

# Head of School

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2025

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

Welcome back to our final term of this academic year. Our first week back to school has been as busy as always!

I am sure our Year 11 students appreciated the half term break as they have continued to sit their formal examinations over the course of this week. I would like to thank all Year 11 parents/carers for continuing to support their child arriving prepared and on time. The crammers and support from teaching staff is still available for students as per their exam timetable. In addition to this, I would like to remind parents/carers and students that all school resources are still available for students should they require to access them. For example, our safeguarding team and careers department are available if any further advice or support is needed.

This week, we have presented our Year 10 temporary prefects with their Prefect tie which indicates that they have completed their Prefect trial and have now been awarded with full Prefect status. The Prefects are fantastic role models in the school community who also have the opportunity to consider applying for Head Student status as we move into the new academic year.

Can I remind parents/carers of our Year 7 students that parents Evening will be taking place online on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2025 from 4.30pm to 7.30pm. Please remember to book your appointments via the link that was sent out separately. This gives parents/carers the opportunity to speak to subject teachers about their child's academic progress in their first year at school.



At Giles Academy, we offer 1:1 and small group music lessons in school which include Piano, Violin, Singing, Guitar and Drum lessons. If your child is interested in starting these lessons in September with our talented team of visiting instrumental staff please email [Enquiries@gilesacademy.co.uk](mailto:Enquiries@gilesacademy.co.uk) to express an interest and we will be able to respond with further details. Those in receipt of Free School Meals are offered a nominal discount.



Can I also remind parents that we have a designated email tab for those parents wishing to communicate with our SEN department please utilise the email [SENCO@gilesacademy.co.uk](mailto:SENCO@gilesacademy.co.uk)

An exciting new sports club began on Wednesday night. Thanks to Sophie Hunter, Golf Professional at Boston West Golf Club, a fantastic new opportunity was available for our students to try out golf as we encourage students to try new adventures! The students practiced their putting skills this week. Their progress was amazing! A huge well done to all the students involved, it was fantastic to see their enthusiasm for an exciting new opportunity.

Improving attendance has been a key priority of the school over the few years and maintaining excellent attendance has been our target for this academic year. Our whole school community has been driving 'excellent attendance' forwards as we continue to support students attending school and our attendance and safeguarding team have been critical in offering support to students and families where it has been needed. As a result of the continuous drive to maintain excellent attendance I am very proud to announce that the school has been recognised to receive a National Attendance Award highlighting that we are in the Top 25% of schools nationally for excellent attendance. Thank you to all parents, carers and staff and students for their continued support on this important matter - another fantastic achievement for Giles Academy.



We have a very busy month ahead with many exciting events being held over the course of this last term, Year 11 Prom, Sports Day, Aspire Film Festivals and our new Year 7 Transition Day are just a few of the highlights which I am looking forward to including in this term's Head of School Update.

Finally, at the end of this update you will find details of our extra-curricular and enrichment programme for the last term of the academic year. There is a diverse choice of activities for all year groups during lunchtime and after school that will develop academic skills, improve self-confidence and broaden horizons as well as being enjoyable.

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Katie Belcher'.

**Miss Katie Belcher**

Head of School, Giles Academy

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- [www.instagram.com/GilesAcademySLAT](https://www.instagram.com/GilesAcademySLAT)
- [www.facebook.com/GilesAcademy](https://www.facebook.com/GilesAcademy)
- [www.x.com/GilesSLAT](https://www.x.com/GilesSLAT)



