

# WHITLEY BAY HIGH SCHOOL

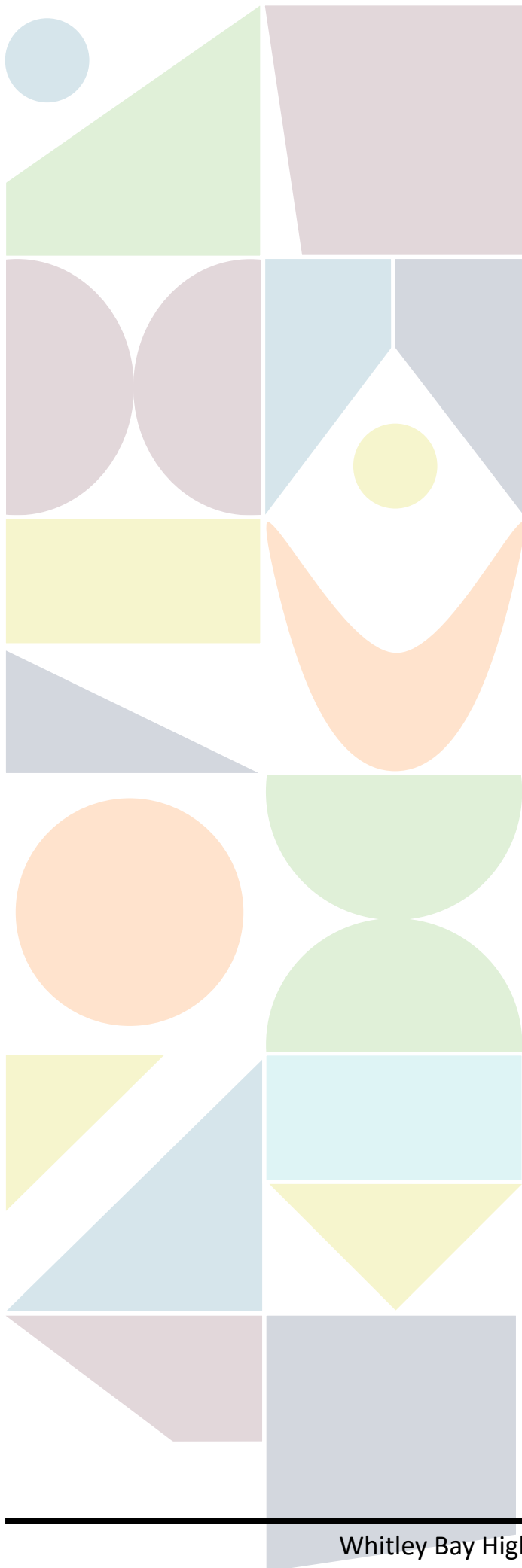
## Clubs Booklet


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Build Your Story!  
2025/26



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Congratulations on completing your transition days earlier this month. It was fantastic to meet you all and well done for bringing such great energy, enthusiasm and creativity. We are really looking forward to welcoming you properly in September as you begin 'Your Story @ WBHS'.

One of the key messages we shared during transition was that many of our most successful students are also our busiest. Extra-curricular clubs aren't just a great way to meet new people with shared interests, they also help you develop important skills like teamwork, confidence and communication. When we ask students about their favourite memories of school, they often mention the clubs and activities they've been part of, and how these experiences have shaped their time at WBHS.

We would encourage every one of you to join at least one club, and to try a few different ones to find what suits you best. Many students even go on to create new clubs of their own! All of your extra-curricular involvement will be logged in your 'Your Story' record in Teams, which will become a place to track everything you take part in.

If you can't see a club that feels quite right for you and you'd like to start something new, speak to a member of the Year 9 team and we can help you get it off the ground.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all again soon and hearing all about the fantastic clubs you're joining.

Mr Okwe-Pearson  
Head of Year 9



# EXTRA-CURRICULAR PROJECT

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## **YOUR STORY @ WBHS**

This year, you will begin writing *Your Story @ WBHS*. Every club you join, every activity you take part in, and every opportunity you try helps shape your story. Getting involved is one of the best ways to meet new people, build confidence, and discover your strengths. As you take part in extra-curricular activities, you'll be able to record your experiences in your Your Story log, creating a personal record of your journey through school that will grow with you and help you reflect on your achievements along the way.

# CLUBS OVERVIEW

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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.

It is not an exhaustive list but just a taster and more may be started in September.

- Art Club
- Bay Bulletin
- Christian Union
- Cipher Club
- Computer and STEM
- Creative Writing Club
- Dance Club
- Debate Club
- Drama Club
- Dungeons and Dragons Club
- Eco group
- F1 in Schools
- Film Club (Yr 9-11)
- GeogSoc
- History Society
- Hockey Club
- Lego League
- Manga & Comic Book Club
- Maths Drop In
- Pride Group
- Reading Group
- Science 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).



