



THE KING'S
SCHOOL



ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME


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ENRICHMENT OVERVIEW

At The King's School students can choose from a wealth of after-school enrichment activities and clubs, both academic and non-academic. Whether you want to improve your knowledge, need help with specific work, want to play sport or become the next musical or acting superstar enrichment activities allow you to gain experience and skills in areas not typically part of your everyday curriculum or life experience. Enrichment can encourage you to work outside of your comfort zone, develop resilience and make new friends. Gaining new experiences is both enjoyable and desirable to future employers and higher education providers. Whatever year group you are in, there are a huge range of sessions to choose from.

SPORTING EXCELLENCE

The King's School has a proud heritage of sporting excellence which continues to grow and evolve. We continue to set very high standards of performance in Wakefield Schools competitions and leagues in all sports. We are one of a small number of schools locally who compete every year at national level in Athletics, Basketball, Cross Country and Rugby. In 2019 we introduced the Sporting Academies for Year 7 recognising the elite level sporting talent we have at the school with a focus on Rugby and Netball. Students in the Academies experience team breakfasts, bespoke playing and training kit and different uniform.



There is more to education than exams. Being at school is about enabling children to learn. School should be a balance of core subjects and learning the important lessons in life; who to trust, how best to relate to one another and how to make a positive contribution to society. These lessons are mostly learnt indirectly rather than by direct instruction.

“Who wants their child to leave school clutching a handful of certificates, but with no idea of how to be a human being?”

Talbot and Tate 1997

TRIPS AND RESIDENTIAL VISITS

The King's School has a strong and proud tradition of offering a wide range of trips and residential visits for students. Snow sports to Pila in Italy, an environmental awareness trip to Sicily, Drama to New York and Geography to Iceland are just a few of those from last year. We also run day trips to various places as both rewards and as part of the curriculum. Various day trips to Theatres for Drama and coastlines for Geography provide vital knowledge which can be used in the classroom. Trips and visits are of educational value but also provide students with the experiences of a lifetime which we hope will stay with them forever. We do not have to travel far for the trip to be a success; one of the most rewarding trips for students last year was a regular visit to De Lacy Gardens to provide companionship for the elderly residents.



The King's School is proud to run the Duke of Edinburgh Award. The scheme is a highly regarded national scheme aimed at young people from age 14 and the positive work they can do. It develops commitment, resilience, self-motivation, leadership, independence and responsibility; qualities that colleges, Universities and employers are looking for. Every participant's programme is personal to them with students of different abilities, backgrounds, beliefs and circumstances working and achieving together.



KEY STAGE 3 GRADUATION

A Key Stage 3 Graduation Ceremony is held for students in Year 7 and 8. Students have to complete certain tasks and show specific levels of commitment to school, not just through regular attendance and having a good attitude to learning but by immersing themselves in the wider school community. At the end of Year 8 students will receive their classification during a graduation ceremony with cap and gown.

Activities which contribute to the graduation are:

- Extra-curricular
- School teams
- School production
- Educational visits and residentials
- Fundraising or running or taking part in a community event

EXAMPLES OF THE ENRICHMENT ON OFFER THIS YEAR

- Table Tennis
- Badminton
- Girls & Boys Football
- Girls & Boys Basketball
- Girls & Boys Rugby
- Netball
- Perfect Pitch – Singing
- Pop Band
- Debating & Politics
- Orchestra – Stage Band
- Art Club
- Spanish Club
- Creative Corner
- Mindfulness & Meditation
- Geography Film Club
- History Film Club
- Homework Clubs
- Computer Xplorers
- Drama Production
- Cooking Club
- Science Technology Engineering & Maths Club (STEM)
- Flutastic – Flute ensemble

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