



Blundell's

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

PREP CLUBS

2023/2024

INTRODUCTION

This guide gives a brief synopsis of the many clubs we have on offer. Most clubs take place after school but there are a few in the mornings and some at lunchtime. Morning and lunchtime clubs are free of charge except Swimming, Funky Jazz and Tennis all of which need to be pre-booked using the booking form. The other morning and lunchtime clubs **are not** available to request on the booking form but pupils will be told about them during the first few days of term and will be able to book with the relevant member of staff. Some of the music clubs are only open to those who learn the relevant instrument.

In the Years 3 – 6 commitment is expected for the **year**. Some of the clubs follow a programme which means that children will be required to attend regularly each week and culminate in an award/certificate. These are indicated in the synopsis below and are in **purple**. Some clubs have limited space and are marked with an asterisk. Those with a termly charge are indicated in the chart below. We would be grateful if parents could help their child to consider very carefully which clubs they would like to join.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS



MONDAY	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6	CHARGE*
Animation	YES	YES			No Charge
Creativity	YES	YES			No Charge
Fives				YES	No Charge
Girls' Rugby			YES	YES	No Charge
Lego	YES	YES			No Charge
Make and Bake			YES		£65
Netball/Football			YES	YES	No Charge
Prep	YES	YES	YES	YES	No Charge
Extended Provision	YES	YES	YES	YES	No Charge
TUESDAY	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6	CHARGE*
Art's Award			YES	YES	£28
Ballet	YES	YES	YES	YES	£80
Computer & Coding			YES	YES	No Charge
Judo	YES	YES	YES	YES	£80**
Netball/Football	YES	YES			No Charge
Scrumkids Advanced	YES	YES			£70
Prep	YES	YES	YES	YES	No Charge
Extended Provision	YES	YES	YES	YES	No Charge
WEDNESDAY	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6	CHARGE*
Board Games	YES	YES			No Charge
Computer & Coding	YES	YES			No Charge
Cricket			YES	YES	No Charge
Gymnastics	YES	YES			£28
Prep	YES	YES	YES	YES	No Charge
Extended Provision	YES	YES	YES	YES	No Charge

* Termly **+ Membership

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THURSDAY	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6	CHARGE*
Chess	YES	YES	YES	YES	No Charge
Gymnastics			YES	YES	£28
Painting on Canvas			YES	YES	£28
Philosophy	YES	YES	YES	YES	No Charge
STEM			YES	YES	£28
Prep	YES	YES	YES	YES	No Charge
Extended Provision	YES	YES	YES	YES	No Charge
FRIDAY	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6	CHARGE*
Fencing			YES	YES	£80
Sports	YES	YES	YES	YES	No Charge
Prep	YES	YES	YES	YES	No Charge
Extended Provision	YES	YES	YES	YES	No Charge

* Termly

MORNING AND LUNCHTIME CLUBS



MORNING	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6	CHARGE*
Choral Choir		YES	YES	YES	No Charge
Brass Ensemble	YES	YES	YES	YES	No Charge
Funky Jazz	YES	YES	YES	YES	£35 Prep & £55 Pre-Prep
Guitar Group	YES	YES	YES	YES	No Charge
J-Team	YES	YES	YES	YES	No Charge
Orchestra			YES	YES	No Charge
Pop Choir	YES	YES	YES	YES	No Charge
Quiz	YES	YES	YES	YES	No Charge
Scholarship Music Group (Summer)				YES	No Charge
School Council (elected)	YES	YES	YES	YES	No Charge
String Group		YES	YES	YES	No Charge
Swimming (before school)	YES	YES	YES	YES	£85
Tennis (Morning PE lesson)	YES	YES	YES	YES	£65

* Termly

All the Morning and Lunchtime clubs except Funky Jazz, Tennis and Swimming will be booked by the children at the start of term via the relevant member of staff.

AS Animation Years 3 & 4

Animation club enables children to start making animations. As the children's ability grows, they will advance on to simple movie making.

AS Arts Award (follows a programme for the Academic Year) Years 5 & 6

This club will follow the Arts Award scheme from Trinity College London. There are five levels with the Explore Award being accessible to our age group. The Explore level includes the following:

- active participation in a range of arts activities, including a personal response about what they have learnt from taking part
 - experience of arts organisations, artists and their work
 - creating a piece of artwork
 - identification of what they have enjoyed and/or achieved, and their communication of this to others
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AS Ballet Years 3 – Year 6

Ballet is a fantastic way to learn how to move and control your body. It's often referred to as the foundation of dance, and it's easy to see why. Practising ballet can help improve posture and promote graceful movement. It's also incredibly strengthening and contributes to core strength as well as improving flexibility. Learning ballet is a great base to start to learn many other dance forms. Teachers are qualified by the Royal Academy of Dance and offer only the very best for our students at Blundell's.

