

QUEEN ELIZABETH II HIGH SCHOOL

Enrichment Week 2026



21st–23rd July 2026



LEARNING BEYOND THE
CLASSROOM

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Introduction

At Queen Elizabeth II High School we strongly believe in the value of learning that takes place beyond the classroom. These experiences can benefit students in a number of ways including:

- Improving health and wellbeing
- Social and emotional awareness
- Environmental awareness
- Positive learning experiences
- Confidence and character development
- Skills and knowledge development
- Developing personal qualities
- Developing skills for life
- Increased motivation and appetite for learning
- Broadened horizons

This year's Enrichment activities will take place from Tuesday 21st to Thursday 23rd July 2026.

Mrs E Miller

Director of Personal
Development



Choosing and Booking your activities

It is important that parents and students read the online activity booklet together. Students should make a choice for an activity that is enjoyable and challenging. After you have decided your choice, you should complete the online booking form (below) and return no later than **Monday 18th May**.

DO NOT BRING IN ANY MONEY AT THIS STAGE!

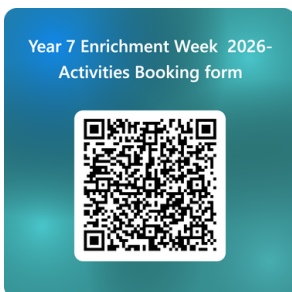
Once we have received your booking form we will confirm if you have been offered a place. The amount you should pay will depend on your activity and will be indicated in your confirmation email. Parents can then pay for their activities via the **ParentPay** portal.

Please do not choose to do an activity just because your friends want to do it. Choose an activity because YOU want to do it. Meeting new people and making new friends is a key element of the enrichment activities.

Should your child wish to take part in an activity but you are not financially able to meet the cost of the trip, please contact Mrs Clark (Headteacher) via QE2enquiries@sch.im to seek support.

Booking forms:

YEAR 7



YEAR 8



YEAR 9 & 10



Y7 – <https://forms.office.com/e/5kv7EMPeqG>

Y8 – <https://forms.office.com/e/3xrNyGJY3q>

Y9&10 – <https://forms.office.com/e/RTNpSYJ4PA>

Spaces on trips are limited by transport, staffing and availability of facilities. To secure your spaces it is imperative to sign up early to avoid disappointment.

Booking system will open at 8am on Monday 11th May 2026 and remain open until 9am 18th May.

Arrangements for Enrichment

Times

On Enrichment days the normal school day will be followed i.e. start 8.45am finish 3.15pm.

Travel to and from school

The school buses will operate at the normal times.

Travel to and from off-site activities

For most off-site activities transport will be provided either by coach, bus or school minibus. However, some activities will require taking public transport or walking to the venue. Where this is the case, notice will be given in plenty of time to make arrangements. For some activities it may be possible for students to make their own way to the venue at the beginning of the day.

Meals and Meal times

Some activities require a packed lunch. If your child normally has a free school meal a packed lunch will be provided. The dining room will be open at the normal times during the day for snacks, hot meals and sandwiches for those doing in-school activities.

School Dress

On Enrichment days students are allowed to wear appropriate casual wear unless otherwise stated on any activity information that is subsequently issued.

Student Behaviour

We expect students' behaviour to be of the highest order whether they are taking part in activities in school or out and about in our community. Students who do not maintain the expected standard of behaviour will be withdrawn from activities. In such cases a refund will not be possible as all bookings have to be paid in advance.

For more information

Contact: Mrs E Miller
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Health & Safety

Now, more than ever before, we are extremely aware of the potential hazards involved with adventure activities. It can sometimes be difficult, almost impossible, to create an opportunity for adventure whilst totally eliminating all risks.

The staff involved in organising the activities have paid great attention to health and safety. Where activities take place in a potentially hazardous environment, tuition and supervision by properly qualified instructors has been arranged. In situations where teachers at the school possess appropriate qualifications, their expertise are being fully employed.

Every activity included in our Enrichment programme has been examined for health and safety and adequate staff/student ratios. As a result we can confidently offer a wide range of activities, which are within the Department of Education, Sports and Culture guidelines.

If you have any queries about any of the activities in this booklet, please do not hesitate to contact the school to discuss the matter with Mrs Steriopulos (our Educational Visits Co-ordinator) who has oversight of all risk assessments.



