



Kimbolton School
Cambridgeshire

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES POLICY: SENIOR SCHOOL

Policy owner: This policy is the responsibility of the Director of Activities.

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Policy Summary Statement: This policy outlines Kimbolton School's stance on extra-curricular activities.

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INTRODUCTION

The School believes that an active and extensive range of extra-curricular activities is of immense importance for the all-round development of its pupils. Such activity provides an opportunity to concentrate on personal interest and to gain new experiences. There is scope for leadership, co-operative effort and the use of initiative in the conduct of most activities. The monitoring and promoting of a buoyant extra-curricular programme is central to life at Kimbolton School. This means that clashes are avoided whenever possible (or minimised) to ensure pupil opportunities are maximised and that involvement is valued as a key adjunct to academic life.

The informal nature of most activities allows interaction between pupils at various levels and of differing ability. They also allow staff and pupils to meet and work together outside the more formal atmosphere of the classroom.

Pupils learn the value of self-reliance and responsibility which brings a greater maturity and confidence to their development. They develop interests for life and often return much of what they learn to younger pupils and enrich the life of the School. They learn to organise their leisure to fit in with their academic studies and they have to decide on priorities to enable them to resolve conflicting demands.

GAMES

There is a compulsory games programme which concentrates on the major games of soccer, hockey, netball, tennis and cricket. This widens higher up the School to include sailing, clay pigeon shooting, canoeing, squash and a variety of other sporting/recreational activities.

CCF & CSU

In the 4th Form pupils elect to join one of the arms of the Combined Cadet Force or the Community Service Unit.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR

There is a very wide range of extra-curricular activities at the end of the School day, which includes music, drama, outdoor pursuits, Duke of Edinburgh's Award, art design and a host of other clubs and societies so that all tastes are catered for. There is also a programme of regular lunchtime activities and a range of societies that meet on more occasional basis.

All that pupils do and achieve is valued and is broadcast to the school, including successes at county, regional, or national levels. High standards are expected, and achievement is recognised.

The School encourages positive and purposeful commitment whereby self-confidence and self-esteem are promoted. Rounded individuals leave the School as caring and concerned citizens.