

Enrichment List 2025/26

ACADEMIC

High Achievers+:

HA+ Chemistry Society W030 Mark Huyton (Wednesday 3:10-4:05pm)

ChemSoc is for students studying Chemistry who are interested in further pursuing the subject after college, who want to find out more detail about what we do in lesson or who just enjoy the subject! We'll be doing extra practical tasks, masterclasses, external guest speakers, Cambridge chemistry challenge preparation, trips and much more!

HA+ Future Architects N005 Danielle Edgson

The Future Architects Programme will enable you to develop your knowledge and understanding of the built environment as well as learning new skills preparing you for future industry practice. During the programme you will meet a practising Architect and gain careers and portfolio advice for future progression. You will develop essential skills through drawing, digital design and model making workshops to broaden your knowledge and understanding of industry practice.

HA+ Future Engineers Mala Sandhu

Our bespoke '**Future Engineers**' programme, provides physics students the opportunity to explore and engage in practical activities that contextualises engineering. A programme of talks delivered by university lecturers and famous physicists and engineers, is scheduled for the year.

HA+ Maths Society Khilan Shah

A lunchtime enrichment where you get to explore Maths beyond the syllabus.

Whether you're looking to deepen your understanding, prepare for higher-level studies, explore advanced topics, or engage in problem-solving challenges, MathsSoc offers a place to connect with like-minded peers. Join us for discussions, workshops, and competitions, and discover how math shapes the world around us.

HA+ MDV Kim Edgell & Beth Freeman

The MDV programme is for students who are aiming to apply for a medicine, dentistry or veterinary degree in the UK. The programme coaches you and provides you with support and guidance for all aspects of your application. The programme is delivered in a variety of different formats including online sessions, in class sessions and with external speakers.

HA+ Physics Mala Sandhu

Our **Physics High Achievers+ programme** provides super-curricular activities for students aiming for the top A level grades. These sessions are also designed to prepare students for the British Physics Olympiad competitions; these challenge the top physics students in the country. Carmel are reigning 'Liverpool Physics Olympics' champions, a team competition for practical based problem solving.

You will also receive support with applications to competitive universities such as Oxbridge and the Russell Group Universities.

HA+ The Law Society Karl Reid & Leanne Williams

Are you interested in all areas of Law? Have you considered studying a law degree at university? Is a career in law something you are considering? If so, Law Society will be a perfect place for you! You do not need to be studying A Level Law! Each week students from across college meet to discuss cases which have made the headlines, new developments in law and share thoughts and ideas on areas of law. Law Society hold sessions with guest speakers from various areas of law and legal practice along with local Universities

offering guidance on UCAS and career focused post graduate study. This really is a vibrant, supportive Society that welcomes everyone with an interest in law.

Public Speaking:

Articulation Prize Leah West

The annual Articulation Prize is a national competition organised by the National Gallery, in which students deliver a ten-minute presentation about a work of art, artifact or architecture of their choice. Students initially attend a Discovery Day at a Gallery in Manchester along with students from other colleges which they then work in groups with to analyse and deliver a presentation about a piece of artwork from the gallery. They are then supported in college through workshops and 1-1 tutorials before presenting in our Dalton Theatre in our internal college heat. The selected winner then progresses to the regional heats ran by the National Gallery against other schools and college across the Northwest with the winner going on to the grand final presenting at the National Gallery again 10 other students. Students develop a range of skills including Critical Analysis, Research skills, Confidence, Communication Skills and Presentation Skills.

Debating Society, Tim Holden W121, (Wednesday 3:10-4:05pm)

The Debating Society at Carmel is open to all students who are eager to develop their public speaking, critical thinking, and oracy skills. Members will have the opportunity to engage in lively debating activities, participate in external competitions such as the prestigious English-Speaking Union's Schools' Mace, and represent the college in national and international forums. Through the EPAS scheme, students can become Junior Ambassadors of the European Parliament, and take part in the European Youth Parliament, gaining valuable insights into global issues and diplomacy. Whether you're aiming for university or preparing for a future career, the Debating Society offers a dynamic platform for personal growth, confidence building, and leadership development.