Overview

➔ Year 7

TUESDAY

All of Y7 will be taking part in
Western 6 Sports Day
or
Day Trip to Chester Zoo



Western 6 Sports
£ Free

WEDNESDAY

All of Y7 will be taking part
in
STEM Day



STEM Day
£ Free

THURSDAY

All of Y7 will be taking part in
Day trip to Chester Zoo
or
own **Choice from the activity**
list below



Chester Zoo – Day Trip
£70

Throughout the day, students will rotate around a carousel of sports activities. Led by qualified coaches from our local community sports clubs, students will get an exciting and fun filled taster session led by:

- Valkyrs Hockey Club
- Western Vikings Rugby Club
- Peel AFC
- Crosby Cricket Club
- Route 1 Netball Club
- Racquet sports

Activity Leader: Mrs Dunn

An exciting and interactive STEM Day, where students will dive into the fascinating worlds of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics! This action-packed day will feature a variety of hands-on activities and workshops, all led by enthusiastic volunteers from renowned outside agencies.

Activity Leader: Mr Sinclair

Meet us at the Sea Terminal as we take a day trip to the fabulous Chester Zoo! Included in the price is your ferry travel, coach and full day park entry. Explore the vast array of animals and activities on this amazing day out!

*Owing to group travel restrictions, we have had to split this activity into 2 groups, one will travel on the Tuesday, the rest will travel on Thursday.

Activity Leader:s Mrs Sille & Mrs Steriopulos

Activity List:

Graphics Project.
Gardening
Laser Mayhem/Ape Mann
Maughold Venture Centre
Outdoor Learning Centre.
Origami

Pokemon x Dragons Den
Multisports
Horse riding (Ballahimmin)
Games & Teambuilding
Manx Language Immersion Day
Laxey-Snaefell walk

Fun Barn
Cross-stitch studio
Horse riding (Ballawhetstone)
Historical Fencing
Pottery Painting – Artreach Studio

Overview

➔ Year 8

TUESDAY

Free Choice
from the Activities List

WEDNESDAY

All of Year 8 will be taking
part in
A Play in a Day Workshop

THURSDAY

Free Choice
from the Activities List

Your choice from:

- Paris Trip
- Graphics Project (3 days)
- Pokemon x Dragons Den (3 days)
- Onchan Park
- Golf (Peel)
- Gardening
- Outdoor Learning Centre
- Pottery Painting – Artreach Studios
- Ramsey Bowling & Swimming trip
- Cross-stitch studio
- Historical fencing
- Peel Swimming & Movie Day
- Cycling
- Origami
- Lego Brickmasters

Your choice from:

- Paris Trip
- Graphics Project (3 days)
- Pokemon x Dragons Den (3 days)
- Fun Barn
- Venture Centre
- Gardening
- Faith & Culture – Liverpool Experience
- Outdoor Learning Centre
- Multisports
- Horse riding (Ballahimmin)
- Horse riding (Ballawhetstone)
- Laxey–Snaefell walk
- Cross-stitch studio
- Games & Teambuilding
- Pottery Painting
- Origami
- Historical fencing
- Manx Language Immersion Day



Overview

➔ Years 9 & 10

TUESDAY

Your choice from:

- Graphics Project (3 days)
- Duke of Edinburgh
- Onchan Park
- Golf
- Gardening
- Outdoor Learning Centre
- Pottery Painting – Artreach Studios
- Ramsey Trip – Bowling and Swimming
- Pokemon x Dragon's Den (3 days)
- Cross-stitch Studio
- Origami
- Historical Fencing
- Lego Brickmasters
- Peel Swimming & Movie day
- Cycling

WEDNESDAY

Your choice from:

- Graphics Project (all 3 days)
- Duke of Edinburgh
- Dance Workshop
- Fun Barn
- Onchan Park
- Venture Centre
- Golf
- Outdoor Learning Centre
- Horse riding (Ballahimmin)
- Horse riding (Ballawhetstone)
- Cycling
- Pottery Painting – Artreach Studios
- Peel Swimming & Movie Day
- Pokemon x Dragon's Den (3 days)
- Cross-stitch Studio
- Origami
- Historical Fencing
- Lego Brickmasters

