



Hurst



# Activities

Years 7 and 8

Michaelmas Term 2024

Senior Prep School

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Dear Parents and pupils,

The co-curricular life of our pupils at Hurst Senior Prep School is important to us. We encourage all pupils to try new skills and activities, not only for the sense of wellbeing, achievement and fun they bring, but also because they facilitate the development of many life skills.

In this booklet you will find an extensive list of activities available this term. These offer our pupils the chance to sample a variety of academic, physical and creative options. There are also other opportunities to engage in the wider co-curricular programme with a large number of sports fixtures, drama productions and music concerts throughout the year, plus musical instrument tuition, LAMDA and Royal Academy of Dance (RAD) Ballet lessons.

Please sign up for all activities via the Parent Portal, with the exception of activities that are indicated as invitation only.

We are confident that every child will find something that they enjoy and be able to take advantage of the wonderful opportunities on offer at Hurst Senior Prep.

**Simon Lilley**  
*Head of Senior Prep School*

# Mondays

## Ballet

Years 7

**Mondays | Lunchtime | Dance Studio**

Open Level Ballet accessible to any pupil of any ability.

Pupil numbers: 18 max

Staff contact: Caroline Ticktum

[caroline.ticktum@hppc.co.uk](mailto:caroline.ticktum@hppc.co.uk)

## Chapel Choir (Senior Prep School)

Years 7 and 8

**Mondays | 3.45pm - 4.30pm | Chapel**

The Senior Prep School Chapel Choir will cover a range of musical genres and prepare performances to sing in chapel services and concerts.

Staff contact: Kate Bray

[kate.bray@hppc.co.uk](mailto:kate.bray@hppc.co.uk)

## Choreography

Years 7 and 8

**Mondays | Lunchtime | Dance Studio**

Choreography club

Pupil numbers: 18 max

Staff contact: Nicola Dominy

[nicola.dominy@hppc.co.uk](mailto:nicola.dominy@hppc.co.uk)

## Jazz Band

Years 7 and 8 (plus Years 5 and 6 from Junior Prep)

**Mondays | 5.15pm – 5.55pm | Music School**

A chance for jazz enthusiasts to play together in an ensemble. All instrumentalists welcome.

Staff contact: Mark Travers

[mark.travers@hppc.co.uk](mailto:mark.travers@hppc.co.uk)

## Junior Johnians

Years 7 and 8

**Mondays | 4.30pm - 5.15pm | TBC**

Staff contact: LJA

## Leap Dance Company

Years 7 and 8

**Mondays | 5.15pm – 6.00pm | Moore Hall**

Contemporary dance company creating works for the Prep School Dance Showcase. For this reason consistent attendance is required and if more than three consecutive sessions are missed the pupil's place in the Showcase will be forfeited.

Pupil numbers: 18 max

Staff contact: Nicola Dominy

[nicola.dominy@hppc.co.uk](mailto:nicola.dominy@hppc.co.uk)

## Orchestra

Years 7 and 8 (plus Years 3 to 6 from Junior Prep)

**Mondays | 4.30pm - 5.15pm | Music School**

All orchestral instrumentalists of a Grade 1+ standard are welcome to attend.

Staff contact: Corey Wickens

[corey.wickens@hppc.co.uk](mailto:corey.wickens@hppc.co.uk)

## Percussion group

Years 7 and 8 (plus Years 5 and 6 from Junior Prep)

**Mondays | 4.30pm - 5.15pm | Music School**

A percussion group for committed drummers and pianists who enjoy playing in an ensemble.

Pupil numbers: 8 pupils max

Staff contact: Mark Travers

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## Simply Strings

Years 7 and 8 (plus Years 3 to 6 from Junior Prep)

**Mondays | Breaktime | Music School**

Violin, viola, cello and double bass players of all abilities are welcome to attend.

