

OPGS EXCEL

Welcome to the second issue of OPGS Excel 2019-2020

OPGS Excel is the collective name for the wide range of clubs and societies offered to students. This first issue gives a complete overview of all the clubs and societies running through to Christmas.

This issue gives the details of the clubs and societies available in the Spring term up to the Easter holiday.

Learning and enjoyment go together and the range of clubs and societies on offer gives students the chance to challenge themselves, broaden their skills and master new things outside of the classroom

Students, please spend some time looking through the opportunities available to you and speak directly to the member of staff in charge to join.

I would love to see as many of you as possible involved with OPGS Excel.

Mr Baker
Director of Drama, Enrichment & Extension

OPGS Connect

Club/Society	Content & Outcomes	Day	Time	Teacher
Debating				
Yr9, Yr10, Yr11 Debating Matters	Students will discuss subjects of their choice in a formal debating environment with Yr12 & Yr13 speakers. Yr9 to Yr11 audience are invited to ask questions. There will be Students will take part in weekly debates with the intention of entering debating matches with other schools.	Wednesday (Week 2)	1.30-2.20pm	Learning Resource Centre (LRC) Ms Hern
Yr7, Yr8 & Yr9 Debate Club	Students will develop debate skills, their confidence and formal approach to Oracy. Students will be mentored by Yr10 debating students and have an opportunity to watch their debates. Students will be given the opportunity to enter national competitions (PiXL's Up for Debate & Born Free's Great Debate).	Monday	1.10-1.50pm	Room 24 Miss Goodhew & Mrs Davies

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Media				
Yr12 & Yr13 Media Studies Club	Students will develop a critical and contextual understanding of popular culture and its role in society. Crucially they will develop their own knowledge, or cultural capital by drawing upon their own ideas and the work of others. The central focus is to improve the media literacy of the students.	Monday	1.10-1.25	Room 23 Mr Saunderson-Cross

OPGS Create

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Art				
Yr7, Yr8 & Yr9 Art Club	Students will be given the opportunity to work on a variety of projects. This could be improving or extending classwork, gaining support with homework, creating their own artwork based on personal interest, or undertaking a teacher led project or task.	Tuesday	3.30-4.30pm	Art Rooms Mrs Alltimes
Yr10 & Yr11 GCSE Art Club	Students will be offered the chance to extend their skill base with new skills, refine past work, develop ideas and receive focused support if needed.	Wednesday	3.30-4.30pm	Art Rooms Mr Edwards
Yr12 & Yr13 A Level Art Club	Students will be able to extend their skill base with new skills, refine past work, develop ideas and receive focused support if needed.	Thursday	3.30-4.30pm	Art Rooms Mr Edwards

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Design & Technology				
Yr11 & Yr13 Workshop Club	Students can work on their practical skills and get creative in our workshop. This will allow them to develop their practical knowledge. Students will gain experience and knowledge of the workshop machinery required to develop their practical skills.	Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday	3.30-5.00pm	DT Rooms Mr Peacock

OPGS Engage

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Games				
All Year Groups Welcome Chess Club	Student will play friendly games of chess with friends and players from other year groups, share strategies and compete in an annual house tournament. Chess helps to develop thinking skills, enhances mental dexterity. Learning to play Chess dramatically improves the ability to think rationally.	Tuesday	Lunchtime	Room 58 Mr Hoskins
All Year Groups Welcome Modern Board Game Club	Students can develop skills in planning, analysing, co – operation, team play and dexterity skills.	Wednesday	Lunchtime	Room 42 Mr Edwards
All Year Groups Welcome Warhammer Club	Students will take part in developing their Warhammer skills working towards competitive strategy. Own Warhammer models are not required but recommended.	Friday	3.30-5.00pm	Room 42 Mr Wathey

OPGS Inquire

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Computing				
Year 7-11 Programming Support	Students will get help and support on topics and programming skills.	Monday	1.15-1.50pm	Room 50 Miss Beeney
Yr7 & Yr8 BAFTA Young Game Designer	Students will develop programming skills and create a game which can then be entered for the BAFTA competition.	Monday	2.45-3.40pm	Room 47 Miss Beeney
Age 13+ Cyber Discovery	Students will learn about ethical hacking, code breaking and much more with the latest tools available.	Tuesday	1.15-1.50pm	Room 50 Miss Beeney
Yr9, Yr10, Yr11, Yr12 & Yr13 BAFTA Young Game Designer	Students will develop programming skills and create a game which can then be entered for the BAFTA competition.	Tuesday	3.25-4.25pm	Room 50 Miss Beeney
Year 7-11 Programming Support	Students will get help and support outside the lesson on topics and programming skills.	Wednesday	1.15-1.50pm	Room 50 Miss Beeney
Year 7-10 Programming Support	Students will get help and support outside the lesson on topics and programming skills.	Thursday	1.15-1.50pm	Room 50 Miss Beeney

