



KS3 Enrichment Week Activities

Wednesday 15th – Friday 17th July 2026

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Success for All

Enrichment Week 2026

Dear Parent / Carer

We are excited to launch the events on offer for Enrichment Week 2026. We hope there is something of interest for all of our students.

Enrichment Week is an opportunity for our school community, staff and students to celebrate the accomplishments of the academic year together. The events and excursions are an opportunity to learn outside the classroom, seeing new sites and environments and gaining new experiences. For those choosing the Onsite Carousel, this is no normal school day - there will be lots to try and do!

On Monday 10th November, we will open ParentMail for 4 weeks to enable you to select your child's activity and pay the deposit to secure their place on their chosen event. Please note that deposits are non-refundable, therefore, please only pay a deposit against one activity per child. Please be advised that many of the trips have limited spaces available; once sold out you will not be able to book a place on that event. All deposits are to be paid by Friday 5th December 2025.

If you have any questions or queries regarding this information please do not hesitate to contact us at enrichmentweek@buckinghamschool.org.

Enjoy reading the booklet with your child!

Best wishes,

The Buckingham School Enrichment Team
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Activities

Animal Antics

Calling all Animal lovers! Three days of animal focused fun! Come face-to-face with the world's most feared predators, take a safari ride through parkland reserves and venture through the Trail of the Kings at Chessington.



Places available	48						
Lead Staff	Mrs A Wallace Miss P Matthews						
Cost	£99						
Payment Plan	£24.75 non-refundable Deposit Followed by 3 x £24.75 instalments - 31st Jan / 28th Feb / 31st Mar						
Description	Day One – Tiggywinkles Wildlife Hospital Hear the incredible story of Tiggywinkles and the work they do to rescue, rehabilitate and care for wildlife. Meet a hedgehog up close, plus some of our permanent resident animals. These residents are unable to return to the wild but play an important role in helping us to inspire and educate visitors about the importance of protecting British wildlife. Day Two - Chessington World of Adventures This theme park is not all about adrenaline packed rides (although you can if you want to!). Chessington Zoo and Sea Life has been home to over 1,000 exotic animals for nearly 100 years! With lots to see and do across the park, there is something for everyone. Please be aware of the early departure time for this day! Day Three - Woburn Safari Park A trip around the enclosures led by one of the Woburn rangers will show you lions, elephants, giraffes and many others! Explore the open parklands and come face-to-face with lots of exciting wildlife! <i>Students may have unsupervised time at the venues but must stay in groups no smaller than three. They will meet with staff to be registered at least once during the day.</i>						
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Dress Code	Non-uniform (sensible clothing factoring in changeable weather)						
Lunch Requirements	Day 1: Packed lunch required as there is no facility to buy food at the venue. Days 2 & 3: Students are to bring a packed lunch, or bring money to purchase food at Chessington / Woburn. For all 3 days, those students in receipt of Free School Meals will have a packed lunch provided for them each day.						

Culture Vultures

"Variety is the Spice of Life that gives all its flavour"....William Cowper

Are you the next Wonka, a budding LegoMaster or revel in the history of Medieval England? This exciting 3-day event covers a host of different activities and learning in 3 iconic UK attractions.



Places available	90
Lead Staff	Ms Watkins-Brady
Cost	£118
Payment Plan	£29.50 non-refundable Deposit Followed by 3 x £29.50 instalments - 31st Jan / 28th Feb / 31st Mar
Description	Day One - Cadburys World A tour of how this delicious iconic British chocolate is made and where it all began, with plenty of FREE SAMPLES!! Day Two - Legoland Windsor Part theme park, part art cultural icon, Legoland has something for everyone! Amazing sculptures, games, rides and activities all themed around the legendary lego brick! Please be aware this day will run longer, returning around 5pm. Day Three - Warwick castle Great battles, ancient myths and spellbinding tales. Relive 1000 years of history at this Majestic British landmark. Live action events and immersive exhibitions to thrill and excite all day. <i>Students may have unsupervised time at the venues but must stay in groups no smaller than three, and meet with staff to be registered at least once during the day.</i>
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Lunch Requirements	All 3 Days: Please bring a packed lunch or money to buy food on site. Those students in receipt of Free School Meals will have a packed lunch provided for them each day.

Onsite Carousel

You don't need to leave school to have fun on Enrichment! Our in-house Carousel is designed to give all participants an eclectic mix of new experiences, having fun and making new friends.

You could be working on one of your passions like art, drama, sport or science and then later be taking part in something new and exciting! Everyone is welcome and the host teachers really enjoy getting involved! This is very much the more the merrier!



Places available	No limit
Lead Staff	Mrs V Jones
Cost	Free
Payment Plan	Free
Description	This free event is suitable for any child that does not want to take part in offsite activities. Children who do not choose an activity or join the school later in the year will be automatically added to this event.
Departure / Return	All three days take place on school grounds and within school hours. Break and lunchtimes, as well as school transport, will all run as normal.
Dress Code	Non-uniform. As this is an onsite event, students will not be able to use mobile phones as per normal school policy.
Lunch Requirements	Days 1-3: Normal school lunch options available

Outdoor Adventures!