Film Club runs every Thursday after school in the lecture theatre, 3:15-4:30pm. All years welcome!

We watch a range of films from all genres with a choice of three films to vote on. Cinema rules apply - lots of snacks, but no talking while films play. At the end, you are welcome to stay for a discussion.

**First half term screens up to 12-rated films. After half term, Y9s and any Y10s under 15 will need a permission slip to watch 15 rated films from then on.**

## CHRISTIAN UNION



Life is full of questions...  
Does anyone have the answers?

We meet weekly to explore the answers to some big questions.

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

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



**PRIDE  
CLUB**



Everyone welcome!

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

Look out for further information in September!

**LEGO  
LEAGUE**

Build, Design, Create with Lego!



This will be our second year entering the Lego first challenge tournament. We will be building, designing and creating with Lego. Programming and building our own Lego robot to compete on the game board against other schools. Theme for this year yet to be announced.

All welcome!



**ART  
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!



**MOCK  
TRIAL  
TEAM**



**COURT RISE!**

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

**Join our Mock Trial Team!**

**Young  
citizens**  
Mock Trials

Take on the role of a lawyer, witness or magistrate and compete against other Mock Trial teams in a real court room!  
Email Ms Gillin for more details!



# MUSIC CLUBS

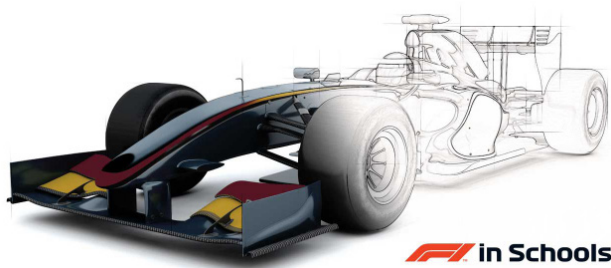
	Lunch	After school
<b>Mon</b>	Music GCSE Coursework Support Drop-in (D004, 12.25pm)	Brass Ensemble (D005, 3.20pm)
<b>Tues</b>	Recorder Ensemble (D005, 12.25pm)	String Ensemble (D005, 2.15pm) Showcase Orchestra (D005, 3.30pm)
<b>Wed</b>	Year 9 Choir (D004, 12.25pm)	Showcase Rehearsals (Drama Studio, 3.20pm)
<b>Thurs</b>	Music Theory Support Drop-in (D004, 12.25pm)	Jazz Band (D005, 3.20pm)
<b>Fri</b>	Music A Level Coursework Support Drop-in (D004, 12.25pm)	Choir (D004, 3.20pm)

- Jazz Band – for all woodwind, brass and percussion players plus guitar, piano and bass.
- Brass Ensemble – open to anybody who plays trumpet, horn, trombone or tuba.
- String Ensemble – open to anybody who plays violin, viola, cello or double bass.
- Year 9 Choir – for any year 9 students who enjoy singing. Short 20-minute rehearsals to develop confidence in singing.
- Choir – open to all students who enjoy singing.
- Showcase – singing, dancing and acting. Preparing for a performance in February.
- Showcase Orchestra – playing for the showcase. Preparing for a performance in February.
- Recorder Ensemble – open to all recorder players..
- 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).
- Music GCSE/A Level Coursework Support – a drop-in session for year 10-13 music students requiring support with coursework.
- 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 in D004 For further information regarding any of these activities.

# F1 IN SCHOOLS

Fancy being part of a  
Formula 1 Team?



Create your own version of an F1 team!  
Design, manufacturing, test, and create  
branding for your car. Then compete  
in F1 events, where you race against  
other teams!

Further details in September.

## REHEARSALS CLUB

Rehearsals For Performing Arts  
Showcase!



Come to rehearsals on Wednesdays  
3.30 - 5pm after school in the Drama Studio.  
We will be singing, dancing, and acting  
our way through a selection of musical  
numbers.

Working towards a performance in February.

All year groups welcome!

# CIPHER 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.

# WBFC

Cook up a storm at  
Whitley Bay Food 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.





# 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
- Athletics

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.

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!

# DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS

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.





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 creative using a variety of  
resources including digital technologies?

Then come to:  
**Design Technology Club!**  
Days and times TBC.



## CREATIVE WRITING



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.

**Don't forget your pens!**

Everybody is WELCOME!



# ECO. ACTION GROUP



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!

# 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.

Look out for details in September.



Dance Club welcomes all abilities and ages!

# READING GROUPS

Do you LOVE reading?



