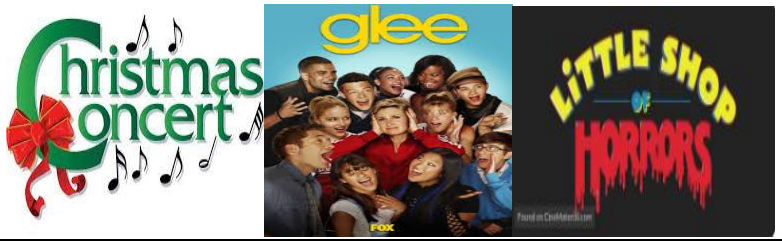
The school has opportunities for volunteering which are not included in this booklet, such as being a library monitor or being a sixth form mentor. Many of the sports activities in the school can also count as volunteering opportunities for older students to help out with younger groups. Look out for the volunteering opportunities label.

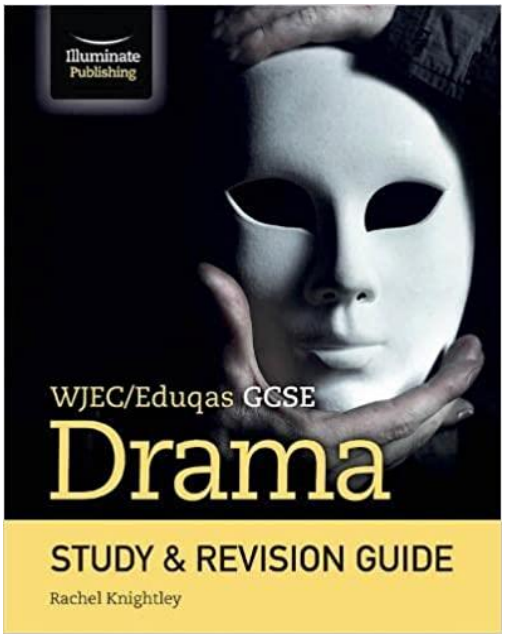
These labels indicate that the activity or club is considered suitable to be a DofE skill or physical activity. The club leader will act as the assessor and personal goals will need to be considered, set and approved before they can count towards your DofE Award.

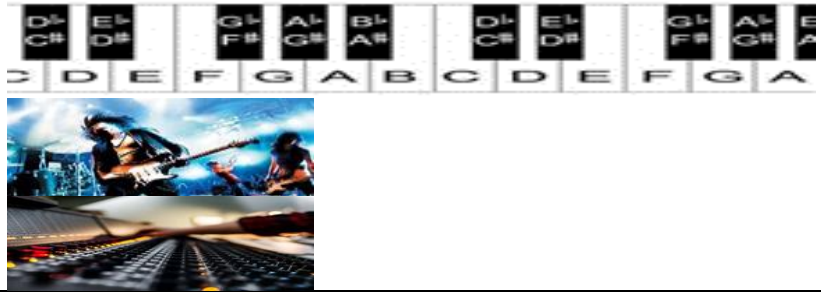
Staff leader	Mr Upton/Mrs Forssling/TBA
Location	TBA
Times	TBA
Short description	
Who is it open to?	Year 9/10/Sixth form.
Do students need to bring anything?	

SCHOOL DEPARTMENTS

Performing Arts

Title of club Approved Skill	**School Show** 
Staff leader	Ms Leathers, Mr Upton & Ms Mitchell
Location	0F1 and 1F1
Times	Tuesday after school (with singing/glee club/choir) Thursday after school (Acting)
Short description	The school performance of little Shop of Horrors is in February, rehearsals for singing, acting and dancing will take place at the times above
Who is it open to?	All students. Any student wishing to join in with the chorus please come along
Do students need to bring anything?	No
Title of club Approved Skill	**Glee Club and School Choir** 
Staff leader	Mr Upton
Location	1F1
Times	Tuesday After School
Short description	Fancy singing in a school musical or for Christmas? Come along to 1F1 on Tuesday's after school to prepare for our school show, the Christmas Carol Concert, the summer music tour and performance schedule and school assemblies
Who is it open to?	All students

Title of club	**GCSE & A LEVEL REHEARSAL SPACE**
Staff leader	Ms Leathers
Location	0F1 – Drama Studio
Times	
Short description Students studying GCSE and A LEVEL are able to develop performance work. You may be able to access the studio during other times upon request. Leading up to examinations this will become a session to focus and develop exam technique.	 **pleathers@chacademy.co.uk**
Who is it open to?	Any student wishing to nominate themselves
Do students need to bring anything?	No

Title of club Approved Skill	**Rock Group, Percussion Group and Music technology group.**
Staff leader	Mr Upton and Mrs Ryan
Location	1F1/2
Day/Times	Monday Lunchtimes
Short description If you fancy being in a rock band, playing keyboards, guitar or drum guitar or learning how to record an album then please come along!	
Who is it open to?	All year groups
Do students need to bring anything?	Just yourself

Title of club Approved Skill	**Swing Group**
Staff leader	Mr Upton
Location	OF1
Day/Times	Monday lunchtime and sectional rehearsal Thursday Lunch time (Wind)
Short description If you fancy performing/singing to the school then let us know, or just keep an eye on the schedule and turn up!	
Who is it open to?	Students who play an instrument
Do students need to bring anything?	Just yourself

Title of club Approved Skill	**String Group**
Staff leader	Mrs James
Location	1F1
Day/Times	Thursday Lunchtime
Short description Musicians who can play violin, viola, cello or double bass welcome	
Who is it open to?	All year groups
Do students need to bring anything?	Just yourself and your voice!

