## **Thornhill Academy Wider Curriculum Activities**

Every student at Thornhill has the potential to achieve great things both in and out of the classroom.

The timetable of wider curriculum activities below is open to ALL students free of charge! Participating in even one wider curriculum activity per term will give you the opportunity to meet new friends, learn new skills and develop your employability.

For more information about the activities please see a member of staff in the department.















Activity Name	Description	Skills I Will Develop	Career Links	Day and Time	Room
Coding Club  Curriculum Area: Business and ICT  Year groups: Year 7-9	Develop your coding skills to solve a range of problems and write code that allows you to become a 21 <sup>st</sup> century computer program. You will try your hand at hacking, help to solve cybercrime and learn the skills you will need to be an ace games designer!	✓ Listening ✓ Speaking ✓ Problem solving ✓ Creativity ✓ Teamwork ✓ Staying positive ✓ Leadership ✓ Aiming High	<ul> <li>✓ Computer programmer</li> <li>✓ Games designer</li> <li>✓ Cybercrime analyst</li> <li>✓ Software engineer</li> </ul>	Every Monday 3.00-3.45	B2
Curriculum Area: Business and ICT  Year groups: Year 10 and 11	Digital Leader training sessions will involve you learning new programming skills, sharing your expertise with other students in school and spreading the word about the digital world. Working closely as a team, you will plan, lead and evaluate events and share the great things happening in Thornhill using social media.	✓ Listening ✓ Speaking ✓ Problem solving ✓ Creativity ✓ Teamwork ✓ Staying positive ✓ Leadership ✓ Aiming High	<ul> <li>✓ Computer programmer</li> <li>✓ Games designer</li> <li>✓ Cybercrime analyst</li> <li>✓ Software engineer</li> <li>✓ Computing teacher</li> </ul>	Every Monday 3.00-3.45	B1
EAL club  Curriculum Area:  MFL	Open to all EAL pupils	✓ Listening ✓ Speaking ✓ Teamwork ✓ Staying positive	✓ Tourism ✓ Travel	Wednesday week 1 Monday week 2 Lunchtime	MFL 2

Year groups: All EAL pupils					
German club  Curriculum Area: MFL  Year groups:	To develop the interest in languages and explore a different language.	✓ Listening ✓ Speaking	✓ Tourism ✓ Travel	Every Thursday Lunchtime	MFL 1
Bengali club  Curriculum Area: MFL  Year groups: Year 7-11	Open to ANY pupils who would like to learn Bengali	✓ Listening ✓ Speaking	✓ Tourism ✓ Travel	Every Thursday 3.00-3.30	MFL 3
Wanderlust  Curriculum Area: Geography  Year groups: Year 7-11	Have you an aspiration to travel? Where would you go? How would you book? If money were no object vs budgeting! Historical exploration of your chosen location.	✓ Listening ✓ Speaking ✓ Creativity ✓ Staying positive ✓ Aiming high	✓ Tourism ✓ Aviation ✓ Travel ✓ Archaeology ✓ Planning ✓ Museum Curator/ Historical Research	Every Wednesday 3.00-3.30	B2
Cre8tive  Curriculum Area: DT  Year groups: Year 7-11	To explore the creative imagination of design and make from real life problems and creating small business opportunities.	✓ Listening ✓ Speaking ✓ Creativity ✓ Problem Solving	✓ Ggraphic design ✓ Production ✓ Engineering	Every Thursday 3.00 - 4.00	Workshop 1

Fashion and	Do you ever wish you could design and	V	Listening	~	Fashion designer	Every Wednesday	Design Room
Interior Design	create your own outfit, accessory or	V	Speaking	V	Interior designer	3.00 - 3.45	
_	home furnishing? Now is your	·	Creativity	~	Product designer		
Curriculum Area:	opportunity to upcycle or recycle clothes,	V	Problem Solving	,			
DT	material and other people's unwanted	<b>~</b>	Staying positive				
	possessions to create something you can						
Year groups:	be proud of.						
Year 7-11							
Samba Thursday	Join our new Samba Band, learn about	<b>~</b>	Listening	•	Musician	Every Thursday	Music
	the rhythms from Brazil. All years	<b>✓</b>	Teamwork			3.00 – 3.45	
Curriculum Area:	welcome.	~	Aiming high				
Music							
Year groups:							
Year 7-11							
Ukulele Monday	Learn one of the most popular	_	Listening	V	Musician	Every Monday	Music
•	instruments at the moment. This club is	<b>✓</b>	Teamwork			3.00 - 3.45	
Curriculum Area:	fun as you play in an Ukulele ensemble.	<b>~</b>	Aiming high				
Music	Opportunities to perform in school						
	concerts.						
Year groups:							
Year 7-11							
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Choir Friday	Join our choir, singing many popular	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \			Musician	Every Friday	Music
	songs. Opportunities to perform and represent the school in concerts and in		reamwork			3.00 - 3.45	
Curriculum Area:	city events.	*	Aiming high				
Music	City events.						
Year groups:							
Year 7-11	<i>—</i> \						

