

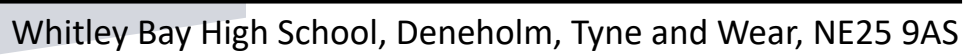
# WHITLEY BAY HIGH SCHOOL

## Clubs booklet

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Get Involved in 2023/24!





Congratulations on completing a successful transition day earlier this month. It was lovely to meet you all and get to know you - well done for your energy, enthusiasm and creativity on that day. We are so excited to have you join us in September to begin our Pioneer's journey together. Even more exciting we will be starting that journey in our new school building with excellent facilities.



One of the main things we wanted to convey to you on the transition days was about how our most successful students are our busiest students. Extra-curricular clubs are not only a way to meet new people who have similar interests to you but also a key way to develop skills such as teamwork, communication and confidence building. When we ask students about their favourite memories, they often talk about the clubs they were involved in and how they were a key part of their time at WBHS. We would like you all to join at least one club, with many students trying out a few different ones first to see which one suits them best. Lots of students also end up starting their own!

If you can't see a club that's quite right for you and you would like to start a club, please let a member of the Year 9 team know to discuss this. I am really looking forward to meeting you all again soon and hearing about the brilliant clubs that you are trying out!

Ms Welch



# CLUBS OVERVIEW

We appreciate the importance of extra-curricular activities for students and are proud of not only the number, but the variety of options available to students in the school. Getting involved in wider activities outside of the classroom is important for students' personal development, but are also beneficial for the positive social, physical and mental health impacts.

Not including subject breakfast clubs and additional catch up and revision sessions, there are almost 55 extra-curricular clubs and opportunities that run each week for students to get involved in. We act on each additional request for clubs and have started many new clubs in the last academic year in reaction to ideas and requests from students. In addition to this, there are opportunities throughout the year for students to attend and support one-off events, clubs and competitions.

Please see the list below for a snapshot of clubs available. There are small adverts in the booklet for a number of these and more information will be available as each club launches for the new year in September.

Look out for:

- 3D Art Club
- Babysitting (Level 2 Award)
- Chess Club (Yr 9 & 10)
- Christian Union
- Cipher Club
- Computer and STEM
- Creative Writing Club
- Dance Club
- Debate Club
- Drama Club
- Dungeons and Dragons Club
- Eco group
- Fashion Club
- Film Club (Yr 9-11)
- GeogSoc
- Hockey Club
- Knit and Natter
- LitTok (Yr 13)
- Local and Family History Club
- Manga & Comic Book Club
- Pride Group
- Reading Group
- Science Club (Yr 9 & 10)
- Space Club
- Warhammer Club
- Yr 9 Food/Cooking club
- Music clubs (Brass ensemble, string ensemble, jazz band, singing and drop-in sessions)
- Sports activities (over 25 opportunities to get involved! Including football, basketball, volleyball, and many, many more).



Want to be part of the most popular  
miniature wargame in the world?

Then come along to  
**Warhammer** club on  
Wednesday lunchtimes in  
the DT Department.

All abilities welcome,  
whether you are  
a painter, builder  
or battler!!

warhammer

Everyone welcome!

Come along to chat to like-minded  
people in a safe environment. Lots of  
fun activities and projects to get  
involved in.

Thursday lunchtimes.

Look out for  
further information in September!

Pride Club

# CHRISTIAN UNION

LIFE IS FULL OF QUESTIONS... DOES ANYONE HAVE THE ANSWERS?

- Is there a God?
- Is there life after death?
- Has science disproved Christianity?

At CU, we meet on a Tuesday lunchtime to explore the answers to some big questions through looking at the bible and having a good chat along with lots of biscuits!

Everyone is welcome, whether you consider yourself a Christian or just want to find out a bit more about God and what Christianity is all about.

## A CLUB THAT'S OUT OF THIS WORLD.....

A club where we gather and learn about the mysteries and complexities of space. We will explore the wonders of the universe and discuss our place amongst the stars.

Come and see our world through different eyes. All you need is a curious mind.

All welcome!

SPACE CLUB



Ever wanted to follow in the splat  
marks of Pollock or dream up a Dali?

Then come along to art club to unleash  
your creative side.

You will be able to try many new  
techniques and media that you  
won't be able to experience in  
lessons and broaden your mind  
to the fantastic world of  
**ART!**

This will be a lunch-  
time club. So bring  
your packed  
lunch, relax and  
be creative!

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Interested in law?  
Want to try something new?  
Keen to challenge yourself?

**JOIN OUR MOCK TRIAL TEAM!**

Take on the role of a lawyer, witness or  
magistrate and compete against other Mock  
Trial teams in a real court room!

Email Miss Gillan for more details!



