



**DOLLAR
ACADEMY**

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**INFORMATION ON
CO-CURRICULAR
ACTIVITIES**



SESSION 2019 – 2020

A MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR

To each pupil of Dollar Academy,

Life at Dollar is by no means simply about doing well in your subjects and gaining good grades, although I am sure you are aware that you won't get far without real drive in your academic studies.

There is much more. Your involvement here should go beyond the classroom. Your years at Dollar should be filled with a great variety of experience. You should try new activities; learn new skills; be put in new situations; face new challenges; achieve new levels; and make new friends of all sorts. In short, we want you to broaden your own horizons, and enjoy doing so.

To help you do this, Dollar has created a co-curricular programme that is second to none. Members of staff have volunteered to run activities in which they have a genuine personal interest, and they are as keen to be involved themselves as they are to see you there. They know that it takes time to learn new skills and routines - after all, they were once beginners themselves. Thus you will find sympathetic support beside the enthusiasm to help you gain confidence in your new activities.

This special feature of voluntary involvement extends, most importantly, to you. No-one will compel you to take part in co-curricular activities, although we will strongly recommend it because we know from experience how enjoyable and worthwhile such involvement can be. You will do better in an activity if you choose it for yourself.

Commitment is an important word here. Once you have taken on an activity, it is only fair to the organisers and to the others in the group to keep going for a reasonable period of time. If it's a production, you should turn up on time to every scheduled rehearsal and stay to the final performance. If it's a team, you should go to practices and keep your diary clear for matches. Others will be relying on you for your contribution.

Whatever you take on, you will get out of it what you put in. Your teachers hope your time at Dollar will be busy and positive. They hope that you will want to be involved - and I know how much pleasure you will gain from such involvement here. And, to be absolutely honest, in preparation for your entire future in your career and in your life outside work, your cocurricular skills will count as highly as your academic successes.

I hope that this booklet will help you to find some clear ways towards that future.



Ian H Munro
Rector

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October 2019

Amnesty International Youth Group

Form I – II. Thursdays 12.45-1.15pm. Location: P01. Terms 1, 2 and 3
Form IV – VI. Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm. Location: P01. Terms 1, 2 and 3
Further details from Mrs Taylor (English)

Have you ever wished that you could do something about the injustices of the world?

Amnesty International is a worldwide movement of people who campaign for human rights, from the abolition of torture to the fair treatment of refugees. It makes a big difference by organising awareness events, raising money and lobbying governments to change. Great for those wishing to enhance their CVs and involvement counts towards the Duke of Edinburgh Award. If you care, get involved!

Ancient Greek

Form III – VI. Days by individual arrangement 12.45-1.15pm. Location: P14. Terms 1, 2 and 3
Kit: Notebook and pen; textbook and worksheets are provided.
Further details from Dr. Macleod (Classics)

Greek takes you on a linguistic adventure like no other. For those pupils who are thinking of taking a certificate course in Greek, lunchtime Greek club is highly recommended, but even if you do not intend to proceed in this direction, come and gain an insight into this most fascinating of ancient languages: the language of Homer, Plato, Euripides and many other of the world's best-known authors.

Art Club

Further details from Mrs Kelly (Art & Design)

J1 and J2 Art Club: Tuesday 3:30-4:30pm. Location: Art Department

Art Club offers Junior pupils the chance to explore a variety of Art Activities ranging from Ceramics, Photography, Drawing, Painting and Printmaking. Some pupils will have the option to create fashion pieces which will be showcased at the annual Fashion Show at Christmas.

Form II Fashion Design: Wednesday 12.30-1.20pm. Location: M12 Art Department.

Designing and creating recycled fashion works. You will recycle 'junk' to make statement fashion pieces for a catwalk show at Christmas. You will learn the value of recycling in design, and gain design awareness of creative industries and further skills.

Junior 2 Fashion Club: Tuesday 12:40- 13:20pm. Location M11 Art Department

Designing and creating Fashion pieces for The Christmas Art and Design Fashion Show.

Athletics

Junior 1 – Form VI. Mondays and Tuesdays 3.30pm–4.45pm. Location: Athletics Track, wet weather – Maguire Gym. Term 3.
Further details from Mrs Galloway or Mr Hose (P.E.)

An opportunity to refine and extend the Athletic skills and techniques learned during PE classes. Open to all from J1-FVI. Multiple coaches allow small groups to focus on their chosen activity on any given afternoon.

Badminton - Junior

Junior 1 and 2. Thursdays 3.25 – 4.30pm. Location: Games Hall. Terms 1 & 2
Gym kit with indoor shoes and badminton racket required.
Further details from Miss Pollock (Junior School)

Badminton is a fast-paced, energetic sport which gets you thinking at the same time. Come and have fun playing against, and with, your friends. No previous skill required.

Badminton – Form I, II & Beginners

Forms I, II, beginners and less-experienced players; Thursdays 3.30–4.30pm. Location: Games Hall. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Kit required: Non-marking trainers and school sports kit are required; some school badminton racquets are available to borrow.

Further details from Mrs Robinson (Business Education)

This club provides an opportunity to develop and improve your badminton skills by taking part in a variety of activities and games. All levels of players are welcome from beginners to those with more experience.

Badminton – Experienced players

Forms II – VI and experienced players in Form I, Fridays 3.30-5.00pm. Location: Games Hall. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Kit required: Appropriate shoes, Sports kit

Further details from Dr Johnson (Chemistry), Mrs Caine (Physics)

The aim of these sessions is to prepare players for competitive play in a fun and challenging weekly session. The club offers varied match-play in both singles and doubles games and is an excellent opportunity to improve match practice. The club runs several tournaments during the year at three different age levels for boys and girls, as well as both the Academy's Cranfield Cup Inter-house tournament and a Staff vs. Pupil mixed doubles event. There are opportunities for players to represent the school in the Central Schools Tournament and further national events. Friendly matches are also arranged between Dollar and other schools in Central region. At the end of each term, tournaments are played, with players receiving handicaps to allow younger or less advanced players to compete on equal terms. Players who perform well in these fixtures are selected to play in team matches, and to represent the school in the above events. The club has been highly successful in recent years and has won several trophies.

Ballroom Dancing

Forms I – VI, Fridays 3.30-7.15pm. Location: Assembly Hall. Terms 1 and 2.

Kit required: Comfortable shoes (not trainers)

Cost £37 per term.

Further details from Mrs J. Smith (Support for Learning) or Mrs Lumsden (Classics)

Ballroom Dancing offers an ideal opportunity to relax, have fun, meet friends and keep fit, as well as learn a very sociable skill. Each class lasts for forty five minutes and pupils learn a variety of Latin American as well as Rock 'n' Roll dances. The Beginners' class works towards Bronze medals while more experienced pupils attempt Silver, Gold and Scottish Awards. Classes are not solely for one year group but are organised according to ability and prior experience. The classes take place in the Assembly Hall and pupils are asked to wear comfortable shoes that are not trainers.

Basketball

Form I – VI. Wednesdays 3.30-5.00pm. Location: Games Hall. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Kit required: PE Kit

Further details from Mr Florence (Biology)

The club offers a relaxed opportunity to develop basketball skills with a focus on playing plenty of informal games. All senior pupils are welcome with games and training organised to group those of a similar age and ability together. Some informal games against other schools may be arranged. Involvement can count towards the Physical Recreation section of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award. In term three there is also a Form II basketball tournament.

Bee Keeping

Form I – VI. Tuesdays 3.30-5.00pm. Location: Dewar Building / Cloverlea apiaries. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Further details from Mr Ainge (Biology)

The bee keeping club is in its infancy. Currently members are completing a beginners bee keeping course with the intention of establishing a hive at the school next spring.

Biology Club

Form I. Wednesdays 12.50-1.20pm. Location: D15. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Further details from Dr Payne (Biology)

This club will be run by two Form V pupils with the help of Dr Payne. Pupils will carry out practical experiments relating to Biology and discuss topical issues/research. No previous knowledge or experience is required.

Book Trailers

Prep 5. Thursdays 12.30-1.00pm. Location: P5M Classroom. Term 3.

Further details from Mrs Murphy (Prep School)

Book Trailers is a fun club that combines reading and ICT. After we enjoy reading a book together, we will discuss the key characters, settings and storylines. iPads are then use to create a "book trailer" to advertise the book and encourage people to read it, just as a film trailer is designed to make you go and see the full film at the cinema.

Book Club – Prep 5

Prep 5. Wednesday lunchtimes. Location: Room Y13. This book club meets once a month during Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Further details from Mrs Duncan (Business Education)

This Book Club encourages pupils to read books they otherwise may not choose themselves. Each month a specific book is read. During the following month, the book is discussed. Role playing activities are carried out based on characters in the book. Occasional author visits.

Book Club - Form I & II

Form I & II. Friday lunchtimes, once a month. Location: P22. Terms 1, 2 and 3.
Kit required: pupils will need to borrow or buy the book of the month.
Further details from Ms Abel (English)

This is an opportunity for pupils to develop their reading and share ideas and opinions in response to a variety of novels, plays and poetry. Book Club takes place at lunchtimes in a comfortable and open environment. Sharing opinions and ideas about literature is encouraged over a hot chocolate and a piece of cake!

Book Club - Senior

Form IV & VI. First Tuesday of every month 12.35-1.15. Location: P2. Terms 1,2 and 3.
Pupils will need to buy or borrow the book of the month
Further details from Miss Hepburn (Librarian) or Mrs Mackie (English)

Senior Book Group is open to all pupils in Form IV, V and VI. We will meet on the first Tuesday of every of month at lunchtime to discuss a book that has been selected by the group. A lively and light-hearted discussion over snacks, drinks and cake.

Book Club – Senior Boarders

Form V & VI boarders, meeting four times in Term 1, twice in Term 2 and once in Term 3.
Further details from Mr McFadyean (History & Modern Studies)

Burns Supper – The Literary and Debating Society

Form VI, meeting twice in Terms 1 and 2
Further details from Mr McFadyean (History & Modern Studies) and Mrs Murray (English)

Card Games Club

Junior 1 & 2. Mondays 3.30-4.30pm. Location: JR5. Terms 1 & 2.
Further details from Mrs Letford (Junior school)

A fun, sociable way to play and learn a selection of card games such as Rummy, Whist and Mini Bridge.

