



Kimbolton School
Cambridgeshire

Thursday Enrichment

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Enrichment in the Sixth Form at Kimbolton School

At Kimbolton, Sixth Form is about more than just academic success: it's a time to grow as a person, discover new passions, and prepare for life beyond school. Our enrichment programme on Thursday afternoons is designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're interested in community outreach, sustainability, leadership development, creative arts, or communication, there's something for everyone to explore. These opportunities allow you to build confidence, develop valuable skills, and make lasting contributions to both the school and the wider world.

This booklet outlines the wide range of enrichment activities available to you. Each activity runs for the whole year. So, try something new, get involved and make the most of the wonderful opportunities on offer to you over the next two years at Kimbolton.

Whole Year Activities

Combined Cadet Force (CCF)

OPEN TO PUPILS FROM 4TH FORM TO UPPER SIXTH

As a L6th in the CCF, we will provide you with opportunities to be leaders of your own platoon, flight or watch. We will give you opportunities to plan and run small group activities, and then section and whole contingent events. You will also have the opportunity to work towards a Level 2 BTEC in Leadership, developing valuable skills that are highly regarded by universities and employers alike.

We will offer you opportunities to represent Kimbolton CCF regionally and nationally in cadet competitions. You will act as a positive and supportive role model for the younger, less experienced cadets. You will be proactive in seeking out opportunities to be involved and to lead. You will be organised and responsible for yourself, as well as supporting the U6th with the running of your section. You will uphold the values and standards of the CCF to the highest degree. If you stay for the U6th, you will be the seniors who lead the contingent.

Learning DNA: Problem solvers, Leaders, Independent thinkers, Confident, Communicators.





Community Service Unit (CSU)

OPEN TO PUPILS FROM 4TH FORM TO UPPER SIXTH

Whether you've been involved with CSU from 4th Form, or are just starting now, it's a great opportunity for you to make a valuable contribution to and give something back to your local and wider communities. The placements include: local nurseries, primary schools (including our Prep School), farms, charity shops, working with disabled adults and children and residential care homes. It is also possible for students to organise their own placement, provided transport can be arranged usually by their own or a willing parent.

Placements can also provide excellent work experience particularly for those considering a career in education, medicine and healthcare, social services, veterinary science. Students develop organisational, leadership, teamwork, problem-solving and communication skills. These are all qualities that universities and employers are looking for. Above all we aim to have fun by helping others!

Learning DNA: Socially responsible, Leaders, Confident, Communicators.

Kimbolton Environment Initiative (KEI)

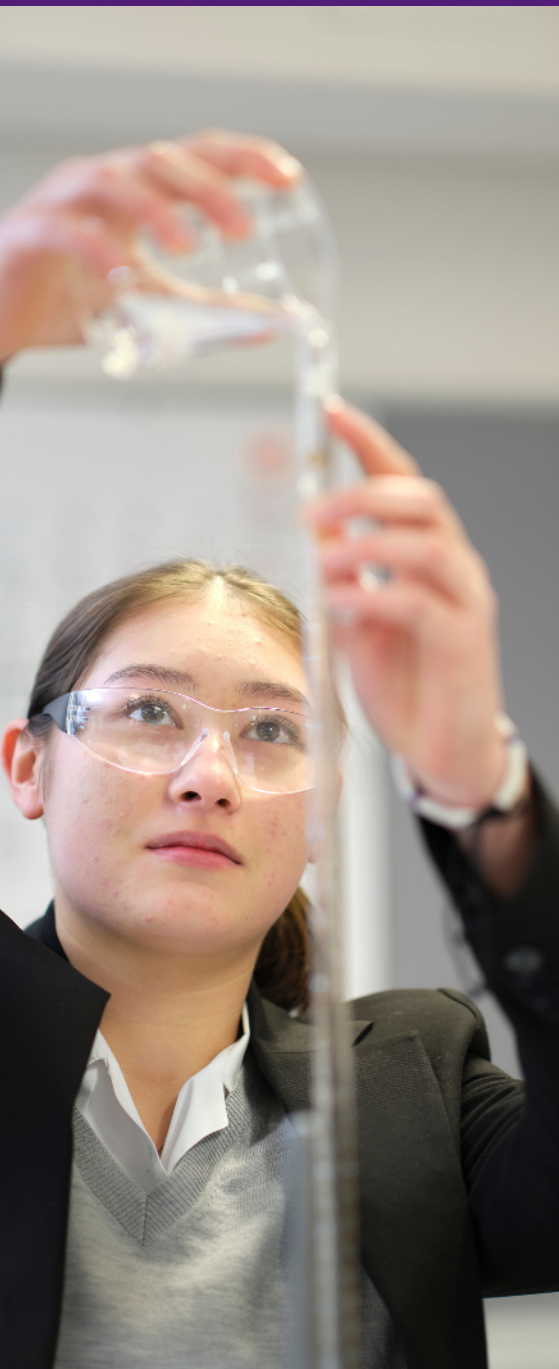
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FORM TO UPPER SIXTH

Are you interested in the environment and sustainability? This initiative offers a blend of 'hands-on' activities, including gardening, food production, land management and measuring the biodiversity on our school campus, alongside educational trips to local farms and natural sites.

