



CONTACT

No. 1740 – Friday 18th September 2026



As we settle into the flow of the new term, there's plenty happening around the school. This week brings a range of events, important updates, and opportunities to get involved. Whether you're preparing for upcoming assessments, engaging in sports, or club activities, there's something for everyone.

As the weather turns cooler and autumn settles in, we're beginning to experience chilly mornings and unpredictable conditions throughout the day. To ensure students stay comfortable and healthy, we kindly remind you to ensure your child comes to school with a warm coat or jacket each day, which is removed once in lessons.

Dressing in layers is also a great way to adjust to the changing temperatures, and students should be prepared for outdoor activities during breaks or P.E. in cooler weather.

Thank you for your support in keeping our students warm and ready for the season ahead!

How to be a St Thomas More Student – Thank you to all those families who attended our information evening for year 7 & 8 last night. We hope you enjoyed the evening and found it useful.

Free School Meals: [Application for FSM - St Thomas More High School](#) Due to government changes more families may now be eligible for free school meals. If you think you may be eligible, please complete your details on the link above.

Our Sixth Form Open Evening for **external** students is on the **1st October** from 6-8pm.

Please note: **Current Year 11 students** will be invited to a **personalised Sixth Form experience on 22nd October**, tailored specifically to their journey ahead. As such, they do **not need to attend** the event on 1st October.

Friday 2nd October & Monday 5th October 2026 Non-pupil days: School is closed to all students on Friday 2nd October 2026 as we host staff from all our Assisi Catholic Trust schools for a very full day of training and collaborative working. It is also closed to all students on Monday 5th October for our own staff training day.

Yr. 7 Welcome Mass – Early Warning: takes place on **Thursday 15th October 2026 at 5.30pm**, we will celebrate together followed by refreshments. Full information will be sent out to you in advance of the evening.

Yr. 12 Information Evening – Early Warning – takes place on **Thursday 8th October 2026**, full information will be sent out to you in advance of the evening.

Prayer of the Week

Short prayer in honour of the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross



25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Matthew 20:1-16

Artwork: Parable of the Labourers in the Vineyard (1637) by Rembrandt



This week we continue with our journey through the Holy Gospel according to Matthew. In this passage our Lord Jesus Christ tells the parable of the workers in the vineyard, where a landowner pays the exact same daily wage to those who have laboured all day as he does to those who only labour for the final working hour. If this was an historical account we would likely say that it was unjust, we generally run on merit and believe that the degree of effort, time, and sacrifice should directly dictate the reward. But parables are stories used to help us understand something bigger, and this parable is pointing us to an ultimate reward in the Kingdom of Heaven.

This Kingdom is built on boundless Grace and Mercy. We shouldn't see the landowner as unjust, but instead very generous, he doesn't have to give those who started work later the same reward but when seeing them unemployed and looking for work toward the end of the day, he sees their human dignity rather than just their output. In the eyes of God everyone is deeply valued, whether they look for Him at the start of their lives or toward the end, His desire is to welcome everyone into His family.

This Gospel challenges us to step away from comparison and jealousy. It reminds us not to measure our worth or the worth of others just by our achievements or contribution, but instead by the unconditional dignity they have as humans, made and surrounded by the love of God. This week we look to emulate this radical grace in our own lives by lifting up those in our community who feel overlooked or left behind.

- Max Morris, Lay Chaplain

Chaplaincy News

Year 7 Mass and Visits to St Peter's Catholic Church: This week we celebrated the first in-school Mass of the academic year with our new year 7 Students. I want to extend a huge thank you to our servers, our band and choir, and all the students who read during this first Mass, it truly was a great celebration. This Mass was celebrated by Fr Jeff, the Parish Priest of St Peter's in Eastwood, and Fr Jeff has also been gracious in welcoming our year 7 students into his church for a Mass with the community and a lesson on signs and symbols in a catholic church, this week students from the houses of St Andrew, St David, St George, and St Patrick all attended St Peters Church, with all other students due to attend next Wednesday. It's been a busy week but its been great to have such a fantastic introduction to our school with many opportunities to celebrate Holy Mass.

