



AYLESBURY  
GRAMMAR SCHOOL  
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# **EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS AND SOCIETIES**

## **2023 -2024**

**We are sure you will enjoy your time here in so many ways and this booklet provides a great overview of the numerous opportunities available to you at Aylesbury Grammar School.**

Here at AGS we have been nurturing the character of our students since 1598. We do this by offering you a unique environment of support, questioning and opportunity which inspires you to interact and thrive with all aspects of society and not to just learn your academic subjects. 'Participation' learning is a very important part of your education and we encourage you to get involved and to try new things. You can participate through extra-curricular activities, and well-structured House events, which all help to encourage a life-long interest in whatever you enjoy.

You can take part at your own level, nurtured and encouraged by our specialist teachers. By simply getting involved and trying new things you will develop your character, learn new skills and gain knowledge in an enjoyable and engaging way.

It is great fun and we hope it will always be part of your daily life here at AGS. Participating in something new, or enhancing current skills, offers all sort of benefits such as;

- Building wider groups of friends
- Increased confidence and self esteem
- Healthy living, happiness and wellbeing
- Increased motivation (which can also improve how you do in your learning)
- Development of social skills
- Promoting wider learning
- Learning new skills
- Development of character
- Preparing you for next steps when you leave us in Year 13....

Our list of activities is so wide that you will undoubtedly find things you will enjoy, want to try or want to learn more about. You can participate in in Sport, Music activities and events, Drama productions, subject clubs or other activities such as Chess, Warhammer, Debating and Gardening.

There is so much on offer but if we do not offer something that you like, or if you have any new ideas, then please speak to a teacher and we will aim to set it up with you! For example, we recently added a Rubik's Cube club to our activity list as a number of our younger students asked for it.

We celebrate difference here at AGS and offer a fantastic range of extra-curricular opportunities that will enable you to flourish in all that you do.

Please take a few minutes to read this booklet and we very much look forward to welcoming you to your new School in September.

Mrs L Wilson  
Assistant Headteacher

## CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

### KS3 Art Club\* – Mrs Gunter-Jones (\*Starting January 2024)

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Years 7 - 9	Lunchtime	TBC	Art 2

### Year 9 Art Taster Sessions – Coming soon!

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Year 9	Lunchtime	TBC	Art 2

### GCSE Art Club - Mrs Tangi and Mrs Gunter-Jones

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Year 10 & 11	Lunchtime	Monday - Friday	Art 2

### Board Games Club – Mrs Sampson

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Years 8 & 9	Lunchtime	Monday	EN6

### Chess\* - Mr Chappell (\*Please note that this club involves social games with AHS)

Available to	Time	Day	Location
All year groups	Lunchtime	Friday	MA4

All standards of players welcome for social games with AHS.

### Computing For All\* - Mr Chambers (\*Please note that this club can also be accessed remotely)

Available to	Time	Day	Location
All year groups	Lunchtime	TBC	CS2

Students can take part in a wide range of self-guided extension activities to develop their skills in areas such as game development, web design, cyber security and working with basic circuits and raspberry Pi computers. Work is primarily self-directed with help forums to chat to seek help from your peers. Books and resources will be provided. This year in January, students will have the opportunity develop a game and enter the young gamer BAFTA awards.

### Coming soon – Politics Club

Available to	Time	Day	Location
TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC

### Connect (Christian) Club - Mrs Crussell

Available to	Time	Day	Location
All year groups	Lunchtime	Wednesday	RS1

Student-led fun and friendly group where all students (from any faith or none) are welcome to discuss the big questions of life. Meetings are informal and include games, discussion, reflection and prayer. Details will appear on RS noticeboard (bottom of tower block).

