

ENRICHMENT AT TOWNSEND

Achievement for All, Respect for All

Why do we believe enrichment programmes are important?

Enrichment can boost academic as well as sports performances, reduce bad behaviour, promote physical health and mental well-being while providing a safe, structured environment for our students to work & study.

We see first hand, that enrichment leads to improvements in social competence & academic performances. These improvements can be seen in better grades, completion of homework & school work, development of social skills and confidence in learning and in the community.

Getting involved in enrichment activities helps children to meet new people from different cultures, religions & backgrounds with whom they can share their daily experiences and interests, while improving social skills as a result. Extracurricular activities help them expand their vast network, which proves beneficial for finding various academic and career opportunities in later life. It enables students to be confident in unfamiliar surroundings and when dealing with new environments and situations.

Everyone at Townsend has the opportunity to be involved in enrichment opportunities, everyone takes part in curriculum enrichment and all are invited to take part in extra-curricular enrichment.



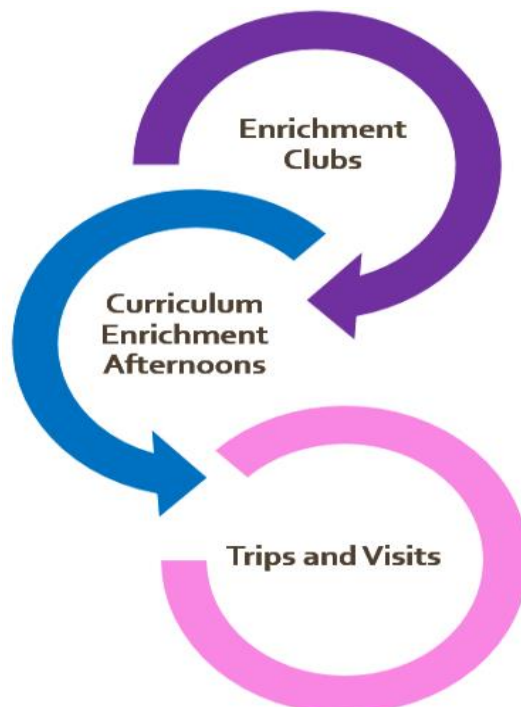
The Benefits of Enrichment:

- Make learning a fun
- Boost self-confidence
- A sense of belonging
- Social skills development
- Higher self-esteem & Teamwork skills
- Exploring new hobbies & interests

The main objective of enrichment is to make children strong enough from within so that they are able to solve problems themselves.

We have a 3-tier approach to enrichment:

1. Enrichment Clubs (lunchtime and after school clubs)
2. Whole School Curriculum Enrichment Afternoons (3 per year)
 - The Great Debate
 - Careers
 - RSE
 - Spiritual Reflection
 - GCSE taster session
 - Targeted revision
3. Trips and Visits:
 - Departmental curriculum trips and visits run as much as possible, and after the disruption of the Covid pandemic, we are trying to get these back up and running as much as possible. Previous trips and visits include: Field trips to Swanage, Dartmoor, St Albans, local rivers. Trips abroad to places such as Ypres, Berlin, Iceland, Auschwitz and Boulogne-Sur-Mer. Workshops for subjects such as maths, English, science and drama GCSE and A-level. Biology field trips to North Yorkshire. Art galleries and museums like the Imperial War Museum and the National Gallery. The Houses of Parliament, Food Technology and Business studies trips to Cadbury World and Jimmy's Farm, to name just a few.
 - Enrichment and next-steps visits include visits to the theatre and plays, museums, university open days and visits to the University of Cambridge for the scholars Programme, trips for careers, The Apprenticeship Show, Morfa Bay, Harry Potter World...
 - Activities Day in July – the whole school attends a trip/visit/onsite enrichment activity, examples from July 2022 include: Chessington Park and Zoo, Alton Towers, footgolf, Whipsnade Zoo, Blenheim Palace, Lea Valley Watersports trips, bowling, countryside walks, Milton Keynes shopping, cookery, arts and crafts, drawing workshops, snooker and pool, Hampton Court, Southend-on-Sea





ACHIEVEMENT FOR ALL EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES FOR ALL



Example of a termly clubs list:

Clubs are regularly updated and changed throughout the year; clubs are advertised to students in school in lessons and in form time.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Before School Breakfast Club Lunchtime	Before School Breakfast Club Lunchtime	Before School Breakfast Club Lunchtime	Before School Breakfast Club Lunchtime	Before School Breakfast Club Lunchtime
Art club – all years Drama Open Rehearsals – yr 9/10/11/12/13 Volleyball club – all years - Gym	Art club – all years Basketball club – yr 7/8 – Gym Business club – yr 9/10/11/12/13 Drama club – all years Maths Clinic – all years Spanish club – all years Swimming club – all years GCSE PE Revision – yr 9/10/11 – lecture theatre	Art club – all years Drama Open Rehearsals – yr 9/10/11/12/13 Girls Basketball – all years – Gym Mandarin club – all years Maths GCE/GCSE Revision – yr 11/12/13 Science club – yr 7/8 Table Tennis club – all years – Studio	Art club – all years Craft club – all years Drama Revision – yr 11 Gymnastics/Dance club – all years – Gym/Studio Handball – all years – New Courts LGBTQ+ club (week 1/A only) – all years Maths Clinic – all years	Basketball club – yr 9/10/11 – Gym ECO club (week 1/A only) – all years Maths GCE/GCSE Revision – yr 11/12/13 German club – all years
After School Art club – yr 9/10/11 Football club – all years – Field Textiles – yr 11	After School (Staff Meeting Day) Homework club – all years	After School Netball club – all years – Courts French GCSE Intervention – yr 11	After School Art club – yr 9/10/11 Homework club – all years Maths club – all years Trampoline club – all years – Gym	General Information Clubs are open to all years unless a year group is specified. There are activities & worship in The Reflection Room every day run by the RE Ambassadors and sixth form students. Girls netball & football and boys rugby & football fixtures take place after school on a variety of days. Students will be notified of times and locations by letter from the PE Department. Rehearsals for the school show take place at lunchtime and after school as appropriate.

Curriculum Enrichment Afternoons:

We have 3 “drop-down” afternoons each year—1 a term, where we develop enrichment opportunities around a theme—the activities are hands on and activity based, and students are provided with talks from outside providers, activities, group work tasks, research based activities and much, much more.

Below is the calendar for this year. RSE is Relationship and Sex Education and activities support the curriculum taught during the normal school timetable.

Enrichment Afternoon Planner 22/23:

Year Group	4 th November	9 th February	13 th June
7	Spiritual Reflection	RSE	Careers
8	RSE	Options taster sessions	Spiritual Reflection p3&4 Careers p5
9	Careers	Spiritual Reflection	RSE
10	Spiritual Reflection	Careers	RSE
11	RSE	Spiritual Reflection	Targeted Revision Sessions
12	Careers	RSE	Spiritual Reflection
13	Careers	RSE	Targeted Revision Sessions

