

WHAT'S ON?

SIR GRAHAM BALFOUR SCHOOL

SUPPORTING THE ASPIRATIONS OF YOUR CHILD

EVENTS, COMMUNITY, CAREERS AND ENRICHMENT

AUTUMN TERM 1 2026





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Diary Dates 2026 – 2027

Dates for your diary.....



Face to Face Parents' Evenings 2026- 2027

Year 7	Tuesday 27 th Apr 2027	3.30pm – 6.15pm
Year 8	Tuesday 19 th Jan 2027	3.30pm – 6.15pm
Year 9	Tuesday 9 th Mar 2027	3.30pm – 6.15pm
Year 10	Tuesday 10 th Nov 2026	3.30pm – 6.15pm
Year 11	Tuesday 6 th Oct 2026	3.30pm – 6.15pm
Year 12	Tuesday 4 th May 2027	3.30pm – 5.30pm
Year 13	Tuesday 3 rd Nov 2026	3.30pm – 5.30pm

Dates for your diary.....



Form Tutor Evenings 2026- 2027

Year 7 & 12	Tuesday 17 th November 2026
Years 9 & 11	Tuesday 9 th February 2027
Years 8, 10 & 13	Tuesday 23 rd March 2027

Commencing at 3.30pm until 5.30pm
Details to follow.

AUTUMN TERM DIARY DATES

September	18 th	Year 7 & 10 School Photographs
	23 rd	Duke of Edinburgh – Parents Information Evening, 5.00pm (School Hall)
	29 th	Open Evening for Years 5 & 6
October	5 th	Poland Trip – Parents Meeting, 6.00pm (School Hall)
	6 th	- Year 11 Parents' Evening - PSHE Day
	15 th	Sixth Form Open Evening for Year 10 & 11
	16 th	Engineering Sessions – Year 9
	23 rd	SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STUDENTS – INSET DAY
	26 th – 30 th	HALF TERM
November	2 nd	SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STUDENTS – INSET DAY
	3 rd	Year 13 Parents' Evening
	10 th	Year 10 Parents' Evening
	12 th	Ski Trip - Parents Meeting, 6.00pm (School Hall)
	11 th	PSHE Day
	17 th	Years 7 & 12 Form Tutor Evening
	25 th	Flu Immunisations – all years
December	11 th	Engineering Sessions – Year 9
	18 th	SCHOOL CLOSING AT 12.30PM FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

ENRICHMENT TIMETABLE AUTUMN TERM

Please note all Enrichment clubs are free of charge, please direct any questions to the member of staff in charge. Everyone is welcome within the ages, specified no sign up is required unless specified.

