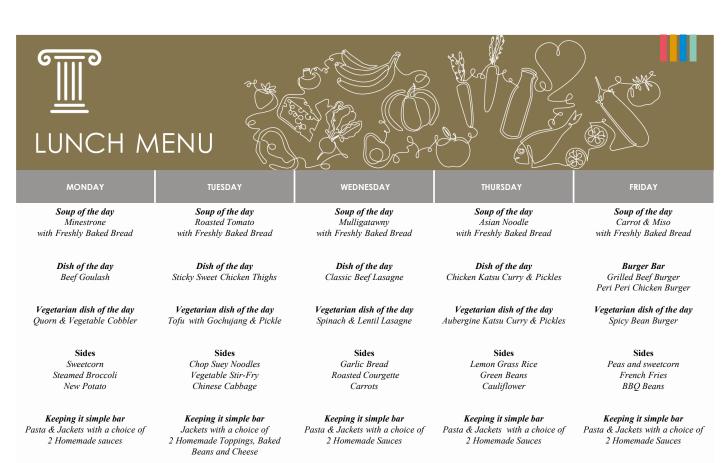






Lunch Menu

w/c 13th November



Dessert

Apple & Berry Crumble with Custard Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt Dessert

Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt

Dessert

Vanilla Shortbread Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt Dessert

Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt

Dessert Eton Mes

Eton Mess Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt

For allergen information, please ask a member of the team.





PORTLAND PLACE SCHOOL

DATES FOR THE DIARY

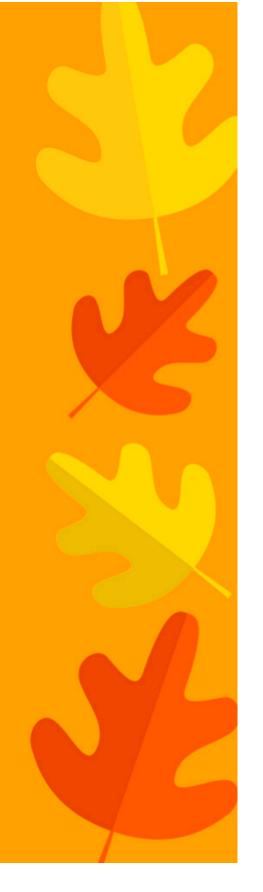
THURS 23 NOV - UPPER SCHOOL CHAMBER CONCERT, PPS HALL, 5.30PM

TUES 5 DEC - CAROL SERVICE, ST MARYLEBONE CHURCH AT 11:00

MON 11 DEC - CHRISTMAS CONCERT, REGENT HALL AT 18:30

FRI 15 DEC - END OF TERM

Details to follow







PARENTS EVENINGS (VIRTUAL)

NOVEMBER '23
YEAR 6&7: 6TH
YEAR 9: 13TH
YEAR 10: 20TH
YEAR 8: 27TH

YEAR 11: 29TH JAN '24













Children, Parents & Carers in years 7-9

Please join us at Somerset House for an evening of Ice Skating

4th December the 6pm session

Meeting at Somerset House at 5.30pm

Please book tickets direct from Somerset House

More Details



More details on Classlist!

We look forward to seeing you there!

The Parents Network











IsA Poetry Competition

As well as building writing and vocabulary skills, poetry offers pupils an opportunity to express thoughts and opinions in a creative manner.

Pupils at ISA Members' schools are invited to write an original poem on the theme 'I Hope...'

Open to Year 2-13
Full details and entry form on the ISA website

DEADLINE Wednesday 7 February 2024



















SCHOOL UNIFORM

Polite Notice: Now that the weather has turned, we expect the school sweater and blazer to be worn, with an additional outdoor coat over those when the weather is especially cold and/or wet









We are delighted to invite parents/carers to an online presentation to outline Inspired's unique Global Exchange Programme, available to all families across our global schools' community. The presentation will provide you with a detailed understanding of the diverse exchange opportunities available in the very best schools all around the world. We are pleased to share details of the webinar and frequently asked questions about the Global Exchange programme below.

