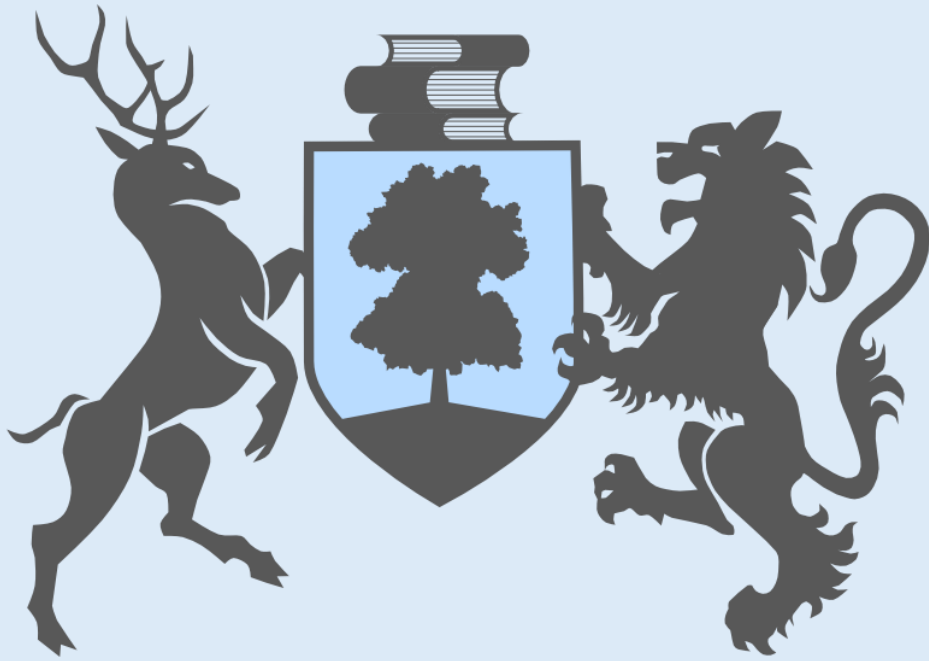




OLD BUCKENHAM HIGH SCHOOL

Curriculum Enhancement Week 2027

Friday 16th July – **Year 9** job shadowing day
Monday 19th July 2027
Tuesday 20th July 2027
Wednesday 21st July 2027

COMMUNITY – AMBITION - RESPECT



Introduction

Welcome to Curriculum Enhancement Week at OBHS.

For three days from Monday 19th July to Wednesday 21st July, all lessons will be suspended, and all staff and students will spend three days pursuing one of the many activities in this booklet.

Students will opt for one of our amazing activity clusters, these include in school activities, out of school trips, or a combination of both. We also have residential trips taking place (Which may leave and return outside of the three designated days)

Year 9 job shadow day

We are pleased to offer all Year 9 students the opportunity to complete a day of job shadowing a parent/carers, family member or family friend. This will be held on Friday 16th July. The relevant forms which will be sent via email, need to be completed and handed in to main reception by **Friday 30th January**. Any Year 9 students not taking part will be in school as normal.

Areas for Personal Development

CEW week is designed to strengthen our sense of community while further developing important skills such as teamwork and resilience

Students will...

- Have the opportunity to use their imagination and/or be creative.
- Have the opportunity to reflect on their experiences.
- Develop their ability to manage their time, resources and actions to achieve positive outcomes.
- Have the opportunity to express their views to others.
- Have the opportunity to lead others.
- Have the opportunity to work collaboratively.
- Have the opportunity to explore different cultural influences.
- Have the opportunity to work and socialise with students they may not normally work with.
- To experience a sense of enjoyment curiosity in learning.

How to choose an activity

- Read through the booklet carefully
- Students are to choose TWO different activities as most activities are limited. Forms that DO NOT include two distinct choices will be rejected and your child will run the risk of losing their first-choice activity.
- Whilst we will do our best to allocate each student their preferred activity, this cannot be guaranteed.
- Please submit your activity preferences using the link: [Year 9 CEW 2027 options – Fill in form](#)
- **Please only complete the form once.**
- Please ensure responses are submitted by **Monday 2nd November 2026**. Students who have not submitted a form will be placed on the in-school activities carousel.