Talks on Catholic Social Teaching: Caritas Brentwood have organised a number of talks around Catholic Social teaching from Clergy, religious Sisters, and Parishioners who have lived experience in instances of extreme poverty, seeking refuge, and being on the 'outside' of society in a vulnerable state.

The Scheduled talks are as follows:

Environment, Laudato Si' - Saturday, 26th September hosted by Brentwood Cathedral of St Mary & St Helen 9:45am arrivals - 12:30pm departures

Homelessness and the Cost of Living - Saturday, 17th October hosted by St Alban's Church, Elm Park 9:45am arrivals - 12:30pm departures

Refugees and People seeking asylum - Saturday, 14th November hosted by St Anne Line Church, South Woodford 12:45pm arrivals - 3:30pm departures

For full details or to book please visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/caritas-brentwood-events-4458423>

'During this special Jubilee Year of St Francis of Assisi, proclaimed by Pope Leo XIV on the occasion of the 800th anniversary of the Saint's death, we also pray that we will be inspired to imitate the Poor Man of Assisi to work for peace, live simply, be of service to the poor, and trustworthy stewards of God's creation.

On Education Sunday, we give thanks to the Lord for the vocations of all who work within the Catholic sector: the teaching and support staff, chaplains, school leaders and governors. It is through their commitment and hard work that pupils and students in our schools, colleges and universities can thrive and contribute to society, through their formation and education.

In the academic year ahead, let us endeavour to give witness to the message of forgiveness, reconciliation and peace in the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ, and to pray that our Catholic schools, colleges and universities will be beacons of His good news in our communities. '

The Rt Rev Marcus Stock, Bishop of Leeds, Chairman of the Catholic Education Service



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 St Thomas More High School	St Peter's Fr. Jeff

COULD YOU BE A FOUNDATION TRUSTEE? [Assisi Catholic Trust](#) is currently seeking a foundation Trustee with experience or confidence in estates management; to support the development of the estates and our flourishing capital strategy covering buildings, digital infrastructure & technology and our asset management plan. If you, or someone you know, have these skills and a heart for supporting Catholic education, we would love to hear from you. Trustees play a vital role in ensuring strong oversight, value for money and long-term planning. If you are a practising Catholic and think you could serve our schools in this way, please contact the school office and speak to Mrs Ackred for an informal discussion.

Vacancies: Information for any vacancies in our Trust schools can be found on our [Assisi Catholic Trust Website](#)

1. St Thomas More High School - Cleaner and Finance Apprentice
2. Holy Family Catholic Primary School - Deputy Headteacher and LSA
3. Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School - Deputy Headteacher
4. St George's Catholic Primary School - Admin Apprentice; and
5. Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School - Admin Assistant

Parent Reminders and Student Information

Term Dates: Please find the term dates [2026/2027](#)

Calendar for Parents: can be accessed [here](#).



Absence: If your child is unwell and unable to attend, please notify the school of the reason for the absence on the first day of an unplanned absence by 9am or as soon as practically possible by calling the school and selecting attendance or by emailing attendance@st-thomasmore.southend.sch.uk. If the absence lasts more than one day, please update the school daily. Attending a medical or dental appointment will be counted as authorised if the pupil's parent/carer notifies the school in advance of the appointment. We encourage parents/carers to make medical and dental appointments out of school hours where possible. Where this is not possible, the pupil should be out of school for the minimum amount of time necessary. You can request a leave of absence for exceptional circumstances by through MCAS or alternatively email attendance@st-thomasmore.southend.sch.uk or by collecting a form from Reception. Please keep medical evidence of absence e.g. appointment cards or letters, copies of prescriptions, pharmacy receipts etc in case you need them to provide more details on your child's return to school.

