

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

LOWER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

OPTIONS SUMMER 2020



St John's School
LEATHERHEAD



SELECTING YOUR ACTIVITIES

Lower School pupils have the option to take part in daily lunchtime clubs and activities. Pupils should only select clubs that they wish to commit to for the term, as these are not held as drop in sessions. These are great opportunities to burn off energy, try something new and also to get to know some other pupils, staff and sixth formers.

In addition to this, all of Lower School take part in activities on a Thursday afternoon 3.30-4.10pm. Pupils are advised to try something new each term. However, there may be some things you are pre-selected for if it is a continuing activity, such as scholars.

This term the activities will be selected directly by the pupils through SOCs and Miss Clarkson will be coming into Lower School to demonstrate how this process works. Pupils will discuss this with their tutor in tutor time.

If you have any questions about an activity, please contact the member of staff listed as in charge. If you have a selection issue or need to discuss your activities, please contact Miss Clarkson: jclarkson@stjohns.surrey.sch.uk

PREP CLUB

Available Monday-Thursday. There will be three supervised classrooms from 4.30 to 5.15pm in which pupils can complete their prep. Pupils should sign up in advance for the nights they expect to be in school, in the same way that they choose their activities. Those who get the bus should attend prep club on the days they get the bus.

MONDAY LUNCHTIME

There are no activities on Monday lunchtime due to the later lunchtime and to allow time for getting changed from games. However, hard courts and astro will be available for supervised play. Trainers must be worn.

TUESDAY LUNCHTIME

Activity	Staff / Leader	Activity description
Carnegie award book club	Mrs Mayes	Come along to book club to read and discuss the Carnegie shortlist books. You will also be joined by some L6 mentors who will help you to explore the themes and ideas in these books.
Choir MU2 PAC	Mrs Morgan	Lower School Choir is a choir for any pupil in L3 or U3 and is conducted by Mrs Morgan and accompanied by Mr White. The style of music varies from sacred to secular/pop. Any pupil in the Lower School is welcome to attend or simply come and try it. There are no auditions; you just need to be keen to sing. The performance opportunities include the Autumn Term Michaelmas Concert, Lower School Chapel services (about twice a term) and the concert in the Spring Term.

Astro will also be available for social tennis. Trainers must be worn.

WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME

Activity	Staff / Leader	Activity description
Girls' Football Fields	Miss Lafferty Mr Hodgkinson	With almost three million active female players, football is becoming one of the biggest women's team sports in England. Whether you fancy your chances at becoming one of the next generation of Lionesses, or simply just want to try out a new sport - girls' football is for you! Let's shatter the myth that football is just for boys.
Lower School Magazine Room107	Sixth Form helpers	Join the student magazine team to contribute to a school publication. We will be putting together an original production, including a range of articles and creative pieces, looking at fashion, sports, school life and the wider world. A friendly and fun club with ambition.
Rock Ensemble Room 4 PAC	Mr Ansell	A friendly, informal platform designed to encourage and promote the exploration of more contemporary repertoire.
Science Club B4	Mrs Abbott	Expand your scientific knowledge beyond the syllabus. Try some cool experiments and learn some amazing facts from the world of biology, physics and chemistry.

Hard courts and astro will be available for free play. Trainers must be worn.



THURSDAY LUNCHTIME

Activity	Staff / Leader	Activity description
Music Ensemble <i>MU2</i>	Mrs Anderson	The Lower School Ensemble is open to any instrumentalist in the L3 or U3. Music varies depending on instruments in the group and the different performance opportunities. This newly formed group has so far played in the Lower School Chapel service and looks forward to further performance opportunities.
One Ocean Project <i>P2</i>	Dr Bastin	U3 continuation of the One Ocean science project. Pupils involved will be pre-selected.
Shooting <i>Shooting range</i>	Mrs Edwards	A chance to get on the shooting range and develop a new skill using the brand new laser guns. Priority goes to those who have not taken part before.
Tap Dance <i>Studio</i>	Miss Thyne (external dance teacher)	Tap shoes required, so best suited to those with some dance experience or for those who are keen to learn.
Hard courts and astro will be available for free play. Trainers must be worn.		