Staff contact: Corey Wickens

[corey.wickens@hppc.co.uk](mailto:corey.wickens@hppc.co.uk)

## Strength and Conditioning

Year 8 - invitation only

**Mondays | 4.30pm – 5.55pm | Gym**

Resistance, agility and speed training.

Staff contact: Benjamin Dewey and Kristina Money

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[kristina.money@hppc.co.uk](mailto:kristina.money@hppc.co.uk)



# Tuesdays

## Art Club

**Year 8 - invitation only**

**Tuesdays | 4.30pm – 5.15pm | Prep Art Room**

Building a Portfolio in preparation for Art Scholarship applications.

Staff contact: Lucy Lane

[lucy.lane@hppc.co.uk](mailto:lucy.lane@hppc.co.uk)

## Cross Country Running

**Years 7 and 8**

**Tuesdays | 4.30pm - 5.15pm | Field**

Learn and practise technique for long distance running. Meet outside by the Moore Hall. Runs until half term.

Pupil numbers: 8 max

Staff contact: Philip Jacques

[philip.jacques@hppc.co.uk](mailto:philip.jacques@hppc.co.uk)

## Drama Club (Year 8)

**Year 8 - invitation only**

**Tuesdays | 4.30pm - 5.15pm | PSDR**

Preparation for Drama Scholarship applications, as well as rehearsals for a Year 8 studio play in the Summer term.

Staff contact: Mr Marcus Wilkinson

[marcus.wilkinson@hppc.co.uk](mailto:marcus.wilkinson@hppc.co.uk)

## DT Electronics – Steady Hand Game

**Year 8**

**Tuesdays | 5.15pm – 5.55pm | DT2**

Learn about electronic components and circuits to create your own Steady Hand Game.

Pupil numbers: 12 max

Staff contact: Ruth Brown

[ruth.brown@hppc.co.uk](mailto:ruth.brown@hppc.co.uk)

## DT Woodwork – Noughts and Crosses

**Year 7**

**Tuesdays | 4.30pm – 5.15pm | DT2**

Learn new woodworking skills to create a wooden noughts and crosses board game.

Pupil numbers: 12 max

Staff contact: Ruth Brown

[ruth.brown@hppc.co.uk](mailto:ruth.brown@hppc.co.uk)

## French catch-up

**Year 7**

**Tuesdays | 4.30pm – 5.15pm | PG2**

Recommended for pupils who are new to French. A club for beginners learning the basics of French.

Pupil numbers: 20 max

Staff contact: Alison Filkins

[alison.filkins@hppc.co.uk](mailto:alison.filkins@hppc.co.uk)

## Improv Club

**Years 7 and 8** (plus Year 6 from Junior Prep)

**Tuesdays | Lunchtime | Music School**

A chance for instrumental musicians to develop their improvisation skills.

Pupil numbers: 8 pupils max

Staff contact: Mark Travers

[mark.travers@hppc.co.uk](mailto:mark.travers@hppc.co.uk)

## Music Theory

**Years 7 and 8**

**Tuesdays | Lunchtime | MU001**

For students wishing to improve their understanding of musical theory or are working towards a graded theory exam.

Pupil numbers: 8 pupils max

Staff contact: Miss Usher

[saffron.usher@hppc.co.uk](mailto:saffron.usher@hppc.co.uk)

## Philosothon

**Years 7 and 8**

**Tuesdays | 4.30pm – 5.15pm | PT05**

Collaborative debating to gain deeper understanding of philosophical topics.

Pupil numbers: 16 max

Staff contact: Martin Clay

[martin.clay@hppc.co.uk](mailto:martin.clay@hppc.co.uk)

# Tuesdays

## Propulsion Boys Dance Co.

**Years 7 and 8 (boys)**

**Tuesdays | 5.15pm – 5.55pm | Dance Studio**

Boys Physical Theatre, contact work, body conditioning, Pilates and Contemporary Dance. We work with, and alongside, Senior School boys.