### Cookery Club – Mrs Wilkinson

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Years 8 -10	After School	Monday	DT4

### Junior Debating Club\* - Mr Taylor (\*Please note that this club will run on Week B Thursdays only)

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Year 10 & 11	Lunchtime	Tuesday (Week B)	Lecture Theatre

Open to all students in Y10 and Y11 to debate current issues and ideas - you can get involved speaking in the debate proposing or opposing a motion, take part in the floor debate, help with keeping time, or just listen. You may bring your lunch. There will also be chances to compete in public speaking competitions representing the school.

### Senior Debating Society - Mrs Farmborough

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Year 12 & 13	Lunchtime	Wednesday	Lecture Theatre

All welcome to debate current issues and ideas. You can propose or oppose a motion; you can speak in the floor debates or just come along and listen. There will also be opportunities to compete for the school.

### French Club - Mr Crapper

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Year 7	Lunchtime	Tuesday	MFL6

### Gardening Club\* - Mrs Levitt (\*Please note that this club is weather permitting!)

Available to	Time	Day	Location
All year groups	Lunchtime	May vary with the weather -please see Mrs Levitt for further details	Vegetable Garden

Open to keen gardeners from all year groups. Please contact Mrs Levitt directly if you are interested in being involved (RLevitt@ags.bucks.sch.uk).

**Geology Club\* - Mr Jones** (\*Please note that this club runs on Week A Wednesdays only)

Available to	Time	Day	Location
All year groups	Lunchtime	Wednesday	GE3

**Greek Club - Mrs Guar**

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Years 8 -13	Lunchtime	Tuesday	CL2

For all students who enjoy languages and Classical history and literature, drop in when you can to learn Ancient Greek – you can continue all the way to AS if you wish

**Latin American Club\* - Mr O'Driscoll and Mrs Burnett** (\*Please note that this club runs on Week B Wednesdays only)

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Years 8 & 9	2pm – 2.30pm	Wednesday	MFL4

**Law Society\* -Miss Treherne** (\*Please note that this is a student led society)

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Years 11 - 13	Lunchtime	Tuesday	HI3

**Library (The Quiet Place) - Ms Pushong**

Available to	Time	Day	Location
All year groups	Lunchtime	Monday -Friday	PWM Library

**Linguistics Club - Miss Holliday**

Available to	Time	Day	Location
All year groups	Lunchtime	Friday	Online

Language based puzzles - no knowledge of ANY LANGUAGES required, just a logical mind. Linguistics Club is now available online, Classroom Code: sopczlz

**Maths Puzzle Club - Mr Holmes and Mr Deeley**

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Years 7 - 9	Lunchtime	Monday	MA8

For all the boys interested in mathematical activities, puzzles, ciphers, conundrums to tease, test & trick you.

### Medical Society - Dr McNamara

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Year 10 & 11	Lunchtime	Tuesday (Week A)	BI2
Year 12 & 13	Lunchtime	Tuesday (Week B)	BI2

Preparation for careers in Healthcare – discussion, outside speakers (often OAs) student presentations. Cost – N/A, some opportunities advertised in Medical Society do have a cost, but they are not compulsory

### AGS Pride - Ms Chalk and Mrs Richards

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Years 10 - 13	Lunchtime	Friday	HI5

AGS Pride is a student led group that is open to students in Years 10-13. Whether you identify as LGBTQ+, are unsure yet, or are a supportive straight ally for the LGBTQ+ community, the group is open to those who may feel they would benefit from coming along to the meetings where we discuss relevant issues and offer support. The group meets on Friday lunchtimes. Any questions, please speak to Mrs Richards (in Student Support) or Ms Chalk (in EB2). Information is also available at <http://sites.google.com/ags.bucks.sch.uk/lgbtq>

### RPG - Mr Roberts

Available to	Time	Day	Location
All year groups	Lunchtime	Thursday	MA5

Join us to play tabletop roleplaying games such as Dungeon's and Dragons, Star Trek adventures and many more! We play every Thursday lunch in Ma5, open to all year groups.

### Rubik's Cube Club – Mrs Richards

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Year 7 - 9	Lunchtime	Thursday	HI4

You do not have to be a cubing genius to join in!