FRIDAY LUNCHTIME

Activity	Staff / Leader	Activity description
Ancient Greek <i>Room 20</i>	Miss Bradley	Explore the language, culture and myths of ancient Greece. A must for history buffs and those with a love of classics.
Board Games <i>U3 day room/cafe</i>	Mr Wright and Sixth form helpers	Come and relax and play some games with friends. We have a range of games to try out so why not come along and give it a (do not pass) go!
Sports Scholars <i>Fields or room 21</i>	Mr James, Mr Marshall	Small group sessions with the sports department. In the case of bad weather, this will be a classroom based session for sports scholars to explore sporting theory and ways to improve performance and team work.
Hard courts and astro will be available for free play. Trainers must be worn.		



THURSDAY ACTIVITIES 3.30-4.10pm

Activity	Staff / Leader	Activity description
Art – Yarn bombing <i>Art department</i>	Miss Emblem	Graffiti knitting/yarn bombing - What is yarn bombing exactly.....? Whether it's wrapping a bike rack in colourful wool, knitting a cosy for a stop sign or covering a tree trunk in crochet. A yarn bomb is a form of street art where yarn in any form (knit, crochet or simple wrapping) adorns an object in the outside environment. Think of it as graffiti, just sweeter and kinder (yarn installations are not permanent or destructive). If you've ever had a yearning to make the world a cuddlier place, then you're in luck come along to the yarn bombing/graffiti knitting activity. All materials provided and no previous knitting or crocheting experience needed. Bombs away!
Art - Modrock sculpture <i>Art department</i>	Mrs Burrett	Modrock sculpture. Pupils will work on a collaborative food themed sculpture to be displayed in the school.
Chess club <i>Room 31</i>	Mr Debney	Open to players of all standards, chess club aims to teach chess skills and help those who want to improve their game. Chess is a game that improves concentration and memory, helps you to develop logical thinking and encourages imagination. It helps you to predict the consequences of actions and fosters problem-solving techniques.
Craft and Sewing club <i>116</i>	Mrs Hood	This craft and sewing workshop offers a variety of creative and enjoyable activities to stimulate your creative mind. You will learn to sew basic hand stitch and needle work, discover cross stitch and felting techniques, and work through small projects like garland making, stuffed toys and dream catchers.
Drama <i>DR1</i>	Miss Thyne Miss Symes-Thompson Miss Toloczko Mr White	This year's Lower School Play will be the classic Andrew Lloyd-Webber musical Joseph and his Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat. Preparations for the highly anticipated end of year production continue into the Summer Term and cast members will be pre-selected for this activity.
Gardening and conservation club <i>Meet in LS</i>	Mr Harvey	Are you a budding gardener or perhaps keen to improve the environment around the School. Why not get involved in building bug hotels and animal safe havens, planting wildflowers and learning some basic gardening skills.
Mixed Touch Rugby <i>Fields</i>	Mr Newby Mr Jones	Mixed touch rugby is a great way to learn or improve your rugby skills, get healthy and play enjoyable games. It is aimed at all levels of player from beginner to advanced and is non-contact so we encourage both girls and boys to support each other. Sessions will consist of skill challenges and fun in the form of activities and games and takes place on the far side of senior fields. Trainers, or ideally mounded boots, a full water bottle and energy are the only requirements from the pupils.
Public speaking <i>Room 22</i>	Mr Barber	Perfect your speech delivery, work on your confidence and pick up some tips and tricks for debating too.
Social tennis <i>Astros</i>	Various	The astros will be open for social tennis where you can play with friends and arrange informal tournaments.
4.30-5.15pm		
Academic Scholars <i>Room 206</i>	Miss Clarkson	Invite only - These sessions will explore a weekly theme to develop new thinking skills and will involve academic challenges, games and projects on topics not covered in class.