Details of the webinar - please join us on the following date:

When: 15th November 18:00 GMT

Registration: Kindly express your interest by registering for the webinar using this link: <u>Click Here</u> after which you will be able to access the meeting.





Why do families take up Exchange Programme opportunities?

Student horizons are transformationally broadened through the enriching experiences of Inspired's Global Exchange Programme. While exploring new and exciting environments, students develop the lifelong skills of independence, confidence, and resilience to help them flourish and succeed.

Whilst participating in student life in one of our other premium schools, students immerse themselves in a different culture, learn new language skills, and access the warm and welcoming communities our schools cultivate worldwide. Inspired exchange students discover the ways of life of other children while taking part in this unique programme. During their experience, they gain a deepened understanding of the perspectives of their fellow global citizens, which then magnifies and informs their aspirations.

With Exchanges lasting from 5 weeks to an entire year, students create lasting memories and make life-long friendships before returning to their original Inspired school.

Who is this for and how do we apply?

Our Exchange Programme is ideally suited for students aged 11-16 who seek international experiences. We kindly request parents to consider this opportunity one year in advance, and to avoid major exam years. Applications will be accepted between September and November, for the following academic year. Once the application window is closed our team will contact you to discuss what options are available. For this year, we are extending the Alpha Plus school application until the end of December.





What are the boarding or day student options?

Our range of boarding or homestay Exchange Programs is diverse, spanning from New Zealand and South Africa to Spain and Italy, ensuring a tailored solution to meet each child's unique needs and expectations; we will outline the different boarding options globally in the presentation. If you are looking to spend 6 weeks or longer in another city as a family or have your own family living near another Inspired school globally, your child could be a day exchange student at any of our Inspired Schools worldwide. So far, we have had families taking a sabbatical or moving for work from the Bahamas to Italy, Panama to Portugal and Brazil to Spain, to name a few.

We hope you can join us for the presentation, which is expected to last approximately 60 minutes, with plenty of time for your questions. The session will be recorded, and the link shared if you cannot attend.

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To assist you in preparing for the presentation, the following key links provide valuable information about the Programme:

Website:
▶ Global Exchange Programme | Inspired Education

Brochure: Inspired - Global Exchanges Brochure by Inspired-EducationGroup - Issuu

We look forward to talking with you at the webinar.

Inspired Global Exchange Programme







PSHE DAY

Wednesday 8th November 2023

News in next issue







ROYAL COLLEGE OF MUSIC

London

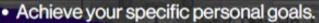
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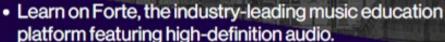
Learn from some of the top music educators in the world - exclusively available for Inspired students.



Learn from a Royal College of Music verified teacher:

- Take one-on-one lessons with a teacher from the world's top-rated conservatory.
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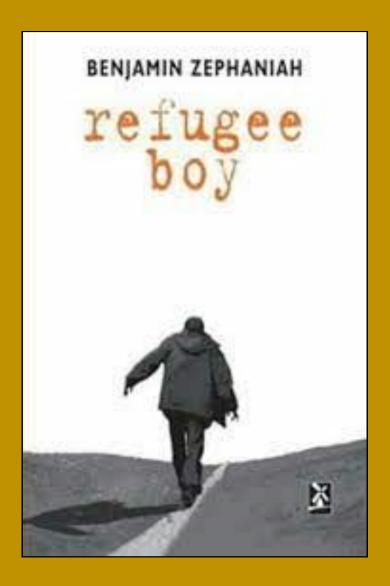
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Book Review



by Lily, KS3 English Prefect







This term, Year 8 have been reading *Refugee*Boy by Benjamin Zephaniah. The story follows a fourteen-year-old boy named Alem through his journey as a refugee from Ethiopia and Eritrea. We have had discussions thinking about how Alem must be feeling in a new country (England) all alone, what his foster family is like and what we think his new friends are like. As the story goes on we find out more about how Alem's foster sister, Ruth, is feeling and how Alem himself feels being away from his mother and father.

