

Extracurricular activities – Afterschool Clubs – Spring Term 2026








Watling Academy – Spring Term Afterschool Clubs		
Day	Club	Summary
Monday	Year 7 & 8 Basketball * £27.00 *A fee is payable to cover the costs of operating this club.	Students will have the opportunity to develop the key skills of Basketball, such as passing, dribbling, shooting and defence. These skills will be developed through individual practise, drills and games. This club will be hosted by an external coach, MK Breakers.
Monday	Year 8 & 9 Football Skills *£28.50 *A fee is payable to cover the costs of operating this club.	Students will have the opportunity to develop their key skills in Football and apply these within game situations. Coached by 'Lets kick it'.
Monday	DT Club	Spring term DT Club will be focusing on the V&A Innovate National Schools Challenge a free, annual design competition for Key Stage 3 students (years 7, 8, and 9). It encourages teams of students to use design thinking to create a solution for a real-world problem by responding to one of the challenge themes, such as "Rest, Join and Reimagine". The challenge aims to build skills in problem-solving, collaboration, and creative thinking, with a focus on human and planet-centered design.
Monday	Rock Band	We are launching an opportunity for budding rock musicians to build their skills, if you are a singer, guitarist, drummer, bassist, keyboard/piano player, or any other instrumentalist and want to build skills to get on stage, then this is the club for you!

Tuesday	Year 9, 10 & 11 Badminton	Students will have the opportunity to practice their skills of badminton and play games.
Tuesday	All Years Recreational Boys Football	Students will have the opportunity to develop their key skills in Football and apply these within game situations.
Tuesday	English Club	Learning about different genres and writing styles across prose, poetry and non-fiction
Tuesday	Year 11 Art Clinic	A hands-on, project-based afterschool program for 1 term where students learn to use AI tools to create business ideas, solve economic problems, and launch mini-startups—preparing them for the AI-driven economy.
Tuesday	Mindfulness Colouring	Join our calming Mindful Colouring Club, where students can unwind, get creative, and focus on the present moment through colouring activities. Build concentration, reduce stress, and have a positive end to the school day!

Tuesday	Independent Band Practice	Independent band practice sessions are available for students wanting to rehearse with their own groups. Use the space, experiment with your sound, and get gig-ready!
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Wednesday	Cheerleading * £27.00 *A fee is payable to cover the costs of operating this club.	Hosted by external coach; MKCA (Milton Keynes Cheerleading Association). Sessions will be a mixture of gymnastics, dance, and stunting. No experience is necessary- come along to find out more about cheerleading!
Wednesday	Historical Film Club	Watching historical films and analysing their accuracy
Wednesday	Independent Band Practice	Independent band practice sessions are available for students wanting to rehearse with their own groups. Use the space, experiment with your sound, and get gig-ready
Wednesday	Dance Club – For school musical	An opportunity to get involved performing and choreographing dances in a variety of styles. Students will be expected to Dance in bare feet or dance shoes for safety purposes and wear PE kit (no jewellery). The club will finish at 16:30 to allow time to change. Students will be required to have some dance experience. In the first week there will be an audition and selection process for the Dance ensemble that will perform the large dance numbers to be performed in the school musical.
Wednesday	Polish Language Club	Preparing students to pass Polish language GCSE
Wednesday	Choir	Join our school choir to develop your singing, perform a wide range of music, and take part in concerts throughout the year. Everyone is welcome, no audition needed!

Thursday	Girls Football	Students will have the opportunity to develop their key skills in Football and apply these within game situations.
Thursday	Table Tennis	Students will learn key skills and play individually or doubles.
Thursday	Netball – INVITE ONLY	Squad team training
Thursday	Chess Club	Opportunity to play chess against other students and learn the art of the game.
Thursday	Illustration Club	Students will learn an array of illustration skills using different mediums and styles, they will look into different artists and types of illustrators and by the end will create a small, illustrated book/story.

Thursday	Blender 3D Modelling Club	<p>Promotional description: Blender is 3D creation suite used for 3D modelling, animation, game design, and visual effects. Students will learn how to create 3D models, animate them, and how they would be able to use these in game design. 3D models can also be 3D printed to be sold as keyrings or accessories. Not only will students be learning how to use Blender to create their own 3D models but will be developing their entrepreneurial skills to sell their product and raise money for their house charity.</p>
Thursday	Robotics Club	<p>Students work together to design, build, and program a fully functional robot using real engineering tools and problem-solving skills. Members learn about motors, sensors, coding, 3D design, teamwork, and creative engineering as they bring a robot from concept to competition-ready.</p> <p>Our main goal is to compete in the FIRST Tech Challenge (FTC), a global robotics competition built around themed engineering challenges. Students can take on roles such as builders, programmers, designers, documenters, and drivers as we develop our robot for matches. If we perform well in regional events, we'll move on to national stages and potentially even represent Watling Academy internationally.</p>
Thursday	Year 7 & 8 Science Club	<p>Are you fascinated by how the world works? Do you love asking questions, experimenting, and discovering new things? Then the Science Club is the perfect place for you! What is Science Club? Science Club is a fun, hands-on community where students explore exciting scientific ideas beyond the classroom. Whether you're into chemistry, biology, physics, robotics, or environmental science, there's something for everyone!</p> <p>Why Join?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">  Experiments & Projects: Get your hands dirty with cool experiments and creative science projects.  Real-World Connections: Learn how science impacts everyday life and global challenges.  Critical Thinking: Sharpen your problem-solving and analytical skills.  Competitions & Events: Represent your school in science fairs, quizzes, and challenges.  Teamwork & Leadership: Collaborate with peers and develop leadership skills.  Fun & Friendship: Make new friends who share your passion for discovery! <p>Who Can Join? Everyone! Whether you're a budding scientist or just curious about the world, Science Club welcomes all students who want to explore, learn, and have fun.</p>
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Friday	Netball Participation	<p>Students will have the opportunity to develop the key skills of netball, such as passing, pivoting, moving into space, dodging, shooting, and defending. These will be developed through drills and games.</p>