Charities Committee

Form VI, Tuesdays 12.35 – 1.20pm. Location: W8. Terms 1, 2 and 3.
Further details from Ms Sánchez-Román (Modern Languages), Mrs Livingstone (Art) or Mrs Kelly (Art)

Organising activities throughout the school year to raise money for well worthy causes.

Charities supported 2018/2019:
Barnardo's, Mary's Meals, Seamab and Alloa Foodbank.

Chess

Social Chess

Junior 1 – Form VI. Monday and Wednesday lunchtimes. Location: W05.

Further details from Mr Robertson (Mathematics) or Mr D. Delaney (Modern Languages).

The format is simple: come along, grab a board, play a match. Players may drop in at any time and may bring a packed lunch (but no hot food, please!). Coaching is on offer if requested.

More intensive coaching is offered by Mr Robertson in the Maths Department on Fridays at lunchtime. This is intended for pupils seeking to gain chess ratings and/or to represent Dollar Academy in competitions. By arrangement, some these pupils may be offered individualised coaching on Mondays after school.

Chess School

Form I - VI. Mondays 3.30-4.45pm. Location: Y01 and Fridays 12.35-1.25pm. Location: Y07. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Further details from Mr Robertson (Mathematics)

Chess school attendees will develop their ability to solve problems creatively by developing their understanding and ability in the game of chess. Chess stimulates areas of thought in logical progression, creativity, strategy, organisation, time management, risk analysis and many other aspects of mental processing. It's also great fun!

Chess Club

Fridays 12.30-1.00pm. Location: Prep School. Terms 1 & 2.

Further details from Mrs Barbour (Prep School)

Chess Club is for children who can play and for beginners. The children will develop their ability to solve problems creatively by developing their understanding of the game. They will have lots of fun learning while playing with other pupils and seniors.

Choir (Prep School)

Prep 4 & 5. Thursday lunchtimes. Location: G9. Terms 1 & 2.

Further details from Mrs Duff (Music)

To have fun singing together and to prepare pieces for the Christmas Concert in the Perth Concert Hall and the Prep and Junior Concert in March.

Choir (Junior School)

Junior I & 2. Thursdays 3.30 – 4.30pm Location: Music Department. Terms 1 & 2.

Further details from Mr Leslie or members of the Music department.

It is open to all pupils in the Junior School who enjoy singing. Around fifty pupils participate in this activity on a regular basis. Performances are given at the Perth Concert Hall and at the Junior Concert in the Auditorium before the Easter holidays.

Choir (Forms I & II)

Rehearsals Thursdays 3.30–4.30pm. Location: Auditorium. Terms 1 & 2.
Further details from Mrs Timney or members of the Music department.

This is an opportunity to come along and sing a variety of music from classical to popular with Form I and II boys and girls. Term I will concentrate on music for the Christmas Concert in the Perth Concert Hall, where the choir will sing on stage with the senior choirs. During Term II, the choir will work towards the Form I/II March Concert.

All pupils will benefit from vocal warm-ups and technique as well as extending their choral repertoire. They will experience the excitement of performing in live situations and build their confidence in vocal singing.

Choir – Chamber Choir

Form III – VI. Wednesday lunchtimes and Wednesday 4.30-5.00pm. Location: Music Department. Terms 1 & 2.
Further details from Mr Morley (Music)

This is a smaller group drawn from the Senior Mixed Choir, for whom auditions are held at the beginning of term. The repertoire is varied and a number of different styles of choral singing are encompassed. Last session, as well as contributing to church services and concerts, the choir participated in a number of external charity and community events.

Choir – Senior Mixed Voice

Form III – VI. Rehearsals Wednesdays 3.30 – 5.00pm. Location: Auditorium. Terms 1 & 2. Full choir usually consists of around 140 members.
Further details from Mr Morley (Music)

Mixed Voice Choir gives pupils in Forms III to VI the opportunity to sing in a large choir. There is no audition necessary and everyone can take part. The ability to read music is not essential and a warm welcome is extended to all who share a love of choral singing. We tackle a wide variety of repertoire including classical, pop and folk songs. The Choir performs in the annual Christmas Concert at Perth Concert Hall and in the March Choral Concert at school. Recent performances have ranged from the Scottish premiere of Bob Chilcott's *Christmas Night and Howard Blake's The Snowman* to the first UK school performance of *Stella Natalis* by Karl Jenkins and Queen's *Bohemian Rhapsody*.

Christian Union

Form I – VI Tuesdays 11.15-11.30am. Location: Y08. Terms 1, 2 and 3.
Further details from Mrs Cook (Chemistry), Mr Gibb (Maths) or Mr Muirhead (Art & Design)

An informal meeting open to all Senior School pupils whether they have a Christian faith or are interested in asking questions or finding out more. Pupils are able to discuss issues and share their thoughts in a supportive and non-judgmental atmosphere as well as encourage each other in their faith. Tea, coffee and cakes/biscuits are provided.

Coding Club

Form I – VI, Tuesdays and Wednesdays 12.35-1.20pm. Location: Y15. Terms 1, 2 and 3.
Further details from Mr Rees (Computing)

Programming a computer is a fun thing to do, and all ages can do it. We have lots of different ways you can get started, or to learn more if you already know how to code. Come along and join in; bring your packed lunch along!

Combined Cadet Force

Form II – VI, Fridays after school, Terms 1, 2 and 3. Cost £73.50.

All kit (apart from boots) is issued.

Further details from Mr Stewart (CCF & Pipe Band), Capt Scott (CCF), Mr Cochrane (EDT), Mrs Stanhope (IT Training), Mr Florence (Biology), Mr Burbury (SSG), Mrs Barlow (Prep School), Miss Eddie (Junior School) & Miss Sharma (Prep School)

The Combined Cadet Force is a thriving co-curricular organisation for pupils at Dollar. The CCF provides a framework through which cadets can develop qualities of endurance, resourcefulness, self-reliance, responsibility and leadership. It also aims to engender a sense of public service. The contingent at Dollar has a 'section' from each of the three services: Navy, Army and RAF. Membership of the CCF is voluntary and pupils may join in Forms II – VI.

We parade on Friday evenings 3.30pm – 4.45pm, when we cover the training syllabus for all sections. We encourage skills in radios, weapons, engines, power and sailboats, gliders and powered aircraft. Under the leadership of trained experts, it opens the possibility of mountain work, sub aqua, skiing and flying to name but a few. Dollar CCF has an extremely successful shooting program with cadets regularly gaining the opportunity to shoot nationally and internationally. In addition to the weekly training, each term we organise one or two weekends away; longer camps are always organised during the holidays. As well as the UK based camps and visits, there will be opportunities for cadets to travel abroad.

The CCF Royal Navy section provides pupils with the opportunity to gain RYA qualifications in Dinghy Sailing, Powerboating and Day Skipper and Competent Crew Sailing run principally on courses in Plymouth or Portsmouth. In addition to this, pupils gain leadership skills as they progress through the section with valuable opportunities to manage and teach the section on the latter years.

The CCF is directed and managed by a dedicated team of staff. These are members of the teaching staff who have been commissioned into the forces with officer status and trained specifically to serve the cadet force. We also have our own full-time Contingent Executive Officer, Capt MP Scott, who deals with all administrative matters within the CCF. In addition to our own CCF officers we are routinely visited by regular forces service personnel.

Community Service

Forms I – VI. Various days, Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Further details from the Community Service Co-ordinator Mrs MacBean (EDT)

Dollar pupils are involved in a number of projects supporting people and places in the local and wider community as detailed below. Most opportunities require a long term commitment but there are also "one off" activities. All those interested are invited to register interest with Mrs MacBean in the first instance.

British Heart Foundation Youth Volunteers Pupils will receive training in the issues surrounding heart disease and will then raise awareness in others by speaking to their form classes and/or year group assemblies. There are further opportunities to take this new skill out into the community. An excellent opportunity for those seeking a medical profession or those who enjoy, or wish to develop, public speaking skills. Training times to be arranged but will be during the school day so suitable for all ages.

Play Alloa

A youth club for young adults with mental or physical disabilities. Pupils attend the club on Monday evenings in Alloa to play games, use the iPads or just chat and make friends. Suitable for the older pupils owing to the timings. There is also a Saturday Play Alloa which provides play and social opportunities for children and young people with special needs. This takes place at their Tillicoultry centre.

Strathdevon Primary School

Support your local primary school by providing a skill of your choice during lunch play time - i.e. supporting staff during sporting activities. An excellent opportunity for work experience within a school for aspiring teachers. Further opportunities available to Form VI pupils who can offer academic support through paired reading during a free period.

Hillfoots Rugby Club

12 volunteer coaches to help out on a Sunday morning – possibility to undertake level 1 coaching certificate for those interested. Minimum commitment of 4 weeks required and suitable for Form III and above with rugby experience or a desire to learn. This is by no means exclusive to male rugby players - girls would be very welcome, with training provided.

Computer Training for the Elderly Community A four-week course offering basic computer skills training to elderly members of the community. Pupils provide one-to-one tuition tailored for the client's needs e.g. sending and receiving e-mails, internet shopping, storage of photographs or simply how to use a mouse. Pupils experience the joy that teaching can bring and how a new skill can change a life, a recent client learnt how to shop online and SKYPE her grandchildren. Form IV – VI Wednesday 3.45 – 5.00pm. Second half Terms 1, 2 & 3.

Dollar Scout Group are always looking for extra help with their Beaver and Cub packs. This requires either a termly or half term commitment of one evening a week on a Thursday or Friday.

The same applies for the **Dollar Brownies and Rainbows** which runs on a Tuesday and Thursday after school 3.30–5.00pm and 6.30-8pm.

