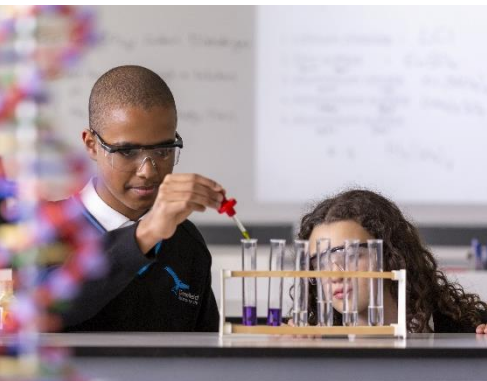


Celebrating Denefield Friday 29 September 2023





Firstly, thank you to the approximately 100 parents/carers who attended our post-16 options evening yesterday. Part of the school's focus on success for life involves ensuring that students have a full understanding of the options available to them when they leave school and have the skills and qualifications to succeed in whatever they do next, whether they continue in education, take up an apprenticeship or go directly into the workplace. The evening was led by Mrs Jackson, Denefield's Careers Lead, and the presentation can be found [here](#). The school's Sixth Form Open Evening takes place on Thursday 16 November. Details on how to sign up can be found further in the newsletter.



Denefield is a reflective school and we are always looking to build on our strengths and identify areas for development. This year we have chosen an organisation called the River Learning Trust (RLT) to support and challenge the school in our quest to provide the best education possible for our young people. On Wednesday 4 October, at my invitation, four colleagues from RLT will be conducting a peer review of the school. They will observe the school in action, visit lessons and assemblies, talk to students, meet teachers, and observe break and lunch time arrangements.

This leads me to two very important forms of parental engagement. On Monday 9 October I will be hosting the first of the Headteacher Open House events – further details and sign up information can be found below. And I have decided to bring forward the annual parental surveys. They will go out after half term, at the same time as our student and staff surveys are issued.

With best wishes for an excellent weekend

With best wishes

Mr E Towill MA (Oxon), Headteacher

Diary dates – academic year 2023 – 20234	
Monday 25 September to Friday 6 October 2023	Year 6 tours
Monday 16 October to Friday 20 October 2023	Visit – Year 10/11 visit to Cologne (select students)
Monday 23 October to Friday 27 October 2023	Half term
Monday 30 October 2023	Students return to school



Headteacher open house event



Monday 9 October 2023
5.00pm to 6.00pm

Denefield invites you to our

HEADTEACHER OPEN HOUSE

Discuss, listen and learn.
Denefield values parental partnership.
We'd like to share our ideas with you and hear from you in return!
Sign up is required, please follow the link provided.

Please click [here](#) to sign up



Sixth Form open evening



Sixth Form Open Evening

Thursday 16 November 2023

Please scan the QR code below to register for the Denefield Sixth Form Open Evening and to receive Sixth Form communications via email.

Register for Denefield Sixth Form
Open Evening 2023



If you do not have access to a QR scanner we have printed versions of this form available, please ask a member of staff.



Extra-curricular

In addition to our PE extra-curricular activities which are already running, please see below for the full timetable of extra-curricular activities taking place from next week

Lunchtime		When	Room	Years
Monday				
Learn a Language		1.00pm to 1.30pm	A302	All
Ukulele		1.00pm to 1.30pm	M117	All
Tuesday				
3D printing		1.00pm to 1.30pm	M106	Years 9, 10 & 11
Girls Basketball		1.00pm to 1.30pm	PE department	All
Wednesday				
Enterprise		1.00pm to 1.30pm	A304	All
Cross-Stitch		1.00pm to 1.30pm	A203	All
Textiles & Fashion		1.00pm to 1.30pm	M105	All
Gardening		1.00pm to 1.30pm	A305	All
Crochet		1.00pm to 1.30pm	M111	All
Pride		1.00pm to 1.30pm	A201	All
Samba Band		1.00pm to 1.30pm	Music department	All
Learn a Language		1.00pm to 1.30pm	A302	All
Girls Handball		1.00pm to 1.30pm	PE department	All
Thursday				
3D printing		1.00pm to 1.30pm	M106	Years 7 & 8
Chamber Choir		1.00pm to 1.30pm	Music department	All
Spikeball		1.00pm to 1.30pm	PE department	Years 7, 8 & 9
Friday				
Chess		1.00pm to 1.30pm	A204	All
Wellbeing Choir		1.00pm to 1.30pm	Music department	All
Handball		1.00pm to 1.30pm	PE department	Years 7, 8 & 9



Extra-curricular

After School		When	Room	Years
Monday				
Book Club		3.00pm to 3.45pm	Library	All
Tuesday				
Film Editing		3.00pm to 4.00pm	A206	All
Design & Technology		3.00pm to 4.00pm	M102	All
Baking		3.00pm to 4.30pm	P206	All
Wednesday				
Art		3.00pm to 4.00pm	M111	Year 7
Warhammer & board games		3.00pm to 3.45pm	Library	All
Boxing		3.00pm to 4.00pm	PE department	All
Girls Football		3.00pm to 4.00pm	PE department	All
Boys Handball		3.00pm to 4.00pm	PE department	All
Thursday				
Crest Science Club		3.00pm to 4.00pm	P203	All
Wind Ensemble		3.00pm to 4.00pm	Music department	All
Boys Basketball		3.00pm to 4.00pm	PE department	All
CCF		3.00pm to 5.00pm	Main reception	Years 10, 11 & 12
QI Club		3.00pm to 4.00pm	C102	All
Friday				
Greenpower		3.00pm to 4.30pm	M102	All
Girls Basketball		3.00pm to 4.00pm	PE department	All
DJ Club		3.00pm to 4.00pm	M109	All