Student Medical Conditions: Please ensure school is made aware of any updates regarding students medical conditions, particularly if they can potentially have an impact on their time in school and require support. Please contact Mrs Walford mwalford@st-thomasmore.southend.sch.uk if you wish to discuss your case in detail.

Changes to Contact Details: If you move house, change your email address, mobile telephone number or work contact number, etc. **please remember you can make these changes via your child's [MCAS](#) account.**

Considerate Parking: Thank you for your support and understanding when learning our routines for dropping and collecting students at school, this half term is a busy one and extracurricular clubs and trips are numerous thanks to our dedicated staff. Please **do not use school carparks** for dropping off in the morning or picking up at the end of the school day. The closest collection point is behind the fire station. Cars that attempt to drive in at the end of the day cause congestion and are a hazard. Please remember that this exit is also the main pedestrian exit from the school. If using the local area to park, please be considerate to our neighbours and local community **by not parking on double yellow lines or blocking driveways. Please do not 'drive by' to try and drop off or pick up or use surrounding roads** which get congested. Thank you for your co-operation. **After school activities and fixtures:** if you are collecting your child from a fixture or activity after school, please do not park in the double bays at the front of the school and block other cars in.

Spotlight on Wellbeing and Keeping Safe

Please don't forget that staff are here for you and your children, and you can get in touch with Mrs Walford via welfare@st-thomasmore.southend.sch.uk if you need some support. Parental factsheets on various topics are available on our website under the Safeguarding section, [Parent Fact Sheets \(st-thomasmore.southend.sch.uk\)](https://st-thomasmore.southend.sch.uk)

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about TOXIC GAMING

Gaming should be a way for children to have safe fun with their friends. But anonymity and a lack of consequences can mean that corners of online multiplayer gaming are riddled with toxicity that makes them unpleasant at best, and damaging to children at worst.

A 2019 study found 74% of players had experienced harassment in online games, and such behaviour has become increasingly normalised.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

GAMING WITHOUT THE FUN

Toxic gaming takes many forms. In live, multiplayer games, players can be targeted by strangers bullying them over voice and text, or deliberately sabotaging their game. It can also be present in spaces outside of the game such as Discord and Reddit, with players gatekeeping their community and making it deliberately unwelcoming to newcomers. In extreme circumstances, it can lead to physical threats, stalking and doxing.

WIDESPREAD TOXICITY

The Anti-Defamation League's 2019 study, *121 numbers are stark*. At that point, 74% of players had experienced some form of abuse, with 65% receiving physical threats, stalking or sustained harassment. Nearly a third of players surveyed found themselves doxed while playing online, which means private or personal information was shared against their will in an attempt to intimidate or silence.

BIGOTED TRASH TALK

Such toxic tactics are especially prevalent against girls, LGBTQ+ players and players from minority ethnic backgrounds. In all, 53% of respondents reported being targeted based on their race, religion, gender, sexual orientation or disability. Another survey revealed that 88% of openly LGBTQ+ players have been harassed by their communities, while over half of women report using a non-gendered or male username while playing to avoid harassment.

EXTREMIST IDEOLOGIES

Extremist groups have been known to target gaming communities and streaming platforms as a way of spreading propaganda and recruiting young players to their cause. Even in 2019, the ADL's research found that 23% of players had been exposed to white supremacist ideology, with a further 8% exposed to positive views about Islamic State. Disinformation is also a problem, with 13% hearing conspiracy theories about 9/11 and 9% exposed to Holocaust denial.

A SAFE SPACE MADE UNSAFE

This toxic environment can lead to the same feelings of fear, isolation and depression that offline bullying can. Children exposed to toxic gaming can become withdrawn, anxious or irritable. They can struggle with sleep and find it difficult to focus on schoolwork and other pursuits, even after the game has been switched off and they're no longer playing.