There will be further opportunities in physical environmental projects through the **The Woodland Trust** where training for volunteers can be provided in various things including dry stone-walling, environmental survey techniques and tree planting.

Seamab School is a small residential school for primary aged pupils who are in the care of the local authority. The life experiences of these children are very different from pupils that attend mainstream education and we are planning to provide some positive sporting and musical experiences for the children that is out with from their normal daily routine.

Artistic - During the VI Form activity week our pupil worked with the children designing and creating playground games. We will be continuing this work over the year and it would be a regular commitment for Form VI pupils who have a free period 3 or 4 on a Friday. A Saturday all-day spring clean-up day is also planned and open to all senior year groups.

Gardening

The team will help to maintain a small garden which was created by our Form VI pupils during the summer term. The Garden is located in Gibson Court, Dollar and is already being enjoyed by the elderly residents. No gardening experience is required as expert advice is on hand from the Dollar Horticultural Society. Visits will take place at lunchtime on alternate Fridays, and there will also be a couple of afterschool visits during the spring term.

The Japanese Garden

The team supported the re-opening of this local garden during Scottish Gardens Schemes Open Day. Pupils were trained as guides to the gardens themselves and also helped raise funds in the café. This gave pupils an insight into event management and the wonders of horticulture. We are maintaining a relationship with the gardens, including biological surveys with the science department and any future events will be announced.

Beach Clean Up

Supporting the work of the Marine Conservation Society by collecting plastic from our local beaches. The clean-ups will be carried out on a Saturday or Sunday during the autumn and Spring Terms, dates to be confirmed. This is recommended activity for potential Biologists and Environmentalists and is open to all senior year groups.

Open More Doors

A local group dedicated to fundraising for charities, we will be supporting several fundraising events throughout the year giving pupils the opportunity to gain some hands on experience of event production. The first event is Nov 9th at Tulliallan Castle in aid of Women's Aid and Crossroads. Priority is given to senior pupils but all interested should see Mrs MacBean.

Riding for the Disabled

14 years of age and over, Wednesday 5.30-7.30pm. Wellhall Cottage (Blairingone) Terms 1 and 3 (with options for volunteering during the second term too).

Kit required: Strong footwear and old clothes Further details from Dr Scheuerl (Chemistry)

This activity consists of helping the staff and volunteers at the Forth Valley Riding for the Disabled Association by Blairingone when they have groups of disabled adults/children from the local area, and is a much appreciated and worthwhile task.

The Riding for the Disabled Association is dedicated to improving the lives of people with disabilities, through the provision of opportunities for riding, enabling people to improve their health and wellbeing, and encouraging confidence and self-worth whilst having fun.

No previous experience is necessary as volunteers are taught how to tack and groom the horses and to take the leading rein for walks outdoors in the better weather or for exercises in the indoor arena. Volunteering one evening per week can contribute towards the Service section of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme and can provide excellent work experience for those considering a career working with Disabled.

Conversation Club

Forms I – VI, Mondays 12.35–1.15pm. Location: P22. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Further details from Mrs Burbury (Support for Learning)

This is primarily, although not exclusively, an activity for pupils for whom English is an additional language. The emphasis is on sharing conversation, socialising and building confidence during informal lunchtime sessions. A number of visits are arranged during the course of the year depending on the interests of the group, allowing them to experience something of Scotland's landscape, heritage and culture in its wider context.

Cookery Club (in conjunction with Eco Group)

Form I - VI, Monday 3.30 – 4.30pm. Location: H2 (Iona Building) Term 1.

Kit required: Container to transport food.

Further details from Mrs O'Donnell (Home Economics)

Practical and organisational food skills will be taught during these sessions which will allow participants to develop existing food preparation skills, gain confidence and independence when following a recipe. Recipes will be appropriate to the skills and the requirements of the participants. Allergies and dietary requirements will be accommodated.

Miss McCord will be working with the Home Economics Department to share her cooking experiences and allow pupils the opportunity to undertake some of the challenges she faced on MasterChef UK. The club will be open to pupils in FIII and FIV, but numbers will be limited. Any keen cooks should watch out for notices where more information about the format and how to sign up will be publicised.

Craft Club

Form I – VI. Wednesdays 12.30–1.25pm. Location: EDT. Terms 1 and 2.

Further details available from Mrs Webster (EDT)

Pupils undertake a variety of both traditional and modern craft projects. Allows pupils to design and make products that we are able to do during class time. No previous experience necessary, just a willingness to learn. Workshop based projects include: wooden toys, boxes, and photograph frames. Contemporary projects including; laser cut jewellery, Hallowe'en decorations, paper cut gifts and cards. A good way to develop fine motor skills and creativity.

Craft Club – Junior 2

Junior 2. Fridays 3.30–4.30pm. Location: Junior School. Terms 1 & 2.
Further details from Mrs Neill (Junior School)

Be creative! This is a great opportunity to have a go at a variety of craft activities – jewellery making, salt dough craft, book making, designing greeting cards, tapestry, decopatch, collage. This is the perfect way to develop your design skills whatever the craft.

Cricket – Boys

Cricket is a major sport at Dollar Academy and is very popular with both boys and girls.
Further details from the PE department.

Training at both individual and group level takes place during the winter, often incorporating high-level technical instruction and video analysis. These sessions, both at lunch time and Monday and Friday evenings, start after October break and are led by Mr Peter Ross (Level 3 coach and Assistant Scotland Wildcats coach). During the summer term the cricket programme has a full fixture card for all junior and senior teams in the school, including 1st XI matches against the MCC and the Forty Club. We start developing cricket with Kwik Cricket sessions in Prep 4-5 at lunch times and all year groups above that age group receive at least two training sessions a week. The school puts out, in addition to the 1st XI, a 2nd XI, a Colts XI (U15 side) a F2 team, two F1 & Junior 2 teams and a Junior 1 squad.

The 1st XI competes in, and has had great success in, the U18 HMC Scottish schools T20 competition. The 1st XI were joint holders of the cup in its first year and were worthy winners in 2018. The U15 team were also winners of the Scottish Schools U15 Cup in the same year.

Dollar has produced a number of cricket internationalists over the years and players at all age groups are often selected for regional and national teams.

Cricket – Girls

Prep 4 & 5 Cricket skills – Wednesday (tbc) Lunchtime. Term 3

Junior 1 – Form VI. Terms 2 & 3.
Squad sessions for all girls
Further details from Mrs Childs (Mathematics)

Cricketers of all abilities are welcome at the girls' cricket club. In term 2, indoor practices are held at lunchtimes to develop skills. Outdoor practices in term 3 are tailored to the experience of the girls involved. J1 and 2 girls learn cricket skills through Kwik cricket games at lunchtimes and after school while hard ball skills are practised after school at senior practices for those who of an appropriate skill level. The Junior School team plays in Kwik cricket tournaments and the school enters teams into the National Schools tournament in June.

Curling

Form I – VI. Tuesdays 4.00-5.00pm. Location: Kinross Ice Rink. Terms 1 & 2. There are matches against other schools on occasional Wednesdays and during December.
Kit required: Clean training shoes, loose, warm clothing
Cost: c. £4 per practice/match.
Further details from Miss Cannon (Mathematics) and Mr McConnell (Geography)

Curling club is open to all year groups and any interested pupil, no matter what their level of ability or experience. There will be several 'come and try it' sessions for complete beginners. We enter several cup competitions and a league against local schools for anyone with a little more experience.

Cyber Security Club

Form II – VI. Thursdays 3.35-5.00pm. Terms 1, 2 and 3. Location: Y14.
Further details from Ms McGuinness (Computing)

Cyber Discovery is HM Government's co-curricular programme turning teenagers across the country into cyber security experts. For pupils aged 13-18, this programme is seeking problem solvers, code crackers and, most importantly, those who never give up. The Cyber Discovery Club will give access to computers and resources and also to a dedicated time and place to work through the challenges with like-minded individuals. You will start by testing your natural creativity, problem solving ability and curiosity. Then you will be given the opportunity to take on the role of a security agent to crack codes and stop cyber criminals in their tracks.

DAJO 1 (Dollar Academy Jazz Orchestra)

Form III – VI. Rehearsals Tuesdays & Fridays 12.50 – 1.20pm. Location: Auditorium.
Kit required: Instrument
Further details from Mr Burbury (Assistant Rector)

DAJO rehearse twice a week and perform at various events throughout the year. In previous years this has included performing at the Usher Hall in Edinburgh and the Perth Concert Hall to the March concerts and are a popular feature of the senior school Christmas Dances. Performers audition for their places and play repertoire from big band standards to popular jazz music and sometimes includes vocal numbers.

DAJO 2 (Dollar Academy Jazz Orchestra)

Form I-VI. Tuesdays 12.50–1.20pm. Location: G10. Terms 1, 2 and 3.
Kit required: Instrument
Further details from Mrs Timney or Mr Petrie (Music).

This activity is open to Form I-VI wind, brass and percussion instrumentalists who would like to play in a big band/jazz orchestra environment. The band will work towards a concert in March in the Auditorium; however, there may be opportunities to perform before Christmas. Pupils will experience the excitement of performing in live situations and build their confidence and skills in instrumental playing.

Debating Prep

Prep 4 & 5. Tuesdays 12.45–1.15pm. Location: Prep School. Term 3.
Further details from Mrs Harewood (Prep School)

The club is open to all P4 and P5 children who are interested in discussing issues with their peers in an open and constructive manner.

Debating Form III-VI

Form III – VI. Wednesdays 12.30 – 1.25pm. Location: P7. Term 3.
Further details from Mrs Murray (English) and Mr McFadyean (History & Modern Studies)

The art of debate involves mastering skills of obvious value: the confidence to speak in public, and make sense; the construction of a logical argument; the ability to read an audience's reactions; and, perhaps, most importantly, the willingness to hear others' arguments, and to respond to them. The Debating Society allows pupils to develop all of these skills while discussing issues of great political, ethical, economic and social importance, preparing our pupils even more effectively for the world beyond Dollar.

