

HENDON SCHOOL

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'Learning Together Across the World'

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Get Involved This Year: Clubs, Leadership, Volunteering & More

This year, every student at Hendon has the chance to get involved in something new. Getting involved outside of lessons builds confidence, new friendships and a real sense of belonging – and it's often where students discover a talent, a passion, or a group of people they'd never otherwise have met. We strongly encourage every child to sign up to at least one opportunity this year.

This Term's Club Timetable

There's something for everyone, covering sport, the arts, leadership, volunteering and new skills. Please see the Timetables attached.

Student Leadership, Volunteering & Community Opportunities

These opportunities are not yet in the club timetable. Instead, students will be able to register an expression of interest at the Freshers' Fair, and those interested will then go through an application or a short interview. These include:

- KS3 & KS4 Student Leadership opportunities through the house system
- A new student leadership position in marketing and social media – becoming part of the new PE student media team for content creation
- Opportunities to sign up to community-based projects – these are 'drop and go' leadership opportunities that run only for the length of the project, rather than all year, so students can focus on what interests them and fit it around their other activities
- For females: local football club Barnet Panthers will also be there recruiting girls for all levels of football – their community sessions run every Sunday for just £1, which you'll be able to sign up to
- Library positions – become a Library Ambassador
- For HS6 students: opportunities to volunteer and gain work experience with external company Soto
- For HS6 students: volunteer opportunities to support the enrichment programme, gaining valuable experience working with and leading younger students

...plus lots more!

How Club Sign-Up Works

Clubs have limited spaces, so signing up secures your child's place. We'll send a letter home confirming what they've signed up to, and it will be added to their timetable – visible on Arbor, so you'll be able to see their attendance and know when they're at an after-school club.

Because every place matters to another student too, we ask that once your child signs up, they attend consistently. If they're not able to, we may offer that space to someone on the waiting list.

Missed the fair, or things change during the year? Your child can still join a club at any time – just:

- Speak to the club's teacher directly, who can add them if there's space.
- Speak to their form tutor, who will help them find the right club.
- Or email me directly at downingk@hendonschool.co.uk and I'll help.

Freshers' Fair – How to Sign Up to All of the Above

The Freshers' Fair is how every student signs up to clubs, leadership, volunteering and community opportunities for the year – all in one place.

- When: Wednesday 16 September.
- What: every club and opportunity listed will have a stall, staffed by the students and teachers who run it.
- How: your child will get a Freshers' Passport, visit stalls to find out more, and sign up to at least one club or opportunity on the day.

Please look through the club timetable and opportunities attached with your child before the fair, and talk about what catches their eye – so they arrive ready to sign up.

If you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to get in touch at downingk@hendonschool.co.uk.

Yours sincerely,

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