COPYING HARMFUL BEHAVIOUR

At the other end of the spectrum, children can mimic the toxic behaviour and language they've seen online in offline settings. If bullying or bigoted chat is normalised as a legitimate part of online gaming, children may end up emulating it offline with classmates, seeing it as harmless banter. This could make other children's lives miserable or leave them feeling isolated at school.

Advice for Parents & Educators

PLAY WITH FRIENDS

While some games rely on playing with strangers to make up the numbers, there are plenty of titles that can be played on a private server with vetted, trusted friends, sidestepping the toxic elements of the wider gaming community. If a child encounters toxic behaviour in others while playing larger games, encourage them to block and report the players responsible.

USE THE GAME'S TOOLS

Many online games provide ways to limit interaction with strangers, either through the global settings on PlayStation or Xbox, or within the game itself. Look at the options, and make it so children can only communicate with their friends. If you can't see this level of control, you can consider disabling chat completely and, where age-appropriate, using a suitable separate service for communication with friends.

TALK TO CHILDREN

Most importantly, if children are gaming online or want to start, talk to them about the risks and how to deal with toxic behaviour. Explain the kinds of behaviour they may encounter, encourage them to report and block, and let them know they can talk to you about any concerns. Where appropriate, you may even want to play alongside them to get a feel for the community yourself.

FIND THE RIGHT COMMUNITY

If your child is at an age where social media is permitted, friendly communities exist. There are online groups for LGBTQ+ players, players from minority backgrounds and girls, where they can chat and find people to play with in more welcoming environments. Not everyone is who they claim to be online, so be sure to discuss the risks of online friendships, and maintain an open dialogue with children to ensure their ongoing safety.

Meet Our Expert

Alan Martin is a technology journalist who has written for publications including *Wired*, *Technet*, *The Telegraph*, *The Evening Standard*, *The Guardian* and *The New Statesman*.

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Departmental News



Our [Amazon Wishlist!](#) Friends, family and alumni can donate directly to the school library. We still accept preloved copies from home you may wish to donate, but student and departmental requests for library stock can be found here. The book wish list is chosen and updated by the Library team as texts that benefit the student's reading comprehension, engagement with the curriculum and foster an interest in reading.

Small steps make big progress!

EXTENDED LEARNING CLUB

Support • Practice • Improve • Succeed

Bring your work
Bring your questions
Bring your goals!

TUESDAY
DAY

3:30
TIME

CR3
PLACE

- ✓ Complete your Extended Learning
- ✓ Get help with tricky topics
- ✓ Use computers (e.g. ActiveHub)
- ✓ Work in a calm and supportive space

Ask questions, build confidence and make progress!

BETTER PREPARATION
BRIGHTER IDEAS
A MORE CONFIDENT YOU

You've got this!

Invest time today for a brighter tomorrow!

LEARN • PRACTISE • IMPROVE • ACHIEVE

Food Tech September Extended Learning Challenge

What we are doing this September...

Snack tember

We will be taking part in Snack-tember, an initiative from the British Nutrition Foundation which promotes healthier, more sustainable snacking for children and young people aged 5-16 years.

To kick start this academic year I would love to see photos of healthy snacks you make at home

Email your photos to smnapper@st-thomasmore.southend.sch.uk and to receive a certificate and merit.

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- MORE vegetables and fruit.
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Explore, Try and Make better snacks.
www.nutrition.org.uk/snack-tember-2026

Better snacking. One bite at a time.
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Calling all actors, dancers, singers, stage production enthusiasts!:

Following STM's sold-out production of *A Christmas Carol*, we are excited to announce open auditions, for all year groups, for this year's extravaganza, Shakespeare's *'Macbeth'*. If you would like to audition for a role, please collect an audition piece from the English Office from **Wednesday 16th September**. Auditions will be taking place on **Thursday 24th September in the Assembly Hall from 3:45pm - 4:30pm**. Please note rehearsals will take place every Thursday at this time and full attendance will be required. If you have any questions please speak to Mrs Cotgrove or Mrs Lewis. See you there!