The story shows us a lot about Alem's new friends and how they seemed to welcome him and care about him quite quickly. His friend Robbie surprises not only Alem's foster mother

but Alem too when he first invites Alem to hang out with a few kids from their school and watch their band play. This shows us how it didn't matter to Robbie where Alem was from or what colour his skin was, they were still friends and had plenty in common.

Refugee Boy is quite a heartbreaking yet inspiring book as it covers various sensitive topics and feelings, but also shows the power of community in difficult times. The reader often feels lots of sympathy for Alem as things seem to keep going wrong for him, yet he carries on staying strong and fighting through. It is an important book that is still as relevant today as it was when it was published in 2001.





Tall Buildings of London:

St Paul's Cathedral

The Tall Buildings of London enrichment group visited St Paul's cathedral this week.

This was such an adventurous trip, but the rain and the steep steps did not prevent any of our students from climbing it up! We first visited the cathedral and took in all the beautiful architecture work by Sir Christopher Wren, before heading to the top of the Dome via the staircase. The Whispering Galleries were such an experience as students managed to whisper from one side of the Dome to the other. The last few stops were very tricky and slippery (and a bit scary!) but what an incredible view once we were at the top, on the very small balcony, above the clouds! Everyone made a wish, now fingers crossed they will materialize! Thank you to Miss Florea for coming on the trip and being such a trooper despite the weather.



Mr Lalande























EAL and LL Trip to the Science Museum

On Monday, 6th November, eighteen students from KS3 (Towa, Stan, Tom, Gleb, Dario, Neak, Ray,



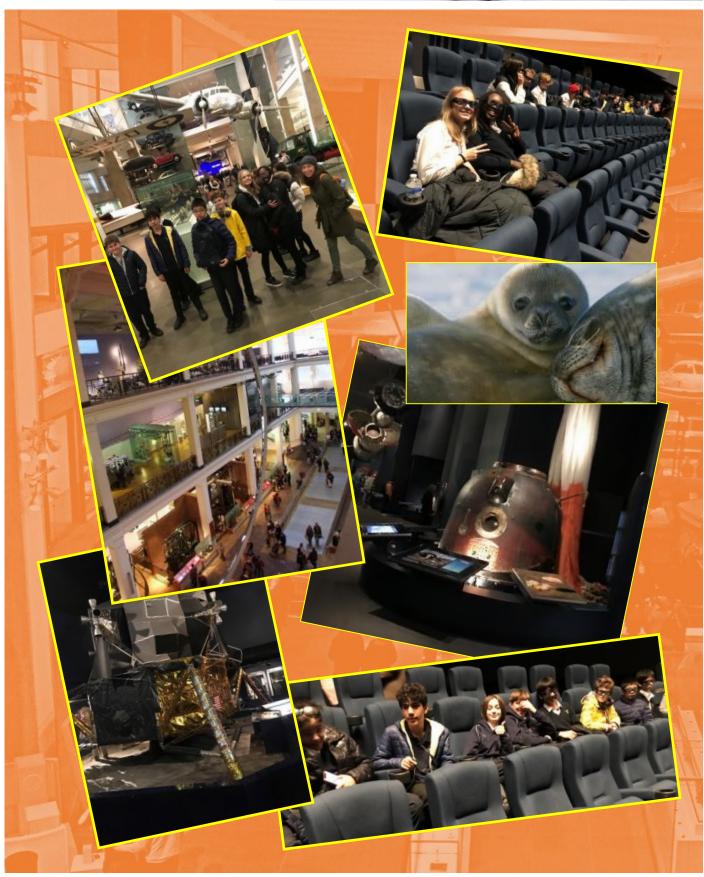
Nathan, Zane, Abdullah, Ted, Dexter, Spike, Haofeng, Taishi, Paula, Maryana and Lilla) had the great opportunity to visit the Science Museum in London and watch the movie "Antarctica".

