



HYDESVILLE
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Senior School Enrichment Programme

Autumn Term 2023/24
Information Booklet

Introduction

This booklet has been put together to provide you with information regarding the Enrichment activities that can be selected and which will take place during Friday afternoons throughout the Autumn Term.

Please read this booklet carefully before making your choice.

There are a range of activities available and these will last for the entire term.

Please note that activities may incur additional costs; these are shown where applicable. Any costs will be charged via the Payments area on Cognita Connect. There may be age restrictions in place.

Your child can book their place via their form tutor. They will need to select their first, second and third choices and they will then be allocated an activity (depending on capacity levels).



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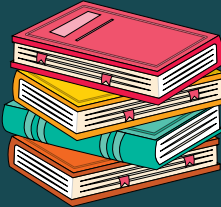
Astronomy (Year 7-11: no cost)

Pupils will learn about the Universe, explore the solar system and understand the starry sky. Pupils will also find out about life on other worlds throughout this activity.



Reading Mentors (Year 7-11: no cost)

Give back to your school community by reading with Prep school pupils. Pupils will improve their own communication skills, as well as giving younger pupils the courage and confidence they need to become independent readers.



Sit back in a comfy chair and help a child to develop their love of reading!

Rock Band (Year 7-11: no cost)

Pupils will follow a course on the skills surrounding 'Ensemble Performance.' You will learn the play simple Guitar and Bass Guitar riffs to popular songs and collaborate to create group arrangements. More advanced players will also create their own arrangements. Learn to experiment with Rock instruments, such as drums, guitars and synthesisers and near the end of the term pupils will record their own performances.



Digital Art (Year 7-11: no cost)

Digital art/ photo manipulation/ layering

Pupils will use 'Photopea' on their devices to create digital art pieces in the style of different artists.



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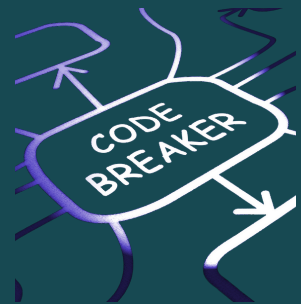
Breaking the Code (Year 7-11: no cost)

When you think of spies and secret agents, you might think of lots of things; nifty gadgets, foreign travel, dangerous missiles, fast cars and being shaken but not stirred. You probably wouldn't think of mathematics and having a good understanding of general knowledge. But you should.

Cracking codes and unravelling the true meaning of secret messages involves loads of maths, from simple addition and subtraction to data handling and logical thinking.

Some of the most famous code breakers in history have been mathematicians who have been able to use quite simple maths to uncover plots, identify traitors and influence battles.

Pupils will learn how to articulate themselves well and increase their overall general knowledge.



Journalism (Year 7 -11: no cost)

Become a School Reporter

Pupils will learn about print, electronic and broadcast journalism. Learn to work as a team to produce an end of term school newspaper and develop your organisational and communication skills and take a leading role in developing Hydesville's own news publication

Learning about journalism will give you a valuable insight into how the news in newspapers, online and on the TV and Radio is put together.



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School Ambassadors

(Year 7-11: Selective - Open to new Applicants)

Fulfilling the ambassador roles

wellbeing, anti-bullying or charity ambassador

An opportunity to make a positive impact to school life within your ambassador role. This is for anyone who is a wellbeing, anti-bullying or charity ambassador.

As part of your role, you are required to plan and perform in assemblies, as well as helping to organise one event per year.



Night at the Museum (Year 7-11: No Cost)

Become one of Hydesville Towers very own museum curators. Together pupils will explore the history of some of the characters from the film and then using effective research skills you will become an expert in your chosen topic. Pupils will create artefacts and create their knowledge as they build their very own museum.



Young Entrepreneurs (Year 7-11: No Cost)

What is in it for you? Pupils will:

Build entrepreneurial awareness

Learn the tools you will need to start your own business or to join a startup

Gain insights of best practices from the startup world and established firms

Learn how to apply innovative mindsets & frameworks to any business

Pitch your ideas and get expert advice

Meet and socialise with like-minded members of the club

Small groups to complete business based tasks.



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Musical Theatre through Dance (Year 7-11: No Cost)

Pupils will learn new styles of dance from various cultural and artistic contexts. Learn to work as a team to explore choreography and teaching skills and develop your communication and analytical skills



Handball (Year 9-11: No cost)

Pupils will focus on how to use the basic principles of attack and defence to plan strategies and tactics for handball.

Pupils will:

Develop catching, passing, dribbling and shooting skills

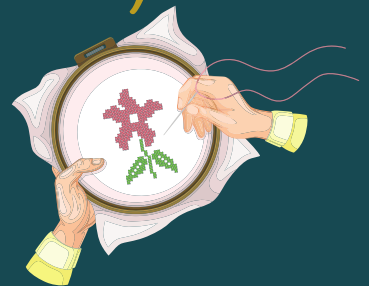
Pupils will learn the rules and to be able to self-referee

Pupils will develop the skills necessary to outwit opponents. Passing, receiving, shooting, intercepting and beating an opponent will be developed through small sided games and conditional situations



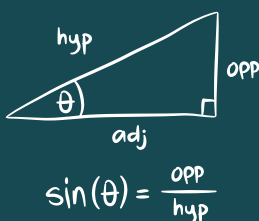
Cross Stitching (Year 7-11: No cost)

Pupils can try their hand at stitching. Learn the basics of threading a needle and how to follow a basic cross stitch pattern. Let's make lovely patterns using fun and colourful threads and mount these on a card or frame to finish.



Further Maths (Year 7-11: No cost - Pupils are Selected by the Maths Dept)

High flyers in maths will be invited to join the Further Maths enrichment activity. Designed to stretch and challenge our budding mathematicians, this class builds on the KS4 curriculum and offers an additional qualification to GCSE Mathematics. It will help develop a number of valuable skills including rigorous argument and problem solving.



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Philosophy through film (Year 7-11: No cost)

Philosophy' translates as 'love of wisdom', and the study of philosophy involves an investigation into life's biggest questions and mysteries.

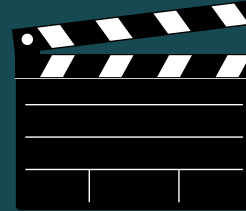
Pupils will explore some of life's most pertinent questions such as:

How do we know what is real?

What if we are living in a simulated reality?

If God exists, does he have charge of our lives, or do we have free will?

Do we have a duty to look after our planet?



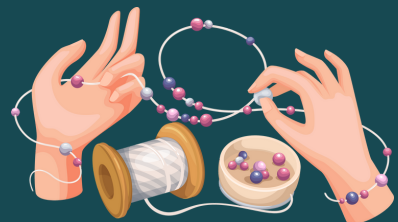
Badminton (Year 7-8: no cost)



Pupils will learn basic skills needed to play successful badminton singles and doubles and improve on their overall health and fitness. More experienced players will progress on to compete against other schools. You will need to wear PE kit and trainers. Rackets and other equipment will be supplied.

Jewellery Making (Year 7-11: no cost)

Pupils will design and create their very own individual jewellery pieces and learn techniques used to make different items of jewellery. Create a gift and something for yourself throughout this enrichment activity.



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