Diving (Sub Aqua)

Pupils aged 16 years or over; Tuesdays 7.30–9.30pm approx, and for other open water trips, Swimming Pool, Terms 1, 2 and 3. Cost: £45 (includes Joining Fee and Annual Subscription for SSAC)

Kit required: With the exception of dry suit, kit is supplied until qualified as a Branch Diver.
Further details from Mrs Robb (PE).

Learning in a safe and controlled environment, under the auspices of The Scottish Sub Aqua Club, the skills required for scuba diving. There is the possibility of carrying these skills on into open water situations and gaining internationally recognised scuba diving qualifications which can be built upon as your experience grows at any time in your future. Those already holding some level of qualification will be awarded credit for this under the SSAC system and can then build on their foundation knowledge. Internationally recognised qualification. Further training can lead to Instructor qualification.

Drama Club – Prep 1-3

Prep 1-3. Tuesdays 12.45–1.15pm. Location: Prep School, room 8. Term 2.
Further details from Mrs Harewood (Prep School)

The purpose of the club is to introduce young actors to drama. Children enjoy working on role play, improvisation and performance.

Drama Club – Prep 4 & 5

Prep 4 & 5. Tuesdays 12.45–1.15pm. Location: Prep School, room 8. Term 1.
Further details from Mrs Harewood (Prep School)

These drama classes provide children with many skills that will be of use to them throughout life. It is certainly not all about acting and dancing. Perhaps one of the most important skills children will learn from their time here is self confidence.

Drama – J1 & J2

Junior 1 & 2. Mondays 3.30-4.30pm. Location: Captain's Room. Terms 1 & 2.
Further details from Mrs Fraser-Tilus (Junior School)

An enjoyable after school club aimed at developing confidence, dramatic techniques and the ability to work as part of a group. Act out sketches, add a little movement and have fun!

Drama – Form I & II

Form I and II Drama Club

Form I Play

Form 1, Location: Studio Theatre. Term 3.

Further details from Mrs Macbean (EDT) and Mr Russell (Drama)

The Form I play takes place in June; This is an opportunity for Form 1 pupils to revel in their own production and to develop their acting, technical and social skills. Auditions take place early in the Summer Term and rehearsals take place on various days at Lunchtime and after school. Recent productions include an adaptation of *Grimms Tales*, *The Railway Children* and *The Silver Sword*.

Form II Play

Form II, Location: Studio Theatre. Term 3.

Further details from Mrs Cunningham (English) and Mr Russell (Drama)

The Form I play takes place at the end of May; The Form II Play gives pupils the opportunity to develop their skills in more complex and challenging productions. Auditions take place at the beginning of the Summer term. Rehearsals take place throughout the week at lunch time and after school. There are opportunities for actors, designers, technicians and stage managers. Recent productions have included adaptations of *The Arabian Nights* and *Frankenstein*.

Drama – School Play – Form IV – VI

The Senior School production takes place in November.

Form IV – VI, on various days in the week as required. Location: Studio Theatre.

Further details from Mr Russell (Drama)

This is a fantastic way of meeting pupils in different year groups: an enjoyable and rewarding activity which allows pupils to establish new friendships, increase self-confidence and develop drama skills. Opportunities exist both on and off stage – involvement in the sound and lighting crews allows pupils to develop technical skills if they do not wish to be in the limelight. Pupils will gain confidence in performance, enjoyment, and can also receive Duke of Edinburgh credit. Recent productions include *Emma*, *The Visit* and *Mary Queen of Scots Got her Head Chopped Off*.

Drama – Form VI Play

The FVI Play is produced and directed by Form VI Pupils and takes place at the end of March in the Studio Theatre.

Further details are available from Mr Russell (Drama)

This is a challenging and rewarding task for all concerned and has led to excellent sell out productions in recent years which have featured a variety of plays such as *Tally's Blood*, *The Government Inspector* and *Dissocia*

It is an excellent opportunity to develop skills in performance, organisation, design and working as part of a team.

Drumming (Pipe Band)

Further details from Mr Stewart, Mr Innes or Mr McWhirter and Miss Augaitis (CCF)

Prep 3 – Form VI, Side Drumming and Tenor Drumming Workshops runs through all three terms on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 8.00am – 8.45am or 12.50pm – 1.20pm

Drumming is taught in four tiers: Beginners, Novice Juvenile B, Novice Juvenile A and RSPBA Juvenile Grade. The aim is to prepare drummers to compete at all levels including participation in national competitions. The Pipe Band has also toured internationally.

Pipe Band Practices run on Wednesday 5.15 – 7.15pm, Wednesday and Thursday 8.00 – 8.45am, Terms 1 & 2 in the Argylls Building. In term 3 additional practice Monday – Friday 8.00 – 9.15am, Tuesday 3.30 – 5.30pm and Wednesday 3.30 – 5.00pm. In the Argylls Building/Assembly Hall.

Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Form III – VI. Variable days. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Costs: £22.00 Registration fee for Bronze & Silver Award, £29.00 Registration fee for Gold Award Expeditions (for both training and assessment) are Bronze £30.00, Silver £150.00, Gold £180.00
Further details from Mr Johns (Physics)

The Award at Bronze level is open to all pupils in Form III. Those pupils who complete Bronze can go on to take part in Silver in Form IV and then Gold during Forms V & VI.

Bronze registration occurs at the start of Form III. Expedition work takes place in May and September/October for Bronze Candidates (end of Form III and start of Form IV), and in June for Silver (Form IV) and Gold (Form V) candidates. Compulsory attendance is required for expedition preparation sessions which take place prior to the expedition itself. A kit list is available for the expedition part of the award on the school DofE website.

The DofE Award is an internationally recognised programme of personal development which involves pupils participating in four activity areas: Volunteering, Physical Recreation, Skills and Expedition. Progress through the Award and successful completion relies on initiative, commitment and determination from candidates, and this achievement is recognised by the award of a badge and certificate; Gold Awards are also presented at Prize-giving and also an annual Presentation at Holyrood Palace. The school organises and provides opportunities for completion of the Expedition section but participation in all other sections must be arranged by the candidates themselves. The school offers a varied programme of co-curricular activities that can be used by pupils to fulfil the requirements of their DofE programme. The Award at Bronze level is open to all pupils in Form III. Those pupils who complete Bronze can go on to take part in Silver in Form IV and then Gold in Form V & VI.

Economics Society

Form VI. Day tbc. 12.45-1.15pm. Location: W2. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Further details from Mrs Robinson (Business Education)

This club provides an opportunity for Form VI pupils with an interest in Economics to come and discuss current Economic issues. Activities will include weekly discussions and preparation for an internal Interest Rate Challenge with teams competing to create the best monetary policy plan for the Bank of Dollar. This is ideal for pupils studying Advanced Higher Economics, pupils applying for Economics or a related degree at university or any other pupil with a keen interest in Economics.

EDT Club – Junior 2

Junior 2. Fridays 12.30-1.20pm. Location: EDT. Terms 1, 2 and 3.
Further details from Mr Cochrane (EDT)

A club for Junior 2 pupils to further develop their EDT skills through a range of practical projects and challenges. This club aims to build upon the existing Junior EDT curriculum and allows pupils to improve design skills, problem solving skills and basic workshop skills.

Junior 2 Enterprise Club

Junior 2. Mondays 12.30–1.00pm. Location: Y12. Terms 1, 2 and 3.
Further details from Mrs McMartin (Business Education)

Junior 2 pupils learn some enterprising skills - team work, raising money for the Wildhearts foundation doing the Micro Tyco competition.

Young Enterprise Scotland

Form VI. Wednesdays 12.30-1.25pm – times will be discussed at the first meeting. Location: Y16. Terms 1, 2 and 3.
Further details from Mr Simpson (Business Education).

The Young Enterprise Scotland (YES) programme develops entrepreneurship and employability skills by providing the opportunity to setup and run a small business. This will involve the organising and running of a stall at various trade fair events and reporting and presenting at YES events. Successful teams are presented for an enterprise examination provided by Strathclyde Business School.

Fencing

Prep 4 – Form III. Wednesdays & Thursdays. Terms 1, 2 & 3.
Beginners: Wednesdays, 12.30 – 1.10pm. Location: Maguire Gym
Advanced: Wednesdays, 3.30 – 4.30pm. Location: Maguire Gym
Kit required: Gym kit.
Costs: To be arranged directly with parents by Keith Cooke
Further details from Mrs Barbour (Prep School) or Mr Cooke (Instructor)

Fencing Club introduces the children to fencing by developing their skills in a safe and enjoyable environment. The classes are well structured and offer a mixture of games, balance and mobility exercises and blade skills to help children understand the sport and develop their balance, co-ordination, speed and timing. Through developing these skills children will also develop their confidence and self-discipline.

Fishing [*Four-tunas*]

Form I – VI. Tuesdays and Thursdays 3.30-7.30pm. Location: Orchil Fishery. Term 3.
All kit can be borrowed from school.
Cost: £5 per fly fishing trip; c. £20 sea fishing
Further details from Mr Ainge (Biology) or Mr Daniel (Deputy Rector)

The Four Tunas fishing club runs excursions during the summer term and the early part of the autumn. The area around Dollar is an angler's dream with a large number of fisheries within an hour's drive offering good trout and coarse fishing. We also occasionally charter a boat from Arbroath for sea fishing trips. All trips offer a very pleasant and relaxing experience and an opportunity to enjoy Scotland's fantastic countryside and coastline. All Senior School pupils are welcome, regardless of experience.

Fitness/Spin

Form III - VI. Monday – Friday Lunchtimes and after school. Location: Fitness room. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Kit required: school PE kit/clean indoor trainers.

Further details from Mr Newton (P.E.)

A wide range of state of the art equipment, including Les Mills Virtual RPM - Spinning Classes.

Football – Prep 4 & 5 (Boys & Girls)

Prep 4 & 5. Thursdays 3.20–4.15pm. Location: Prep School pitch. Terms 1 & 2 with an end of year round robin football tournament at Newfield.