By using the latest underwater filming techniques, the epic documentary transported us to the farthest places of this majestic land. We were in awe as we watched wonderful creatures (seals, penguins, sealions and humpback whales) thriving in abundance in the coldest and windiest place on the planet.

Many thanks to Ms Pieri, Ms Zalesny and Ms Coates for their tremendous support, Ms Florea











STUDENT

This week we had our first Student Council meeting of the year, following the members being elected by their peers. The following students were welcomed onboard to the council by Mr Bradbury:

Maryana HybridABG

Maxwell 10MJO

Olivia 10AZE

Yura 10LVW

Noah HybridABG

Eva 9WBR Henry 9JVA

Ayub HybridABG

Zaya 9KOL

Ted 8KPA

Lily 8KPA

Beatrice 6MMC

Dante 76MMC

Our School Council aims to be link between staff and students where we can openly address and ideas, issues or concerns we have within our school community.

This week we discussed: Lift access, Use of lockers, Hand sanitizer, Female hygiene product availability, Sandwiches at lunch time, Rewards and Peer mediation. Lots of useful points were raised and actioned in the meeting for us to follow up on their progress next week, so watch this space.

Once again congratulations to those students elected, may you continue to support your peers and strive to help make Portland Place School the wonderful place it is for you and all of our students.

Keep up the great work!

Mr Lee











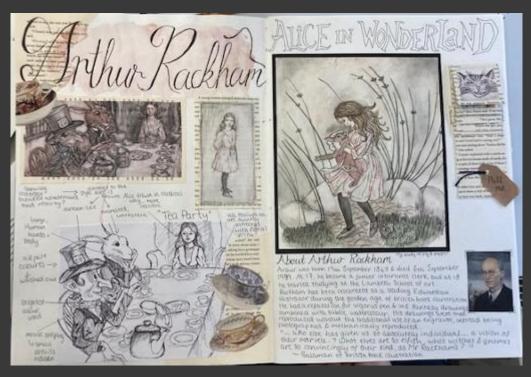
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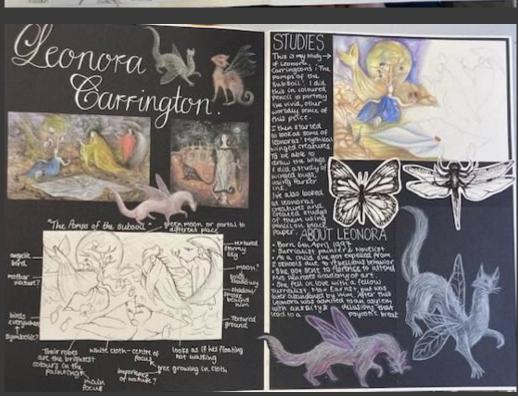


Research for Juliette Losq — Sam Y11





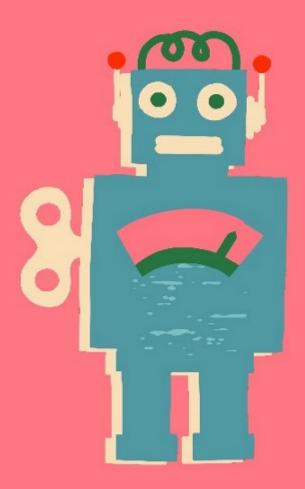








ROBOTICS ENRICHMENT



Last week, our 7 coders/engineers worked on building their basebots during robotics enrichment and this week they continued on attempting to create a ClawBot. This proved a more challenging engineering task for most, and so the "Defend The Castle" challenge which has quickly become a crowd favourite, has been moved to next week! Watch this space to see which team of engineers takes the prize!