**COURT RISE!**

# Music Clubs

**Music GCSE/A Level Coursework Support** – a drop in session for Year 10-13 music students requiring support with coursework. Wednesday lunchtime.

**Brass Ensemble** – open to anybody who plays trumpet, horn, trombone or tuba. Monday after school.

**Music Theory Support** – Need help with hemidemisemiquavers or augmented 4ths? This is a drop-in session for students requiring help with music theory (particularly suitable for students working toward Grade 5 Music Theory). Tuesday lunchtime.

**Performing Arts Showcase** – singing, dancing and acting. Preparing performances of musical numbers for a showcase in February. Wednesday after school.

**Orchestra/Band** – for all woodwind, brass, string and percussion players plus guitar, piano and bass. Thursday after school

**Choir** – open to all students who enjoy singing. Friday lunchtime.

**Other Ensembles** – Would you like to start your own string quartet, clarinet trio or rock band? See Mr Baldwin who will be pleased to arrange a practice room and time slot for you to rehearse.

See Mr Baldwin (Head of Music) for further information regarding any of these activities.



(Open to Y9 & Y10 students)

This club will cover a wide variety of computing from around the real world! If you're a fan of computers or you want to know more then this is for you.

We will look further at the wider world of science, technology, engineering and maths, and how these key areas relate to your life!

Further details in September

# COMPUTING & STEM

Would you like to be part of a performance planned for February 2024?

Come to rehearsals on Wednesdays 3.30 - 5pm after school in the Drama Studio.

We will be singing, dancing and acting as well as roles for behind the scenes and on the Tech Team!

All year groups welcome!



# DRAMA CLUB

# THINK YOU CAN CRACK THE CODE!

Want to get involved in cracking codes and competitions? Love maths and numbers?

Join our group!

Everyone's welcome.

Look out for announcements in the daily bulletin in September!

Dates and times  
TBC.

## CIPHER CLUB



The group offer a wide range of practicals to complete to impress your friends and family! You will explore cuisines of the world and choose which area you want to focus on!

We meet after school in the Food Department. Everyone is welcome, no cooking experience required.

See Mr Peake for more information and exciting events!

### COOK UP A STORM AT WBFC!

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# SPORTING ACTIVITIES

**There is something for everyone at WBHS  
when it comes to Sports.  
Look out for:**

- Sports Leadership
- Rugby
- Table Tennis
- Volleyball
- Football
- Cricket
- Trampolining
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Rounders
- Netball
- Hockey
- Tennis

Timetables TBC  
in September.

Everyone  
welcome





# COMIC AND MANGA

Comics, graphic novels and manga are some of the most interesting and mind-blowing examples of storytelling and in this group we explore and engage with them in a variety of ways.

Whether you want to practise your drawing skills and create your own comics or want a space to read and find out about the most up-to-date examples of this fascinating art form then this club is for you!

**ALL WELCOME**



Have you ever wanted to explore a fantasy world? Cast magical spells? Battle terrifying enemies with your friends?

Join **DUNGEONS & DRAGONS CLUB!**

No experience or equipment needed, come to learn, and play the most popular role-playing game in the world!

Look out for announcements in the bulletin in September.



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Interested in thinking about and discussing  
the state of the world?

Want to learn how to win arguments  
and how not to be fooled by  
clever speakers?

Interested in public  
speaking, politics, current  
affairs and debating  
competitions?

See Mr Rule in  
History if you'd  
like to know  
more!

LOOK OUT  
FOR MORE  
INFORMATION

THE FIRST RULE OF DEBATE CLUB IS YOU DO  
TALK ABOUT DEBATE CLUB... AS WELL AS  
ANY OTHER TOPIC UNDER THE SUN!

DEBATE  
CLUB

## Is the pen mightier than the sword?

We think so. So leave your swords at home and join us in the  
Library on Wednesday evenings to explore, develop and  
critique creative writing of all shapes and varieties. This is  
a supportive and friendly group which often goes on  
inspiring trips and works with practising authors  
and poets.

Everybody is welcome.

Don't forget your pens!

# Creative Writing

Interested about environmental issues and geographical news?

Want to get involved and take a active role in the future of our community and planet?

Curious to know more about the environment as well as green key concept ideas?

**Join our group!  
Everyone's  
welcome.**

# WBHS GeogSoc

Do you enjoy Designing and using Technology?  
Do you want to develop your skills?

Learn how products and systems are designed and manufactured, how to be innovative and to make creative use of a variety of resources including digital technologies?

Then come to:

**Design  
Technology  
Club**

Wednesday lunchtimes in the  
DT Department

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Come along for as little or as long as you would like if you study Spanish for some additional support or just to continue the fun!  
Snacks provided.