Title of club Approved Skill	**Ukulele Group**
Staff leader	Mr Upton and Mrs James
Location	1F1
Day/Times	Tuesday Lunchtime
Short description Musicians of all or no ability are welcome to this, if you fancy playing in a string trio, or guitar in a rock band or have a go at the ukulele, come along!	
Who is it open to?	All year groups
Do students need to bring anything?	Just yourself and your voice!

Title of club Approved Skill	**School Band/Orchestra**
Staff leader	Mr Upton
Location	1F1
Times	Thursday After School (3:30-5)
Short description Musicians of some experience should join this, if you can play an instrument or have learnt string, wind or percussion from the other groups, consider joining with other musicians who play different instruments.	
Who is it open to?	All year groups

Title of club Approved Skill	**Wind Group**
Staff leader	Mr Upton
Location	1F1
Day/Times	Thursday Lunchtime
Short description If you play a wind instrument and fancy a challenge, come along	
Who is it open to?	All Years
Do students need to bring anything?	Just yourself

Dance

Title of club Approved Volunteering	**Y7 Dance Club**
Staff leader	JAL and Year 9 dance students
Location	Dance Studio
Times	Monday Lunch time
Short description	Learn and create dance routines, which can go into the dance show at the end of the year.
Who is it open to?	Year 7
Do students need to bring anything?	No, just bring your lunch with you. No socks, moveable clothing

Title of club Approved Volunteering	**Y8 Dance Club**
Staff leader	JAL and Year 9 dance students
Location	Dance Studio
Times	Monday Lunch time
Short description	Learn and create dance routines, which can go into the dance show at the end of the year.
Who is it open to?	All Year 8 students
Do students need to bring anything?	No, just bring your lunch with you. No socks, moveable clothing

Title of club Approved Volunteering	**Competition and rehearsals**
Staff leader	Tuesday lunchtime – JAL Thursday Lunchtime – KIF

Location	Dance Studio
Times	Tuesday lunchtime – JAL Thursday Lunchtime – KIF
Short description	Do you have an exam inside or outside school that you need to rehearse? Do you want to make up routines or practise dance lesson routines, then this class is for you.
Who is it open to?	All students
Do students need to bring anything?	Bring their lunch with them and dance kit

Title of club Approved Skill	**KS54- Dance Company (GBDO Rehearsals)**
Staff leader	JAL/EBA (Niamh Connor)
Location	Dance Studio
Times	Monday after school 3:30-5pm
Short description	Rehearsals to compete in Great Big Dance Off.
Who is it open to?	Year 10, 11 and 12 students
Do students need to bring anything?	PE Kit / Dance Kit

Title of club Approved Skill	**KS3 Dance Company (GBDO Rehearsals)**
Staff leader	KIF
Location	Dance Studio
Times	Thursday Lunchtime
Short description	Rehearsals to compete in Great Big Dance Off.

Who is it open to?	Year 9 students
Do students need to bring anything?	PE Kit / Dance Kit