Talk like a... developing confidence in conversation. Katie Lamping (Wednesday 3:10-4:05pm)

A 6-week (half termly) course run by the 10:10 Ethics and Values team. Open to Y12 and Y13 students who are looking to develop their confidence and skills in conversation and discussion work.

The program will draw on the ideas delivered in the 'Loud Speaker' sessions and will link with the college's wider oracy development strategy. Our aim is to help students feel more comfortable talking in front of others, asking, and answering questions and taking a more active role in class discussions.

These transferable skills will be beneficial for students both in their lessons at Carmel and in future university and job interviews.

Other Academic Activities:

Art & Design Competitions Leah West N105

These weekly enrichment sessions will enable creative students to:

- Generate exciting Art and Design work.
- Respond to a wide range of live briefs and competitions.
- ****Arts Award***
- Collaborate with industry professionals
- Showcase your skills and talents.
- Present your work online and in exhibitions.
- Collaborate with peers, artists, and designers.

- Win prizes!

***Arts Award Julie Mosley & Sofia Villanueva-Brackley N001**

*Open to **all students**, whether or not you study A Level Art, our Arts Award Enrichment Programme offers a chance to gain a nationally recognised qualification while exploring your creativity. You'll work on **live briefs**, enter **competitions**, and collaborate with **industry professionals**, gaining real-world experience in the arts. Through workshops, mentoring, and hands-on projects, you'll develop creative skills, build a portfolio, and grow as a confident, independent thinker. Whether you're into design, photography, illustration or just curious about the arts, this programme is your pathway to creative success.*

#Code Club David Parsonage

In a world of screens and the consumption of digital content, how do you become the creator and not the consumer?

Develop the programming skills and fundamental understandings of programming in your Enrichment slot on a Wednesday afternoon and beyond. Don't worry about having any background knowledge. Anyone can learn to code.

This program will help you develop skills and knowledge in the programming language C# "See Sharp". This highly sort after skill is a big bonus to lots of employers and will make for a talking point on your UCAS application or interviews.

The Literature Festival W201 Rebecca Blakey Friday Lunchtime

Join our team and develop your creative and communication skills as we work together with our college Marketing department to plan and deliver Carmel's 2026 Literature Festival! Whether it's liaising with guest speakers and staff, designing a digital marketing campaign or putting a band and set list together, this enrichment offers the fantastic opportunity for you to work on a live brief, bringing our college communities together to celebrate the literary, artistic and musical talents of all our young people.

Digital Skills Lesley Heyes W107

Barclays Digital Wings offers online courses related to every day skills using IT and digital devices. Once signed up you will have access to a range of electronic learning materials that cover general topics like online essentials, using social media, staying safe online and some modules focused on using Google workspace and Office 365.

These are skills that you may use in your everyday life or to support your family and friends using technology. The more focused units on Google Workspace and Microsoft may support your studies and future employability.

If you sign up for this enrichment you can attend the enrichment session on a Wednesday afternoon in a computer room so that you can get on with your modules, or you can work remotely. IT Tutor, Lesley Heyes will be available in the enrichment slot to support you.

Filmmaking W105 Paul Morrow

This short course introduces to a range of practical, technical, and creative skills to enable students to make short films or music videos. You will learn how to choose the right camera shots, framing and movements, how to light your filmed work, and how to edit your film. All you need is a mobile phone with the ability to capture and store video, enthusiasm, a willingness to work collaboratively and an existing interest in film/TV/video production.

Journalism W102 Mark McGrath

Interested in writing? Want to make a competitive application to a Sutton 30 university? If the answer is yes, sign up for 'journalism' enrichment. Learn how genres such as reviews, feature articles and travel writing are constructed. You'll also have the opportunity to write on genres/topics that interest you too.

Law Mock Trials Leanne Williams & Karl Reid

Are you interested in a legal career? Would you like to develop your legal advocacy skills? If so, come and join our Mock Trial Teams! Our teams' step into the roles of barristers and witnesses in specially written cases and try the cases against teams from local colleges in a Crown Court before real Judges. This is without doubt a truly unique experience for students and one all students find enjoyable. Mock Trial teams are open to all students with an interest in law.

Law Podcast W021 Leanne Williams (Day/Time: ?)