Enrichment timetable- Term 1 2026 - 2027					
Day	Club	Year	Time	Staff	Venue
Monday	Table Tennis	All	Lunch 1.30-2.15pm	Mr J. Smith	Sports Hall
	Careers advice- drop in clinic	6 th Form	Lunch 1.30-2.15pm	Mr L. Smith	Office- 92A
	Homework Club	All	Afterschool 3.15-4.15pm	Mrs Price & Mrs Corbett	Library
	Silent Study	All	Afterschool 3.15-5.15pm	Mrs Price & Mrs Corbett	413
	Subject specific- Homework support	All	Afterschool 3.15-4.15pm	See subject teacher for info	Subject areas
	Netball	All	Afterschool 3.15-4.15pm	Mrs Watson	Netball Courts/ Sportshall
	Football	All	Afterschool 3.15-4.15pm	PE staff	Field
Tuesday	Girls Basketball	All	Lunch 1.30-2.15pm	Mrs Chapman	Sports hall
	Duke of Edinburgh (drop in)	DofE students	Lunch 1.40-2.10pm	Mr Brookes/ Mr Mapperson	458
	Orienteering	All	Lunch 1.30- 2.15pm	Mr L. Smith	94
	Homework Club	All	Afterschool 3.15-5.10pm	Mrs Price & Mrs Corbett	Library
	Silent Study	All	Afterschool 3.15-5.15pm	Mrs Price & Mrs Corbett	413
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Wednesday	Volleyball	All	Lunch 1.30-2.15pm	Mr Trenbirth	Sports hall
	Careers advice-drop-in clinic	Years 10 &11	Lunch 1.30-2.15pm	Mr L. Smith	Office- 92A
	Christian Union	All	Lunch 1.30-2.15pm	Year 11 students	Rm 430
	Choir	All	Lunch 1.40-2.10pm	Mr Field	Rm 64
	Homework Club	All	Afterschool 3.15-5.10pm	Mrs Price & Mrs Corbett	Library
	Silent Study	All	Afterschool 3.15-5.15pm	Mrs Price & Mrs Corbett	413
	Subject specific-Homework support	All	Afterschool 3.15-4.15pm	See subject teacher for info	Subject areas
	Rugby	All	Afterschool 3.15-4.15pm	Mr Mills	Field
	Basketball	All	Afterschool 3.15-4.15pm	Mr Trenbirth	Sports hall
	Roleplaying game club- spaces very limited (Sign up required)	All	Afterschool 3.20-4.20pm	Mr Underwood-Jones	418
Thursday	Badminton	All	Lunch 1.30-2.15pm	Mr Williams	Sports hall
	Music club	All	Lunch 1.40-2.10pm	Mr Field	Music room (Rm 64)
	Homework Club	All	Afterschool 3.15-5.10pm	Mrs Price & Mrs Corbett	Library
	Silent Study	All	Afterschool 3.15-5.15pm	Mrs Price & Mrs Corbett	413
	Field run	All	Afterschool 3.15-4.15pm	Mrs Haines	Field
	Handball	All	Afterschool 3.15-4.15pm	Mrs Chapman	Sports hall
	Girls Football	All	Afterschool 3.15-4.15pm	Mr Williams	Field
	GCSE PE Coursework support	GCSE PE students	Afterschool 3.15-4.15pm	PE Dept	210
Friday	Film Club	All	Lunch 1.40-2.15pm	Mrs Williams	Rm 430
	Table Tennis	All	Lunch 1.30-2.15pm	Mrs Watson	Sports hall
	Indoor Cricket	All	Afterschool 3.15-4.15pm	Miss Marshall	Sports hall

ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Role Playing Game Club



Wednesdays
15:20 - 16:20
Rm 418




CAREERS
DROP IN SESSIONS



MONDAY & WEDNESDAY

With Mr Smith

Room 92A

Need advice? Have questions?
Pop in!



homework club



Monday to Thursday 3.15PM - 5.15PM
the library

Run by- Mrs Price & Mrs Corbett

GET INVOLVED

SIR GRAHAM BALFOUR SCHOOL

ORIENTEERING CLUB

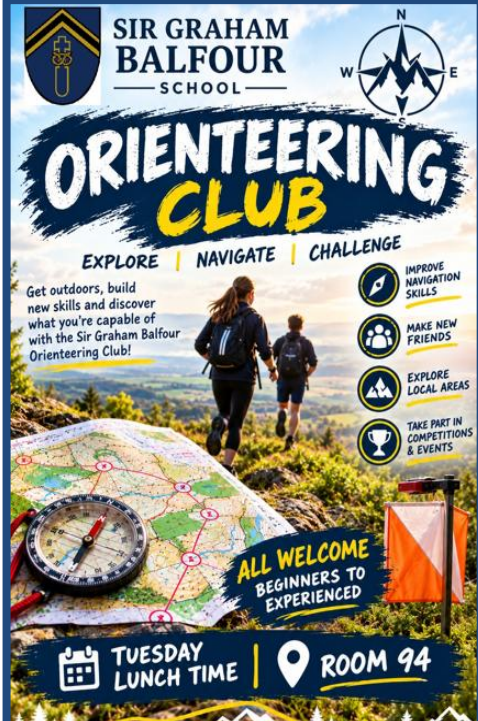
EXPLORE | NAVIGATE | CHALLENGE

Get outdoors, build new skills and discover what you're capable of with the Sir Graham Balfour Orienteering Club!

- IMPROVE NAVIGATION SKILLS
- MAKE NEW FRIENDS
- EXPLORE LOCAL AREAS
- TAKE PART IN COMPETITIONS & EVENTS

ALL WELCOME
BEGINNERS TO EXPERIENCED

TUESDAY LUNCH TIME | ROOM 94



Sir Graham Balfour Film Club

Every Friday
1:35 start
Room 430

Bring your lunch

Speak to Mrs Williams for more details.