Sport

Title of club

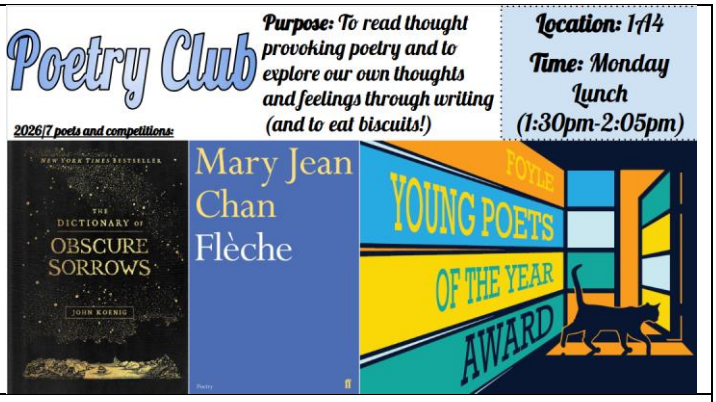
Approved Physical

Day/ Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch Time	Netball Miss Cross	Pickle Ball Mr Callender	Basketball Mr Muddiman & Mr Sperring	Volleyball Mr Callender & Miss Cross	Badminton Mr Muddiman & Mr Sperring
After School	Yr 9-11 Girls Football Mr Muddiman / Mr Sperring All Years Rugby Mr Callender Year 7/8 Netball Miss Cross & Miss Frankham Year 11 Boys Football Mr Humphrey	Yr 8/9 Boys Football Mr Sperring & Mr Petrovic Year 10 Boys Football Mr Muddiman Year 7 Boys Football Mr Callender Year 9-11 Netball Miss Cross & Miss Frankham	Yr 7/8 Girls Football Mr Muddiman & Miss Frankham All Years Badminton Mr Sperring All Years Gymnastics Miss Cross	NO CLUBS STAFF MEETINGS/TRAINING	Year 10-13 Badminton Mr Muddiman & Mr Sperring

Staff leader	PE Staff (see timetable above)
Location	Sports Hall
Who is it open to?	All students
Do students need to bring anything?	PE Kit. Specific equipment for activity (e.g. football – shin pads and football boots)

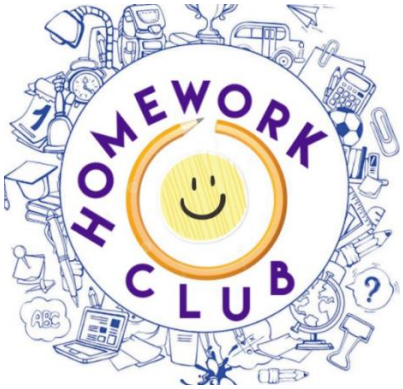
English

Group	Poetry

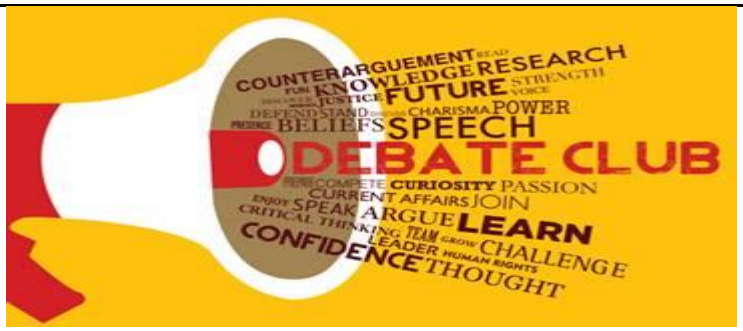
	
Staff leader	Ms Clow
Location	English
Times	Lunchtime
Short description	Purpose: To read thought provoking poetry and to explore our own thoughts and feelings through writing (and to eat biscuits!)
Who is it open to?	All
Do students need to bring anything?	A pen and a notebook that they want to write in if they have one Also, their lunch!

Group	Student newspaper 
Staff leader	Ms Colbran
Location	English
Times	Wednesday lunchtime
Short description	
Who is it open to?	All
Do students need to bring anything?	

Title of club	**Anime/Manga Group**
Staff leader	Mr Storey
Location	1A1 (Upstairs in English)
Day/Times	Friday lunch (1:35pm) both weeks
Short description Each week, we'll be exploring an episode of a different anime, as well as coming together to appreciate emerging talent in the manga art scene.	
Who is it open to?	Anyone welcome
Do students need to bring anything?	Nothing required – packed lunch advised, episode starts at 1:35pm.

Title of club	**Homework Club**
Staff leader	
Location	
Times	
Short description	
Who is it open to?	
Do students need to bring anything?	

STUDENT DISCUSSION AND WELLBEING

Title of club CHILTERN HILLS ACADEMY Approved Skill	**Debate Club**
Staff leader	Mrs Marris
Location	1C8
Day/Times	Friday lunchtimes
Short description An opportunity to share ideas, ask big questions, and attempt to prove your point in a safe and inclusive environment. You'll learn to speak with confidence, think on your feet and challenge ideas in a fun and friendly way.	
Who is it open to?	Year 7-11
Do students need to bring anything?	Welcome to bring their lunch

Title of club	**Student Voice/House Council 2025 – 26**
Staff leader	
Location	Please Speak to Mrs Lunsden
Times	Please speak to Mrs Lumsden
Short description	 **StudentVoice@chacademy.co.uk**
Who is it open to?	
Do students need to bring anything?	

Title of club	**Welfare/Trusted adult mentoring**
Staff leader	Mr Upton/safeguarding
Location	Please Speak to Mr Upton/Safeguarding
Times	Please arrange with trusted adult.
Short description	
Who is it open to?	
Do students need to bring anything?	

Title of club	**LGBTQ+ Forum**
Staff leader	Mr Upton/Mrs Mitchell
Location	Please speak to your form tutor for a venue
Times	Thursdays - lunchtime
Short description A safe, non-judgmental place for ALL students to discuss LGBTQ+ topics	
Who is it open to?	All year groups
Do students need to bring anything?	
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