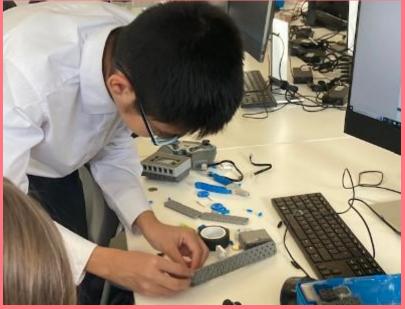




















THE WALL OF KINDNESS

Todd in year 11 has been very friendly, sharing feedback and resources with his classmates in the PHSCE sessions. Ms Flack

Thank you to Ned in Year 10 who very kindly Mrs Wolfe Murray

A huge thank you to all of the prefects who will be attending the Open Event on Saturday. Much appreciated! Ms Wild

Thank you to Ms
Florea for always
being so
supportive to
the admin team!!





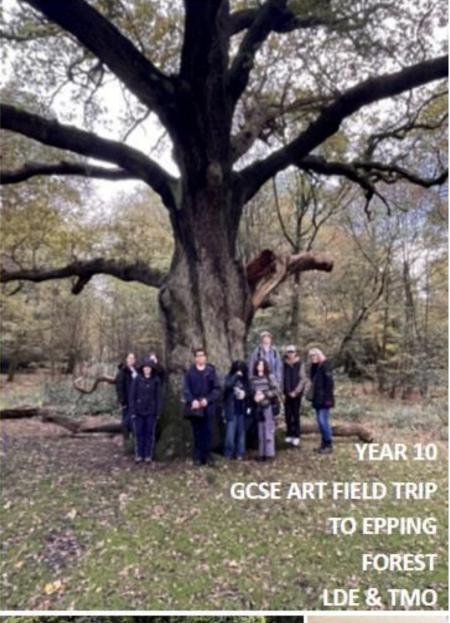


Epic Epping Afternoon

After several weeks of proper British weather, we somehow managed to luckily choose the driest day of last week to take year 10s out on their first GCSE Art field trip.

After traipsing through the mud we found ourselves deep in Epping Forest for a few hours of fresh air, and the opportunity to draw first-hand from some of our most ancient and magnificent trees.

The sun eventually came out and lit up the forest, showcasing all its glorious colours and textures for our students to make their studies from.





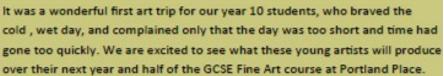


Fungus study by Deia Emery, Y10 HS

























U14 Football vs Kew House

Regent's Park's hybrid football pitch was the only playable surface with all the rain that had fallen in the lead-up to Kew's visit on Friday of last week. Thankfully the rain held off for the duration and the Year 9's were able to complete a highly entertaining and fast-paced match, in which Kew emerged victorious 1-3.

In the first half, Kew dominated possession and territory, but it was the home side that created the best opportunities with **Humphrey** in on goal twice. He dragged his shot just past the post on the first occasion and caused the keeper to handle outside the penalty area on the second. The referee could have sent Kew's keeper off but opted for a yellow card.

Kew's breakthrough came after about twenty minutes, latching onto a clearance hit high across Portland's box. They had kept **Dexter** quite busy in goal up to that point and there were plenty of good saves from him throughout the game. At half time PPS's mood was still positive; they had created chances and knew they could get back in the match. However, it was Kew who took the initiative, following the break, doubling their lead after a well-worked period of passing.

PPS stuck to their task and were not deterred. Humphrey continued to drive forward and **Harrison**, having moved up to centre midfield from defence, began to put some balls into Kew's box, giving our front men something to chase. In this period the game became very stretched with attacks coming thick and fast at both ends of the pitch.





Humphrey eventually got Portland onto the scoresheet after receiving the ball wide in the area and finishing strongly from a difficult angle. It was a well-deserved goal and he had shown tremendous perseverance in taking the game to the visitors.

With just a few minutes remaining, Portland pushed for the equaliser, but in their keenness to get a result they were caught out at the back, with Kew hitting them on the break. The score finished 1-3 and PPS felt a little hard done by having been pressing for the draw.