You will explore critical issues affecting as climate change, biodiversity, and conservation, while developing practical skills and fostering teamwork. It is an ideal way of gaining experience for careers in land management, agriculture, estates and planning (and many more), but it will also empower you to become active stewards of your environment.

Learning DNA: Socially responsible, Problem solvers, Leaders, Independent thinkers.





STEMM Youth Award

OPEN TO LOWER AND UPPER SIXTH PUPILS

YSA participants complete activities in a variety of settings, including school, online, or at home, as well as through trips, visits, and extracurricular clubs.

Almost any STEMM-related activity can count, as long as it takes place outside of normal lessons, homework, or exam revision.

On completion of their Award, students receive:

- A medal and certificate
- A digital badge
- A downloadable record of achievement, detailing all completed activities
- Students can also list the Youth STEMM Award on their UCAS university application (UK).

The award reflects a student's commitment, enthusiasm, and self-motivation. It enhances applications for higher education, apprenticeships, and jobs, helping participants stand out beyond their grades. Each journey is unique: participants can explore any area of STEMM that sparks their interest!

This award carries a cost per pupil of £25 - £35, depending on the level of award.

Learning DNA: Problem solvers, Leaders, Independent thinkers, Enterprising.

Tycoon

OPEN TO LOWER AND UPPER SIXTH PUPILS6

The Tycoon competition has been set up by Peter Jones (known for his exceptional entrepreneurial career and as one of the dragons on Dragons Den).

Students create a company which can be a product or a service. They manufacture the products and can sell them at the KSPA fair at Christmas – some have created websites and have a strong social media presence.

In 2022 one of our teams won the overall competition and a prize of £1,000, in addition to the profit they made. We were invited to London to meet Peter Jones and other Business leaders.

Learning DNA: Problem solvers.
Leaders, Independent thinkers,
Enterprising.



Debating

OPEN TO LOWER SIXTH PUPILS

Our Thursday afternoon Debating Extension Course is open to everyone regardless of prior experience; we often have people who have never debated before joining the competitive school team.

The activities we do each week vary but take in Model United Nations, Parliamentary-style Debating, public speaking and our June General Election, in which parties are formed and campaigns conducted. Debaters from the Thursday course also represent Kimbolton in a range of local, national and international competitions across a variety of styles.

If you're interested in the world, want to develop your communication and speaking skills and are willing to give it a go, this is the course for you.

Learning DNA: Confident communicators, Leaders, Independent thinkers.



Kimbolton Sport Leaders (KSL)

OPEN TO PUPILS FROM 4TH
FORM TO UPPER SIXTH

Sports Leadership is a practical, engaging programme that uses sport to develop essential leadership and life skills. Through a structured pathway of qualifications, learners gain the confidence, experience, and abilities needed to lead others, contribute to their communities, and succeed in future education or employment.

Students learn how to plan and deliver sports sessions, lead activities, and support others. They gain hands-on experience by organising events or helping run activities in school or the community. They may have the opportunity to work towards qualifications such as refereeing and they will gain a Level 2 Sports Leader qualification at the end of the year.

The course is practical and engaging, with less emphasis on exams and more on real-life experience. It is suitable for a wide range of students and helps them grow in confidence, responsibility, and independence.

This activity carries a cost of approximately £45 per pupil.

Learning DNA: Leaders,
Confident, Communicators.





Film and Technical Theatre

OPEN TO LOWER AND UPPER SIXTH PUPILS

You can choose to follow whichever elements of film or theatre you find interesting, whether that be lighting, sound, props, set design, and production planning. From crafting stop-motion animations to designing silent films and supporting live performances, students will explore every facet of creative production.

Through collaborative projects, technical skill-building, and immersive challenges, learners will bring their visions to life both on screen and on stage. Whether you're a future filmmaker, stage technician, or just eager to explore behind-the-scenes creativity, this course is your backstage pass to innovation and imagination.

Learning DNA: Confident, Communicators, Leaders.