Each week students meet to record content to share on our streaming platform. Our podcasts include discussions on cases making the headlines, developments in law, sharing advice and tips for students applying to university or looking ahead to legal careers, even interviewing legal professionals. This is an exciting addition to college enrichment and all students are welcome to take part.

The Literature Society W103 Jo-anne Duckworth (Friday Lunchtime)

Weekly student-led session that looks at a variety of text extracts with no prior knowledge needed. We are friendly and informal and welcome anyone whether they study English or not.

Mandarin W210 Daniel Saunders

The Mandarin enrichment at Carmel is run by the Confucius Institute in Liverpool University. Students will have the chance to learn about Chinese culture as well as the language. Activities will involve woodblock painting as well as calligraphy related with Chinese elements. All students will work towards the HSK 1 certificate in Mandarin language in Year 1. There is an opportunity to continue this in Year 2 and work towards the HSK 2 certificate in Mandarin.

Robotics Karl Myers & David Parsonage

Are you passionate about Robotics, Computer Science, Engineering, or Science? Join the Robotics Club and take your first steps into the world of advanced manufacturing and automation. This hands-on enrichment gives you the chance to build and program robotic systems, understand how technology and mechanics work together, and tackle real-world challenges—all while developing valuable technical and teamwork skills. Activities like this are highly prized by universities and future employers, showing initiative, problem-solving ability, and a strong interest in innovation. Whether you're aiming for a future in STEM or just curious about how robots work, this is the perfect place to start!

True Crime Club W202 Darryl Wood

You will learn about and discuss criminal case studies and investigate cold cases. In addition, you will have the opportunity to explore issues within criminology such as Women in Prison and other topics not covered on the course. You will also take murder mystery activities as well as watch True Crime Documentaries/YouTube channels. This takes place in W202.

Women's History Society Lydia Rimmer W025

Women's History Society will be continuing this academic term. It will take place in W025 and for a brief description:

"The Women's History Society is an opportunity to discuss history beyond the curriculum, focussing on the mostly unstudied histories of women. Encouraging debate and discussion and led by students, topics that have been looked at have included:

- Women and Witchcraft
- A study into Geishas
- Women in Ancient Egypt
- Women and the Media
- Women and Piracy"

WELLBEING

Social Enrichment:

Amnesty International Youth Group Leanne Williams & Sophie Handler

We are excited to launch the very first Carmel College Amnesty International Youth Group. This is an amazing opportunity for our students to be affiliated with the global Amnesty International movement, campaigning, and fundraising alongside the world's largest grassroots human rights organisation. Our youth group will provide students with the opportunity to develop a vast array of skills and experiences by working on campaigns, attending Amnesty events, lobbying local MP's, fundraising, and organising assemblies, vigils, and public actions together with fun events and creative campaigns.

Anime Guild (TBC)

Our resident group for fans of all thing's anime, manga, and Japan. The guild meets once a week to watch anime, read manga, play games, and do the occasional craft activity. We also have resources for learning Japanese and have discussions about music, live action, trading and purchasing merchandise, cosplay and many more things!

Boardgame Club Kieran Cropper & Claire Peckett (Enrichment Slot)

Board games to enhance social communication skills, teamwork and establish friendships.

Book Club The Chaplaincy Kate Roberts

The Book Club enrichment group meet once a half term at lunch time. This club will suit you if you love reading and sharing your love of books. A book is set each half term which we then discuss and score out of 20. At each meeting we talk about our experience of reading the set book, debate our opinions and share our recommendations for future reads. The meetings are fun and informal and open to all.

Carmel African & Caribbean Society Neil Barnes (Wednesday 3:10-4:05pm)

Carmel's African and Caribbean Society ('CACS') aims to enrich, celebrate and educate on the distinct subcultures of African and Caribbean heritage. CACS strives to be inclusive for students of different races and backgrounds, and to create a safe and comfortable space in which students can connect and communicate. CACS provides a sense of community for students of African and Caribbean descent, building an empowering support system. CACS hosts fun and exciting events to allow students to celebrate African-Caribbean culture through music, food, dance and much more.

