



Co-curricular activities and Enrichment Trips

Co-curricular fair

When your child first arrives at the school, they will be introduced to all the co-curricular activities available to them during lunch times and after school. During the **first week** in September, before clubs have started, we host a 'Co Curricular fair', during a lunch time. All pupils are invited to the sports hall to peruse the different opportunities and clubs available to them that academic year. Departments have stands at the fair and pupils have the chance to see all that we have on offer and speak to teachers and other pupils about the clubs. The fair creates an exciting buzz which helps the pupils engage with what is on offer and introduces them to new activities which they may not have tried before. We always encourage pupils to try out new clubs and build up new skills and as a result, they are welcome to try different clubs each term. As a result of this fair, clubs will not start until the second week of September.

Communication and signing up

The full co-curricular programme is circulated to pupils, parents and tutors via email. This email contains a link to the school website's co-curricular page which has a PDF of our club timetable. This will be updated throughout the year and parents will be directed to it termly as some clubs are seasonal or there may be exciting new additions. Please follow this link to view the webpage and scroll down to download the PDF: <https://www.claremontfancourt.co.uk/senior/co-curricular/>

Our subject teachers also offer academic **Subject Support Clinics** for those who would like to learn more or for those that need a little extra help. These are held at lunch times on a weekly basis and the timetable can be found by downloading the PDF on this webpage:

<https://www.claremontfancourt.co.uk/senior/learning/>

As the vast majority of our clubs are produced in house by our teachers and coaches, they are therefore at no extra charge to parents. This means that children can just turn up and show their interest. Some clubs will naturally have a limited capacity and in this circumstance, staff will offer a sign up sheet and do their best to rotate the offering over the three terms.

House events

In addition to the weekly club offering, the vertical house system also puts on house competitions and activities. This allows the pupils to sign up for one off activities to represent their houses and earn **house points**. These competitions encourage students to build a rapport with students in other year groups, in activities such as the House Singing competition, House sports matches, cooking and science competitions.

School Trips

Our enrichment trips range from day trips to museums, evening trips to the theatre, to residential trips during the school holidays.

Towards the end of the summer term, our pupils embark on **Enrichment week**. During this week, various residential trips and activities take place. For Year 7 and 8s, they will partake in various enriching workshop in school for a couple of days and then embark on an activity filled residential. For Year 9s, they take part in DofE and academic day trips. This is a fantastic time to provide pupils with opportunities to develop their resilience and team-working skills, as well as challenging themselves with new activities. Year 12 will take part in work experience during this week.

Payments for trips are additional to the school fees and information on how to sign up and pay can be found on a separate document entitled 'Payment arrangements for enrichment trips and tuck'