An unforgettable experience awaits at the Forest School experience at Caldecotte Lake in Milton Keynes. Over three exciting days, you'll take part in a range of adventurous and skill-building activities. Forest School is all about teamwork, resilience and connecting with the great outdoors. Whether students are paddling across the water, building shelters in the woods, or working together to solve challenges, they'll be creating memories and developing skills that will last a lifetime.

Students must be able to swim to take part in this activity.



Places available	70
Lead Staff	Mrs J Murray
Cost	£204
Payment Plan	£51 Followed by 3 x £51 instalments - 31st Jan / 28th Feb / 31st Mar
Description	Day 1 - Bushcraft, Archery, Orienteering & Team Dynamics Students will kick off the adventure learning essential bushcraft skills - from fire lighting to shelter building - before testing their aim in archery and working together through exciting orienteering challenges. The day ends with team-building games designed to build confidence, leadership, and laughter. Day 2 - Zorbing, Bushcraft 2, Scavenger Hunt & Climbing Wall The fun continues as students roll into the day with adrenaline-pumping zorbing! They'll develop their bushcraft skills even further before embarking on a fast-paced scavenger hunt and tackling the climbing wall - a true test of courage, balance, and teamwork. Day 3 - Water-Based Adventure: Raft Building, Open Canoeing & Powerboat The final day brings a splash of excitement as students take to the water! They'll work together to design and race their own rafts, learn paddling techniques in open canoes, and experience the thrill of a powerboat ride — an unforgettable end to an action-packed week. Please note: Swimwear and a change of clothes is advisable
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Lunch Requirements	All 3 Days: Please bring a packed lunch or money to buy food on site. Those students in receipt of Free School Meals will have a packed lunch provided for them each day.

Thrillseekers

This is one for our Adrenaline Junkies!

Three days of roller-coasters, log flumes and fair rides at the UK's top theme parks. Dragon's Fury, Nemesis, Stealth and Tidal Wave are among some of the roller coasters on offer.

Boasting some the fastest and tallest rides in Europe, and alternatives for the more reserved rider, there is something for all.



Thorpe
PARK



Places available	215						
Lead Staff	Claire McCarthy						
Cost	£154						
Payment Plan	£38.50 non-refundable deposit Followed by 3 x £38.50 instalments - 31st Jan / 28th Feb / 31st Mar						
Description	Day One - Alton Towers Are you bold enough to take on the Resort's awesome choice of head-spinning, heart-pounding, world-class rollercoasters, like Wicker Man, Oblivion and The Smiler? Or will you take a spin on Gangsta Granny: The Ride? Day Two - Thorpe Park Step into the home of feel good thrills at the UK's most thrilling theme park, with over 25 rides and attractions to experience. From the UK's tallest and fastest rollercoaster, Hyperia, to the wettest water rides in the UK, there's something for everyone at Thorpe Park! Day Three - Chessington World of Adventures Discover over 40 theme park rides and magical attractions for all ages, from thrilling rollercoasters to water rides! <i>Please note: this is an early departure and late return to allow for more time at the venues. Please ensure your child has enough food/drink or money to last for a full day out.</i>						
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Dress Code	Non-uniform						
Lunch Requirements	All 3 Days: Please bring a packed lunch or money to buy food at the venues. Those students in receipt of Free School Meals will have a packed lunch provided for them each day.						

Warhammer

Outline of Activity

Warhammer is a fantastical table-top battle game played with 3D models and scenery. Join students who have attended the Warhammer Club, for 3 days of playing, making and battling in the Warhammer World in Nottingham, plus a visit to Xscape Milton Keynes for fun activities together.



Places available

24

Lead Staff

Mark McElroy

Cost

£149

Payment Plan

£37.25 non-refundable Deposit

Followed by 3 x £37.25 instalments - 31st Jan / 28th Feb / 31st Mar

Description

Day One - Warhammer Activities in School

Including War gaming, modelling, painting, VR gaming, 3d printing and loads of prize-driven competitions. The day will finish with a huge water balloon fight on the MUGA!

Day Two - Warhammer World

See amazing set-ups and compete in a tournament at Warhammer World in Nottingham. Students will also have a tour of the Exhibition Centre. There will be loads of prizes to give away on the day as well!

Day Three - Xscape MK

Fun and games at Milton Keynes Xscape, where great activities, such as Gravity Bounce, 10-Pin Bowling and a 4DX movie, await!

This trip is open to all, but Warhammer Club members will have first priority. It's a really nice end to the Club for the year.

Departure / Return

Day 1: Normal School Hours

Day 2: Depart: 08:20 Return: 17:30

Day 3: Depart: 08:30 Return: 17:45

Dress Code

Non-uniform – will need a change of clothes for days 1 & 3.

