



**Blatchington
Mill School**

Involvement, Achievement & Care

FAQs - Involvement

Some of the questions that we did not have time to answer on the night of our Live Q&A are below. Many are verbatim from the student/parent/carer who sent them in. Others are a combination of maybe a couple of very similar questions.

If you have anything else that you would like to know about our school, to help you make your secondary school choice, please email admissions@blatchingtonmill.org.uk with the subject line "2021 INTAKE"

What extra-curricular clubs do you run and what time are they?

We have a large range of clubs available for students. The full list for 2019/20 is to be found [here](#) This booklet is on our school website and available in hard copy for students each year. The 2020 list is a bit different featuring items such Virtual Science Club.

Some clubs run in lunchtime and some are after school. Those that run after school has finished, start pretty promptly after the school day has finished (3pm) and go on until between 4pm and 4:30pm depending on the club. All the details are in the pdf.

The list of clubs, and clubs themselves, don't usually start until October, so that staff and students have time to identify the best slot and so that we can ensure a spread across the week.

What are the times of the school day? When is lunchtime? Is it different for different year groups?

In a non-COVID year, the school day starts at 8:30am with registration in form groups. Students are expected to be on site by 8:25am so that they are in their rooms ready to learn from 8:30am. One year group each day has an assembly in the theatre at 8:30am.

The school day finishes for all at 3pm, with clubs available from approximately this time.

In normal times, lunch time is the same time for everyone and is 12:40 - 1:20pm. There is an opportunity for students to

- buy lunch from the servery, snack shack or quad pod
- attend a club
- play on the astros
- relax and chat with friends

What do you do in Art?

Beyond Art lessons (details of the content for these are in the curriculum overviews found [here](#) on the school website) we run Key Stage 3 clubs; Term 1 - clay modelling club. Term 2 - mask making. Term 3 - printmaking. In GCSE years there are trips to London art galleries.

Are your running facilities really good and do you often win races?

We have a 400m track that we use for our Athletics club and in our lessons, but all competitions are held at formal running tracks like Withdean stadium and K2 in Crawley. We have some top athletes at Blatch and are competitive in competitions.