### **Year 11 Spanish Surgery Drop-in**

After school on Wednesdays  
from 3:15-4:15 pm

### **Year 10 Spanish Surgery Drop-in**

After school on Thursdays from  
3:15-4:15 pm

### **Year 12 & 13 Spanish Conversations & Cultural Reflection**

At lunch on Fridays

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# *Chess Club*

## **Enjoy chess?**

Come and be part of our club where you can enjoy the social space to meet other people and play chess.

All abilities welcome. Even if you have never played before, come and learn the rules of chess.

*Come and test your Chess skills!*



Are you concerned about climate change and want to know more, or are you someone who just appreciates nature and the natural world?

Do you have ideas for spreading scientific information or taking action on the climate and ecological emergency?



Come along to WBHS Eco Action Group - we would love to meet you!

# ECO ACTION GROUP

# DANCE CLUB

We regularly choreograph different dances in styles such as street, contemporary and jazz. The club is a collaborative mix of styles!

Dance Club provides a fun and inclusive environment, as well as giving you lots of performance opportunities should you wish to perform, such as the North Tyneside Dance Festival.

Wednesday after school in the sports block.

**DANCE CLUB WELCOMES ALL ABILITIES AND AGES!**





**DO YOU HAVE A GREAT IDEA  
FOR A CLUB?**

**SEE MISS MEDHURST TO  
PITCH YOUR IDEA!**



# EXTRA-CURRICULAR FAIR

**WANT TO GET INVOLVED IN EXTRACURRICULAR EVENTS OR FIND OUT MORE ABOUT CLUBS RUNNING IN SCHOOL?**

## THEN COME ALONG TO THE...

# EXTRACURRICULAR FAIR 2023



## THURSDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER

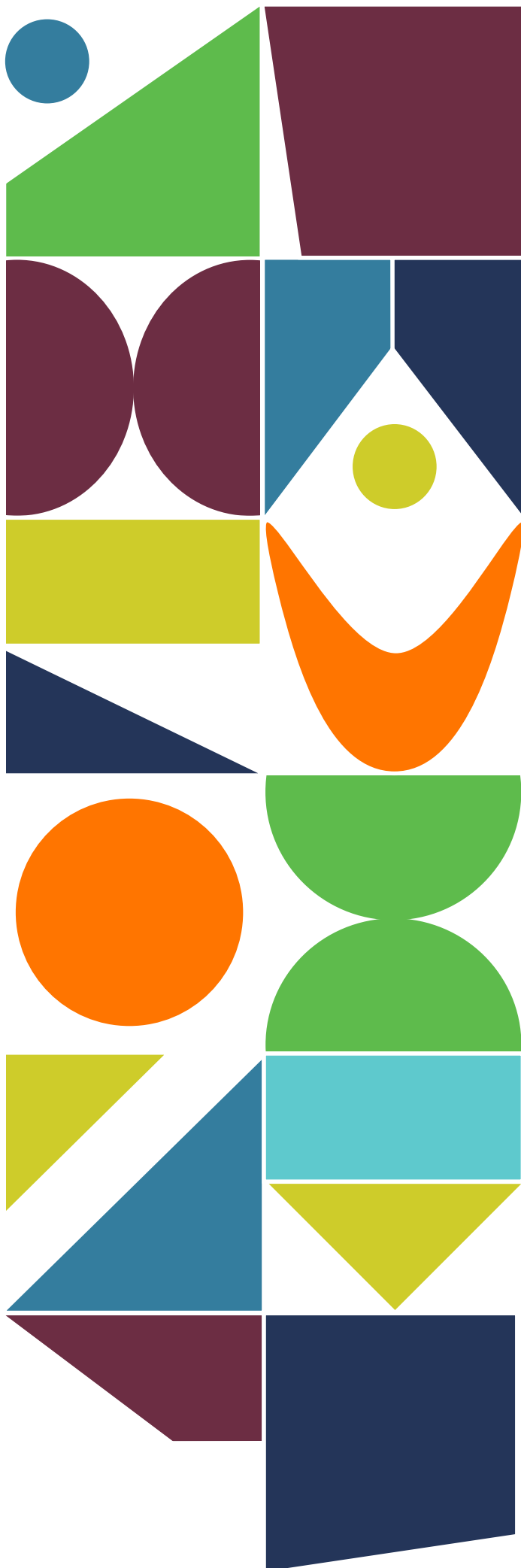
## BREAK TIME IN THE MAIN HALL

**VISIT THE MAIN HALL TO CHECK OUT OPPORTUNITIES, ASK QUESTIONS OR EVEN MAKE SUGGESTIONS FOR NEW CLUBS. SEE YOU THERE!**

# EXTRA-CURRICULAR PROJECT

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