

Guilds – Sample 2

- Guilds are a **4 week** block of study on Wednesday P5 where students opt to study something of interest.
- Have a look through the list here and have a think about which guild you would like to participate in. (Read them carefully)
- You only do 1 guild, and you do this every Wednesday P5 starting on the 18th January for 4 weeks. You will have to make a ‘top 5’ choice in case certain guilds are over subscribed! I will try to give you, your choice 1 or 2 wherever possible. (But still select your top 5)
- Carefully check to see if there are any notes attached to each guild regarding needing PE kit, equipment or your own things.
- This starts on Wednesday 18th January for 4 weeks.
- *It might be a good idea for each student to make a note of the guilds they like the look of on a piece of paper before we make the final choices in the next few days.*

Guild	For whom	Notes
Queens Gambit (IAS)	Any years	Learn how to play Chess properly. It teaches many skills, such as concentration, thinking ahead, planning, problem solving, patience especially with beginners. Skills of sportsmanship, helps develop memory and strategies to improve logical thinking. Become a master and apply the skills you learn in chess to other areas of your life.
Netball (SBI)	Years 7 & 8	After the students' success v the staff last week come to this guild to bath in their glory and improve your skills so next time you could be in the winning team – led by year 9s PE kit needed
Be a Bookworm (GLO)	Any	Be a Bookworm is about having the enjoyment of reading for pleasure but equally, it is to appreciate a good story. Fiction or non-fiction, books from my own collection or yours, whatever you like to read, enjoy a peaceful afternoon with myself and other keen readers who are looking to escape for the hour. Not sure on what to read? Myself and student librarians will be happy to help!
Costume Design (HPA)	Any	Making costumes, accessories and props for the academy production of 'Annie'.
Debate (CSM)	Any	Understand how to develop your skills at winning an argument! For a selected team of students working towards Mock Trial work.
Well being (positive mental health) (OCO)	Any	<i>Your #WeWill Wellbeing Ambassadors will be running groups featuring experts in various fields of mental health. Learn more about various mental health diagnosis and gain valuable awareness of difficulties that your friends may be experiencing in areas such as eating disorders, self harm, anxiety and low mood. Learn ways to manage some mental health difficulties with expert techniques. Find out about services which may be useful. Also, a useful introduction to anyone considering a career in mental health and/or working with young people.</i>
Beat the Cube (MWI)	Any	Learn how to complete a Rubik's cube in the fastest time possible using algorithms, patience and practice! If you like problem solving and have a mind for puzzles, you could be brilliant at solving the cube. Once you know how, develop your skills to become a 'speed cuber' and race against each other. Can you beat the cube?

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Fitness training boot camp (PLP)	Any	Ready to shed some pounds before Christmas? This intense fitness boot camp will see you learn the correct technique for exercises and then design and complete your own fitness sessions to get chizzled! PE kit needed
Space 101 (JHE)	Any	In this guild we will be exploring space from learning about Planets, Rockets and even Alien life and everything in between. To infinity and beyond
Mindfulness and meditation (ADO)	Any	Learn some tips and skills in the art of total relaxation and managing your day to day emotions and stresses. In each session, we will look at basics you can do in your every day life and complete a meditation session together. Students will need to change into PE kits for this guild and will be expected to participate in the meditation session each week.
Spanish (EWA) tbc	Year 9	For those opting for Spanish next year
History Headlines (RHA)	Any	Budding journalists...Every week we will be using film and documentary clips to analyse a different historical event which truly changed the world. You will then use this as the basis to create your own newspaper front page about the event, imagining you are an on the spot reporter! Re-write history your own way!
Intro to Psychology (LIM)	Year 9 & 10 only	A brief introduction to A level psychology, a look into what the course offers and some of the theories behind, memory, perception and social interaction. Year 9 and 10 only
Engineering Challenge (PSU)	Any	Each week you will try to solve a different engineering task: These will include: Building an air powered rocket (furthest flight wins) Building the tallest tower (must hold a 1kg mass) Building a bridge (highest load before collapse wins) Building a boat (biggest load before sinking wins)

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Intro to Golf	Any	Introduction to the basics of golf looking at Irons, Wedges and Putting
Uni life (UEA – CFE)	Years 9 & 10	Want to find out more about university? Find out what you can study, where you can live, what other activities you can do – and generally what life is like. Find out the facts about how much uni costs, and what you could earn when you finish. It has been described as the time of your life!
Venture MC (TOD) tbc	Years 9 & 10	Do you dream of rhyming like Rakim and Slim, but everything you come out with sounds like mumble rap? This is for you! Each week we will be analysing a different classic hip hop song, looking at its rhyme structure for inspiration and writing some verses. We'll also look at improvisation and freestyle
Alternative Photography (MCL)	Year 10 only	Students will learn about the history of alternative photography & get to create their own alternative photography processes such as cyanotypes, photograms, scanography & double exposures.
If you know – you know! (CED)	Any	Mysteries and tasks – If you know – you know!!.
Music Tech (SBE)	Any	Learn to use the music sequencing software, BandLab. It's like a virtual studio where you can create your own music.
Drama and Play Writing (CGU)	Any	Have you ever wanted to write your own play? This guild will be using the fabulous world of Grimm's Fairy tales to devise our own short plays and stage them in groups. You will get a chance to write your own scripts, consider how you would stage them, and participate in a performance or manage one!

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Crochet (JHU)	Any	Have a go at crochet, learn the basic stitches and make your first project! Crochet is similar to knitting but with one hook instead of two needles.
Scratch (ECL)	Any	Learn how to code a game in Scratch
Polish (ATO)	Any	Learning Polish language, culture and trying Polish food.
Fighting Fantasy book and game club (MST)	Any	Ian Livingstone and Steve Jackson created the fighting fantasy series in the 80's. They are a collection of books you read and make choices as you progress through the story, whilst rolling a dice for fights and luck. This guild includes reading and Literacy. You will have to read and play one of the books on your own or as a small group.
Football (AAK)	Year 9s	Football for Year 9s building on teamwork, communication skills, leadership skills, Physical education, health and enjoying having a kick around.
Football (KMA)	Year 7s	Football for Year 7s building on teamwork, communication skills, leadership skills, Physical education, health and enjoying having a kick around.
Football (JBR)	Year 8	The nations favourite game – for year 8s only! PE kit needed

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History mysteries (EBE)	Any	Take a look back in time! Review a collection of artifacts and books to discover the past!
100 Words Wednesday (FTE)	Any	Using either an extraordinary image or a crazy writing prompt, you will have only 100 words to craft your very own piece of magical creative writing. You will have the chance to use some literary skills, create some fantastic stories and earn great rewards - all for just using 100 words!
Rugby (CGO)	Year 9 and 10	Develop your skills on the rugby pitch – the 6 Nations and World Cup are coming up this year after all!!
Pokemon (LGO)	Years 7 & 8	Watch, discover, find and play your favourite Pokemon games and cards
Literacy (BMA)	Year 9	Literacy based activities and games designed to improve your acquisition of language
Cartoon Drawing (MSM)	Any	Practice your drawing skills by following tutorials to draw your favourite cartoon, superhero, or video game characters.
Film studies	Any	Watch and then importantly review a classic film – articles to go in the Venture Voice!