Payments

We make every effort to keep the cost of these activities to a minimum; however, prices may vary depending on the number of students participating. If a child later withdraws from an activity, payments already made to external providers cannot be refunded unless a replacement student can be found.

Our payments are currently estimated we will finalise the costs in the coming weeks and get this information out to you.

A deposit will be required by **Friday 30th January 2027** for all paid activities. The amount is specified for each activity. Payment in instalments is available and will be set up through **School Gateway**. We are unable to accept cash or cheques for any activities.

Support with payments

We are delighted to confirm that students eligible for pupil premium funding will receive financial support towards the cost of activities.

The amount payable for pupil premium students is listed on the activity pages.

Attendance

We aspire for all students to achieve 95% attendance for the duration of their educational journey. As such, activity days are not a holiday. They form a planned part of the school curriculum, designed to broaden opportunities and develop key skills. These days aim to provide students with new and enriching experiences, and all students are expected to take part.



YEAR 9 Job shadowing Friday 16th July 2027

**COST:
FREE**

**PP COST:
FREE**

**Places:
All Year 9**

Outline:

We are pleased to offer all Year 9 students the opportunity to complete a day of job shadowing a parent/carer, family member or family friend.

Job shadowing involves individual students spending a typical day in a work setting. It is not work experience and students are not expected to do any 'work' during this activity. Rather, it is an opportunity to observe what goes on in the workplace, talk to employees, experience the environment and what a workplace 'feels' like.

Before the placement takes place, you will be asked to confirm that the employer has relevant insurance in place. Generally, children will be classed as visitors on the job shadowing day, so if your place of work accepts visitors their current insurance policy should provide the relevant cover.

It is NOT the expectation that all students participate however we do feel that this experience is valuable in gaining experience of the world of work and gives an insight into what to expect during work experience week in Year 10. The project is flexible, so you can nominate a family member or friend who is able to take your child work with them. If your child is NOT going to take part, they will be in school following normal timetabled lessons for the day.

The relevant forms which will be sent via email, need to be completed and handed in to main reception by **Friday 30th January**. Any Year 9 students not taking part will be in school as normal.

Personal Development opportunities:

- **Explore a Career** : See what a job is really like before committing to a career path.
- **Gain Real-World Experience** : Observe daily tasks, workplace routines, and professional expectations.
- **Learn About the Industry** : Understand how the company operates and what skills are important.
- **Ask Questions** : Get firsthand answers from experienced professionals about their roles and career journeys.
- **Strengthen Your CV** : Demonstrates initiative, curiosity, and a willingness to learn.
- **Understand Workplace Culture** : Experience the company's environment, teamwork, and expectations.
- **Prepare for Future Employment** : Gain insights that can help with interviews, internships, apprenticeships, or future jobs.



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YEAR 9 Bronze Duke Of Edinburgh Award

COST:
£90

PP COST:
£45

PLACES:
unlimited

TRIP LEAD:
Ms Mason

LUNCH REQUIREMENTS:

Day 1 – packed lunch or canteen

Day 2 - Lunch and dinner (cooked themselves)

Day 3 – Breakfast (cooked) and lunch

Note: Students taking part in D of E cannot partake in other activities and they will be required to attend weekly lunch time meetings after the February half term

Outline:

- Day 1: In school training with tents, tranguias and navigating
- Day 2: Students will meet at Mulbarton scout hut around 8-9am and walk to Ashwelthorpe village hall where we will camp overnight.
- Day 3: Students will cook breakfast, break camp and walk to Mulbarton scout hut where they will be picked up around 4pm
- This is the expedition part of a wider award students will work towards from the October half term. More information can be found online.

Personal Development opportunities:

Ready to try something new, make new friends, and push yourself beyond your comfort zone? The Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award is your chance to develop confidence, independence, and skills that really stand out on your CV or college application.

You will:

- Try new activities and discover hidden talents
- Volunteer and make a real difference in your community
- Get active through a physical challenge of choice
- Plan and complete an expedition with your team – adventure, teamwork, and plenty of laughs guaranteed!