There were many excellent performances from Portland's squad; **Spike** was a workhorse in midfield, covering all around the pitch. **Henry** returned to the squad and produced some excellent defending, looking alert and thwarting many Kew attacks. The same could be said of **Mohammed** who tackled strongly and had his best game in a PPS shirt. Joey pushed forward on the left in the second half and linked up well with Spike and Humphrey, whilst **Eddie** kept us looking solid at the back with some solid clearances and goal kicks.













U12/13 Football vs Harrodian

Portland's combined Year 7 and 8's travelled away to Barnes to face Harrodian's B team on Monday afternoon. The game turned out to be a 14-goal thriller and it was PPS that emerged victorious having taken a 2-0 lead into the second half. **Joshua** opened the scoring having beaten the keeper from a corner. **Nico** doubled the lead late in the half after dribbling skilfully and having his shot deflected past the stranded keeper. It had not been all one-way traffic and Harrodian got behind the PPS defensive line on a few occasions and **Roman** showed great pace in tracking back to make vital challenges. **Neak** made two outstanding saves, the first of which was a brilliant diving catch to his right.

Twelve goals were scored in the second half. Portland scored twice early on and Harrodian's heads started to drop. At this point Mr Rider decided to make wholesale changes to the PPS set-up, pushing **Jacob** forward and bringing **Zane**, **Oisin** and **Nico** back into defensive positions. This did not stem the flow of goals and PPS increased their lead to 6! With **Neak** in goal swapped for **Enzo**, who was playing up front, Harrodian eventually gained a foothold in the game, though **Neak** was able to score a nice goal, which he was delighted with. The match became extremely open at this point with both teams slamming home goals. The finishing score was 9-5 to PPS with the away side getting the last goal.

This was a really good performance by PPS with some excellent passing, solid defending and some moments of individual skill. Josh scored 4 goals! Whilst **Nico** bagged a brace and **Jacob** and **Oisin** got one each.

MOTM: Joshua











RAIN WASHES AWAY U15'S COMEBACK

It wasn't the result that the U15's wanted to come back to after a two-week half term. With the rain pouring down throughout the fixture, the Kew House students were slightly too strong for the fighting Portland Place squad.

The half term was over, the nights were getting darker earlier, and the sunny days turned in to rainy days, but this wasn't going to stop the students from giving a fantastic performance. With **Dexter** controlling the defence, Portland started well, pushing Kew further and further back. Breaking down Kew House seemed harder than we thought with **Tec** and **Danny** both forcing the defenders to make some last-ditch tackles and with **Humphrey** turning the midfielders inside and out, Portland Place seemed to be in control.

Both teams seemed to be playing in sinking sand with the mud and rain soaking up any pass that was going forward. It made the PPS way of play very difficult but the team adapted and started to create some more problems for their opposition, but it was Kew House who broke the hearts of the PPS defence. After knocking on the door throughout the first 20 minutes, Kew finally got through. With Max D and Max C both staying strong, it was an unfortunate slip that saw the home team's attacker sprint onto the through ball and slide a shot past the diving Dexter.

After the unfortunate first goal, it seemed to hurt Portland who before the end of the first half let in a couple more goals and it seemed the molehill turned into a mountain.

The half time talk was still very positive, and the second half started with a bang. With **Ned** and **Spike** running down the wing and constantly turning the defence, it was only a matter of time until the team were going to make a breakthrough. This came in the form of **Technology** onto a fantastic through ball from **Humphrey** and calmly slotted away the ball.

The second half continued to be an end to end affair. Both teams forcing the keepers into some fantastic saves.





The time was ticking away, Portland Place were holding their own, and it was a solo goal that seemed to get them back into the game. Humphrey, who was causing all sorts of issues for the opponents, intercepted a loose pass from Kew and went on a rampage. The defence fell further and further back and with a whip of his right foot, he blasted the ball into the back of the net. Was it a comeback? Were Portland Place going to bring it back? It seemed that way. The whole team were in great spirit, the wingers, Rafer and Spike, started to force the defenders to retreat; it looked like the PPS were going to gain a fantastic draw or even a victory. Whilst pushing for that vital goal it was an absolute stunner from the Kew House winger that broke Portland Place hearts.