THURSDAY

Your choice from:

- Graphics Project (3 days)
- Duke of Edinburgh
- Pokemon x Dragons Den (3 days)
- Fun Barn
- Venture Centre
- Gardening
- Faith & Culture – Liverpool Experience
- Outdoor Learning Centre
- Multisports
- Laser Mayhem/Ape Mann
- Horse riding (Ballahimmin)
- Horse riding (Ballawhetstone)
- Laxey-Snaefell walk
- Cross-stitch studio
- Games & Teambuilding
- Pottery Painting – Artreach Studio
- Historical Fencing
- Origami
- Manx Language Immersion Day



Activity Information



Duke Of Edinburgh Expeditions

£ Free

Students who are currently working towards their Bronze & Silver Awards will be undertaking their expeditions after different times during enrichment week. (This activity is only open to those already involved in the DoE program). Students only involved in DoE for 2 days, may opt into the other activities on their free day. All student will be notified by the DOE staff which days they are involved in expeditions.

Activity Leader: Mrs Potter



Dance Workshop

£15

Love to dance? Then this is for you!

Throughout the day you will explore different dance genres undertaking two workshops led by Island Dance Specialists Grainne Joughin (Manx Dancing) and Dave Cowley (Street Dance).

*Please note a minimum number of students are required for this workshop to be able to run.

Activity Leader: Mrs Lewis



Graphic Design Displays

(3 days)

£ Free

Graphic design is a form of communication that uses colours, shapes, images, and words to create visual content that surrounds us in many forms

You will be creating and designing site specific work to promote and market different aspects of the school environment. The created images you design and make will be displayed around school.

Activity Leader: Miss Patterson



Activity Information



Y8 Paris Trip

Paris awaits for our Y8 Linguists! Students will be immersed in the beautiful city, culture and French language as they visit the Eiffel Tower and top Parisian attractions, including a day at Disneyland Paris. Students who have already secured a place on this trip will be off-Island for the duration of Activities week.

Activity Leader: Miss Courmont



Origami Workshop £ Free

In this workshop, students explore the Japanese art of paper folding while building patience, confidence, and attention to detail. The session offers the chance to create models at all levels—from simple beginner pieces to more advanced, expert-level designs. Students will make a variety of creations, including cranes, flowers, jumping frogs, boxes, rockets and of course, classic paper aeroplanes. The workshop encourages collaboration, hands-on learning, and a relaxed, creative atmosphere where students can unwind and enjoy making something unique. All skill levels are welcome, and materials are provided.

Activity Leader: Mrs Gilbertson



Pokémon x Dragons' Den Enterprise Challenge (3 days) £ Free

The Pokémon x Dragons' Den Enterprise Challenge is a three-day creative event where students explore storytelling, teamwork, entrepreneurship, and design through the world of Pokémon. Blending fun gameplay with real-world business thinking, students watch episodes/films, go on a Pokémon GO adventure, create their own trading cards, and develop a full business pitch inspired by the Pokémon universe.

Activity Leader: Mr Parr

Activity Information



Onchan Park £7

Looking for a fabulous day out? Join us at Onchan Park! Here you will have unlimited access to the Motor Boats, Bumper Boats, Crazy Golf, Pitch & Putt, Tennis, Bowls and park area. There is a cafe on site where you can buy snacks, drinks & ice creams to complete the fun!

Trip Leaders: Mrs Lund & Miss Franklin

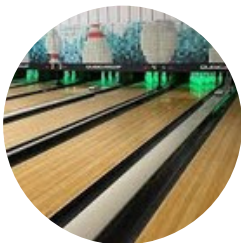


Ape Man & Laser Mayhem £ 45



Students will travel by bus to South Barrule plantation where they will take on the fantastic Ape Mann High Ropes Course and have the opportunity to attempt to ring the bell at the top of the tree. This trip will also include an exciting session in Laser Mayhem. Camouflage up and head into the forest. Will your team capture the flag and walk away victorious?

Trip Leader: Mrs Lund



Fun Barn £26

Fancy a fun filled day out? This is for you! You will travel to the Manx Fun Farm, Onchan and experience 3 different activities including Bowling, Soft-play and Roller Skating. Bring along a packed lunch or spending money to purchase your own snacks and drinks throughout the day.