Further details form Mrs Leslie & Miss Renton (Prep School)

Fresh air, exercise, boys and girls playing sport together, learning basic football skills and fair play.

Football – Junior (Boys & Girls)

Junior 1 & 2. Fridays 3.25-4.30pm. Location: Prep School Field. Terms 1 & 2.

Kit required: PE Kit

Further details from Mr Mills (Junior School)

This is a club where the boys and girls are encouraged to attend to simply enjoy the game of football. Small-sided games and full games are used to improve skills generally and to further their knowledge of the laws of the game.

Football – Form I - II Boys

Forms I - II: Fridays 3.30–4.30pm. Location: Newfield. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Football will stop when the clocks go back in October and will resume when the clocks go forward in again in March.

Further details from Mr D. Delaney or Dr J Fotheringham (Modern Languages)

Open to all First and Second Forms, regardless of level of ability – simply turn up and enjoy the game. Coaching will be provided by members of the Senior First XI.

Football – Senior boys

Form IV – VI. Mondays & Fridays 3.45–4.45pm. Location: Newfield. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Kit required: Pupils must buy their own boots, trainers, shin pads, shorts, socks and training tops. Costs: variable from year to year.

Further details from Mr McKay (Mathematics), Mr Campbell (Biology) and Mr McComiskie (Biology) Ms J McLean (Geography)

Playing football can enhance physical fitness and co-ordination; it can also help to develop qualities of team-work, leadership, motivation and commitment.

Football – Senior girls

Form I – VI. Mondays 3.45-5.00pm. Location: Newfield Pitches. Terms 1 and 2.

Kit required: Pupils must buy their own weather appropriate training clothes including trainers, football boots are not necessary but can be worn.

Further details from Miss McLean (Geography) and Mr Campbell (Biology)

Girls' football at Dollar Academy involves regular training sessions after school, working on developing key skills and techniques. Open to players of all abilities- no experience required. There is an opportunity to play for an U18 7-a-side team in the SISFA Cup and to potentially trail for an U16 SISFA representative team.

Form I Friday Film Club

Form I. Fridays 3.30-4.45pm. Location P13. Terms 1, 2 and 3.
Further information from Mr Johnston (English) or Mrs Cunningham (English)

The Form I Film Club is ideal for those pupils who feel passionately about film and who would love the opportunity to not just watch a range of films – from mainstream movies to obscure classics, and everything in-between – but also to discuss and maybe even write about the films they love (or hate) as well.

"Film screenings increase pupils' cultural awareness... Discussing and reviewing films helps their skills in analysis, literacy and communication... in partnership with their friends in a fun and inclusive environment." (www.filmclub.org)

Senior Film Club

Form IV - VI. Thursdays 3.35-5.00pm. Location: P02. Terms 1, 2 and 3.
Further details from Miss Hepburn (Librarian)

Pupils from Forms IV, V and VI are invited to attend each Thursday to watch a film selected by the group, followed by an informal chat about the film's themes and techniques. A sociable and fun way to broaden your knowledge of cinema.

Gardening – Junior School

Junior 1 & 2. Wednesdays 12.45-1.15pm. Terms 1 and 3. Location: Junior School Annexe and Garden.
Further details from Mrs Ainge (Junior School)

A fun lunchtime club in which you can learn about plants and grow them. In the autumn term we will plant flowers in the Junior School playground and in the summer term we will grow vegetables in raised beds. The Club will provide a great opportunity to make new friends.

GeoWise Quiz

Form I – III. Thursdays 12.30–1.25pm. Location: P27. Terms 1, 2 and 3.
Further details from Miss Dean (Geography)

A club for pupils who enjoy finding out about the world, and participating in quizzes. Towards the end of the year, two teams of three pupils each will be selected to go forward to the local heat of the GeoWise Quiz.

Golf

Form I – VI. Location: Various locations, days & times vary. Terms 1 & 3.

May be some costs involved.

Kit required: Pupils must have their own clubs, shoes and should purchase golf team kit (details from Mr Blezard)

Further details from Mr Blezard (Chemistry) or Mrs Caine (Physics)

Golf provides opportunities for pupils to work together as team while at the same improving their own personal development. Golf provides opportunities for our pupils to be effective contributors, responsible citizens, successful learners and confident individuals. Our golfers are made up of pupils who have reached an advanced level and represent the school and their countries in national and international competition but we also cater for complete beginners. You don't need a handicap to get involved in golf but if you are looking to represent the school in competitions, it is often a requirement.

We have recently established a Girls' Golf section which meets in the summer term.

This year we are looking at the possibility of arranging for pupils to have Golf practice over the Winter months.

The golf notice board is on the ground floor in the Dewar building and pupils should check it regularly for information about the club. Details of matches also available on SOCS.

Greek

Form III – VI. Fridays 12.30–1.15pm. Location: P14. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Kit required: bring a notebook/pen.

Further details from Dr Macleod (Classics)

Greek takes you on a linguistic adventure like no other. For those pupils who are thinking of taking of taking a certificate course in Greek, lunchtime Greek club is highly recommended, but even if you do not intend to proceed in this direction, come and gain an insight into this most fascinating of ancient languages: the language of Homer, Plato, Euripides and many other of the world's best-known authors.

Guitar Building Club

Form III – VI. Wednesdays and Thursdays 3.30–4.45pm. Location: E.D.T Department. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Further details from Mr J Delaney (EDT)

This club gives you the opportunity to develop high-level woodworking skills as you manufacture your own electric guitar/bass. Tools and know-how are provided but you will need to purchase materials as required, this cost will be spread over the build time and it is not necessary to always spend huge amounts of money on this. It is a skill that certainly counts toward your D of E targets and is a great way to create something that you can keep, and be proud of, for many years.

Gymnastics

Prep 4 & 5. Tuesday 12.20-1.05pm
Junior 1 - Form VI. Thursday 12.40-1.10pm
Kit required: P.E kit or the school leotard.
Further details from Mrs V Smith (P.E.)

The Gymnastics club is open to all pupils in Junior 1 – Form VI and is great for developing strength, flexibility and power. Gymnasts have fun learning new or more complex skills and experience Team Gym, Sports-Acro, Partner/Group Balances and Floor and Vault. We work towards creating routines for our annual Gymnastics and Dance Display held at the end of Term 2. We will also be entering the Regional Schools Championships and hope to get even more teams of gymnasts into the Scottish Schools Championships.

Highland Dancing

Prep 3 - Junior 2. Tuesdays 3.30-5.00pm. Location: Maguire Gym Hall. Term 1, 2 and 3.
Kit required: Usual sports kit
Cost: £9 per week
Further details from Miss Farquhar (Modern Languages)

Highland dancing lessons are offered to all pupils from Prep 3 to Junior 2 every Tuesday after school. Learning Highland dancing will give pupils a chance to improve their fitness, develop their self-discipline and confidence, learn new skills and have fun with their friends. There will be a variety of performance opportunities for all dancers, including school displays, national competitions and community events together with the opportunity to sit graded examinations.

Hockey (Prep)

Prep 4 & 5. Fridays 3.30-4.30pm. Location: AstroTurf pitches. Term 1 (until Oct) & Term 2 (until Feb)
Kit required: Gum shield, hockey stick (if they have one, otherwise they may borrow), shin pads, water bottle, waterproof jacket and tracksuit bottoms as appropriate, appropriate footwear.
Further details from Miss Allan (P.E.) and Mrs Barbour (Prep School)

The aims of the club are: to introduce and develop fundamental skills in hockey, to start to develop basic tactical awareness through short sided games and to develop generic movement skills.

Hockey

Terms 1 & 2
Junior 1: Wednesdays 12.30–1.10pm, Wednesdays and Fridays 3.30–4.45pm
Junior 2: Wednesdays 12:30–1.10pm, Mondays and Wednesdays 3.30-4.45pm
Form I – II: Mondays and Wednesdays 3.30–5.00pm. Tuesdays 12.40–1.10pm
Form III: Tuesdays and Thursdays 3.30–5.00pm. Mondays and Fridays 12.40–1.10pm
1st XI: Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays 3.30–5.00pm, Friday Video Analysis 12.40–13.15pm
2nd, 3rd & 4th XI Squad: Tuesdays and Thursdays 3.30–5.00pm
Location: School Hockey Pitch
Kit required: PE Kit, Gum shield, Shin pads, and Hockey stick.
Further details from Miss Allan (Director of Hockey)

The hockey club is the major co-curricular sporting activity for girls, in Terms 1 & 2, gearing its practice towards an extensive Saturday morning fixture programme against other schools. It develops teamwork, an understanding and respect of roles and umpiring, a strong sense of fair play and reflects the school's sporting ethos. Many of the girls progress to District and National level hockey and many continue to play at University and club level on leaving school.

Horse Riding

Junior 1 – Form VI. Monday-Thursday one day a week 3.40-6.00pm depending on demand and availability of the arena. Terms 1, 2 and 3 in blocks of 6 weeks. Location: Dalnair Riding Stables, Bonnybridge.

Kit required: Boots with low heel. Stretchy trousers. A riding hat will be provided but pupils can bring their own if they prefer.

Cost: £25 per lesson.

Further details from Dr Payne (Biology), Miss Rice (Modern Languages)

Pupils sign up for a block of six lessons at a time and ride in an outdoors or an indoors arena. Classes are limited to a maximum of six pupils and are run by qualified teachers. Riders learn how to tack up, walk, trot, canter and jump over the course of one or two years. They will spend the occasional lesson hacking in the countryside.

Once experienced, riders can enter a number of Scottish Schools equestrian competitions provided they have access to their own horse or pony.

In the third term there is an opportunity to spend a day at a trekking centre. Horse-riding improves fitness levels and is a highly enjoyable activity which can be carried out all over the world.

Japanese – Senior School

Form I – VI. Thursdays 12.45–1.20pm. Location: P12. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Further details from Mrs Monk (English)

The senior school Japanese club is for those with a curiosity for anything Japanese, or indeed the simple desire to open their minds and learn more about a very different culture. Our programme is an eclectic mix of the traditional and the modern which we aim to tailor to the specific individual interests of attendees. So, whether your interests are architecture or anime, culture or cuisine, manga or the meiji era, we will have something for you!