It wasn't going to be the victory that the students wanted but it was one of the best performances these students have had in the shirt. Their never say die attitude was shown throughout the game with each student chasing down the player in possession. The comradery within the team was plain to see as was the hope that they could gain something from the game even when the hill was tough to scale.

POTM – Humphrey

Honourable Mentions - Dexter, Max C, Ned







PPS V Maida Vale - 31st October Final score 18 (PPS) - 0 (Maida Vale) Year 7 & 8 students made their way to ment by Talia, Farida and Lucy. PPS Wood Lane on Tuesday to compete in a defence applied the pressure and netball match against Maida Vale. made it extremely difficult for Maida Students were excited to play and had Vale to score. It was a fantastic game

their eyes on a high performance and a winning final score. Rosie made an excellent start with a powerful first centre pass. Rosie and Beatrice made a superb attacking combination with direct and fast balls into the semicircle, with Millie and Esther finishing it off with lots of successful shots. At half time PPS were leading by 11 goals. PPS defence made an interception every time the ball went into Maida Vale's attacking third. An excellent achievewith a brilliant result. Well done to all students involved. I am so proud of the progress you have made in netball recently.







Next Week's Clubs & Fixtures

Mon 13th Nov: Table tennis club, PPS Hall, 1.10-1.45pm

Year 8&9 football vs NBHC, Regent's Park, 2.00pm

Year 9&10 netball vs North Bridge House Canonbury, London

Met, 4.20pm

Football club, Westway, 3.50-5.40pm Karate Club, PPS Hall, 4.00-5.00pm

Tue 14th Nov: Year 11 house football, Regent's Park, 11.00am

Year 7&8 house netball tournament, Church Street, 2.00pm

Wed 15th Nov: GCSE PE Revision Club, G21, 1.10pm – 1.45pm

Westminster Indoor Cricket Competition. Details TBC

Year 9 netball vs Fairley House, Archbishop's Park, 2.00pm

Thu 16th Nov: ISA London North Cross Country Championships, Abbott's Hill

School, all day

Running Club, Regent's Park, 12.50-1.30pm

Weight Training Club, PPS changing rooms, 12.50-1.30pm

Basketball Club, Seymour Centre, 4-5.15pm

Fri 17th Nov: Year 9 football vs Thames Christian College, Regent's Park,

2.00pm





Enrichment — Second Half of Autumn Term 2023

Activity	Staff	Room		
Additional Maths	πо	G21		
Climbing	AZE & LVW	Offsite—meet outside PP 13:30		
Digital Drawing	LDE & CHU	Art Room 1		
F45 Fitness	CBY & MJO	Offsite—meet outside PP 13:50		
Fencing	PZA & JVA	Change in PE at 1:50 then to PPH		
Final Cut Pro	SSA & SBI	G31		
Glee Club	CBO & AJU	Room 1		
Horse Riding	JWO & KOL	Offsite—meet in Dining Room		
London Zoo	ECO & FKH	Offiste—meet in Library 13:20		
Netball	ННА	Offsite—meet in PE corridor 13:50		
Polymer Clay	CFL & FSY	Room 35		
Robotics	MMC & RLE	Room 33		
Senior Football	SRI, JKU & LST	Offsite—meet in PE corridor 13:50		
Table Tennis	RAL & PLE	Drama Studio		
Table Top Gaming	DBL	Lab 1		
Tall Buildings of London	TLA & DFL	Offsite—meet in Library 13:50		
Velo Park	TTC,WBR & HSI	Offsite—meet outside GPS 13:00		
Yoga	MTH & KPA	Room 11		





