



NEC ASPERA TERRENT

# SIXTH FORM

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ELECTIVES





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## ARTISTIC DEVELOPMENT

In this course you will be taken through drawing and painting techniques to improve your skills. This course is an excellent opportunity for students to learn new skills or improve existing ones in Art. You will mainly work in groups to produce large pieces for the school. Suitable for any student interested in visual art.



## BASKETBALL

Join the fast-paced and high-energy Basketball Elective every Wednesday afternoon as part of Sixth Form enrichment! For one hour each week, students in Year 12 and Year 13 train, compete, and develop their skills under expert coaching in a supportive and competitive environment.

Drayton Manor's basketball programme has seen remarkable success, with the boys' team recently crowned Junior Champions at the NBA 3x3 London Finals, held at the iconic courts of Trafalgar Square. Competing against hundreds of schools across the capital, our team showcased outstanding talent, resilience, and teamwork to secure the title.

Whether you're an experienced player or just passionate about the game, this is your chance to be part of a winning team and a proud sporting tradition.



# BRITISH SIGN LANGUAGE

The focus of this is to highlight the impact of hearing loss on everyday life and increase visibility and inclusion of Deaf people. You'll develop a range of techniques and skills to communicate effectively including British Sign Language. Deaf awareness is about promoting the positive aspects of deafness and social inclusion. Beneficial for anyone who is going to be working with a variety of people in the future



## COOKING

This course will focus on practical cooking skills to ensure you develop a thorough understanding of nutrition and Healthy food choices. Cooking is a life skill that during the year you will cover topics from affordable meals to cooking Hacks for University. There are limited spaces on this course, class sizes run at a maximum of 18 students to a class.



## DANCE

Dance is a bespoke course which enables successful learners to lead purposeful and enjoyable dance activity sessions, under indirect and direct supervision. Key content: leadership skills including organisation, planning, communication and teamwork through the medium of dance. Leaders can expect to: develop their leadership skills, plan, lead and evaluate dance sessions, assist in planning a dance activity/event, lead dance activity sessions. Suitable for all students that have a passion for Dance



## ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Develop essential skills, understand risk management, and explore the importance of ethical practices. Our programme focuses on practical application to help you master the craft of entrepreneurship. By the end of the programme, students will be able to: debunk common myths about entrepreneurship, understand the Entrepreneur's journey to Develop essential entrepreneurial skills, understand risks effectively and create strategic actions, and execute and adapt business ideas based on customer feedback.



## EXTENDED PROJECT QUALIFICATION (EPQ)

The Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) is a fantastic course to undertake alongside A Levels. The course is 1 year in duration and is completed in year 12. The Extended Project is a single piece of work of a student's choosing that requires evidence of project planning, independent research and self-motivated study. It is accredited as a stand-alone qualification for A Level students and provides them with excellent preparation for university-level study and may help boost their UCAS application. Not only does it enhance a UCAS application it also allows them to demonstrate their passion and enthusiasm for a subject of their choosing, however niche! The EPQ is truly individual and allows students to create a unique project that reflects their personality – something universities will appreciate.



# FOOTBALL

Join one of Drayton Manor's most exciting and successful enrichment options – the Football Elective! Every Wednesday afternoon, students have the opportunity to train and compete for two full hours as part of our thriving football programme.

Open exclusively to Year 12 and Year 13, this elective offers Sixth Form students the chance to develop their skills, build teamwork, and represent the school in competitive fixtures. Drayton Manor currently runs three football teams, regularly competing against a range of schools, including several private schools, providing a high level of challenge and exposure. If there is sufficient interest, a Girls' Football Team will also be established, expanding opportunities and continuing to build on the success of recent female-led initiatives.

Whether you're a seasoned player or simply passionate about the sport, this is your chance to be part of a proud footballing tradition.



# JAPANESE

This course is designed for students who wish to gain a grounding in Japanese after GCSE level. The course focuses on learning to communicate in settings that students might find themselves in should they visit Japan. It is led by a native Japanese speaker and will expand student's cultural knowledge of Japan. Interactive, productive and receptive skills are developed through contextualised study of language, texts and themes. This elective is aimed at anyone who wants to explore another language to a conversational standard.