Lunch Requirements

Day 1: Normal school lunch options available

Day 2: Students can bring a packed lunch, or money to purchase food at Bugman's Bar. Those students in receipt of Free School Meals will have a packed lunch provided for them.

Day 3: Lunch will be provided at McDonald's and a Munch Box at the cinema, both of which are included in the price. Students may wish to bring money with them if want to purchase additional drinks/snacks throughout the day.

FAQ's

Question / Query	Answer
Can my child change activity?	Only in exceptional circumstances can students be transferred between activities (including payments). Appeals to change must be submitted in writing to enrichmentweek@buckinghamschool.org for consideration by the school Business Manager/Headteacher but are not guaranteed.
Can I get a refund?	Deposits are non refundable and paying a deposit is a commitment to adhere to the outlined payment plan. If a refund is requested and approved, any administration/cancellation charges will be taken from any refund due, over and above the non-refundable deposit.
Can I use Pupil Premium to cover cost?	Pupil Premium support cannot be used to pay the non-refundable deposit. PP support to help with the cost of the remaining balance can be requested via finance@buckinghamschool.org but is not guaranteed.
Can I take my child out of school instead?	The dates of Enrichment Week 2026 are part of the school year and therefore, it is a requirement that all students are registered daily. Normal absence procedures must be followed. Taking your child out of school will be treated as an unauthorised absence.
Can my child change their activity to be with their friend?	Changes to activities will not be granted based on social circumstances and relationships. We politely suggest students discuss with their peers before committing to an activity, as once a deposit has been paid, we cannot accommodate any further changes, unless in exceptional circumstances.
My child is undecided on which activity to choose...I do not want to pay a deposit for an activity they are unsure of, only to lose it once they have made up their mind	Students will have 2 weeks to review the activities available and discuss amongst their friends. Any student who does not reserve a place on an offsite Enrichment Activity will be automatically placed on the Onsite Carousel. If, after the deposit payment date closes, there are spaces remaining on any of the offsite activities, these will be advertised to those students allocated to the Onsite Carousel event only. We cannot extend any paid activity beyond the numbers advertised, as the activity prices are based on transport, minimum tickets/event costs and staffing.

Terms and Conditions

1. To secure your child a space on an activity, you must make your selection via ParentMail and pay any required non-refundable deposit when the items are released on ParentMail. There is limited availability for each event and once committed, cannot be transferred from one event to another, or refunded. If your child's preferred option has reached maximum capacity, it will show as "Sold Out" on ParentMail. Where this is the case, an alternative activity must be selected.
2. Pupil Premium support **cannot be** used for the non-refundable deposit; further financial support towards the remaining balance can be requested via finance@buckinghamschool.org but support is not guaranteed.
3. In the event that the minimum number of students required for an event is not met, the Enrichment activity will be cancelled. Parents will be notified as soon as possible, refunded and opportunities of alternative activities offered.
4. The dates of Enrichment activities fall within the academic calendar and therefore, it is a requirement that all students are registered daily. Normal absence procedures must be followed and absences reported in accordance with standard procedure.
5. Submitting a deposit is a commitment to adhere to the outlined payment plan; failure to maintain payments will result in your child being removed from the activity register and placed on the Onsite Carousel activity. You will be refunded any monies paid less the non-refundable deposit and any additional administration/cancellation charges.
6. Only in exceptional circumstances will students be permitted to change activities. Requests to change must be submitted in writing to enrichmentweek@buckinghamschool.org for consideration by the School Business Manager/Headteacher, but are not guaranteed to be approved.
7. In extenuating circumstances (for example bereavement/medical reasons), the School will aim to accommodate a student in a more suitable activity. In this situation, a review of payments and suitability for refund will be made by the School Business Manager/Headteacher.
8. All students are expected to abide by our Code of Conduct and behave appropriately as representatives of our school. If a student is later deemed a significant safeguarding risk to themselves or others and therefore, cannot partake in the activity, you will be refunded any monies paid less the non-refundable deposit and any additional administration/cancellation charges.
9. All Edulink One accounts must have a minimum of two different contact numbers for use in the event of an emergency. You must check your Edulink One account to ensure the information held is correct. Your child may not be able to part in any offsite activity if we do not have at least two emergency contact numbers on file for each student.
10. For all activities taking place offsite, you will be required to complete a Consent Form which will be emailed to you via Buckinghamshire Council on Friday 26th June 2026. Please check your junk/spam email in case it is delivered there. This must be completed and submitted by Friday 3rd July 2026. Your child will not be allowed to participate in the offsite activity if we have not received your completed form.
11. Some of the venues we plan to visit may require their own additional consent to be given for your child to participate. Failure to comply with any such request may result in your child being removed from the that specific activity. In the event of this happening, you will be refunded monies paid for this element of the overall cost, less the non-refundable deposit and any additional administration/cancellation charges.



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*Believe me, when we say
Success for All, we really do
mean All.*

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Mr A McGinnes, Headteacher