Jewellery

Form I – VI. Wednesdays 12.50–1.20pm. Location: D01. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Cost: approx. £1 per week to cover cost of materials.

Further details from Mrs Cook (Chemistry)

Would you like to make your own jewellery? Come along and learn some jewellery making and repairing techniques. It may appeal particularly to those looking for a skill for their Duke of Edinburgh's awards.

Journalism – The Galley School Magazine

The Galley Form I - VI. Editorial meetings are held Tuesday lunchtimes 12.45pm – 1.20pm. Room P23 and then P20 after half term.

Further information available from Ms Abel (English)

The Galley team meets every Tuesday in P23 and after half term in P20. There are several sections to the magazine: News & Politics, Views, Features, Entertainment & Culture, Sport, Science & Technology and Creative Writing. There are opportunities for pupils to develop their skills in desktop publishing, journalistic and creative writing, and in taking on editorial positions of responsibility.

Knitting (Prep)

Prep 4 & 5, Wednesdays 12.35–12.55pm. Location: Prep School. Terms 1 and 2.
Further details from Mrs McFadyean (Prep)

A drop in club for any child in Prep 4 and 5, whether beginner or experienced. We will meet Wednesdays in Term 1 and 2 in the Prep School, for a knit and a natter.

Learning a new skill, critical thinking and problem-solving and an opportunity to make new friends.

Knitting and Crochet Club (Junior)

Junior 1 & 2, Thursdays 12.40–1.10pm. Location: Junior School SfL Room in Annexe. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Kit Required: Wool, knitting needles (as required).

Further details from Mrs Delaney (Support for Learning)

Knitting and crocheting offer opportunities to create many items including soft toys and clothing. Whilst relaxing, these activities offers opportunities to develop and expand skills and knowledge of crafts, which can be enjoyed at any age. With support, pupils will be encouraged to produce both simple and more complex products using a variety of yarns.

Mandarin: Beginner and Intermediate HSK

Form I - VI. Location: W06. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

HSK Level 1 - Tuesday lunchtime.

HSK Level 2 – Wednesday lunchtime.

HSK Level 3 & 4 – Thursday lunchtime.

Further details from Mrs Millard or Mrs Wei (Modern Languages)

HSK is China's only standardized test of Chinese language proficiency for non-native speakers. It certifies the possession of Chinese language skills when applying for a job in China. It also fulfills admission requirements when applying to different types of schools at various levels in China. It is also one of the requirements for applying for scholarship and grants for a gap year in China.

We will work towards obtaining HSK certificate. For Level 1 and Level 2, we will also be working to conduct simple daily conversations, understand frequently used expressions related to daily topics, and use simple Chinese sentences to express your own opinions or thoughts. The final exam will take place in May 2020 and students will be issued certificates in August 2020.

Mapping Club

Form III - VI. Fridays 12.45-1.15pm. Location: P26. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Further details from Mr McConnell (Geography)

Linking with the "missing maps" project developed by Medecins Sans Frontieres, club members will develop digital mapping skills and then work on updating live maps of crisis hit parts of the world. These maps are then used by organisations working in these areas when responding to the crisis.

Mindfulness - Prep

Preps 3 - 5, Wednesdays 12.30-1.00pm

Further details from Mrs Harewood (Prep School)

A quiet contemplative and mindful space.

Mindfulness - Junior

Junior 1 & 2. Mondays 12.50-1.15pm. Term 1, 2 and 3.
Further details from Mrs Fraser-Tilus (Junior School)

Junior children can enjoy a little bit of quiet during Mindfulness Club. They will learn breathing techniques which will help them to feel calm and relaxed and will take some time to reflect on their feelings. No experience required.

Modern Language Trips

Trips to France, Germany, Spain and China (island of Taiwan) are organised at various stages. Further details from Miss S Rice or any member of the Modern Languages department.

Clères (France): Ulmen (Germany):

An eight-day trip during the Easter holidays, staying two or more to a family. The programme features educational and "fun" trips, including shopping and sight-seeing. We also encourage linguistic high-flyers from senior classes to accompany these trips as helper/translators.

Valbonne (France): Fellbach (Germany): Taiwan (China): Toledo & Pollensa (Spain)

Seven – ten day stay on an exchange basis. Dollar pupils link up with partner pupils whose families host them, and reciprocal hospitality is then offered in Scotland. The programme abroad combines educational events and social activities. A similar programme is offered for guest pupils in Dollar.

Fellbach (Germany): Taiwan (China)

Work Experience in Germany or China undertaken by pupils wishing to sharpen their fluency. Accommodation is on the basis of reciprocal hospitality. Pupils are placed in firms where they observe and help out with the work of the company, thereby putting their language skills to intensive practical use. This can be combined with a "desk-to-desk" stay, giving longer-term exposure to language use.

The Modern Languages Department is also active in encouraging pupils to undertake extended individuals stays on the continent; possibilities include "desk to desk" exchanges, summer jobs, au-pair work and gap years assistantships.

Senior School Musical

Form III – VI; Rehearsals Mondays and Wednesdays 5.30-8.30pm. Term 3.

First rehearsal: Monday 20 April 2020

Performance week: Wednesday 17 – Friday 19 June 2020

Further details from Music department staff

The musical is an annual event open to all pupils in Forms III – VI in the Senior School. Those wishing to take either a principal role or a part in the chorus are invited to auditions which are held in the Music Department towards the end of February. In addition, a large number of pupils are involved in the technical crew, taking a central role in lighting, sound, costume, stage management, front of house, make-up and props.

Recent productions include **Les Misérables, Oliver, Chess, We Will Rock You, Evita, Footloose, Guys and Dolls and The Addams Family**. Each year a number of pupils are selected to perform in the orchestra/band.

Netball – (Junior)

Junior 1 & 2. Tuesdays 12.35–1.10pm. Location: Games Hall. Terms 1 and 2.

Kit required: P.E. kit.

Further details from Mrs Eddie (Junior School)

An excellent opportunity to become fit, active and to meet new friends. No previous netball experience required – come and learn a new sport.

Netball – (Senior Girls)

Form I - VI. Thursdays 12.45–1.20pm. Location: Games Hall. Terms 1, 2 and 3.
Further details from Mrs Childs (Mathematics) and Mrs McDougall (Support for Learning)

The Senior Girls' Netball Club welcomes players of all abilities to a friendly training session every Thursday lunchtime in the Games Hall. The aim for this session is for matches against other schools to be arranged. All girls in FI to VI are welcome to join the Netball Club. Beginners and experienced players are welcome.

Orchestra (Prep School)

Prep 4 – 5. Mondays 12.45–1.20pm. Location: G10. Terms 1 and 2.
Further details from Mrs Timney (Music)

An opportunity for any Prep 4 or 5 pupil to participate in an orchestral experience. Classroom instruments can be provided however those pupils learning an orchestral instrument should bring it along. Music will be suitable for all level of player and the group will perform in an end of year Prep and Junior Concert at the end of Term 2.

Orchestra (Junior School)

Thursday lunchtime. Location: Auditorium. Terms 1 and 2.
Kit required: Instrument (percussion provided for pianists)
Further details from Mrs Timney (Music)

This is an opportunity for Junior School orchestral players of all abilities to perform together. Rehearsals take place in the auditorium and performances take place in the Dollar Academy March Concerts. This activity is an extension of instrumental lessons and allows pupils to develop and reinforce their performing skills.

Second Orchestra (Senior School)

Tuesdays 3.30–4.30pm. Location: Auditorium. Terms 1 and 2.
Kit required: Instrument (percussion provided for pianists).
Further details from Mr Morley and Mr Christie (Music)

This activity is open to Form I and II string, wind, brass and percussion instrumentalists who would like to play in an orchestra. The orchestra will work towards a concert in March in the auditorium, and will build up a repertoire of music to develop and reinforce their instrumental skills and aural awareness. This is an excellent opportunity for pupils to work with their musical peers in a group situation and experience the excitement of performing in a live concert.

First Orchestra (Senior School)

Form III – VI Rehearsals take place on Mondays 12.50–1.20pm and 3.30–4.30pm. Location: Auditorium. Terms 1 and 2.
Further details from Mr Christie and Mr Morley (Music)

The Dollar Academy First Orchestra is open to all any member of the senior school who plays an orchestral instrument. This group is open to all levels and abilities and performs each year at the Christmas concert and the March concerts. Recent repertoire has included Jurassic Park, Carnival of the Animals. Pupils may be considered for performing with the orchestra as a soloist.

String Orchestra (Lower School)

Form I and II Rehearsals take place on Tuesdays 4.30–5.00pm. Location: Auditorium. Terms 1 and 2. Kit required: Orchestral Instrument.

Further details from Mr Christie and Mrs Timney (Music)

This is an extension of pupils' instrumental string lessons and gives them a chance to perform in a string ensemble, experiencing and reinforcing string techniques, repertoire and performance practice specific to string playing. The group will perform in the March Auditorium Concerts.

String Orchestra (Senior School)

Form III – VI Rehearsals take place on Mondays 4.30–5.00pm. Location: Auditorium. Terms 1 and 2.

Further details from Mr Christie and Mrs Timney (Music)

This is an extension of pupils' instrumental string lessons and gives them a chance to perform in a string ensemble, experiencing and reinforcing string techniques, repertoire and performance practice specific to string playing. The group will perform in the Usher Hall and March Auditorium Concerts.

PC Build Club

Form I - II. Mondays 12.35-1.20pm. Location: Y15. Terms 1, 2 and 3. 6 spaces available at a time. Spaces allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Further details from Mr Rees (Computing)

Ever wondered what is inside a PC? Have you ever had a PC stop working, and not know how to replace a broken component? Then PC Build Club is for you! In pairs, you will have the chance to fully assemble a PC from component parts, and then test it by installing Windows 10, and then programs to stress test your new PC. You will do this over a period of 6 to 8 lunchtime sessions sometime during the year.