Trip Leader: Mrs Steriopulos



Cross-Stitch £ Free

 Love being creative?

Over three days, learn cross-stitch basics, design your own mini masterpiece to take home, and help create a huge stitched mural that will be displayed in school reception. Relax, be creative, and leave your mark on the school!

Trip Leader: Miss Kelsey

Activity Information



Horse Riding £50

Do you love horses? Then this is the activity for you! Students will be immersed in a day of fantastic equestrian fun. Students will travel to either Ballahimmin Pony Trekking Centre or Ballawhetstone Stables where they will meet the horses, learn about grooming and caring for the horses and ponies, before enjoying the rest of the day in the saddle.

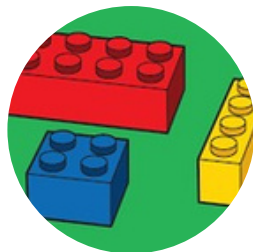
Trip Leaders: TBC



Liverpool Faith & Culture £20

Join us for an exciting day trip to Liverpool! We'll set off early by ferry, ready for a full day of exploration and adventure. After arriving, we'll walk to the stunning Liverpool Cathedral for a tour, before heading to the World Museum for an Explorer Quest, a fun information hunt through the exhibits. In the afternoon, students will have free time to enjoy Liverpool ONE, with plenty of shops and places to eat, before we catch the ferry home.

Trip Leaders: Ms Bradbury & Mr Moore



Lego Movie & Brickmasters Day £ 2.50

Join us for a relaxed and creative day centred around everyone's favourite building bricks! We'll kick things off by settling in at school to watch The Lego Movie, complete with popcorn, treats, and drinks to enjoy along the way.

After the film, it's time to get hands on with a Lego building competition. Think fast builds, fun themes, and a final judging round by Mrs Clarke. Whether you're a master builder or just love the movie, this day promises fun, laughter, and lots of Lego.

Trip Leader: Ms Bradbury

Activity Information



Outdoor Learning Centre - Ardwhallan

£ 40

Head to Ardwhallan where activities will be facilitated by staff from the Outdoor Learning Centre.

In the morning, students will undertake on-site activities such as mountain biking or bushcrafts followed by a water-based session on Baldwin Reservoir in the afternoon undertaking kayaking or paddleboarding.

**Whilst every effort will be made to undertake these specific activities on each day, the exact itinerary may change on the day if weather conditions are inclement.

Activity Leaders: TBC



Trip to Ramsey (Swimming & Bowling)

£16

Time to head North for a day out in Ramsey! Students will travel by bus to Ramsey where they will enjoy a fun session in the Ramsey Swimming Pool. Bring along a packed lunch or, if desired, purchase your lunch from the on-site cafe. After lunch, take a leisurely stroll across the bridge to the Pepsi Max Bowling alley for a competitive afternoon game with your friends before heading home.

Trip Leader: Mrs L Miller



Maughold Venture Centre

£36

If you're after a day of adventure and outdoor action, then this is for you!

Wednesday 22nd July- Stand up paddleboarding, Kayaking and axe throwing
(Maximum of 14 places)

Thursday 23rd July- Climbing, Crossbow shooting and Gorge walking
(Maximum of 28 places)

**Whilst every effort will be made to undertake these specific activities on each day, the exact itinerary may change on the day if weather conditions are inclement.

Trip Leaders:: TBC

Activity Information



Games & Teambuilding £ Free

Develop your teambuilding skills in this full on games day!

Based on-site, you will undertake a variety of exciting sessions including board games, physical activities, team building challenges and orienteering.

Trip Leader: Mrs L Miller



Golf Day (Peel) £ 10

Do you fancy trying golf? Aimed at beginner and intermediate players, this will be a great day out! You will undertake sessions in putting, driving and chipping before putting your skills to the test on the practice field and enjoying some friendly competitions!

No experience necessary – all equipment provided.

Activity Leader: Mr Alexander



Cycling £ Free

Do you fancy a day of cycling across the island?

Less experienced groups will ride along the railway lines to McDonalds for lunch and back to school on the same route, with a brief stop in Crosby for a short break.