# Extra-curricular activities

**TERM 6** (Monday 2nd June to Friday 18th July 2025)

## Lunchtime extra-curricular activities

MONDAY LUNCHTIME				
Sport	CNAT Sports Intervention	Year 10	A07	Mr Reed
DofE	The Duke of Edinburgh's Award	Year 10	A09	Miss Cocks
Geography	KS3 Geography Club	Years 7/8/9	D04	Mr Wagstaff
Science	Science Surgery (Homework Club)	Years 7/8/9	C11	Mr Vrastiak
TUESDAY LUNCHTIME				
Sport	CNAT Sports Intervention	Year 10	A07	Miss Ward
Art	Intervention GCSE Open Studio	Year 10	A07	Miss McDonald
Geography	Geography Intervention	Year 10	D03	Mrs Stones
Science	Science Intervention (Foundation)	Year 10	D14	Miss Ortan
WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME				
Art	KS3 Art Club	Years 7/8/9	A03	Miss Salisbury
Business	Business Intervention	Year 10	B01	Mrs Pell
English	Imaginary Worlds Creative Writing	Year 7	E01	Miss Spring
English	English Homework Club	Years 7/8/9	E09	Mrs Warelis
English	KS4 Maths Intervention	Year 10	E04	Subject Teachers
Geography	KS4 Geography Intervention	Year 10	D06	Miss Pearson
Maths	Maths Club	All Years	C08	Miss Wright
Music	Samba Club	All Years	A09	Miss Cocks
Religious Studies	Religious Studies Intervention	Year 10	A08	Mrs Harker
Science	STEM Club	Years 7/8/9	D13	Mr Castley / Mrs Holland
Science	Science Intervention (Higher)	Year 10	D11	Mrs Graves
Science	Science Intervention	Year 10	D15	Mrs Webb
THURSDAY LUNCHTIME				
Sport	CNAT Sports Intervention	Year 10	A07	Mrs Cooper
Art	Art Intervention Open Studio	Year 10	A03	Miss Salisbury
Business	Business Intervention	Year 10	B01	Mrs Pell
FRIDAY LUNCHTIME				
Sport	CNAT Sports Intervention	Years 10	A07	Mr Dodd
PSHE	LGBTQ+ Club	All Years	E06	Mr Kelly / Mrs Whitehead

## After school extra-curricular activities

Unless otherwise arranged by the organiser, all after-school activities will run for one hour. All after-school sports run from 3.15pm to 4.30pm.

<b>MONDAY AFTER-SCHOOL</b>				
Sport	<b>Boys Cricket</b>	All Years	Field	Mr Dodd
Sport	<b>Girls Rugby</b>	Year 7	Field	Mrs Cooper
Sport	<b>Fitness Suite</b>	Years 9/10	Fitness Suite	Miss Pearson / Miss Platt
Sport	<b>Sports Leaders</b>	Years 9/10	Gym	Miss Ward
Science	<b>Science Intervention (Higher)</b>	Year 10	D12	Miss Cassidy
<b>TUESDAY AFTER-SCHOOL</b>				
Sport	<b>Rounders</b>	All Years	Field	Mrs Cooper / Miss Ward
Sport	<b>Table Tennis</b>	All Years	Gym	Mr Purdy
Sport	<b>Fitness Suite</b>	Year 7	Sports Hall	Miss Rimmer
<b>WEDNESDAY AFTER-SCHOOL</b>				
Sport	<b>Girls Cricket Club</b>	All Years	Field	Mrs Cooper
Sport	<b>Basketball</b>	All Years	Sports Hall	Mr Reed
Sport	<b>Golf Coaching</b>	All Years	Field	External Coach
Sport	<b>Fitness Suite</b>	Years 9/10	Fitness Suite	Mr Mason
Sport	<b>CNAT Sports Intervention</b>	Year 10	A07	Mr Dodd
Art	<b>Art Intervention Open Studio</b>	Year 10	A07	Miss McDonald
Food	<b>Food Technology Intervention</b>	Year 10	D07	Mr Jagger
<b>THURSDAY AFTER-SCHOOL</b>				
Sport	<b>Athletics</b>	All Years	Field	Miss Ward
Sport	<b>Fitness Suite</b>	Year 8	Fitness Suite	Mr Butler
Art	<b>Art Intervention Open Studio</b>	Year 10	A03	Miss Salisbury
Science	<b>Online Science Revision (5pm to 6pm)</b>	Year 10	TEAMS	Mr Castley