### Science Club\* - Mrs Smith and Mr Perry (\*Please note that this club commence after the October half term)

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Year 7	1.50pm – 2.20pm	Monday	BI2
Year 8	1.50pm – 2.20pm	Monday	BI5

An opportunity for keen scientists to try experiments /activities that you won't do in normal science lessons!

**Spanish Club\* - Mrs Corbould** (\*Please note that this club runs on Week A Wednesdays only)

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Year 7	2pm – 2.30pm	Wednesday	MFL2

**GCSE Spanish Club\* - Mrs Corbould, Mr O'Driscoll and Mrs Burnett** (\*Please note that this club will start in January)

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Year 11	2pm – 2.30pm	Wednesday (Week A) Wednesday (Week B)	MFL4 MFL2

**Stem Science Club\* - Mrs Parvez** (\*Please note that this club will start in January)

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Year 8	3.45pm – 4.45pm	Tuesday	BI5

Year 8 STEM club students to 'apply' to join. An exciting opportunity to try experiments you might never in lessons.

**TCG Club – Mr Walker**

Available to	Time	Day	Location
All year groups	Lunchtime	Tuesday	HI2

This is a club for anyone who plays or would like to learn a variety of card games including Pokemon, MTG and Lorcan.

**Warhammar and Wargaming Club – Mr Kent**

Available to	Time	Day	Location
All year groups	After School	Tuesday	EN1

All standards of player welcome.

**Young Enterprise - Ms Chalk**

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Sixth Form	(Please contact Ms Chalk directly for further details)		

6<sup>th</sup> Form maximum 15 per company (we often run two companies). Students will have the opportunity to set up and run a real company over the academic year, with support & guidance of a volunteer adviser from business. Your company will raise share capital, market & finance a real product or service and sell it to the public with a chance to make a real profit. All we ask is that you will commit to weekly meetings for the year as well as some evening and weekend trade fairs run by the local YE board as part of the National competition.

## MUSICAL ACTIVITIES

### Brass Ensemble\* - Mr Kitchen

Available to	Time	Day	Location
All year groups	1.45pm – 2.25pm	Friday	AGS Mu2

\*Grade 3 or above

### Choir – Mr Warner

Available to	Time	Day	Location
All year groups	1.45pm – 2.25pm	Tuesday	AHS Roblyn Hall

### Classical Guitar Ensemble - Mr Zaldua

Available to	Time	Day	Location
All year groups	1.45pm -2.25pm	Friday	AGS Mu7

### Good Vibrations\* - Mr Stahlmann

Available to	Time	Day	Location
All year groups	2pm – 2.30pm	Wednesday	AHS Mu2

\*Beginner strings up to Grade 3

### Jazz Band\* - Mr Nathan

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Years 10 – 13 (Rhythm section and vocals)	Lunchtime	Monday	AGS Mu7
Years 10 – 13 (Full Jazz Band)	Lunchtime	Thursday	AGS Mu7

\*Grade 5 or above

### Junior Jazz Band\* - Mr Nathan

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Years 7 - 10	1.45pm – 2.25pm	Wednesday	AGS Mu7

\*Grade 2/3 and upwards



### **Jazz Improv Group\* - Mrs Ridout**

Available to	Time	Day	Location
All year groups	3.40pm – 4.20pm	Tuesday	AGS Mu7

\*Grade 5 or above

### **Saxophone Ensemble\* - Mrs Ridout**

Available to	Time	Day	Location
All year groups	1.45pm – 2.25pm	Tuesday	AGS Mu2

\*Grade 4 or above

### **Symphony Orchestra - Ms Raven**

Available to	Time	Day	Location
All year groups	1.45pm – 2.25pm	Friday	AHS Harding Hall

\*Grade 4 or above

### **Coming soon - Junior Wind Ensemble**

Available to	Time	Day	Location
All year groups			

\*Beginner wind up to Grade 3

### **Coming soon - Percussion Group**

Available to	Time	Day	Location
All year groups			

### **Coming soon - Rock Club**

Available to	Time	Day	Location
Years 7 - 9			

For further details regarding music clubs and activities please contact the Director of Music, Mr C Nathan (cnathan@ags.bucks.sch.uk).