Christian Union Club

A place for students of all or no faiths to come and explore Christianity.

EVERYONE WELCOME

Wednesday lunchtimes | Room 430

Bring your lunch with you!

Talk, Ask, Explore, Grow



DUKE OF EDINBURGH



THERE WILL BE A PARENT'S INFORMATION EVENING
TAKING PLACE FOR PARENTS OF
STUDENTS WHO WISH TO TAKE PART IN THE
DUKE OF EDINBURGH SCHEME.

WEDNESDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER
5.00 – 6.00PM
IN THE SCHOOL HALL

If your child would like further information on getting
involved with the Duke of Edinburgh scheme,
please ask them to visit:

WWW.DOFE.ORG
or speak to Mr Brookes in Room 458.

**YOUTH
WITHOUT
LIMITS**

TRIPS & VISTIS

September	11 th	GCSE Drama – Theatre Trip
October	15 th	Houses of Parliament Visit
	21 st	Year 13 – Emily Bronte Trip, Yorkshire
	16 th October	Engineering Session
	24 th October	History Trip to Krakow
December	11 th December	Engineering Session



CAREERS NEWS



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ARMY
RECRUITERS

Year 11

YNSCL Fest showcases all opportunities including Apprenticeships, Further and Higher Education, entry level roles, and general employment, offering visitors the chance to engage with England's top Employers, Colleges, Universities and Training Providers in a face-to-face, interactive environment.



Year 12/13

Birmingham Autumn 2026 University Fair - Friday 09th October 2026 - Edgbaston Stadium

This exciting and informative event will provide attendees with the opportunity to speak to a multitude of exhibiting universities and apprenticeship providers.

CAREERS AND ASPIRATIONS

Keele

UNIVERSITY



In November year 10's will have the opportunity to visit Keele for masterclass and tour.

In September Year 10 will visit the JCB, Careers Fair.

The annual event hosted at The JCB Academy which connects students and learners with major employer partners.



A number of Career experiences will take place for Key stage 3 students throughout the year, This term there will be opportunities with Staffordshire fire brigade & Veolia energy plant.



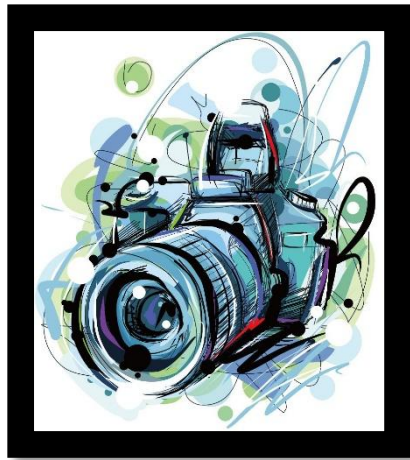
Year 10 will also get to experience 4-day residential experience with the British army. Where they will be put through their paces and learn all about the Army offer and way of life.

CAREERS AND ASPIRATIONS

CAREERS DROP-IN SESSIONS

***MONDAY & WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIMES IN
RM 92A***

COMMUNITY



Year 7 & 10 School Photographs

Friday 18th September

Please ensure your child/ren come to school smart and in full school uniform.

Thank you!



Years 5/6 Open Evening

Tuesday 29th September 2026
6.00 – 8.00pm



MERIT SHOP COMING SOON

Sixth Form Open Evening

Thursday 15th October 2026
6.00 - 8.00pm



Remembrance Day Parade – 8th November



Details to follow – we are looking for students to attend and represent SGB



Friday 13th November – fundraising details to follow



St Mary's Christmas Tree Festival

Other events happening this term.....

Coins for Coffee – fundraiser for the House of Bread

Christmas Challenge – starting late November – details to follow.....

CONTACTS



CAREERS AND ASPIRATIONS

If you have enquiries regarding areas of school involving careers, work experience, further and higher education, please contact lsmith@sirgrahambalfour.staffs.sch.uk



ENRICHMENT

If you have queries regarding Enrichment or Community events, please contact lgannon@sirgrahambalfour.staffs.sch.uk



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For further information about our DoE programme, please email DofE@sirgrahambalfour.staffs.sch.uk