GMT Gigs  Curriculum Area: Music  Year groups: Year 7-11	Good Morning Thornhill! Your chance to sing on our main stage in the yard. Open mic policy, come and have a go. Fantastic to gain performance skills and develop your confidence.	✓ Listening ✓ Teamwork ✓ Aiming high ✓ Staying positive ✓ Confidence ✓ performance	✓ Musical Theatre ✓ Singer	Every Tuesday and Thursday (Weather permitting) 8am - 840am	Main Stage: The Yard
Science Club  Curriculum Area: Science  Year groups: Year 7 and 8	Do you want to have a go at growing crystals, firing water rockets, making bath bombs or designing and making kaleidoscope? If you do, then come along to science club and have fun with experiments.	✓ Listening ✓ Speaking ✓ Creativity ✓ Problem solving ✓ Creativity ✓ Teamwork	✓ Vet ✓ Nurse ✓ Dentist	Week 1 Monday 3pm – 3.40pm	Lab 2
STEM Club  Curriculum Area: Science  Year groups: Year 9-11	Could you survive on a desert island? Would you survive a zombie apocalypse? Is there witchcraft and wizardry in the real world? These are all questions which you could investigate in STEM Club.	✓ Listening ✓ Speaking ✓ Problem solving ✓ Creativity ✓ Teamwork ✓ Staying positive ✓ Leadership ✓ Aiming High	✓ Engineer ✓ Midwife ✓ Doctor ✓ Marine biologist ✓ Primary school teacher	Week 2 Monday 3pm – 3.50pm	Lab 6
STEM Aspirational Session  Curriculum Area: Science  Year groups: Year 9-11	Want to earn 20% more than your peers? Explore the Top Careers in STEM with talks from Sunderland College supporting your transition into Post-16 Pathways.	✓ Listening ✓ Speaking ✓ Staying positive ✓ Leadership ✓ Aiming High	✓ Engineer ✓ Midwife ✓ Doctor ✓ Marine biologist ✓ Primary school teacher	Every Monday starting 10 <sup>th</sup> January 2022 3pm – 3.50pm	Lab 5

Cnorte Londone	Sports Loador training sossions will	/ Listoning	✓ Teacher	Monday	Cnorte Hall
Sports Leaders	Sports Leader training sessions will	✓ Listening		Monday,	Sports Hall
	involve you learning new skills, sharing	✓ Speaking	✓ Sports science	Wednesday and	
Curriculum Area:	your expertise with other students in	✓ Problem solving	✓ Sports journalist	Thursday	
PE	school and spreading the word about	✓ Creativity	✓ Leisure industry	2:45pm	
	sport. Working closely as a team, you will	✓ Teamwork	✓ Personal trainer		
Year groups:	plan, lead and evaluate events. Organise	✓ Staying positive	✓ Coach		
Year 10 and 11	and lead the great things happening in	✓ Leadership			
	Thornhill PE department and wider community.	✓ Aiming High			
Netball	Join our successful netball team, no	✓ Listening	✓ Teacher	Every Monday	Sports Hall
	experience required. Opportunities to	✓ Speaking	✓ Sports science	2:45pm	
Curriculum Area:	build team skills, leadership roles,	✓ Problem solving	✓ Coach		
PE	communication skills and more. You will	✓ Teamwork	✓ Professional athlete		
	represent the school in fixtures, matches	✓ Staying positive	✓ Leisure industry		
Year groups: All	and tournaments across the city.	✓ Leadership	✓ Personal trainer		
		✓ Non verbal			
		✓ Verbal			
		communication			
Futsal	The ideal sporting activity for someone	✓ Listening	✓ Teacher	Every Monday	Sports Hall
	looking for a new sporting challenge.	✓ Speaking	✓ Sports science	2.45pm	
Curriculum Area:	Similar to 5-a-side football and played	✓ Problem solving	✓ Coach		
PE	with a small ball on a hard pitch, the	✓ Teamwork	✓ Professional athlete		
	game's emphasis is on improvisation,	✓ Staying positive	✓ Leisure industry		
Year groups:	creativity and technique, making it ideal	✓ Leadership	✓ Personal trainer		
Yr 7-9	for people who work well as a team.	✓ Non verbal			
	Fancy the challenge? Come along and see	✓ Verbal			
	what futsal is all about!	communication			
Swimming	Swimming club, no experience	✓ Listening	✓ Teacher	Every Wednesday	Swimming Pool
	required. Learn to swim all the way up	✓ Speaking	✓ Sports science	2:45pm	
Curriculum Area:	to improving your racing style, speed,	✓ Problem solving	✓ Coach		
PE	fitness and competing for your school	✓ Teamwork	✓ Professional athlete		
	in city galas and regional galas. You	✓ Staying positive	✓ Leisure industry		
Year groups: All	will also experience other aquatic	✓ Leadership	✓ Personal trainer		
	skills and water safety techniques.	✓ Life saving	✓ Olympic committee		
	skins and water safety techniques.		✓ Lifeguard		

