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# **King Edward VI Handsworth Wood Girls' Academy**

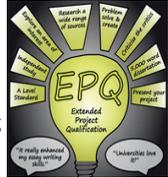
## **Sixth Form**

**Enrichment Programme  
2019 - 2020**

# Enrichment @

## Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)

The Edexcel Level 3 Extended Project qualification supports learners with the transition to higher education or into the world of work. It gives students the opportunity to develop critical, reflective, problem-solving and independent learning skills through the planning, research and evaluation of a self-selected project, resulting in one of four project outcomes: dissertation, investigation, performance, artefact.



## Certificate in Financial Studies (CeFS)

The course encourages students to become responsible borrowers and sensible savers, and to appreciate the need for financial planning throughout their life. It prepares students for further study by developing the core skills of critical analysis and evaluation, verbal communication (through classroom discussion) and written communication. CeFS has been accredited by Ofqual at Level 3 and is part of the Regulated Qualifications Framework.



## Cookery

Our cookery enrichment is for students who would like to expand their knowledge of cookery. It will look at basic techniques, which are fundamental to good cooking, learning to cook and prepare food quickly and confidently, to plan ahead and produce food. It will also look at nutrients within ingredients, encouraging a well balanced diet for students, detailing how this impact on a healthy lifestyle.



## St John Ambulance Student First Aid Certification

St John Ambulance Student First Aid is a series of short first aid programmes presented by St John Ambulance trainers. Each lesson covers different first aid topics, in real life scenarios with easy-to-follow first aid demonstrations. Students can learn first aid skills which could stay with them for a lifetime. At the end of the programme you will receive a certificate from St John Ambulance.



## French

French and English are languages appearing on all five continents. Wherever you are, if you speak both, you have a good chance to be understood! Multilingual people, are skilled at switching between two systems of speech, writing, and structure, this “juggling” skill makes them good multitaskers. French and English are culturally and conceptually complementary and are the main official working languages of most international organisations.



## Music

Many studies have been conducted on the effects of music on the brain. Scientists say that students who are exposed to music, or those who play an instrument, do better in school than those who don't. Learning to play an instrument is like learning to speak another language and it can be challenging at times. One of the qualities musicians possess is discipline. You have to be disciplined in order to master playing your instrument.



# HWGA Sixth Form

## Forensic Science

Forensic Science is any science used for the purposes of the law, it provides impartial scientific evidence for use in the courts of law, such as in a criminal investigation and trial. Forensic science uses a range of sciences, right from Biology and Chemistry to Physics, Psychology, Social Science, Geology and so on, to answer questions related to legal situations. This option is excellent for students interested in the use of science in criminal situations.



## Community Apprentice

Community Apprentice projects will play an important role in students' own personal development. Working as part of a team, students leave a lasting impact on the academy through choosing an area of the academy which needs attention. Each community work project comprises of a team which has various leaders, enabling students to develop communication and leadership skills.



## Photography

You can end the frustration by adjusting just a few simple controls on your camera. Make photography much easier, and look more professional by removing all the complication & guesswork from using your camera. This enrichment option will not only help you in building up your photography knowledge and confidence, but also assist in advancing you to the next level of photography.



## Sport

Sport enrichment will be focused on both fitness and improving skills in certain sports, in particularly football, cricket and netball. In addition to improving technical skills in these areas, the sport enrichment option will improve fitness levels. Health benefits of playing sports include proper weight management, efficient functioning of the heart, controlled diabetes, lower cholesterol levels, improved blood circulation, lower hypertension and stress levels.



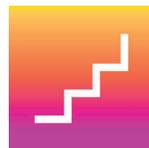
## Drama

In Drama students find that there are many different opportunities available that will permit them to share a part of themselves that contributes to the group as a whole in a positive manner. There are many individual roles within a production and it is quite likely that you will find a position that is a perfect match for you based on your level of expertise and confidence. Drama enables each of us to use our special talents, skills, and abilities.



## Future Learn

Whether you want to develop as a professional or discover a new hobby, there is an online course for all students. You can even take your learning further with online programs and degrees. Meet educators from top universities and cultural institutions, who will share their experience through videos, articles, quizzes and discussions.



# Schemes Supported & Additional Opportunities

**A2B Scheme**The Access to Birmingham (A2B) scheme is designed to help students from families and communities in the West Midlands who have little or no experience of higher education find out about what studying at university involves (University of Birmingham).

**Doug Ellis Pathway into Healthcare:** Designed to prepare students to enter medical school and other healthcare professions at Aston or elsewhere. Aston Medical School is an exciting model for medical education that is a platform for mobility into medicine. (Aston University).

**Smart Futures:** Smart Futures offers you an opportunity to have a great paid experience of work. It is a ten month programme which starts with paid work experience in the summer or Easter holiday. You will be invited to a series of alumni events throughout your final year.

**Aim Higher:** Aimhigher West Midlands is a partnership of Higher Education Institutions (HEIs), schools, academies and colleges. AimHigher helps make sure that young people from less advantaged backgrounds have access to high quality, exciting and challenging experiences.

**National Citizen Service (NCS):** NCS is a 3-4 week experience that helps build your confidence and self-belief, live away from home, develop skills and meet amazing people. This is your chance to embark on exhilarating challenges, make your mark and build skills for work and life.

**NatWest Dream Bigger Programme:** This new initiative from NatWest connects young women with inspirational entrepreneurs, equipping them with the skills and tools to develop themselves, help their community and further their career.

**Ambassador Team:** Students have the opportunity to become part of the ambassador team, with roles such as Head Girl, Deputy Head Girl or an Ambassador. This looks great on students CVs demonstrating leadership skills and playing a wider role within the academy.

**Work Experience:** Towards the end of Year 12 students have the opportunity to take part in a professional 2 week work placement. This allows students to get vital experience within the field they wish to go into after Post 16 education. The academy careers advisor helps support this.

**Mentoring:** Students have the opportunity to become either an Academic Mentor or Behaviour Mentor for students in KS3 and KS4. This allows students to develop their communication skills as well as looking impressive on CVs.

**Extra Curricular Clubs:** A number of extra curricular clubs run at the end of the academy day or at lunchtime. This changes each year with clubs setup to meet our students needs and interests. The Sixth Form team will be keen to hear from any student wishing to setup a new club.

**Master Classes:** University Masterclass programmes are designed to help students' transition between Sixth Form and university level learning. The Sixth Form promotes a number of these with local universities, including university trips on Citizenship Days.