Residential to Spain

COST:
£750

PP COST:
£375

PLACES:
35-50

TRIP LEAD:
Miss Hollidge

FOOD REQUIREMENTS:

All food, breakfast, lunch and dinner provided, apart from the first day's breakfast & lunch, and the last day's dinner.

Note: Students going to Spain cannot partake in other activities and this would be a 4 day trip, not 3 days

Outline:

- Day 1: Travel to Spain
- Day 2: Visit the city and monuments
- Day 3: Visit the city and monuments
- Day 4: return to UK
- Return to school: Thursday
- N.b. Deposits will be required before 13th November for this trip

Personal Development opportunities:

- Students will have the opportunity to be adventurous, developing linguistic skills and travelling
- Students will have the opportunity to work and socialise with students they may not have met before
- Students will have the opportunity to experience Spain and the culture that surrounds it.



Combat challenge

Estimated
Cost:
£125

Estimated PP
cost:
£62.50

PLACES:
50

TRIP LEAD:
Mr Taylor

LUNCH REQUIREMENTS:

All days– Lunch is provided but you may wish to bring additional snacks, or money as there is a shop on site.

Outline:

Ready for action? Our Combat Challenge is the ultimate adrenaline-fuelled experience, combining paintballing, laser tag and airsoft in exciting tactical missions and team-based competition.

Students will work together to plan strategies, communicate effectively, and overcome challenges while developing confidence, leadership, resilience and teamwork skills.

Whether defending a base, completing objectives or competing against friends, this thrilling experience promises excitement, adventure, and unforgettable memories.

Personal Development opportunities:

- Offers students the opportunity to step outside their comfort zones through a range of exciting activities.
- Promotes teamwork and confidence
- Socialise with students they may not have known before.
- Develop independence through managing responsibilities away from the classroom.
- Create lasting memories that contribute to a positive and enriching school experience.

THRILL SEEKERS



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Thrill seekers

**Estimated
Cost:
£100**

**Estimated PP
cost:
£50**

**PLACES:
80**

**TRIP LEAD:
Mr Scott**

LUNCH REQUIREMENTS:

All days– Packed lunch required. Student who are free school meals will have one provided.

Outline:

Calling all adventurers! Join us for an exciting school trip packed with adrenaline-fuelled activities, new experiences, and plenty of fun. Whether you're conquering heights, tackling challenges, or cheering on your friends, there's something for every thrill seeker.

- Day 1: Pleasurewood Hills theme park
- Day 2: Norwich Riverside - Gravity trampolining
- Day 3: Cambridge Aqua park – an inflatable obstacle course on the water.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Students must be able to swim 25 metres unsupervised to do this activity.

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Arts and Crafts in school

Estimated
Cost:
£75

Estimated PP
cost:
£37.50

PLACES:
14

ACTIVITY LEAD:
Mrs Skipper

LUNCH REQUIREMENTS:

All days– Bring your own lunch or buy from the school canteen as normal

Outline:

We will be running a fun and creative series of Art & Craft Workshops, giving participants the opportunity to explore different materials, techniques and creative ideas in a relaxed and enjoyable environment.

The workshops will be suitable for a range of abilities, with an emphasis on having fun, being creative and developing new skills. Participants will be encouraged to experiment and put their own personal touch on each project.

Workshops will include:

Sainsbury Centre Workshop with artist and visit to Sainsbury Centre gallery for a day.

- **Dry Felting** – Learn the basics of needle felting and create colourful decorative pieces and small felted projects. This can be 3D or 2D pieces.
- **Printing / Card marking**– Explore simple printing techniques using stamps, patterns, shapes and different inks or paints to create unique artwork. Design and create personalised cards for birthdays, celebrations and special occasions.
- **Floral flower making** using papers to create structures or clay tile work.

Personal Development opportunities:

- Students will use their imagination and be creative.
- Manage their time and resources to get positive outcomes.
- Work collaboratively
- Socialise with students they may not have met before.
- Create lasting memories that contribute to a positive and enriching school experience.