Those who have more experience and confidence in their riding skills/fitness will turn up from the railway lines up the Seven Gates green lane to Archalligan plantation and then follow a route up to South Barrule where they will have lunch and a break before returning to QE2.

Students must ensure they are wearing bright clothing, have a working rear light fitted to their bike and that their bike is in full working order before arriving. A helmet must be worn at all times. Students must have a drink and a snack with them. A spare inner tube or puncture repair kit is highly recommended also, but staff will have some spares if necessary.

Students will need to carry a packed lunch in a small rucksack or bring money to purchase lunch at McDonalds or the Coffee Cottage.

Activity Leader: Mr Snape

Activity Information



Laxey, Agneash & Snaefell
£ Free

Head up the hill and passed the iconic Laxey Wheel, explore the Neolithic chambered tombs at King Orry's Grave. Taking tracks and paths through farmland and open moorland we will walk up the side of Slieau Lhean and then drop down to the Black Hut. We will then head up the steep side of Snaefell to the top of the Island to see the Seven Kingdoms of Man from the summit. This is a challenging and energetic walk.

Trip Leader: Miss Graham



Swimming & Movie Day
£ Free

Head to the Western Swimming Pool for a fun-filled session! After drying off, head back to school for an afternoon of chilled out movies. Don't forget the Popcorn!

Trip Leader - Mrs L Miller



Pottery Painting - Artreach Studios
£ 28

Design, Create, Cherish!
Students will begin by planning and creating their own original design in school before visiting Artreach Studios to bring their ideas to life. Each student will choose a piece of pottery to paint, and be guided by professional Artists in carefully applying their design using professional ceramic paints and techniques. After the pottery has been glazed and fired, students will collect a unique, personalised piece to take home and treasure for years to come.

Places are limited so sign up ASAP!

Trip Leaders - Miss Drane & Mrs Blackburn



Immersive Manx Language Day
£ Free

Lhig dooin scapail! Vel oo aarloo son contortys – ooilley trooid Gaelg?! This is your chance to explore the exciting on-site activities at the OLC – completely through Manx. Put your skills to test in the puzzle-solving field, navigate your way through orienteering and take on the adventure course. Challenge yourself, work as a team, and more importantly – gow soylley jeh! This experience is open to students in immersive Manx language lessons and anyone with a high level of Manx. Transport provided by OLC, so all you need to bring is your enthusiasm and your packed lunch! Tar marin as loayrt ram Gaelg!

Trip Leaders -Activity Leaders: Bnr Thistle as Mnr O'Meara, Yn Skimnee Gaelgagh

Activity Information



H.E.M.A
HISTORICAL
FENCING

Manx Academies of Arms, Armour & Defensive Arts is a martial arts club that teaches a variety of fighting styles using different weapons from the Viking age, Middle ages through to the 16th & 17th Centuries.

come and learn :

- Longsword
- Sabre
- Rapier
- Arming sword & Buckler

EMAIL NOW

info@hema.co.im

Saturdays
Starting at 3PM - 5PM

The Roundhouse
Strang Corner Field, Strang, IM4 4RE

Academy of Historical Arts
Manx Academies of Arms, Armour & Defensive Arts
Manx Academies of Arms, Armour & Defensive Arts

Historical Fencing

£ Free

Bring out your inner Viking and try your hand at historical fencing! Students will remain on the school site during the day and use foam safety swords to build their skills - all additional safety equipment will be provided. No previous experience necessary.
*Sportswear, non-marking soles and long sleeved top required.

Trip Leader - Mr Thurley

Student Testimonials

"I did the Gardening activity last year. It was really good as I learnt how to keep plants safe and healthy."



"My favorite thing about last year was the Play in a Day. It was good to speak to lots of different people and see them acting as lots of different characters."

"When we went Coasteering at the Venture Centre, there were dolphins swimming in the sea nearby! It was amazing!"



"I loved the Gaming Day. We got to do a whole range of games, board games, electronic games and even a Scalextric."

"Last year I walked from sea to summit, all the way from Laxey to the top of Snaefell. It was challenging at times but nice to do something I'd never normally do and really push myself"



Enrichment 2027

We are always looking for new and exciting ways to enhance the enrichment offer we can provide for our students. If you have any ideas or contacts of individuals, groups and charities who may be willing to help during Enrichment Week 2027, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