AS Board Games Years 3 – Year 6

Children will be able to choose from a variety of board games to play with each week. Also this is the club for those who enjoy cards such as Pokeman, Top Trumps etc.

AS**Chess Years 3 – Year 6**

Chess is a fascinating game, which can be played and enjoyed at all levels. Recent educational research indicates evidence of a strong positive correlation between chess and student academic performance.

M/L**Choral Choir Years 3 - 6**

The Choral Choir takes place before school and focuses on choral music, is selective and requires commitment as there are a number of evening performances to attend.

AS**Computing and Coding Years 3 - 6**

Coding is what makes it possible to create computer software, apps and websites. In this club the children will have a chance to extend their knowledge and have fun with computers. They will also have the opportunity to build and program robots that do what you want! The robot can be fitted with sensors which control motors and react to light, sound and touch. There may even be time for a spot of Minecraft.

AS**Creativity Years 3 & 4**

Creativity club embraces the arts and crafts. Children explore the world of papier mâché, weaving, pottery, collage and 3D work. The children will also be using cameras within some of their projects.

AS**Cricket Years 5 - 6**

This club will focus on honing in on the specific skills required for the tactical game of cricket. It will encompass not only aspects of bowling, batting and catching but will also look at the gamesmanship elements of the game.

AS**Extended Provision Years 3 - 6**

For those children who require late collection until 6.00pm

AS**Fencing** (follows a programme for the Academic Year) Years 5 & 6

Fencing club is for those children who have a high amount of self-discipline and the ability to focus on their performance. Good hand-eye coordination and agility are the fundamentals. The children will learn the early stages of the discipline using Foil, Sabre and Epee. As they advance they move on to enter competitions.

AS**Fives** Year 6

This takes place at our senior school courts and will be taught by our National Champion. In fives, a ball is propelled against the walls of a 3 or 4-sided special court, using a gloved or bare hand as though it were a racquet.

AS**Football or Netball** Years 3 - 6

For those children who like to extend their participation in these sports this is the club for them. The children can choose which they would prefer to play. Occasionally another sport may be introduced. Although fun is important, skills are honed and team work is an essential element.

M/L**Funky Jazz** (follows a programme for the Academic Year) Years 3 - 6

Funky Jazz is a relaxed and fun class at lunchtime. Within the lessons the use of free music (top 40 hits and Disney songs) allows our Funky Jazzers to be more individual and express themselves through movement and games. There is more to it than just Jazz Hands!

AS**Gymnastics** Years 3 - 6

The children in this club cover all aspects of gymnastics, including apparatus work, fitness work and Sports Acrobatics in pairs, as individuals and in teams. The children take part in displays whilst performing to music.

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MORNING AND LUNCHTIME

M/L J-Team Years 3 - 6

J-Team is the School's Christian Union and is a lunchtime club. Children enjoy taking part in games, stories and singing with the hi-light of the J-Team picnic each term.

AS Judo (follows a programme for the Academic Year) Years 3 - 6

The children have expert instruction by a 4th Dan. They take part in gradings each term which allows the children to progress through the different levels of Judo. They also are invited to take part in the UBA championships each year.

AS Lego Club Years 3 & 4

For those children who like building lego club is for them. There will also be the opportunity to build Lego models which can be programmed to move.

AS Make and Bake Year 5

This club is not just about cooking tasty treats, although many will be coming home! It is also about the whole world of food. Taste, smell, ingredients and food from around the world are just a few areas which will be covered in our Make and Bake Club.

M/L Music Clubs Years 3 - 6

These take place during lunchtimes. Some of the music clubs are only open to those who learn the relevant instrument or have reached a certain grade.

AS Painting on Canvas Years 5 & 6

During our Painting on Canvas club children will have the chance to study a subject, endeavour with preliminary sketches and then transfer their work onto canvas to produce a Masterpiece.

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AS **Philosophy Club** Years 3 - 6

Philosophy is an ancient subject but with a modern significance. We live in a society with tremendous differences of culture and opinion. Children have a great thirst for ideas and discussion and for questioning and thinking with others. Philosophy club will give a wonderful forum for this.

M/L **Pop Choir** Years 3 - 6

This choir will focus on current popular music and music from the shows. This is open to all children who just want to sing.