More. News is looking for budding writers, artists, and designers to join our news team. We will be visiting form rooms to discuss more about how you can be involved and contribute to our school newspaper. If you have any questions, please speak to Mrs Lewis.

NEWS FOR STUDENTS BY STUDENTS

Our paper is always evolving and is chartered to meet the needs and interests of every student no matter how niche. We are always aiming to grow and diversify but as it stands More. News is proud to offer articles on:

- POLITICAL NEWS
- POLITICAL SCIENCE
- SOCIOLOGY
- LAW
- THE COURTS
- FILM
- ENTERTAINMENT
- CULTURE
- SPORT
- IDENTITY
- PRIDE
- PSYCHOLOGY
- MUSIC
- TECH
- FASHION @ STM
- RUNWAY FASHION
- TEACHER PROFILES
- PHILOSOPHY
- MENTAL HEALTH
- ENVIRONMENT
- THEATRE
- HOT-TOPICS

BUT WE WANT MORE FOR STUDENTS

more news from your school

Alumnus of the Month: [June 2026](#)



Aspire: online resources for all things careers/universities and apprenticeships, great for those not sure of the opportunities after GCSE's (POST 16) and A levels (POST 18). Click to find out more [The Aspire Guide - Flipbook - Page 1 \(paperturn-view.com\)](#)



Southend Careers Service Events: a list of 6th Form and colleges open events for 2026/27 can be found on our website use the following [link](#) to take you there.

[Webinars & Workshops - Amazing Apprenticeships](#)

Where Next booklet is a useful tool for parent/carers to use to help support theirs and their child's understanding of what careers pathways and next steps they can actively support them taking

CAREERS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in. Links are underlined.

Careers Newsletter can be found [here](#).

Year 11 Information

This week I would like to provide some updates on matters relating to Year 11 study. I am currently in the process of collating the Year 11 revision timetable. I would like to stress that the sessions offered by our staff are completely voluntary and go ahead because of the kindness and dedication of our wonderful staff. When the timetable is completed, I will send it out in Contact and provide some more details at that point. In the meantime, please bear with us whilst we put this together. Students should be revising independently already; Mr Sheridan and I are always available to meet with students to discuss how to make revision both productive and effective. One piece of advice I would give at this point would be to attempt **timed** responses to exam questions. Finally, Mr Sheridan and I are here for students and parents should you wish to contact us with any queries or concerns. Have a good week. Mr Sheridan and Mr Dooley.

Poetry Corner No. 107

G. K. Chesterton

The Donkey

WHEN fishes flew and forests walked
And figs grew upon thorn,
Some moment when the moon was blood
Then surely I was born;

With monstrous head and sickening cry
And ears like errant wings,
The devil's walking parody
On all four-footed things.

The tattered outlaw of the earth,
Of ancient crooked will;
Starve, scourge, deride me: I am dumb,
I keep my secret still.

Fools! For I also had my hour;
One far fierce hour and sweet:
There was a shout about my ears,
And palms before my feet.

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Sports News

Year 11 Football vs Southend High (Away) (Friendly) – Won 5-4: Our first game back was against the team we beat in the final of the Southend Cup last year who fielded an identical side to the one we beat in the final. With 6 of our usual players rested to allow the inclusion of some new and up and coming faces to play we were pleased to come away with a win even though that was never the main focus of the game. Goals from Oliver, Luchi and a hat-trick from Ehimare won us the game, with no time in the game where either side was further than 1 goal apart. A special mention to Tom, Levi, Josh and Shay for making their first team appearance. Mr Spillett