Carmel Latin American Society - Matthew Allerston & Sandra Gonzalez- Green (Tuesday – W210 - 12:30-13:10)

Carmel Latin American society is a student led society that aims to promote, celebrate and educate about Latin America as well as Spanish and Portuguese culture. The society provides a platform in which Latin American culture can be explored by hosting a range of social and cultural events related to cinema, dance, languages, Latin American cuisine and Music, we also work with local external partners LUMA creations who are an Arts & Cultural Organisation promoting Latin American and Diversity Arts and Artists predominantly in Liverpool and the North of England, the Carmel Latin American society will host a number of events through the year.

Carmel Pride & Diversity Neil Barnes

Staff Representative, Kath Hopkins, Neil Barnes and Sian Crompton work closely as a team to plan sessions and events. Everyone is welcome to attend our meetings; you don't have to identify as LGBT+ – allies are welcome too! Meetings are on Friday lunchtime in the Chaplaincy. Every student has the opportunity to join.

Aims of the group:

- Provide a safe place for anyone who identifies as LGBT+
- Promote inclusion and equality and diversity
- Raise awareness throughout College
- Give support to the LGBT+ community
- Meet new people and form friendships
- Signpost to local organisations

Carmel Asian Society (AISO) Matthew Allerston (Wednesday 3:10-4:05pm)

Carmel Asian Society is an inclusive society to celebrate Asian culture and diversity; It's a space to connect, celebrate, and share experiences whether you're from the region, of Asian heritage, or simply curious to learn more, it exists for students to be able to socialise and create charitable events as well as explore the vibrant traditions, modern lifestyles, and diverse cultures of Asian countries.

Carmel South Asian Society – Matthew Allerston (Wednesday 3:10-4:05pm)

The South Asian Society celebrates the rich and diverse South Asian culture through music, dance, food, and social events as well as cultural celebrations, our aim to enhance the diversity, equality, and student of experience of Carmel college and inspire all students to learn more about the South Asian culture.

Christmas Pantomime Manny Crooks Block 1

Following on from last year's smash hit, the Carmel Christmas Panto is BACK for 2025....oh yes it is!! Join our panto club and perform in this brand-new original pantomime. With acting, singing and dancing (...moving) it's sure to be a musical extravaganza. Everyone is welcome, no audition*. There is something for everyone from roles in the ensemble to principal roles. It's sure to be a whole lot of fun! Performing in the Dalton theatre for our college community and a public audience just before our Christmas break!

*Some roles will require an audition; everyone is welcome for ensemble. Wednesday time tbc

Musical Theatre Club (New for January 2026) Manny Crooks Block 2

Musical Theatre club is for those who loves all things musicals! Learning a range of material from our favourite musicals we increase our knowledge of musical theatre and our harmony skills! Invited industry professional guests visit to run musical theatre workshops and we represent the college at many events throughout the Carmel calendar. Culminating in a performance in the summer term, fully staged, come and join us centre stage and enjoy the love of singing and performing together!

Clay Club Kate Roberts N106 (Wednesday 3:10-4:05pm)

Clay Club is a creative, fun, and informal practical session open to all. We meet every Wednesday during the enrichment slot in N106. For complete beginners, projects will be set to teach you how to hand build with clay. You will learn how to make joins, add textures, and manipulate your clay. More experienced members of the group will be encouraged to follow their own projects with the support of the tutor. We are extremely lucky to have 2 Kilns at Carmel College, enabling us to fire and glaze our work, resulting in finished items to take home or give as gifts. At Clay Club we work with a sense of exploration and discovery. You will be encouraged to experiment and embrace mistakes as part of the learning journey, often the process becomes

more important than producing an outcome, as many people find they simply enjoy handling and exploring the potential of clay. Due to the practical nature of the session, numbers will be limited.

Dance Society Manny Crooks

Dance Society is for those who love dance and would love to continue to improve their technique and learn new choreography. With opportunities to perform in cross college productions and take part in industry professional masterclasses. Come join us every Friday at 12.30pm - 1.20pm in our dance studio.

Dungeons & Dragons (Wednesday 3:10-4:05pm) Odysyn Fitzsimmons

Ever wanted to be a brave knight, clever wizard or a sneaky rogue? In Dungeons & Dragons, you get to be the hero of the story. Embark on epic quests, fight monsters and solve puzzles, all you need is your imagination (and some dice – we'll have those covered). No experience? No problem! Roll dice, tell stories, and have some laughs with friends. All are welcome!