Dungeons and Dragons in school

COST:
FREE

PP COST:
FREE

PLACES:
10

ACTIVITY LEAD:
Ms Preston

LUNCH REQUIREMENTS:

All days– Bring your own lunch or buy from the school canteen as normal

Outline:

The realm is in peril, and only you can change its fate! Join us for an epic Dungeons and Dragons Adventure! With quests, build your own hero, gather your party, and set out your journey through mysterious dungeons, enchanted forests, and ancient ruins filled with danger and discovery.

Every decision you make shapes the story – will you negotiate with the dragon, sneak past the guards, or charge into battle? Work together, roll the dice, and watch your imagination come alive as you face thrilling challenges and uncover hidden secrets. The campaign is written and delivered by an experienced game master.

No experience needed – just bring courage, curiosity, and a sense of adventure.

Grab your dice, gather your friends, and get ready to play the greatest game ever told!

Personal Development opportunities:

Students will develop...

- **Communication skills** – Explaining ideas, negotiating with other players and ask questions.
- **Creative skills** – Solving puzzles, improvising plans, creating unique characters and building stories.
- **Teamwork** – Share responsibilities, support teammates strengths, compromise when you have a difference of opinion.
- **Decision-making** – Weigh up risks and rewards, making decisions, learning from mistakes, empathy and perspective-thinking, analysing clues, moral dilemmas.
- **Emotional resilience** – Handling setbacks, adjusting plans, recovering after failure, continuing despite uncertainty.



Whitlingham Watersports

**Estimated
Cost:
£123**

**Estimated PP
cost:
£61.50**

**PLACES:
16**

**TRIP LEAD:
Ms Dawson**

LUNCH REQUIREMENTS:

All days– packed lunch required. Student who are free school meals will have one provided.

Outline:

Fun on the water at Whitlingham Adventure awaits! Spend three action-packed days taking part in six different, exciting water-based activities like paddle boarding, kayaking, canoeing and sailing. It's a fantastic opportunity to try new things, build confidence, work collaboratively with the on-water games and make great memories. You won't be swimming but be prepared: with all the fun on the water, you might get a little wet!

- Day 1: 2 watersports
- Day 2: 2 different watersports
- Day 3: 2 different watersports

Personal Development opportunities:

- Students will have the opportunity to reflect on their experiences
- Lead others
- Work collaboratively
- Socialise with students they may not have met before
- Enjoyment in learning or enhancing skills
- Develop independence through managing responsibilities away from the classroom.
- Create lasting memories that contribute to a positive and enriching school experience.



Fabulous Food Fun

COST:
£30

PP COST:
£15

PLACES:
10-12

TRIP LEAD:
Mrs Coaker

LUNCH REQUIREMENTS:

Bring your own lunch or buy from the school canteen as normal.

Outline:

Do you like food and want to have the chance to experiment and improve your skills! With our first day in school, we will start by exploring our skills by making a picnic for the whole group to enjoy together. We will also spend time planning for our very own bake-off event for the following day. For our second day you will use your skills and creativity to make a cake of your choice, including choosing flavours and decorations. We will then have tasting and judging of each cake!



Personal Development opportunities:

Students will develop...

- Problem-solving – Adapting recipes, substituting missing ingredients, adjusting cooking times, recovering from mistakes,.
- Planning and organisation – managing time, coordinating multiple tasks at once.
- Creativity – Experiment with flavours, adapt recipes, present food in your own style, mindfulness and focus.
- Health awareness – Portion control, understanding nutrition, sustainable sources
- Social connection – Sharing meals, hosting, learning recipes from different cultures, collaborating on meal preparation, cultural appreciation.



PGL residential

COST:
£306

PP COST:
£153

PLACES:
40

TRIP LEAD:
Mrs Songer

LUNCH REQUIREMENTS:

Day 1 – Packed lunch required. Student who are free school meals will have one provided.

Days 2 & 3 - Lunch provided for all students

Outline:

We are delighted to offer students the opportunity to attend a three-day, two-night residential trip at PGL Overstrand Hall.

Throughout the visit, students will participate in a variety of outdoor activities, including high ropes, obstacle courses, campfires and team-building challenges. These experiences are carefully designed to support personal development, helping students to build resilience, independence, confidence and teamwork skills.