Year 7 A Football: St Thomas More Year 7 A Team produced a dominant performance against Southend, securing a strong start to proceedings with a 3–0 victory. St Thomas More started strongly and took control of the game early on. The breakthrough came when Chris burst through the Southend defence and was brought down by the goalkeeper inside the penalty area. Jesse stepped up confidently and converted the penalty to give St Thomas More a deserved 1–0 lead. The team continued to control the game, particularly in midfield, where Fred and Lenny showed excellent composure and helped St Thomas More retain possession. Amari's ability to carry the ball from defence proved to be a major link in transition. St Thomas More continued to create opportunities and eventually doubled their advantage through Nathaniel, who produced a superb finish to make it 2–0. With Southend struggling to find a way back into the game, St Thomas More remained in control. The victory was capped off in spectacular fashion when Ola produced a brilliant long-range strike to complete the scoring and make it 3–0. Southend were determined to pull one back, however the presence and distribution of Sam proved too strong for the Southend attack. Overall, it was an excellent team performance, with St Thomas More demonstrating composure in possession, attacking quality and a strong defensive display, resulting in a thoroughly deserved and dominant victory.

Year 7 B Football: The year 7B football team played their first match together as a team against Southend High school for boys for St Thomas more. Although they came runners up, the boys fought tremendously hard, and there were plenty of positives to take throughout the game. The boys constantly showed lots of determination, passion and resilience throughout and played some really good football against a tough opposition. Overall, it was a great first outing for the year 7B team, and I shall be excited to see the team develop over the course of the season. Mr Young

Year 7 D Football: Our Year 7 'D' side came up against a strong Southend team and can hold their heads high despite the 3-0 scoreline. Southend edged the first half, taking a 2-0 lead into the break, but the boys regrouped superbly and came flying out for the second half, showing tremendous spirit, and matching their opponents for long spells. Southend proved a touch more physical and had the edge technically on the day, but STM never stopped competing and battled right to the final whistle. Plenty of encouraging signs to build on. Well done year 7!



Year 8 'A' Team vs SHSB – STM 3-1 SHSB: The Year 8 'A' Team started the year with a dominant 3-1 victory over Southend High. STM set the tone from the first whistle, and within the opening minute of the game, opened the scoring after David latched on to a long throw and finished well. The boys continued to dominate the game, doubling the lead midway through the second half, after Maxwell was fouled in the box before dusting himself off to coolly convert the spotkick. SHSB pulled one back early in the second half, yet STM were never troubled, and when David broke through and finished into the top corner, the victory was secured for STM. We now look forward to another friendly away to Eastwood next Monday, before our competitive cup action starts. Well done to all boys involved.

Year 8 'B' Team vs SHSB - STM 2-2 SHSB: The B team had a very positive start to the season on Tuesday, putting in an impressive showing of strength and skill against the visitors. We started well, applying lots of pressure going forward and using the wide channels to effect, creating lots of opportunities. 2 excellent finishes from Seth and Ollie put us ahead

by 2 going into half time. We found ourselves with more defending to do in the second half, needing to deal with some good forward play from Southend and requiring disciplined defending from our back 3. We dealt with the pressure well but unfortunately became unstuck by a well worked counter-attack and then a good finish to bring the game to 2-2. We continued to play positively and know we could have had a few more good chances to regain the lead, but it remained a tight battle to the end. A shout out to the man-of-the-match performance from our goalkeeper Ryan, who managed to save a penalty, multiple one-on-ones and pulled off some excellent shot-stoppers. A very good start from the B team and we know how much stronger we can get going into the next fixtures!



Year 7 'C' Team vs SHSB – SHSB 3-3 STM*: The Year 7 C team enjoyed an enthralling 3-3 draw in their first taste of competitive school sport for STM. STM took the lead in the early exchanges, when Kacper fired in from the edge of the box. SHSB then enjoyed a spell of dominance, and despite some excellent saves from Arthur, levelled the game midway through the first half. STM then won a penalty, but failed to convert, and then found themselves behind just before the break.