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Maths				
Yr7 & Yr8 Stretch & Challenge	Invited students will be provided with support on the topics they are learning with their class teacher.	Wednesday	1.10-2.20pm	Room 81 Mr Webster
Yr7 & Yr8 Maths Fun Club	Students will have the opportunity to use mathematical and logical skills in a fun context by playing maths-based games, attempting puzzles and challenges, working individually and in teams and being introduced to advanced mathematical topics.	Friday	1.10-1.50pm	Room 81 Mr Webster

OPGS Inspire

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Sustainability				
All Year Groups Welcome The Green Club	Students will engage with environmental and sustainability projects around school and the community.	Friday	1.10-1.50	Room 41 Mrs Alltimes
House Prefects				
Yr7 & Yr8 Homework Stretch and Challenge	Students will be mentored by the House Prefects to complete their homework and be supported using the library resources.	Friday	1.10-1.50pm	Room 14 and Library Ms Ryan

OPGS Interpret

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RS				
All Year Groups Welcome Christian Union	Students will be able to gain a better understanding of Christianity and community and take part in projects to help the school and the local community.	Thursday	1.10-1.50pm	Room 41 Mrs Alltimes
All Year Groups Welcome Amnesty International Group	Students will discuss the work of Amnesty International and their ongoing campaigns. Quizzes/games will raise awareness and understanding of human rights – promoting Amnesty International around the school, becoming aware of human rights issues and actively campaign to help and promote change via Amnesty International.	Tuesday	1.10-1.50pm	Room 36 Miss Marchant The group is run by 6 th form students.

OPGS Me

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Mindfulness Please email Ms Worrall to register your interest in attending these sessions Hworrall@opgs.org				
Yr7, Yr8 & Yr 9 Mindfulness (limited to 15 students)	Students will have the opportunity to explore a range of tools to help them cope with anxiety and stress.	Monday	Lunchtime @ 1.30pm	62/63 Ms Worrall
Yr10 & Yr11 Mindfulness (limited to 15 students)	Students will have the opportunity to explore strategies surrounding the pressures of GCSEs.	Wednesday	Lunchtime @ 1.30pm	62/63 Ms Worrall

OPGS Perform

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Drama				
Yr7 Drama Club	Students will develop creative improvisation and devising skills. Students will perform their piece of theatre to their peers at the end of each term (Autumn & Spring terms).	Tuesday	1.10-1.50pm	Drama Studio Mr Baker
Yr8 Drama Club	Students will develop performing from script skills Students will perform their piece of theatre to their peers at the end of each term (Autumn & Spring terms).	Thursday	1.10-1.50pm	Drama Studio Mr Baker
Yr9 Arts Award Bronze (Level 1 National Qualification)	Students will perform for parents; research and present about an inspirational theatre practitioner; analyse and evaluate theatre performance and create and deliver a skills workshop for younger students.	Friday	1.10-1.50pm	Drama Studio Mr Baker

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Music				
All Year Groups Welcome Choir	Students will learn songs from a variety of genres for performance at our school concerts	Monday	1.15-1.45	Music Rooms Miss Bates
Yr7, Yr8 & Yr9 Junior Band	Students will play their own instrument within the band. Members of the band will perform at our school concerts.	Tuesday	1.15-1.45pm	Music Rooms Miss Bates
Yr7 & Yr8 Keyboard Club	Students will have the opportunity to learn and develop keyboard playing skills.	Wednesday	1.15-1.45pm	Music Rooms Miss Bates
Yr9, Yr10 & Yr11 Keyboard Club	Students will have the opportunity to learn and develop keyboard playing skills .	Thursday	1.15-1.45pm	Music Rooms Miss Bates
All Year Groups Welcome Guitar Club	Students will learn riffs and chord patterns.	Thursday	1.15-1.45pm	Music Rooms Miss Bates
Yr10, Yr11, Yr12 & Yr13 Senior Jazz Band	Jazz Band members will develop and practice their skills. Members of the band will perform at our school concerts.	Friday	1.15-1.45pm	Music Rooms Miss Bates
Yr11 & Yr13 Practise Space	Students have the space to practice and develop their music skills.	Friday	1.15-1.45pm	Music Room Miss Bates