Piping (Pipe Band)

Prep 3 – Form VI. Pipe Band Practices run on Wednesday 5.15 – 7.15pm, Wednesday and Thursday 8.00 – 8.45am, Terms 1 & 2 in the Argylls Building. In term 3 additional practice Monday – Friday 8.00 – 9.15am, Tuesday 3.30 – 5.30pm and Wednesday 3.30 – 5.00pm. In the Argylls Building/Assembly Hall.

Further details from Mr Stewart, Mr Wilson and Mr Beaumont (CCF)

Piping is taught in five tiers: from beginners on the chanter, to solo pipers; pupils are advised which sessions are most appropriate for them. The aim is to prepare pipers to compete at all levels, including participation in National Competitions. The Pipe Band holds the Scottish CCF Championship title as well as winning the British, UK, European, Scottish and World titles when competing in the Royal Scottish Pipe Band Association Juvenile Band. Both the Juvenile and Novice Juvenile A grade Bands are current RSPBA Champion of Champions.

Politics and International Relations Society

Form I – VI. Mondays 12.40–1.15pm. Location: P6. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Further details from Mrs H Young (History & Modern Studies)

This weekly discussion club will unpick current news stories and events. Pupils will be able to discuss and debate key issues and individuals making the news. This club is ideal for any pupil interested in finding out a bit more about the world in which they live. It is also ideal preparation for developing political literacy, an understanding of international relations and domestic political affairs. This club is open to pupils in Form I-VI and will provide a solid grounding for those intending on applying to top Russell Group universities.

Pom Pom Crafts

Prep 2 & 3. Mondays 12.30-1.00pm. Location: Prep School library. Terms 1, 2 and 3
Further details from Mrs Delaney (Support for Learning)

Pom Pom crafting offers the opportunity to create a range of soft toys and other items, using simple tools in a relaxed atmosphere. This can help to develop fine motor skills and allows pupils to produce both simple and more complex products using a variety of yarns.

Pupil Council

Prep 3 & 5 Representatives (two from each class) every second Monday 12.35-1.00pm. Terms 1, 2 and 3.
Further details from Mrs Murphy (Prep School)

Junior 1 & 2 Representatives (two per class) Tuesday 12.45-1.15pm. Location: JR5. Terms 1, 2 and 3.
Further details from Mrs Letford (Junior School)

Pupil Council consists of representatives from each of the classes who meet up on a regular basis to consider points raised by their peers. Last session we worked on reducing waste from snacks and packed lunches in response to the widely recognised need to produce less waste.

Pupil Librarians

Junior 1 – Form VI. Monday – Wednesday. 3.30–4.30pm. Location: Library, Terms 1 and 2.
Further details from Miss Hepburn (Librarian)

Students are invited to participate as Pupil Librarians, helping out in the school library and learning about different aspects of librarianship. This can contribute to pupils' volunteering requirement for Duke of Edinburgh, and can be added to their UCAS forms. They will help with producing library displays, buying new books, organising library events and keeping the library neat and tidy. They will also learn about the Dewey Decimal System and how a library is organised and can be best used for research.

Puzzles & Games Club

Prep 2 & 3. Thursdays 12.30–1.00pm. Location: Prep School. Terms 1 and 2.
Further details from Mrs Barbour (Prep School)

To develop logical thinking, creative thinking skills and working cooperatively through fun hands-on puzzles and games.

Rock-Climbing

Form I – VI. Monday-Wednesday 3.45–7.45pm during Autumn and Spring. Location: Edinburgh International Climbing Arena.
Kit required: Warm, loose fitting clothing
Cost £9.50 per session including hire of boots and harness (less if own kit provided).
Further details from Mr Durran (Mathematics)

Regular trips are arranged to Edinburgh International Climbing Arena, Ratho. Beginners, as well as those with more experience, are welcome. Sessions are run by qualified instructors among the school staff. Joining these trips provides an enjoyable and safe introduction to an exciting activity, good exercise and, for the more experienced, a regular chance to improve skills. This is an appropriate skill for Duke of Edinburgh's Award participants. No particular kit is required.

Rugby

Terms 1 & 2

Prep 4 & 5: Squad Training Fridays 3.30–4.45pm

Junior 1 & 2: Squad Training – Mondays, Wednesdays 3.30–4.45pm;

Skills Training – Mondays 12.30–1.15pm

Form I & II: Squad Training - Mondays & Wednesdays 3.30–4.45pm;

Form I Skills Training – Thursdays 12.30–1.15pm

Form II Skills Training – Tuesdays 12.30–1.15pm

Form III: Squad Training - Tuesdays & Thursdays 3.30–4.45pm;

Skills Training – Thursdays 12.30–1.15pm

U16's: Squad Training - Tuesdays & Thursdays 3.30–4.45pm;

Skills Training – Thursdays 12.30–1.15pm

2nd XV: Squad Training - Tuesdays & Thursdays 3.30–4.45pm;

Skills Training – Wednesday 12.30–1.15pm

1st XV: Squad Training – Mondays, Tuesdays & Thursdays 3.30–4.45pm; Skills

Training/Analysis – Wednesday 12.30–1.15pm; Friday Team Run 12.30–1.15pm

Kits required: PE Kit, boots and Gumshield.

Further details from Mr Caskie (Director of Rugby).

The rugby section is the major co-curricular sporting activity for boys. The aim of the club is to ensure that all boys who attend fulfil their potential and strive to be the best they can be. All players learn to play the game in a safe and enjoyable environment whilst upholding the strong school values of developing resilience, enthusiasm and independence of mind. All players have the opportunity to represent the school in an extensive competitive fixture programme. Many of the boys progress to District and National level and many continue to play at University and club level after leaving school.

Rummikub Club

Form I & II. Mondays 12.30-1.25pm. Location: History/Modern Studies Department. Terms 1, 2 and 3

Kit required: Suitable clothing for running in the weather conditions.

Further information from Mr Dann and Miss McRitchie (History & Modern Studies)

Rummikub is a tile-based game, combining elements of the card game Rummy and mahjong. This is an excellent opportunity to meet new people, test your problem solving abilities and have fun!

Running Club – Junior

Junior 1 & 2. Wednesdays 3.30-4.30pm. Location: Junior School. Terms 1 and 2

Kit required: Suitable clothing for running in the weather conditions.

Further information from Mr Dann and Miss Sheridan (Junior School)

Running is hugely beneficial for fitness and general well-being. In the first instance, the aim of this club is to provide these benefits and to offer an active option for those who are not involved in hockey or rugby. Running activities within and outwith the school grounds. Membership restricted to juniors (due to the evening, probably those not involved in hockey or rugby).

Running Club

Form I – VI. Tuesdays 3.40–4.55pm. Location: Maguire Building. Terms 1, 2 and 3 (until study leave begins).

Kit required: running kit required (need not be school colours); gloves and hat recommended in winter.

Further details from Mr Johns (Physics), Mr Gibb, Mrs Stewart, Miss Cunningham, Mrs L Taylor, Mr Wilson, Mrs J Young

A chance to improve your fitness for other activities, or to just run for fun. Meet by the P.E. benches at the Maguire Building after getting changed into running kit – we head off at 3.45pm. General runs will explore the area around Dollar, often on tracks and trails, with a chance to try a time trial, hill reps and interval training mixed in. Sometimes we will use a minibus to drop us off in order to run back to Dollar along a different route. All Seniors are welcome, whether you wish to try this for one session, or for the whole term; simply turn up on the day. This activity can be used towards the Physical Recreation element of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award.

Science Club – Prep

Prep 2 & 3. Tuesdays 12.30–1.00pm. Location: Prep School, P5. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Further details from Mrs Leslie (Prep School)

A fun and sociable opportunity to further your curiosity about all things science. Come along at lunchtime to take part in exciting, hands-on experiments and develop all the skills you need to be an observant and curious scientist, the next Einstein in the making!

Shares4schools

Form V. Day tbc 12.45-1.15pm. Location: W01. Term 1, 2 and 3

Further details from Mr Moore or Mrs Robinson (Business Education)

Form V pupils will invest money on the London Stock Exchange. benefits include developing essential skills such as team working, researching and decision making.

Shooting

Form II – VI Wednesdays 3:30-5.30pm; All shooters must be regular members of the CCF.

Kit required: Long sleeved top, hair tied back, cap.

Further details from Mrs Barlow (Prep School) or Captain Scott (CCF)

Form II Monday and Thursday 3.30pm – 5.30pm (Terms 1 & 2). Form II CCF Recruits who have passed their weapon handling safety test may join a training programme on Thursdays in addition to Friday CCF Session. The sessions are divided into 20 minute 'details' and thus attendance to the whole time is not required. The programme is progressively selective; the top 20 or so at the end of March will be invited to further training in Form III. All applications and administration are handled through CCF on Fridays.

The aim of these sessions is to learn and practise the skills required to enjoy target rifle shooting in a safe and friendly environment. The sport is also recognised as an important discipline by the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme and is proving more popular every year. Shooting can be incorporated into all three levels of the scheme with pupils learning Rifle Safety, Range Management, Marksmanship skills and concluding with a formal exam.

Pupils who reach the required standard are given the opportunity to join the school's 1st squad, and to participate in Scottish, British, and Commonwealth competitions throughout the year. The first two terms are spent primarily on Small-bore (indoor) shooting, with the focus of the third term on Full-bore (outdoor) shooting, culminating in July with the Ashburton competition, a meeting of all British CCF's at Bisley; Dollar won this in 2005 and 2013. The school's elite then shoot the Imperial Meeting, which include the best shots world-wide. They also have the opportunity to apply for places on the UK Cadets Channel Islands Tour and The Canada Tour as a member of the elite The Athelings Team.

Shorthand Training

Form I - VI. Tuesdays 12.45-1.15pm. Location: P4. Terms 1, 2 and 3.
Further details from Miss Thomson (History & Modern Studies)

Shorthand can benefit those interested in a career in the journalism industry because reporters need to write quickly yet still take precise notes. It is also useful for anyone looking to improve the speed of their note-taking.