## SPORTING ACTIVITIES

For further details, such as activity day and timings, please refer to the AGS Sport and PE Extra Curricular timetable that is issued weekly to students by the Director of Sport, Mr Duggan.

### Autumn Term

Activity	Available to	Location
AGS Fitness*	Years 9 - 13	Fitness Suite

\*Please note, an AGS Fitness Gym Membership is required

Activity	Available to	Location
Badminton	All year groups	Sports Hall

Activity	Available to	Location
Basketball	All year groups	Sports Hall

Activity	Available to	Location
Cross Country	All year groups	School Field and/or Turnfurlong Pitches

Activity	Available to	Location
Handball	Years 8 & 10	Sports Hall

Activity	Available to	Location
Rugby	All year groups	Sports Field and/or Turnfurlong Pitches

Activity	Available to	Location
Squash*	All year groups	Squash Courts

\*Please note, an AGS Squash Membership is required

Activity	Available to	Location
Swimming	All year groups	Swimming Pool

Activity	Available to	Location
Ultimate Frisbee	All year groups	School Field

### Spring Term

Activity	Available to	Location
AGS Fitness*	Years 9 - 13	Fitness Suite

\*Please note, an AGS Fitness Gym Membership is required

Activity	Available to	Location
Badminton	All year groups	Sports Hall

Activity	Available to	Location
Basketball	All year groups	Sports Hall

Activity	Available to	Location
Cross Country	All year groups	School Field

Activity	Available to	Location
Football	All year groups	Sports Field and/or Turnfurlong Pitches

Activity	Available to	Location
Handball	Years 8 & 10	Sports Hall

Activity	Available to	Location
Squash*	All year groups	Squash Courts

\*Please note, an AGS Squash Membership is required

Activity	Available to	Location
Swimming	All year groups	Swimming Pool

Activity	Available to	Location
Volleyball	All year groups	Old Gym

#### Summer Term

Activity	Available to	Location
AGS Fitness*	Years 9 - 13	Fitness Suite

\*Please note, an AGS Fitness Gym Membership is required

Activity	Available to	Location
Athletics	All year groups	Turnfurlong Field

Activity	Available to	Location
Badminton	All year groups	Sports Hall

Activity	Available to	Location
Cricket	All year groups	School Field

Activity	Available to	Location
Squash*	All year groups	Squash Courts

\*Please note, an AGS Squash Membership is required

Activity	Available to	Location
Swimming	All year groups	Swimming Pool

Activity	Available to	Location
Table Tennis	All year groups	Old Gym

Activity	Available to	Location
Tennis	All year groups	Tennis Courts

Activity	Available to	Location
Volleyball	All year groups	Old Gym

## FURTHER SPORTING ACTIVITIES -MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED

Here at AGS we are able to offer a number of additional paid clubs and activities for our students to enjoy. If you would like to find out more, please email the Director of Sport, Mr C Duggan at [cduggan@ags.bucks.sch](mailto:cduggan@ags.bucks.sch).

Activity	Available to	Location
Boxercise	All year groups	Old Gym

Activity	Available to	Location
Climbing	Years 9 & 10	ClimbQuest, Milton Keynes

Activity	Available to	Location
AGS Fitness (Gym Membership)	Years 9 - 13	Fitness Suite

Activity	Available to	Location
Golf	All year groups	Dynamic Driving Range, Bierton

Activity	Available to	Location
Kendo	Years 7 - 10	Old Gym

Activity	Available to	Location
Squash	All year groups	Squash Courts

Activity	Available to	Location
Touch Tennis	Years 7, 8 & 9	Sports Hall

Activity	Available to	Location
Watersports	*coming soon!	







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