Photography Darkroom Club N004 Kevin Crooks (Thursday Lunchtime)

Photography Darkroom Club is a student-led enrichment. The group is open to anyone who wants to learn about traditional, film-based darkroom photography techniques and printing processes. Students will be shown the basics of how to capture images, and will be provided with specific instructions on how to improve and refine the quality of their images and prints. Students with experience of taking photographs using film and printing using a photographic darkroom will instruct, support and guide less experienced members of the group.

Student Council Sam Johnstone (Enrichment Slot)

The Carmel Student Council is an elected body that represents the student body in meetings with staff and governors of the college. The Council also runs campaigns during the academic year, is involved in charity days and the Carmel Cultural Appreciation Day, and meets weekly to discuss any issues raised by students in college. The members of the council are elected at the end of Year 12, with further elections for two Year 12 representatives held at the end of September each year.

Student Magazine N004 Kevin Crooks (Wednesday Lunchtime)

Reverb is a student lead, student focused magazine, covering social issues around the world as well as events around school. Reverb is releasing physical copies, this week, in the canteen. They will be available for all staff and students, they will also be taking donations to raise funds for future issues. Feel free to follow their instagram account to see the digital version of their magazine.

Awards and Certification:

CPR & Basic First Aid W024 Lauren Boswell

A short course that teaches you how to perform CPR on adults, children, and infants. You will also learn what to do if someone is choking or bleeding heavily. This takes place in W024 during Block 1. Includes a certificate at the end of the course.

Sign Language and Deaf Awareness W027 Louise Tillet

Learning basic sign language with St Helens Deaf Resource Centre over a 9-week period. Takes place in W027 during Block 2. Includes a certificate at the end of the course.

Duke of Edinburgh's Award - Michelle Tatham

The DofE is many things to many people, supporting generations to successfully navigate life. A life-changing experience. An opportunity to have fun with friends. A chance to discover new interests and talents. A tool to

develop essential skills for life and work. A recognised mark of achievement, respected by employers. Here at Carmel College, we offer the highest level of DofE, GOLD. There are five sections to complete your Gold DofE. They involve helping the community/environment, becoming fitter and healthier, developing new skills, planning, training for and completing an expedition and working with a team on a residential activity. Any young person can do their DofE. Achieving an Award isn't a competition or about being first. It's all about setting personal challenges and pushing personal boundaries. Through a DofE programme young people have fun, make friends, improve their self-esteem and build confidence. They gain essential skills and attributes for work and life such as resilience, problem-solving, team-working, communication and drive, enhancing CVs and university and job applications

Chaplaincy, Kath Edmond, Chaplain

Opportunities to be part of CAFOD Young Leaders, the Christian Union and the Lourdes Pilgrimage.

Sports and Physical Activities:

Elite Athlete Support Programme – Visit our web page

Competitive Sports

Netball (Lead by Coach Sandra King)

Basketball 1'sts (CBL) (Dominic O'Neill)

Basketball 2nd (Matt Allerston)

Basketball 3rds (Michael Gillespie)

Boys football (Coach Chris Shuker)

Girls football (Coach Emma Mather)

Rugby League (Clive Griffiths)

Other Sports and physical activities:

Enrichment Sports (for fun)

Basketball

Badminton

Table Tennis

5 A Side Football

Fitness Suite Inductions (Lead by Dominic O'Neill)

Kinball

Hockey

Girls only gym

Hockey Emma Mather MUGA Pitch (Monday 12:30-1:20pm)

Hockey club will begin by covering basic skills for fun and exercise with the aim of establishing a team to enter competitions and play fixtures against other colleges. No previous hockey experience needed or established players-everybody is welcome!

Yoga D002 (Wednesdays 12:30-13:10) Sofia Villanueva-Brackley

Yoga Enrichment with Sofia V Brackley: Recharge Your Mind and Body

Discover the benefits of yoga through our enrichment program designed to support your well-being and personal growth. Whether you're new to yoga or looking to deepen your practice, this activity can help you:

- Feel healthier and more energized
- Reduce stress and anxiety
- Improve sleep quality
- Enhance focus and concentration
- Study more effectively

Join us to stretch, breathe, and find balance—on and off the mat.