Pupil numbers: 18 max

Staff contact: Nicola Dominy

[nicola.dominy@hppc.co.uk](mailto:nicola.dominy@hppc.co.uk)

## Street Dance Crew

**Years 7 and 8**

**Tuesdays | 4.30pm – 5.15pm | New Bury Foyer**

A Street Dance crew creating works for the Prep School Dance Showcase. For this reason consistent attendance is required and if more than three consecutive sessions are missed then the pupil's place in the Showcase will be forfeited.

Pupil numbers: 18 max

Staff contact: Nicola Dominy

[nicola.dominy@hppc.co.uk](mailto:nicola.dominy@hppc.co.uk)

## Tabletop Gaming

**Years 7 and 8**

**Tuesdays | 4.30pm – 5.15pm | Physics 3**

A club for those who want to focus on modelling, painting and playing tabletop games, such as Warhammer. Attendees MUST have prior experience. If your child is new to tabletop gaming but interested in joining, please email Mr Pocknell for advice on how to get started before signing up for the club.

Pupil numbers: 10 max

Staff contact: Oliver Pocknell

[oliver.pocknell@hppc.co.uk](mailto:oliver.pocknell@hppc.co.uk)

## Woodland and Campcraft Skills

**Year 7 (plus Year 6 from Junior Prep)**

**Tuesdays | 4.30pm – 5.55pm | Woodland School**

A woodland and campcraft skills session, including fire building, cooking, dead hedging, building dens, exploring the flora and fauna and making items using wood such as whistles. Pupils should sign up for one term only.

Pupil numbers: 6 max

Staff contact: Christopher Filkins

[christopher.filkins@hppc.co.uk](mailto:christopher.filkins@hppc.co.uk)

# Wednesdays

## Ballet (Open Level)

**Years 7 and 8**

**Wednesdays | 5.15pm – 5.55pm | Dance Studio**

Open Level Ballet accessible to any pupil of any ability.

Pupil numbers: 18 max

Staff contact: Caroline Ticktum

[caroline.ticktum@hppc.co.uk](mailto:caroline.ticktum@hppc.co.uk)

## Flute Juice

**Years 7 and 8** (plus Years 3 to 6 from Junior Prep)

**Wednesdays | Breaktime | Music School**

Flute ensemble for all flute players in all year groups.

Pupil numbers: 18 max

Staff contact: Ms Anne Hodgson

[anne.hodgson@hppc.co.uk](mailto:anne.hodgson@hppc.co.uk)

## Rambert Dance Grade 1

**Years 7 and 8**

**Wednesdays | 5.15pm – 5.55pm | Dance Studio**

Pupil numbers: 18 max

Staff contact: Nicola Dominy

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## Tap Dancing (Senior Prep)

**Years 7 and 8**

**Wednesdays | Lunchtime | Moore Hall**

Open Level Tap accessible to any pupil of any ability.

Pupil numbers: 18 max

Staff contact: Caroline Ticktum

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# Thursdays

## Art Club

**Years 7 and 8**

**Thursdays | 5.15pm – 5.55pm | Prep Art Room**

Work with a range of materials to develop art skills.

Pupil numbers: 16 max

Staff contact: Jane Cross

[jane.cross@hppc.co.uk](mailto:jane.cross@hppc.co.uk)

## British Sign Language (BSL)

**Years 7 and 8** (plus Years 3 to 6 from Junior Prep)

**Thursdays | 4.30pm – 5.15pm | PG1**

Pupils will learn conversational BSL and a Sign Supported Language song to finish the term.

Pupil numbers: 4 min, 14 max

Staff contact: Aly Llewellyn Slade

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## Chess Club

**Years 7 and 8** (plus Year 6 from Junior Prep)

**Thursdays | 4.30pm – 5.55pm | Prep Library**

A club for Chess players to work on their game strategy and play against other pupils.

Pupil numbers: 22 max

Staff contact: Simon Lilley

[simon.lilley@hppc.co.uk](mailto:simon.lilley@hppc.co.uk)

## Climbing Club

**Years 7 and 8**

**Thursdays | 4.30pm – 5.55pm | Climbing wall**

Bouldering and climbing on the school climbing wall.