## MEDICAL

If you are interested in the field of medicine, either thinking of applying for a medical degree or any related degree then this course will help! There will be a range of topics covered in the classes, including preparation for writing personal statements and practice at interview technique. You will develop a range of key skills, and most importantly learn how to reflect on them. You will be given guidance on the types of work experience to look for, how to apply and how to get the most out of it. Sessions may also include additional science work, and discussions and presentations about articles and news from the world of medicine.



## MODEL UNITED NATIONS

Model UN simulations engage hundreds of thousands of students each year, helping them to learn more about the principles of the UN and how it functions. Many of today's leaders in law, government, business and the arts – including at the UN itself – participated in Model UN as students. Model UN includes a range of activities including debating, negotiating, research and public speaking. Students will be encouraged in their oracy and in their ability to convince others to their point of view.



# MUSIC ARTS GOLD AWARD

Have you ever wanted to know more why we like or dislike certain styles of music? Have you ever wanted to explore different styles and know more about music from all over the world, throughout history and how fusion music has shaped much of our listen habits to date? In this elective we will explore different styles of music from Ancient Medieval music from around the world to Northern Soul. From RAP to the music from the English Civil War. From Reggae to folk music from around the world. The course works over two weeks first week will have a listening, learning week, where we explore a specific style, genre or even composer/arranger. You will then be given a playlist to go and listen to over the week, and the following week involves a discussion of the music we have heard and as a group we will delve into our likes and dislikes of the topic. No experience is necessary, just a thirst for knowledge and a good listening ear.



## MUSICAL THEATRE

The aim of this course is to develop performance skills in acting, singing and/or dancing. It will explore a wide array of musical theatre examples, building to informal showcases. This will be a fun and enjoyable experience for all. No previous experience necessary, although willingness to try and energy required!



## OXBRIDGE

Interested in applying to Oxford or Cambridge University in Year 13? This course will provide support for your application to Oxbridge. There will be a range of topics covered in the classes, including preparation and support for admissions tests, personal statements and interviews. You will develop a range of key skills, and most importantly learn how to reflect on them. You will be given an opportunity to discuss your interests with fellow students and build your knowledge of wider topics, developing your communication skills as well as debating skills. You will be able to produce a well-rounded personal statement relevant to your chosen field, as well as having increased confidence when dealing with interview questions. It is not a requirement for students wishing to apply to Oxbridge to attend this course.



## PUBLIC SPEAKING

This elective is designed to enable learners to develop a wide range of skills in public speaking. Learners will be able to deliver two prepared speeches and one impromptu speech. They will integrate their knowledge and skills, demonstrating an understanding of the subject matter and the techniques required to speak confidently and with flair in public.



# ROAD RUNNING

New for this year, the Road Running Elective offers Sixth Form students in Year 12 and Year 13 a unique opportunity to build endurance, improve fitness, and enjoy the mental and physical benefits of running. Held every Wednesday afternoon for one hour, this elective is perfect for those who enjoy outdoor exercise and want to challenge themselves in a supportive group setting.

Students will take part in structured runs around the local area, focusing on pacing, stamina, and technique, with opportunities to track progress and set personal goals. Whether you're training for a race or just looking to stay active, road running is a great way to boost wellbeing and build resilience.

No prior experience is needed – just a pair of running shoes and a positive attitude!



## SEWING

Unlock your creativity with our weekly sewing elective, whether you're a beginner or have some sewing experience, this course will teach you essential skills like using a sewing machine, reading patterns, and crafting your own clothing or accessories. From simple alterations to designing custom pieces, you'll gain hands-on experience in a fun and supportive environment. This elective is a fantastic opportunity to express your style, learn a lifelong skill, and make something truly your own. Join us and bring your fashion ideas to life!



## STEM CREST AWARD

CREST is a UK award scheme that recognises success, and enables students to build their skills and demonstrate personal achievement in project work. It is student-led, which means that young people take ownership of their projects and choose to undertake them in areas they enjoy or see as relevant. This is an exciting opportunity to participate in the STEM Crest Awards run by British Science Association.



## UCAT AND BMAT PREPARATION

The UK Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT) is a compulsory admissions test for the majority of UK medicine and dentistry courses. A good result gives students the chance to stand out from the crowd and increases their chances of being selected for interview. In this course students will learn how to approach all sections of the test and be given guidance on resources. This course is suitable for students aiming to study medicine or dentistry.

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