Cooking

OPEN TO LOWER AND UPPER SIXTH PUPLS

Cooking is one of the most valuable life skills you can learn and this course sets you up to do it confidently. Whether you're heading to uni, starting work, or moving out, being able to cook helps you live independently, eat well, and save money.

Each week, you'll cook two dishes, one savoury, one sweet, ready to take home and share. From pizza and mac & cheese to chicken jalfrezi and cookies, you'll build a varied and exciting recipe repertoire. This course builds on skills from previous years, introducing more advanced techniques, strong time management, and the principles of food safety, nutrition, and healthy eating.

Dishes are adaptable for all diets and often seasonal, including Christmas cakes and a festive decorating session!

Expect small classes (max 12 students) for lots of hands-on help and the chance to shine in our end-of-course Ready Steady Cook competition.

It will be fun. Relax, switch off from academic stress, and express yourself through food.

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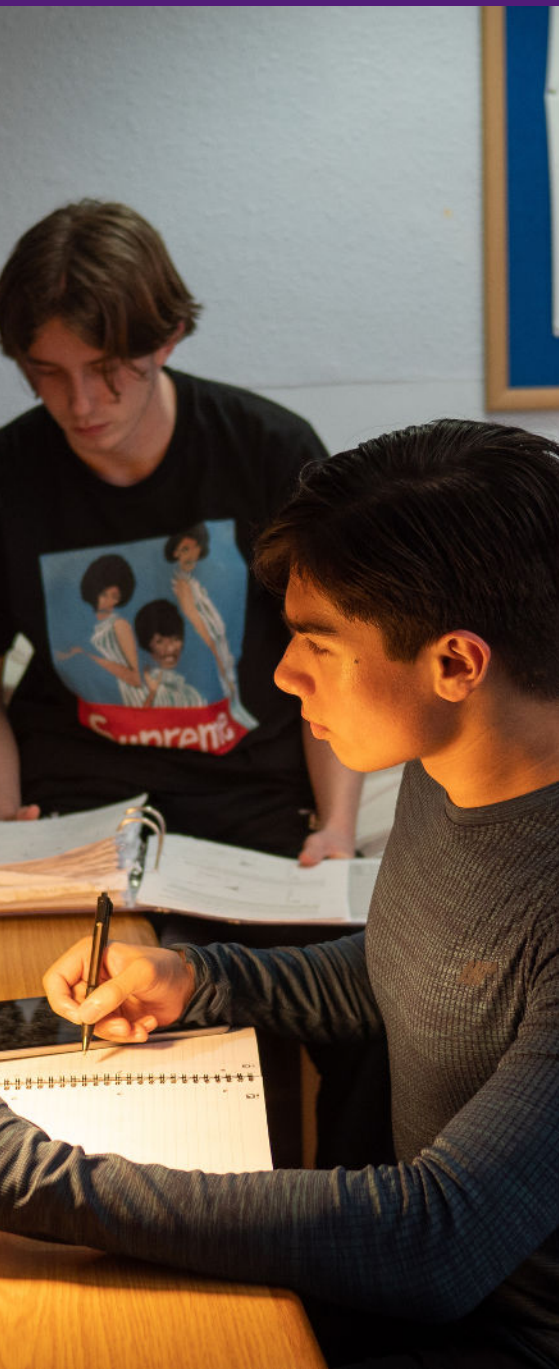
Ceramics

OPEN TO PUPILS WHO REQUIRES EAL SUPPORT

Thursday afternoon Ceramics is a welcoming course for beginners, offering the opportunity to explore a range of pottery techniques including wheel throwing, hand-building and glazing. As you develop your skills and confidence, you will create a collection of unique ceramic pieces to take home.

More than just learning a new craft, ceramics provides a valuable opportunity to step away from the demands of academic life, slow down and focus on the creative process. Working with clay can be both relaxing and rewarding, promoting mindfulness, wellbeing and self-expression in a calm and supportive environment.





IELTs

OPEN TO PUPILS WHO REQUIRES EAL SUPPORT

A course for overseas pupils who have English as their second language and passing this qualification is a requirement for their University applications. Most are able to do it in a year and it can be done in L6 or U6. They spend their afternoons with Mrs Leahey preparing for the assessment and improving their spoken and written English.

The International English Language Testing System (IELTS) is a standardised English language proficiency test for non-native English speakers. It is used by educational institutions, employers, and immigration authorities worldwide to assess English language skills.

Independent Pathway

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In some circumstances, a few pupils may pursue their own pathway on a Thursday afternoon. This may be the case for elite sportspeople or if you are training for a qualification outside of school.

In this cases, the activity would have to be agreed with us and your out-of-school assessor or trainer before embarking on this route.



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