

# 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 so that you can take on anything in life. 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.



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# Sixth Form

# Enrichment Programme

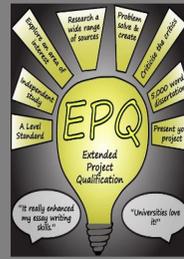
# 2020-2021



# Enrichment @ King Edward VI Handsworth Wood Girls Academy Sixth Form

## Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)

The 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. It prepares students for further study by developing the core skills of critical analysis and evaluation, verbal communication and written communication. CeFS has been accredited by Ofqual at Level 3 and is part of the Regulated Qualifications Framework.



## Health & Social Care Placements

This is for students studying Health & Social Care only. Placements form an important part of the Health and Social Care course. Our placements are with a wide range of organisations, which will help you gain a wealth of experience to boost your valuable employability skills. Students are supported on these placements by our Futures Manager and Health and Social Care teachers.



## Spanish

Spanish 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. Spanish and English are culturally and conceptually complementary and are the main official working languages of most international organisations.



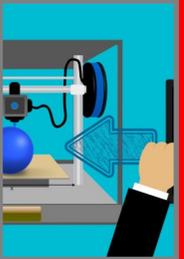
## Music

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.



## Creative Design

The enrichment option allows students to develop creative, technical and practical expertise needed to perform everyday tasks confidently and to apply these to the real world. We promote a love of learning by encouraging students to be resourceful, innovative, and creative problem solvers in the 'real world'. Students get the opportunity to gain experience in identifying, considering and solving problems through the manipulation of a range of materials and technologies.



## 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.



## Food Hygiene

This enrichment choice is for anyone who works in a setting where food is cooked, prepared or handled. Learning to cook will help you understand world cultures, customs and flavours. You will also learn life skills like eating healthy, budgeting your money, and cleaning. Cooking will boost your self-esteem. You will learn proper planning and preparation skills to see a task through from start to finish.



## Art

Art enrichment will engage, inspire and challenge students to experiment and create their own works of art. Students will learn about the basic principles of art (line, pattern, texture, colour, tone, shape, form and colour) and how to apply them in a range of different materials. Through art, students will explore how to visually express their ideas and experiences and become familiar with using the language of art and design when discussing these.



## Future Learn

Whether you want to develop as a professional or discover a new hobby, there's 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'll share their experience through videos, articles, quizzes and discussions.