Pupil numbers: 4 min, 8 max

Staff contact: Sarah Peach

[sarah.peach@hppc.co.uk](mailto:sarah.peach@hppc.co.uk)

## Cricket

**Years 7 and 8 (boys and girls)**

**Thursdays | 4.30pm – 5.55pm | Astro/Sports Hall**

Practise bowling and batting. Meet outside by the Moore Hall.

Pupil numbers: 30 max

Staff contact: Benjamin Dewey and Kristina Money

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[kristina.money@hppc.co.uk](mailto:kristina.money@hppc.co.uk)

## Greek Club

**Years 7 and 8**

**Thursdays | Lunchtime | Location TBC**

An exciting exploration into ancient Greek myth and language.

Pupil numbers: 10 max

Staff contact: Tamsin Morton

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## Heart of Hurst newspaper

**Years 7 and 8** (plus Years 3 to 6 from Junior Prep)

**- invitation only**

**Thursdays | 12.15pm – 12.45pm | PS111**

A digital newspaper written by different year groups each term.

Staff contact: Zoe Taylor-West

[zoe.taylor-west@hppc.co.uk](mailto:zoe.taylor-west@hppc.co.uk)

## Improvisation Project

**Years 7 and 8** (plus Year 6 from Junior Prep)

**Tuesdays | 5.15pm – 6.00pm | Music School**

A chance for musicians to develop their improvisation skills.

Pupil numbers: 8 pupils max

Staff contact: Mark Travers

[mark.travers@hppc.co.uk](mailto:mark.travers@hppc.co.uk)

## Light Lunch

**Years 7 and 8**

**Thursdays | Lunchtime | Chapel**

Engage in discussion about the Light of the World with a light buffet lunch.

Pupil numbers: 80 max

Staff contact: Janneke Blokland

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# Thursdays

## Percussion group

**Years 7 and 8** (plus Years 5 and 6 from Junior Prep)

**Thursday | 4.30pm – 5.15pm | Music School**

A percussion group for committed drummers and pianists who enjoy playing in an ensemble.

Pupil numbers: 8 max

Staff contact: Mark Travers

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## Swim Squad

**Years 7 and 8** (plus Years 5 and 6 from Junior Prep)

**- invitation only**

**Thursdays | 4.30pm – 5.55pm | Swimming pool**

Invitation to join the Swim Squad is by a swimming trial.

Staff contact: Anthony Gray

[anthony.gray@hppc.co.uk](mailto:anthony.gray@hppc.co.uk)

# Fridays

## Hockey

**Years 7 and 8 (boys and girls)**

**Fridays | 4.30pm – 5.55pm | South Astro**

Hockey training with skills, drills and fun match play.  
Meet outside by the Moore Hall.

Pupil numbers: 50 max

Staff contact: Benjamin Dewey and Kristina Money

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## Rugby

**Years 7 and 8 (boys)**

**Fridays | 4.30pm – 5.55pm | Field**

A chance for pupils to practice their passing, kicking  
and tackling skills. Meet outside by the Moore Hall.

Pupil numbers: 50 max

Staff contact: Benjamin Dewey

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## Tennis

**Years 7 and 8 (boys and girls)** (plus Years 5 and 6  
from Junior Prep)

**Fridays | 4.30pm – 5.55pm | Tennis Courts**

Learn racket control, grip, basic strokes and fun game  
play. Meet outside by the Moore Hall.

Pupil numbers: 30 max

Staff contact: Benjamin Dewey and Kristina Money

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## Waterpolo

**Years 7 and 8** (plus Years 5 and 6 from Junior Prep)

**Fridays | 4.30pm – 5.30pm | Swimming pool**

Pupils need to be competent and confident  
swimmers, able to treadwater and comfortable out of  
their depth.

Pupil numbers: 10 pupils min, 14 pupils max

Staff contact: Anthony Gray

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