Clubs for Autumn Term 2023

Day	Time	Activity	Staff	Location	Year
					Groups
Monday	12:50-13:15	Y11 Chemistry Revision	HSI	Science Lab 2	11
Monday	12:50-13:45	String Ensemble	R H'white	R2	All
Monday	12:50-13:45	Russian Club	PZA	В3	All
Monday	12:50-13:45	Italian Club	TLA	R23	All
Monday	12:50-13:45	Woodwind Ensemble	S Sarvamaa	R1	All
Monday	12:50-13:45	Mandarin	TLA	G34	All *
Monday	13:10-13:45	Table Tennis Club	PE	PP Hall	All
Monday	13:20-13:45	Board Games	DFL & ECO	R11	6 – 9
Monday	13:20-13:45	Business Studies Clinic	JMA	G21	10 & 11
Monday	16:00-17:00	Karate Club	PE	PP Hall	All
Monday	16:00-17:15	Football Club	PE	Regents Park	All
Monday	16:00-17:15	Netball Club	PE	Regents Park	All
Tuesday	12:50-13:50	GCSE Art Club (Hybrid only)	LDE	Art Studio 1	HS 10 & 11
Tuesday	12:50-13:15	Y11 Biology Revision	RLE	Science Lab 2	11
Tuesday	12:50-13:45	Spanish Club	CFL	G34	All
Tuesday	13:15-13:45	PPS Choir	SHI & CBO	R1	All
Monday	12:50-13:45	Guitar Group / Rock Band	DMC	R2	All
Tuesday	15:45-16:45	French Club	TLA & CFL	R36	All
Tuesday	16:00-17:00	Macbeth Rehearsals	RAL & AJU	Drama Studio	Invite only
Tuesday	16:00-17:00	Design Club	MJO & JVA	B1	All
Tuesday	15:45-16:45	Speed Learning – GCSE Geographers	KOL	10	10 & 11
Wednesday	08:00-08:30	Essay Building Skills	MTH	G33	10 & 11





** Art Scholarship holders must attend							
Wednesday	12:50-13:30	Y7 Haunted House Rehearsals	RAL	Drama Studio	7		
Wednesday	12:50-13:45	Music Theory Club	ZBO	R42	All		
Wednesday	12:50-13:50	GCSE Drama Club	AJU	Drama Studio	10 & 11		
Wednesday	12:50-13:45	Percussion Ensemble	J Morrison	R2	All		
Wednesday	13:10-13:45	GCSE PE Revision Club	PE	GPS tbc	10 & 11		
Wednesday	16:00-17:00	Fencing Club	External Coach	PP Hall	Sign up with PE		
Thursday	12:50-13:20	Y 11 English Language Intervention	JWO	G22	Y11		
Thursday	12:50-13:40	Weight Training Club	PE	Changing Rooms	All		
Thursday	12:50-13:40	Running Club	PE	Regents Park	All		
Thursday	12:50-13:15	Y10 Science Revision (Combi & Triple)	FKH	Science Lab 2	10		
Thursday	12:50-13:50	GCSE Art Club	TMO	Art Studio 1	10 & 11		
Thursday	12:50-13:45	Digital Hub	SEN Dept	R33	All		
Thursday	12:50-13:15	Y11 Physics Revision	WBR	Science Lab 3	11		
Thursday	13:10-13:45	History Revision	PLE	G21	10 & 11		
Thursday	16:00-17:00	PPS Chamber Choir	СВО	R1	All by audition		
Thursday	16:00-17:00	Design Club	MJO & JVA	B1	All		
Thursday	16:00-17:15	Girls Basketball Club	PE	Church St Sport Centre	All		
Thursday	16:00-17:00	Art Club	TMO & LDE	Art 1 & 2	Invite only **		
Friday	08:00-08:30	Geography Revision	EWE	10	11		
Friday	08:30-09:00	LGBT+ Club	TLA	R23	All		
Friday	12:50-13:45	Brass Ensemble	W Brown	R2	All		
Friday	12:50-13:45	Japanese	TLA	G34	All*		
Friday	12:50-13:30	Y10 Science Revision (Combi & Triple)	DBL	Science Lab 1	10		



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