Skiing

Prep 4 - 5, Wednesdays 3.15-5.15pm, Terms 1 and 2 (Starting October 2019)

Cost: £9 per lesson.

Further details are available from Mrs Murphy (Prep School) for Prep 4-5.

Prep 4/5 Ski Club provides the opportunity for beginners to learn to ski or for those with previous experience to improve.

Junior 1 – Form VI. Mondays 3.40–5.20pm, Terms 1, 2 and 3 (starting mid-September 2019). Sessions are booked in blocks of 5 or 6 weeks.

Kit required: warm, waterproof clothing, long socks, gloves essential.

Cost: £6 per lesson

Further details are available from Mr Lumsden (Chemistry) for J1 – FVI

The Ski Club offers a wide range of activities, including lessons for complete novices (1st Term only) and regular practice sessions at Firpark Ski Centre, Tillicoultry, as well as practice sessions at the indoor snow slope at Snow Factor, InTu Braehead, Glasgow. We also organise a highly popular week-long Ski Tour to the French Alps, the next one being Easter 2020 – places are full at the moment, with a small waiting list. This has proved a very popular trip in the past, with 105 pupils on the Easter 2018 trip. We stay in the Hotel Piolet in Les Menuires, a hotel and ski area we know very, having had numerous memorable, ski-filled tours there in recent years.

Ski Racing

Form I – VI. Occasional weekday and weekend racing. Location: Midlothian Ski Centre and at ski centres throughout Scotland. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Kit required: Having own equipment eg skis/helmets helpful but not essential.

Costs: Some travel and accommodation costs might apply.

Further details are available from Mr MacDermot (Art and Design)

Ski racing is a great way of getting involved in a more competitive format of skiing. We race against other schools in Scotland and also have been involved in the British championships. We race on both snow and dry slopes in a variety of formats. It is a great activity for those who have already raced for their local ski clubs and want to develop further.

Space Explorers Club

Form I - VI. Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm. Location: D21. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Further details from Dr Fulton (Physics)

Learn about the stars, planets, galaxies, blackholes and more. Trips will be organized throughout the year. Plans include the Royal Observatory in Edinburgh and Jodrell Bank.

Stage Make-Up Team

Form IV - VI, Thursday Lunchtimes. Location: P2. Terms 1, 2 and 3.
Further details from Mrs Mackie (English)

As part of the team you will learn how to apply stage make-up and create some special effects. Pupils involved work in a team in the evening to provide make-up for all school shows and plays. This is a great way to develop the skill for a future career in theatre or as part of an Art portfolio. You will also practice working under pressure, learn organisational skills and how to manage your time effectively.

Student Investor

Form IV. Wednesdays 12.30-1.15pm. Location: Y12. Terms 1 & 2.
Further details from Mrs McMartin (Computing)

Pupils research to find suitable companies to invest in for the Student Investor competition.

Strategy Games Club

Form I – VI, Monday after school, Tuesday lunchtimes. Location: D2. Terms 1, 2 and 3.
Further details from Dr Johnson (Chemistry)

The club meets every Monday and Tuesday to play a number of popular strategy games such as Risk, Axis and Allies and Diplomacy. Space is provided for pupils who wish to play fantasy games such as Warhammer. Club members have participated in national competitions for games such as X-wing and Warhammer.

Surfing

Form I – VI, Thursdays 3.30pm–9.30pm, Belhaven Beach near Dunbar. Terms 1 & 3.
Kit required, swim wear, towel, warm clothing, snack and drink.
Cost: £24 per lessons.
Further details from Mr Ainge (Biology)

The Surf Club runs blocks of four lessons in the First and Third Terms, in conjunction with Coast-2-Coast Surf School in Dunbar. We travel to Belhaven Bay; a beautiful, safe and uncrowded beach where the C2C instructors take our pupils for surfing lessons. We can offer classes for complete beginners to intermediate level surfers. Each lesson costs £24 and includes transport, hire of a board, wetsuit and instruction. During the 4 week beginners' block, pupils will be taught how to paddle a board, catch a wave and, hopefully, how to ride white water into the beach. They will also be taught basic water safety and wave etiquette. The lessons are great fun and provide the opportunity to try something new. If there are no waves we will wither go Coaststeering or Stand-Up Paddle Boarding (SUP). All senior school pupils are welcome.

Swimming Club

Prep 4 & 5. Mondays and Wednesdays 3.30–4.30pm. Location: Dollar Swimming Pool. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Kit required: Swimming kit.

Further details from: Mrs Harewood (Prep School) or Mr Kidd (Pool Manager)

The club is suitable for more confident swimmers (Prep 4 - Prep 5). Children have an opportunity to improve their technique.

Junior 1 & 2 Thursdays 3.30–4.30pm. Location: Dollar Swimming Pool. Terms 1 and 2.

Kit required: swimming kit including goggles.

Further details from Miss Sheridan (Junior School) or Mr Kidd (Pool Manager)

The club caters for those wishing to improve stroke technique and fitness. In Term 1 pupils are involved in sprint training, speed endurance and coached in their starts, turns, diving and change overs. In Term 2 pupils are coaching in lifesaving techniques and learn to perform simple rescues.

Swimmers have the opportunity to represent the school in galas against other schools, as well as being selected to swim at Central and Scottish Schools.

Tennis Club

Prep 4 – Form VI. Monday–Friday lunchtimes and after school at the school astro pitch. Term 3. Kit required. - School PE kit and tennis racket.

Further details from Mr Newton (P.E)

All pupils have the opportunity to attend Tennis Club and represent the school in regular fixtures. The courts are available every lunchtime for individual player development/coaching or Tennis of a more social nature.

An advanced group of players have the opportunity to go to Gleneagles Indoor Tennis Centre every Friday for the first two terms. This squad is selected in September and is reviewed each term.

The Workshop

Form VI. Monday and Friday lunchtimes. Location: P11. Terms 1 and 2.

Further details from Mrs Murray (English)

Open to all members of Form VI who are interested in reading more widely.

Touch Typing

Junior 1 - Form VI. Thursday lunchtimes. Location: Y13. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Further details from Mrs Duncan (Business Education)

Provides pupils with a skill. This can count towards the skills section of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme.

Ukulele Club

Junior I – VI. Tuesday 12.45pm. Location: G10. Term 1, 2 and 3.

Further details from Mrs Timney (Music)

This club provides pupils of all abilities with an opportunity to learn a range of music on ukuleles. Instruments can be provided and there is music to suit all tastes. The activity allows pupils to develop their co ordination skills, knowledge of music and music theory.

Ultimate Frisbee

Form VI. Friday 12.35–1.20pm. Location: Games Hall. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Further details from Mr McEwan (History/Modern Studies) or Miss McGookin (Business Education)

No previous experience is required for members of Form VI. We will play a range of tournaments around the UK and these will give pupils the chance to represent the school at university and school-level events. The Form VI Ultimate Frisbee Club has been up and running for almost 10 years now and is proving to offer a successful pathway into on-going success in the sport both at university and beyond.

Wind Ensemble (Lower School)

Form I & II Rehearsals take place on Tuesdays 4.30–5.00pm. Location: Auditorium. Terms 1 and 2.

Kit required: Orchestral Instrument (Woodwind/brass/percussion).

Further details from Mr Piwowar (Music)

This is an extension of pupils' instrumental lessons and gives them a chance to wind ensemble, experiencing and reinforcing techniques, repertoire and performance practice. The group will perform in the March Auditorium Concerts.

Wind Band (Senior School)

Form III – VI Rehearsals take place on Mondays 4.30–5.00pm. Location: Auditorium. Terms 1 and 2.

Further details from Mr Christie and Mrs Timney (Music)

This is an extension of pupils' instrumental lessons for pupils playing woodwind, brass and percussion instruments and gives them a chance to perform in a wind ensemble, experiencing and reinforcing techniques, repertoire and performance practice. The group will perform in the Usher Hall and March Auditorium Concerts.

Yearbook (Sixth Form)

Form VI. Tuesday lunchtime. Location: P12. Term 1, 2 and 3.

Further details from Mrs Monk (English)

At the end of Form V, pupils apply to be on the Yearbook Committee. A group of approximately 15-20 pupils is ultimately selected to organise the production of the Sixth Form Yearbook. Pupils may be involved in various aspects of production. There are two main editorial positions available, requiring the greatest commitment of time and effort. Pupils may also lead or contribute to departments working on feature writing, fundraising and advertising, A-Z organisation, artwork, photography and computer layout. The goal is for the pupils to independently fund, create and produce a stylish book that recalls their days at Dollar Academy.

Yoga - Prep

Prep 1 - 5. Fridays 12.35-1.00pm. Location: Prep School Library. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Kit required: wear loose comfortable clothing.

Further details from Mrs Burbury (Support for Learning)

Flexibility, fun and friends. This club aims to promote mindfulness for our young pupils whilst helping them to keep active. Try out different moves each week whilst enjoying some calming background music.

Yoga

All year groups. Thursdays 3.45-4.45pm. Location: P14. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Kit required: wear loose comfortable clothing. Yoga is practised in bare feet. Yoga mats are provided.

Further details from Dr MacLeod (Classics)

Yoga, the ancient art of finding inner stillness, is available to all, whatever your age. No previous experience is necessary. You will practise asanas (postures) from seated, standing and lying positions, work with the breath, and enjoy systematic relaxation. Yoga is not a sport; it is not competitive; everyone can benefit from it, and **everyone** is good at yoga!

Young Engineers

Form II – VI, Wednesdays 12.40pm-1.20pm. Location: EDT. Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Further details from Dr Keys (EDT)

This club is designed for pupils to take part in a wide-range of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) activities. The focus is on seeking out and participating in competitions at a range of different levels. Examples of competitions are: F1 in Schools (designing, making and racing a rocket powered car), CanSat (launching a satellite), GO4SET (an environmental engineering challenge).

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