



Teacher Led Clubs:

Board Games

There will be a variety of games from Trivial Pursuit to Pictionary for children to experience. Children will aim to make their own game by the end of the term!

Computer Club

This popular after school club for Years 1 and 2, allows children to extend and explore skills that are introduced during computing lessons and more. Computational thinking problem-solving methods are used whilst our members have more time to choose and collaborate in fun activities. Children develop confidence whilst using the wide variety of pursuits, games and devices available, including desktop computers (keyboards and mouse skills), laptops, LearnPads and the Clevertouch interactive screen.

Creative Thinking Club

This lunchtime club is for all girls in Years 5 and 6. Creative Thinking Club provides girls with an opportunity to think differently about a variety of tasks, whilst also working collaboratively. Topics range from philosophy to allegories.

Debating Club

Who doesn't love a good argument!

Well, debating is, of course, the art of having a difference of opinion and using your powers of persuasion to coax others to your point of view, rather than bamboozle them into agreement! At Lyonsdown, we love debating and think that we are rather good at it. In fact, we have even won competitions! Each term, our club members decide on the motions, organise themselves into teams proposing and opposing and then get busy considering their main points and rebuttals. Members even design and create persuasive posters too. Then when all is ready, the club presents their debates to the whole school and everyone gets a chance to vote. Democracy, tolerance and civilised disagreement are what it's all about, and after the vote, both teams shake hands and we give them all a rousing cheer! Perhaps in the future, political life will beckon for some...

Modern Foreign Language Club In Modern Foreign Language club, the children reinforce the language learnt during school hours. We work on grammar and verbs in a fun way.

Indoor/Outdoor Activities

This club is open to Reception. Children select from a variety of activities such as: construction, free drawing and painting, threading, playdough, "tap a shape" and Clevertouch programs. In fine weather the children spend time on the Lyonsdown boat or the bikes and scooters.

Lego Club

This club is for all children in Years 1 and 2. The club will be a fun way to allow children to engage with their creative side, whilst encouraging teamwork, problem solving, planning and mathematical skill. Whilst at the club, children can learn a range of building techniques and improve their fine motor skills. We hope to have great fun making vehicles, creatures (real or imaginary) and see who can build a tower to withstand an earthquake!

Lower School Art Club

This club is for children in Years 1 and 2 who like to get creative and usually messy, whilst working on individual or group pieces. Artwork can be based on special events/celebrations or seasons of the year and can include cards, gifts or just something to take home and be proud of. Group pieces may sometimes be displayed for the whole school to appreciate and admire.

Lower School Choir

This lunchtime club is for pupils from Year 1 and Year 2. This is a training choir to learn to work together and sing in unison, in rounds, and in parts. This group also provides an opportunity for pupils to work on their own singing skills and to prepare them for the Upper School Choir when they reach Year 3.

Mindfulness/Yoga

Over the term, the children will learn and develop basic yoga moves through calming and imaginative stories. Breathing and mindfulness sessions will also be covered, as well as some mindful colouring activities.

Non Verbal Reasoning

This club is open to all girls in Year 4, 5 and 6. Non-verbal reasoning club will allow the children to practise problem solving activities based around pictures, diagrams and shapes rather than words that appear in examinations. It will allow them to further develop their critical thinking and logic problem solving skills. A variety of tasks will be used aimed at children of all abilities.

Outdoor Learning Club

Outdoor Learning club is designed to encourage enjoying the outdoors. We look at the properties of plants and how they change during the seasons, Forest school activities, Nature art and also play games outside including yoga and some non-competitive sports such as skipping and frisbee.

Scrabble Club

Scrabble club takes place on Wednesdays, after school, in the Science lab. It is an exciting club where you can learn to play Scrabble if you are a beginner, or improve your game if you already know how to play. We have up to eight games in progress during the session and the winners of each game receive a house point! The club is open to all pupils in the Upper School: Years 3 to 6 and Mrs Murphie is always on hand to help and encourage players.

Sports Club

At Sports Club the girls play a variety of team games including netball, dodgeball and rounders. This is an opportunity for the pupils to practise and develop the skills that they have learned in lesson time and to use them in matches and competitions.

Upper School Art and Craft

This after school club is open to all girls in the Upper School. Pupils are given the opportunity to learn new creative skills and techniques using a wide range of materials. Projects vary from term to term, including clay work, papier mache, calligraphy, jewellery making, photography, costume and prop making for school productions, textile art, sewing, knitting, drawing and painting.

Upper School Choir

This after school club is for girls from Years 3 to Year 6 who wish to be part of a choir and want to sing together to produce some challenging material. The choir gives pupils the opportunity to work together to create harmonies and work on their own individual singing voice. We look at a range of pieces from musicals to classical pieces.

Verbal Reasoning

This club is open to all girls in Year 4, 5 and 6. Verbal reasoning is, in a nutshell, thinking with words. It involves thinking about text, solving word problems, following written instructions to come up with a solution, spotting letter sequences and cracking letter- and number-based codes. The club will cover all of these areas and help prepare the girls for exams which are intended to test a child's ability to understand and reason using words, rather than of learned knowledge.