

Activities

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1. Shell and Remove Explore Programme

The Shell and Remove Explore programmes offer academic enrichment opportunities for those pupils that sign up. The Shell and Remove Explore programme offers academic enrichment opportunities for those pupils that sign up. Academic Scholars are expected to take part as part of their award. The aim of the programme is to offer activities of a more cerebral nature for the Shell and Remove year groups, to stretch and enrich pupils in their learning beyond the curricula. Remove pupils can opt for either a STEM pathway or a Global Perspectives pathway. The Explore programme also offers Remove pupils the opportunity to complete a Higher Project Qualification (HPQ).

2. Shell and Remove activities

Shell and Remove Activities take place as shown on the structure of the week. Pupils express preferences at the beginning of the year and activities are then allocated with the aim of taking those preferences into account as far as possible.

Many of the activities are sport-orientated, though the idea is to offer something different to the pupils' normal games options. Main sports (e.g. netball, rugby, hockey) are offered in terms when that main sport is not available as a games option. Other outdoor activities are offered together with indoor pursuits such as chess and board games. Remove pupils are expected to choose at least one activity that can contribute to the skill element of their Duke of Edinburgh award.

3. JPS and SPS After-School Activities

After school activities for Y3 – Y8 run every day after school alongside supervised prep, as shown on the structure of the week.

After school care is available every day for YR-Y2 children from 3.15-5.15pm and there are also a range of after school clubs that run from 3.30-4.15pm and a small number from 4.15-5.00pm. Booklets are published showing the choice of options varies from term to term. Parents can sign their children up for activities before the start of each term via the portal and a waiting list is managed if certain clubs are oversubscribed.

Nearly all activities are free for the parents, however, there is a charge for certain activities where an outside instructor is required. The activities are published online and on the activity boards and updated if there are any changes. Parents can view their child's activities on the portal, and any post-sign-up changes are made via the Activity's Coordinator. Staff are required to take a register at the start of each session on SOCS, reporting absences.

If a child is not attending their regular activity they or their parents should inform their tutor or class teacher at the start of the day. If a member of staff is unable to take their activity on a given day they should inform the After-School Activities co-ordinator immediately who will notify the parents of the children affected. In the event of unavoidable last-minute staff unavailability, where a replacement cannot be found, pupils will be sent to and supervised in Prep.