The Yoto Carnegies Reading Group is a relaxed reading group for Year 9 students. There is also the NETBA Reading Group (North East Teenage Book Awards) which is aimed at Year 10 students.

We usually meet once a week at lunchtime or after school.

All welcome!

See library staff for more information.



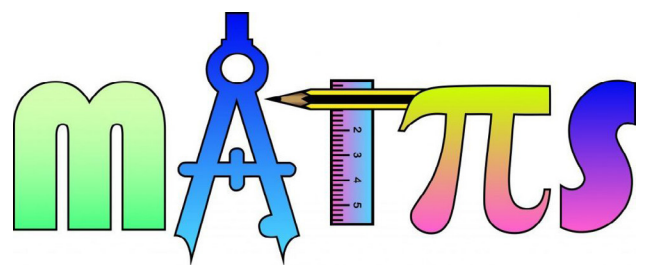
# MATHS DROP-IN



For those who love Maths or just want some extra help!

Regular drop-in Maths sessions where you can get help with homework, or topics you are studying or extra Maths problems to solve!

Pop along and speak to the experts!



Everyone welcome!

Speak to the Maths Department for more information

# MUSICALS CLUB

Give 'em the old razzle dazzle! ● ● ●

Meet up with fellow Musical enthusiasts to discuss all things Musicals. Deep dive into specific shows, get involved in themed sessions and even try your hand at some musical creation, there'll be games, great chats, biscuits, of course music and jazz hands and even the odd bit of karaoke.



# DEBATE CLUB

● ● ● The First rule of Debate Club is you do talk about Debate Club... as well as any other topic under the sun!



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!



Would you like to contribute to the  
school's newsletter?  
We want editors, writers, photographers  
and designers from all years!  
Got an idea for a feature? Come along and  
let us know!

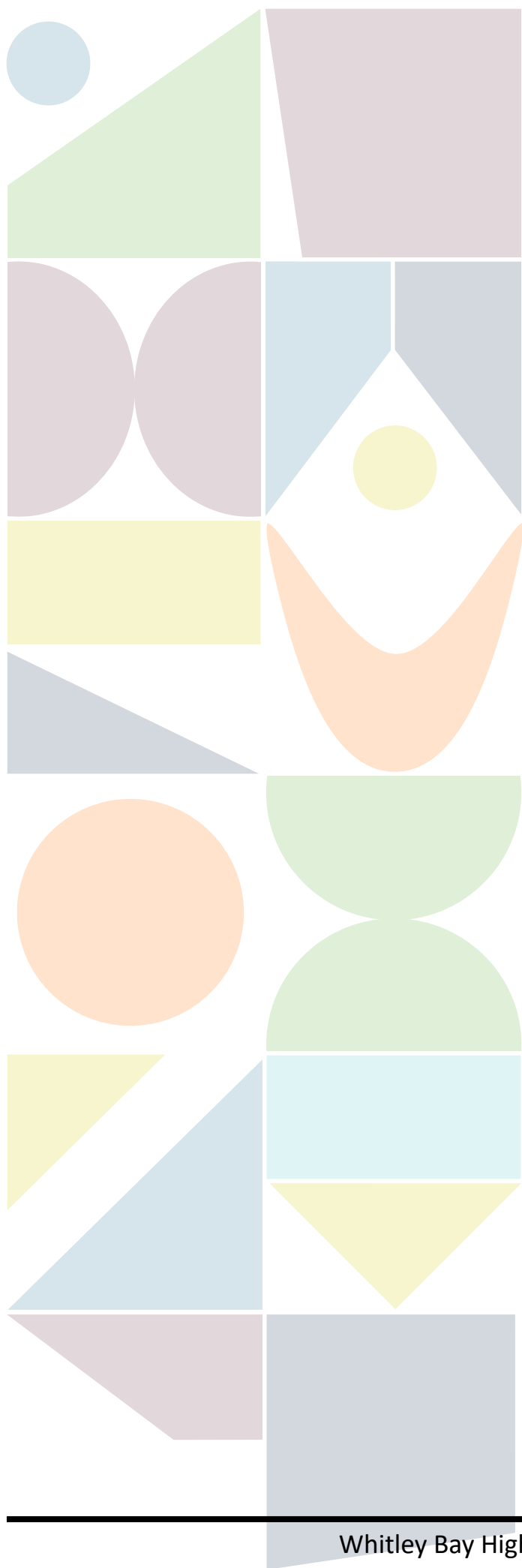
See Mr Convery for more details.



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

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



# EXTRA-CURRICULAR FAIR

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

**THEN COME ALONG  
TO THE...**

## **EXTRACURRICULAR FAIR 2025**



**THURSDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER**  
**BREAK TIME**  
**IN THE QUAD**

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

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