This exciting residential promises to be a memorable and rewarding experience that encourages students to step outside their comfort zones while having fun with their peers.

Students will depart from OBHS on Monday 19th of July at 9:00 and return 21st of July by 15:15.

Essential equipment required for this trip: sleeping bag, walking boots or shoes, waterproof coat

Personal Development opportunities:

- Students will develop confidence, resilience, independence and self-belief
- Learn to overcome obstacles and embrace new experiences
- Working closely with peers encourages teamwork, communication, leadership and problem-solving skills.
- The residential environment also promotes adaptability and maturity.
- Develop independence through managing responsibilities away from the classroom.
- Create lasting memories that contribute to a positive and enriching school experience.

Onsite

Carousel



COST:
FREE

PP COST:
FREE

PLACES:
Unlimited

ACTIVITY LEAD:
Miss Bentley

LUNCH REQUIREMENTS:

All days– Bring your own lunch or buy from the school canteen as normal

Outline:

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 experiences, having fun and making new friends. Students will be placed into groups and will participate in the activities below across the 3 days.

Board games:

Learn how to play board games where you must work together or compete against each other for victory. Learn new rules, make friends and have an enjoyable, relaxed time playing board game classics.



Taskmaster:

Develop important life skills such as teamwork, problem solving, communication, lateral thinking and resilience. Taskmaster is a combination of individual and team challenges that you can compete and earn points.



Jewellery making:

Research different jewellery designs and make your own pieces using timber, acrylic using CAD/CAM and enamelling copper.



Onsite Carousel continued



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Sports:

Students will have the opportunity to work together or play against each other by competing in some sports games. Students can choose to play badminton, table tennis or basketball. Encouraging teamwork and fun through physical activities.



Local walk:

Students will have the opportunity to explore their local community by visiting Old Buckenham Country Park. We'll enjoy a walk around the park before stopping at the café where students can purchase snacks.

Minecraft:

Put your creativity, teamwork and problem-solving skills to the test and play Minecraft as a group. Students will collaborate, design, build and overcome challenges. Whether constructing impressive structures, completing team objectives, or exploring new environments, Minecraft provides a fun and engaging way to encourage creativity, learning and having fun together.



Movies:

Students will finish each day with a quieter activity, where we will be watching a movie or students can complete mindfulness activities if they prefer. We fully encourage bringing in snacks for movie time!

Personal Development opportunities:

- Skill development and social interaction
- Develop confidence, communication and leadership, teamwork and problem-solving skills.
- Take on new challenges, build resilience and explore interests and strengthen friendships in a supportive environment.
- Learn, grow and have fun while making the most of the school day.



Rods and Reels

Estimated
Cost:
£41

Estimated PP
cost:
£20.50

PLACES:
10

TRIP LEAD:
Mr Hipperson

LUNCH REQUIREMENTS:

All days – Packed lunch required. Student who are free school meals will have one provided.

Outline:

Cast off for a day of relaxation, challenge and outdoor adventure on our fishing trip. Whether you're an experienced angler or trying fishing for the first time, this enjoyable experience provides the perfect opportunity to learn new skills, spend time in nature, and make lasting memories.

Students can enjoy the peaceful surroundings and excitement of landing a catch. It's a rewarding trip that combines fun, personal development and a genuine appreciation for the great outdoors.

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- If student is over 13, they must have a junior fishing licence. There is no cost and one can be obtained using the following link <https://www.gov.uk/fishing-licences/buy-a-fishing-licence>.
- Students will need their own fishing equipment. Bait will be provided at the lake.

Personal Development opportunities:

- Develop valuable life skills beyond the classroom.
- Learn patience, perseverance and concentration.
- Independence, responsibility and respect for the natural environment.
- Build friendships with people you may not have met before.
- Gain confidence and resilience.



London Lights

Estimated
Cost:
£350

Estimated PP
cost:
£175

PLACES:
35

TRIP LEAD:
Miss Forster

LUNCH REQUIREMENTS:

Day 1 - In school lunch as normal, Day 2 – Packed lunch needed, free school meals will have one provided. Day 3 – Will be provided.