STM then showed more resilience to again level the scores, Luca looping an effort over the keeper. SHSB retook the lead moments later, making it a tense finale. However, with a numerical advantage on the break, STM won a free kick on the edge of the box. Luca stepped up and smashed it home, securing a well earned draw for the team. The boys showed excellent resilience and teamwork throughout and were a credit to themselves and the school. Well done to all boys involved.

Fixtures

DATE	FIXTURE	TIME
Mon 21 Sep	Year 8 Football v Eastwood (AWAY) KS3 Table Tennis Tournament @ STM	4pm kick off - Return 5:30pm 4pm
Tue 22 Sep	Year 7 A & B Football v Eastwood (H) Year 10 A & B Football v SHSB (H) Year 8 Rugby Trials	4pm
Wed 23 Sep	1st XI Football v Beaulieu Park (H) Year 7 Rugby Trials	2.15pm
Thu 24 Sep	No Fixtures	
Fri 25 Sep	Year 10 Football v Eastwood (H) Year 9 Football v Eastwood (H)	4pm 4pm

Extra-Curricular Timetable

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Before School	- Group Prayer 8.15-8.30am (Chapel) - Library 8-8.40am - Music Rehearsal Room 8-8.35am (Music 1) - Beyblade 8-8.35am (Assembly Hall)	- Group Prayer 8.15-8.30am (Chapel) - Library 8-8.40am - Music Rehearsal Room 8-8.35am (Music 1) - Beyblade 8-8.35am (Assembly Hall)	- Group Prayer 8.15-8.30am (Chapel) - Library 8-8.40am - Music Rehearsal Room 8-8.35am (Music 1) - Beyblade 8-8.35am (Assembly Hall)	- Group Prayer 8.15-8.30am (Chapel) - Library 8-8.40am - Music Rehearsal Room 8-8.35am (Music 1) - Beyblade 8-8.35am (Assembly Hall)	- Group Prayer 8.15-8.30am (Chapel) - Library 8-8.40am - Music Rehearsal Room 8-8.35am (Music 1) - Beyblade 8-8.35am (Assembly Hall)
Breaktime	- Personal Prayer 11.10-11.25am (Chapel) - Library 11.10-11.25am	- Personal Prayer 11.10-11.25am (Chapel) - Music Rehearsal Room 11.10-11.25 (Music 1) - Library 11.10-11.25am	- Personal Prayer 11.10-11.25am (Chapel) - Music Rehearsal Room 11.10-11.25 (Music 1) - Library 11.10-11.25am	- Personal Prayer 11.10-11.25am (Chapel) - Music Rehearsal Room 11.10-11.25 (Music 1) - Library 11.10-11.25am	- Personal Prayer 11.10-11.25am (Chapel) - Music Rehearsal Room 11.10-11.25 (Music 1) - Library 11.10-11.25am
Lunchtime	- Personal Prayer 1.30-2.25pm (Chapel) - Library 1.30-2.00pm - Chess Club 1.30-2.25pm (RE3) - Anime and Manga Club 2-2.25pm (Library) max 30 students - Breakout and Games Club Years 7-11 1.35-2.25pm (RE1) - Liturgy Band 1.30-2.25pm (Mus 1) - Business Careers Years 11-13 1.30-2.25pm (BS2)	- Personal Prayer 1.30-2.25pm (Chapel) - Library 1.30-2.25pm - History Club 1.30—2pm (RE3) - Latin Club Years 7-9 1.45-2.25pm (RE4) - Culture Club (Literature, Arts, Culture and Society) Years 9-13 1.30-2pm (E8) - Transformers Club Years 7-9 1.30-2.25pm (Lab 8) - Junior Rock Band Years 7-9 1.30-2.25pm (Music 1) - Jazz Band - By Audition 1.30-2.25pm (Music 2)	- Personal Prayer 1.30-2.25pm (Chapel) - Library 1.30-2.25pm - The Caritas Team 1.30-2pm (E4) - Dungeons and Dragons 1.30-2.25pm Eat before attending! (Lab 2) - Computer Science Club Years 9-11 1.30—2.30pm (CR5) - Origami Club 2-2.25pm (RE3) - Choir (Mus 1) - Philosophy Club Years 7-9 1.30-2pm (RE4)	- Adoration (guided prayer) 1.45-2.25pm (Chapel) - Library 1.30-2.25pm - Pokémon Club 1.30-2.25pm Eat before attending! (Lab 2) - Aviation Club 2-2.25pm (MFL3) - Cards Club 1.30-2.25pm (M2) - Folk Band 1.50pm (Music 1) - Classics Club Years 7-9 1.30-2pm (RE4) - Chess Club 1.30-2.25pm (RE3) - Guardians of the Garden 2-2.25pm (Garden) - Drama Club 1.50-2.25pm (H3) - Harry Potter Club Years 7-9 1.30-2pm (CR1) - Warhammer 1.40 – 2.20 (Lab 1)	- Personal Prayer 1.30-2.25pm (Chapel) - Library 1.30-2.00pm - Film Club Years 7-10 1.30-2.25pm (BS1) - Star Wars Club 2-2.25pm (Library) max 30 students - Cards Club 1.30-2.25pm (M2) - Bible Study 1.35-2.25pm (RE4) - Astronomy Year 10 1.30-2.25pm (M6)
After School	- Group Prayer 3.30-3.40pm (Chapel) - Library 3.30-4pm	- Group Prayer 3.30-3.40pm (Chapel) - Library 3.30-4pm - Computer Science Club Years 9-11 GCSE, BTEC & A-Level students 3.30-4.30pm (CR5) - Extended Learning Club 3.30-4.30pm (CR3) - Silver DofE 3.30-4.30pm (Eng 10)	- Group Prayer 3.30-3.40pm (Chapel) - Library 3.30-4pm - Morley's music lessons - Silver DofE 3.30-4.30pm (Eng 10)	- Group Prayer 3.30-3.40pm (Chapel) - Library 3.30-4pm - Lab Rats Years 7-8 3.40 – 4.20pm (Lab 1) - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Holy Hour) 3.50-4.40pm (Chapel) - Senior Rock Band - By Audition 3.30 – 4.40pm (Music 1) - Morley's music lessons	- Group Prayer 3.30-3.40pm (Chapel) - Library 3.30-4pm