AS **Prep** Years 3 - 6

Children can stay in School until 5.30 pm to complete their Prep. The children work in a quiet classroom and have access to computers if needed for the completion of their work.

M/L **Quiz** Years 3 - 6

The children in this lunchtime club will not only extend their general knowledge but will also learn techniques and tips on how to be a great quizzier.

M/L **School Council** Years 3 - 6

Children are elected from each class to serve on the School Council. The School Council elicits the view of all children in the school, builds initiatives and helps to see these through.

AS **ScrumKids Advanced** Years 3 & 4

For those children who would like to continue ScrumKids this is the club for them. It will still be the same club in essence but new skills will be introduced in addition to those already accumulated. If you are new to rugby this is also a good way to learn the basic skills.

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AS Sports Years 3 - 6

The emphasis of this club is on team spirit, healthy competitive attitudes and team skills. A wide variety of sport is played during this club. Running Club also takes place when the weather and conditions are suitable.

AS Stem Club Years 5 & 6

The world of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths is fun. This is a great introduction to problem solving in STEM. The children learn through hands-on challenges by exploring the world around them.

M/L Swimming Years 3 - 4

This club takes place at our local pool before school. The children will be placed into three groups and will learn all the basic skills required to be strong and competent swimmers.

Please drop children at the Exe Valley Swimming Pool in Tiverton between 7.45 am – 8.00 am. A member of staff will be on hand to greet your child. Please could the children be dressed in uniform with their swimwear underneath. Please provide a towel and underwear in a waterproof bag. Please could all other bags/instruments be dropped into the school Reception area for children to collect on their return from the pool. Fruit is provided after the children have swam to ensure that energy is at a suitable level.

M/L Tennis Years 3 - 6

Taught by trained tennis coaches, the children have lessons during their morning PE lesson.

MUSIC, SPEECH & DRAMA PROVISION 2023/24

Music plays an integral part of life at Blundell's Prep and there are numerous opportunities for children to become involved. We offer a wide range of clubs, music lessons, in class music tuition, liaison with our senior school and the chance to perform in concerts and plays.

Curriculum Music Lessons Year 3

During their music lesson Year 3 will be learning the violin throughout the academic year.

Individual Lessons Years 3 - 6 To be advised (currently £20 per 25 minute lesson)
We offer a vast array of individual music tuition with our highly experienced and well qualified peripatetic music staff. Children will be placed on a rota and will miss lessons.

Brass French Horn, Trombone, Trumpet

Percussion Drums, Piano, Tuned Percussion

Strings Cello, Violin, Viola

Voice Singing, Speech and Drama

Woodwind Clarinet, Flute, Oboe, Saxophone

Free Introductory Group Lessons French Horn

We are delighted to offer half a term's tuition as part of a small group for children to learn the French Horn. This is with a view to starting this as an individual lesson in the instrument. Please indicate on the Music request form if you would like your child to join a group.

Speech & Drama To be advised (currently £20 Per 25 minute lesson)

We offer 25 minute lessons in Speech & Drama during which children can specialise in acting, devised acting, speech & drama and many other disciplines within this art form. Children will be placed on a rota and will miss lessons.

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M/L Brass Ensemble (YEARS 3 - 6)

This is for children who are learning to play brass instruments.

M/L Choral Choir (YEARS 4 - 6)

The Choral Choir which takes place in the mornings focuses on choral music. The Prep Choral Choir will make up the treble line for Blundell's Chapel Choir. This Choir involves full commitment as there are a number of evening performances to attend.

M/L Guitar Ensemble (YEARS 3 - 6)

This is for children who are learning to play the guitar. This runs in the Spring and Summer terms only.

AS Music Clubs (YEARS 3 - 6)

Children can sign up for most of these clubs with the relevant member of staff at the start of the academic year.

M/L Orchestra (YEARS 5 - 6)

This is for children who learn an instrument playing at Grade 1 and above.

M/L Pop Choir (YEARS 3 - 6)

This choir will focus on current popular music and music from the shows. This is open to all children who just want to sing.

M/L Scholarship Group (YEARS 6 - SUMMER TERM ONLY)

This is for children who have been awarded a Music Scholarship for the Senior School.

M/L String Group (YEARS 4 - 6)

This is for children who are learning to play the violin, viola or cello.

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M/L MORNING AND LUNCHTIME

M/L **Wind Group** (YEARS 3 - 6)

This is for children who are learning to play the Clarinet, Flute, Oboe or Saxophone. This runs in the Spring and Summer terms only.

BOOKING

Please use the links in the accompanying email to book

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