Outline:

Get ready for an unforgettable adventure in the capital! The English Department is delighted to offer students an exciting residential trip to **London**, packed with culture, creativity, entertainment and memorable experiences.

On **Monday**, students will explore the fascinating **Natural History Museum**, before enjoying a meal at **Pizza Hut** and experiencing the magic of London's West End with a **live theatre performance**. After an action-packed day, students will stay overnight in accommodation with bed and breakfast provided.

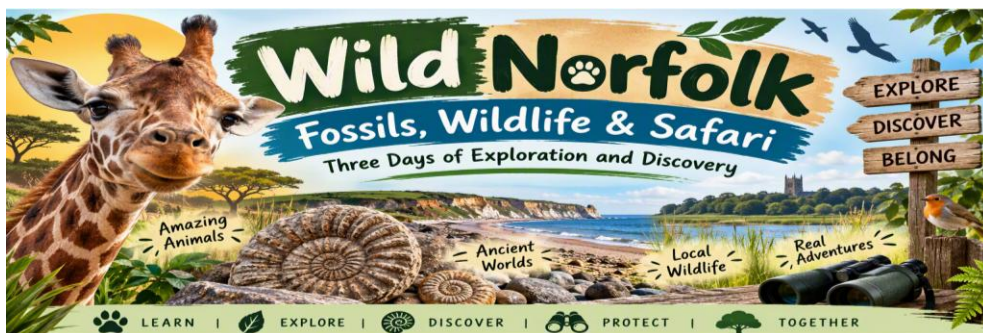
On **Tuesday**, students will have the opportunity to visit the world-famous **Hamleys toy shop**, soaking up the atmosphere of one of London's most iconic shopping destinations.

On **Wednesday**, students will take part in an engaging **creative workshop**, designed to inspire imagination, develop confidence and celebrate creativity, before enjoying a **McDonald's lunch**.

This promises to be a fantastic opportunity for students to experience the excitement of London, develop their cultural awareness and create lasting memories with their peers beyond the classroom!

Personal Development opportunities:

- Improves independence, confidence, communication and cultural awareness.
- Socialise with students they may not have met before
- Enjoyment in learning or enhancing skills
- Develop independence through managing responsibilities away from the classroom.
- Create lasting memories that contribute to a positive and enriching school experience.



Wild Norfolk: Fossils, Wildlife & Safari

**Estimated
Cost:
£73.00**

**Estimated PP
cost:
£36.50**

**PLACES:
12**

**TRIP LEAD:
Ms Williamson**

LUNCH REQUIREMENTS:

Days 1-3 – Packed lunch required. Students who are free school meals will have one provided.

Outline:

Day 1: Fossil Hunters

A day exploring the local coastline, searching for fossils and other geological treasures. Pupils will learn how fossils are formed, investigate evidence of prehistoric life and develop their skills as fossil hunters.

Day 2: African Wildlife Adventure

A visit to Africa Alive, giving pupils the opportunity to see African animals up close, learn about different species and habitats, and explore conservation and the natural world.

Day 3: Norfolk Wildlife Explorers

A day discovering local wildlife and habitats, looking for signs of animals, identifying species and exploring the natural environment. Activities will encourage observation, curiosity, teamwork and an appreciation of the wildlife on our doorstep.

Students will depart from OBHS each day at 8:50 and return by 15:15.

Essential equipment required for this trip: wellies, waterproof coat in case of inclement weather

Personal Development opportunities:

 **Teamwork and communication skills** through shared activities, exploration and problem-solving with peers.

 **Curiosity about the natural world** through first-hand encounters with animals, habitats, fossils and wildlife.

 **Explore conservation and sustainability**, considering how people can protect wildlife, habitats and natural resources.

 **Learn about wildlife management** and how human decisions can have both positive and negative impacts on the environment.

 **Discover our local natural heritage** through fossil hunting and investigating evidence of life from millions of years ago.

 **Broaden cultural and global awareness** by encountering species from different parts of the world during the visit to Africa Alive.

 **Responsibility and decision-making**, including following guidance, caring for the environment and making safe choices when learning outdoors.