St Swithun's
WINCHESTER






CO-CURRICULAR PROGRAMME AUTUMN 2026

ETHOS

At St Swithun's we are proud of our academic excellence but also believe in the concept of being 'appropriately academic'. This means encouraging the girls to work hard in class but also providing them with opportunities to do something else. The 'something else' is as important as academic lessons, and sometimes more so. We expect the girls to try new things, to make mistakes and learn from them, to develop commitment, perseverance, teamwork and organisational skills.

We accept that some girls will naturally want to take part in many activities and that others will need some gentle persuasion. We would be failing in our duty to the latter if we did not emphasise the importance of balancing academic work with other activities. After all, the girls will never again have so many opportunities to try such a wide range of activities.

Boarders are expected to sign up to a certain number of co-curricular activities that take place after school. This number depends on which year group the girls are in but, generally speaking, the younger girls are expected to do more activities when their workload is lighter. Day girls are welcome to sign up to these activities. There is also a wide range of lunchtime clubs.

Pupils commit to an after-school activity for one term and the sign-up process happens at the beginning of each term. Form tutors help with this process to ensure that the girls have a good balance of co-curricular activities and that they honour any priority sport, music or drama activities for which they are required.

BOLD & CAPS take first priority
Bold take second priority
Underlined - sign-up co-curricular activities (these require a term's commitment)
Not Caps, Bold or Underlined – optional clubs
*There is a cost for this activity
This timetable is correct at time of printing, but could be subject to change

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
06:45 - 07:30		**Swim squad (by invitation)**		**Swim squad (by invitation)**	
07:45 - 08:45 08:15 - 08:45	**Swing band (by invitation)** **Vocal quartet (by invitation)**	**Cello ensemble (by invitation)** **Clarinet trio (by invitation)** **String quartet (by invitation)**	**Chamber choir (by audition M5-U6)** **Piano trio (by invitation)** **Radioactive band (by invitation)**	**Clarinet ensembles (by invitation)** **Flute ensemble (by invitation)** **Piano six hands (by invitation)** **Senior maths scholars (by invitation)**	**Brass ensemble (by invitation)** **Piano four hands (by invitation)** **String quartet (by invitation)**
Break		Psychology Club (L5-U6)	Economics reading group STEM reading group	The Oracle	Humanities reading group
Period 8					**Primary school volunteering (L5-U6)** Filipino martial arts
Lunch 1 13:05 - 13:35	**CONCERT BAND** (by invitation) Athletic development Darts club DT open workshops Model United Nations (L5-U6) Netball skills/defence (L5-U6) Science club (L4-U4) The Reading Room Velocity	**PHOENIX CHOIR (L4-U4)** Athletic development Bittersweet band (by invitation) Cricket (L4) Enterprise club Football (L4-U5) Netball skills (L4-U4) Stride STEM reading group Trampolining club	**DAY HOUSE MEETINGS** Pachamama project	**STRING ORCHESTRA (by invitation)** Athletic development Dance club Football (L5-M5) Lacrosse skills Law society Medical society (U5-U6) Netball performance team players (L4-U6) Pickleball club Play writing club (L5-U6) Spanish culture club Sweat The Globe (Geography club) The Wrong Notes band (by invitation) Thinking maths (L4-U4)	**Primary school volunteering (L5-U6)** Athletic development (U4) Computer science club (L4-U4) Creative writing club (L5-U6) Cricket (L5) Football (M5) Pet club Philosothon Senior debating club (L5-U6)

ACADEMIC LUNCHES can run any lunch time on an adhoc basis - advertised weekly (all welcome)

Lunch 2 13:35 - 14:10	Athletic development Junior debating club (L4-U4) Netball shooting (L4-L5) Netball defence (L4-L5) UK Maths Trust club Women in literature club (L5-U6)	Athletic development Cricket (U4) German support club (M5-U5) History and politics reading group (M5-U6) Lacrosse skills Sports scholarship programme Science journal club Trampolining club	**Italian GCSE (L5-U6)** Pachamama project	**Italian GCSE (L5-U6)** Athletic development Computing club Darts club DT open workshops Engineering club German club (U6) Greek Lacrosse skills Law society Medical society (U5-U6) Musical drama club Netball shooting (L4-U6) Pickleball club Touch typing club Trampoline club	**Primary school volunteering (L5-U6)** **Baroque ensemble (by invitation)** Athletic development (U4) Chess club Cryptics crossword club Cricket (M5) French GCSE club (M5-U5) Junior drama club (L4-U4) Languages from scratch Pet club Senior debating club (L5-U6) Social card games club Table tennis
After School 16:30 - 17:30	**SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA (by invitation)** **Netball (L4-U4)** Art club Athletic development D of E support (M5) Gaming club PACE - drama club (until 6.00pm) Squash club*	**SCHOOL PRODUCTION rehearsals (until 6.00pm)** **Lacrosse (U5-U6)** **Netball (L5-M5)** Allotment club Archery* Art club (until 6.30pm) Badminton (L4-L5) D of E support (M5) Golf driving range PACE - drama club (until 6.00pm) Satellite club	**SCHOOL PRODUCTION rehearsals (until 6.00pm)** **Lacrosse (L5-M5)** **Netball (U5-U6)** Art club Badminton (M5-U6) Cooking for the night shelter Greenpower PACE - drama club (until 6.00pm) Swim squad The Morrows band (by invitation)	**SWITHUN CHOIR (by audition L5-U6)** **Lacrosse (L4-U4)** Art club Athletic development D of E support (M5) Karate* Maths Cartwright club (U4-U5 by invitation) Swim squad SwithRadio Tennis (U5-U6 by invitation)	Tennis (L4-M5 by invitation)
16:30 - 18:00	Private study in the library	Private study in the library	Private study in the library Fencing*	Private study in the library	Private study in the library