Note: Clubs with no mention of year groups are open to all year groups

PE Extracurricular Timetable

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7.45 - 8.30 am	Sixth Form Gym (IFA) '5 Ball Basketball' Year 9-11 (RHE)	All Years Astro (RDY) All Years Badminton/Volleyball (SB) Year 9-11 Gym (LSH)	Sixth Form Gym (IFA) Yr7-10 Indoor Athletics (AAC) Sports Hall	Yr9-10 Track & Field Fitness Suite (AAC) Darts Club in PE1 (SB) Year 7 &8 Futsal (EK)	Sixth Form Gym (IFA) Yr7-10 MDR - Run Club Green Gate (AAC) Sixth Form Basketball (SB)
1.35 - 2.25pm	Year 7 Basketball (RDY) Year 11 Astro (NSP) Sixth Form Girls Gym (GRO)	Year 10 Astro (TH) Year 10 & 11 Basketball (SB/RHE)	Year 8 Astro (LSH) Year 8 & 9 Basketball (JTB/NSP)	Racket Sports (JH) Year 7 Astro (JTB)	Year 9 Astro (RDY) Sixth Form in Sports Hall (SB)
3.30 - 4.45pm	Year 7 Football Training (JTB) FIXTURES	Year 8 Football Training (LSH) FIXTURES	FIXTURES/MEETINGS	Year 9 Football Training (RDY) FIXTURES	Year 10 Football Training (MH/AH) FIXTURES