		✓ Personal survival			
Health Related Fitness	Improve health and wellbeing. Different types of fitness ranging from, bootcamp to spinning. Any	✓ Teamwork ✓ Staying positive ✓ Leadership ✓ Resilience	✓ Teacher ✓ Sports science ✓ Coach	Every Thursday 2:45pm	Fitness suite
Curriculum Area: PE	fitness level to start, will be competing against your own PB.	✓ Perseverance ✓ motivation	✓ Leisure industry ✓ Personal trainer		
Year groups: All					
Rugby  Curriculum Area:	Join our rugby team, no experience required. Opportunities to build team skills, leadership roles, communication	✓ Listening ✓ Speaking ✓ Problem solving	✓ Teacher ✓ Sports science ✓ Coach	Every Monday 3.00pm	Rugby Pitch
PE	skills and more. You will represent the school in fixtures, matches and	✓ Teamwork ✓ Staying positive	<ul><li>✓ Professional athlete</li><li>✓ Leisure industry</li></ul>		
Year groups: All	tournaments across the city.	<ul><li>✓ Leadership</li><li>✓ Resilience</li></ul>	✓ Personal trainer		
Football  Curriculum Area:	Join our football team, no experience required. Opportunities to build team skills, leadership roles, communication	✓ Listening ✓ Speaking ✓ Problem solving ✓ Teamwork	✓ Teacher ✓ Sports science ✓ Coach	Every Thursday 3.00pm	Football Pitch
PE Year groups: All	skills and more. You will represent the school in fixtures, matches and tournaments across the city.	✓ Staying positive ✓ Leadership ✓ Resilience	<ul><li>✓ Professional athlete</li><li>✓ Leisure industry</li><li>✓ Personal trainer</li></ul>		
Cricket	Join our cricket team, no experience required. Opportunities to develop team	✓ Listening ✓ Speaking	✓ Teacher ✓ Sports science	Every Wednesday 3.00pm	Sports Hall
Curriculum Area: PE	building skills, leadership roles, communication skills and more. You will represent the school in fixtures, matches	<ul><li>✓ Problem solving</li><li>✓ Teamwork</li><li>✓ Staying positive</li></ul>	<ul><li>✓ Coach</li><li>✓ Professional athlete</li><li>✓ Leisure industry</li></ul>		
Year groups: Year 7 and 8	and tournaments across the city.	✓ Leadership ✓ Resilience	✓ Personal trainer		
Art Club	Do you have a creative streak and enjoy expressing yourself through sketching, painting, modelling, collage	✓ Speaking and listening ✓ Creativity	✓ Artist ✓ Designer ✓ Product designer	Every Thursday 3.00-4.00	Studio 2

Curriculum Area: Art Year groups: Year 7-11	or computer graphics? This is your chance to explore your creativity and see what you can produce when there are no boundaries on your imagination!	✓ Teamwork ✓ Aiming high ✓ Problem solving	
Reel 2 Real  Curriculum Area: English  Year groups: Year 7 - 11	Why not explore other worlds and experience visual adaptations of your favourite literary stories: Everything from Greek myths and legends to dystopian fiction. Come and join us every week as we watch a movie and discuss our favourite characters. The popcorn will be waiting	✓ Speaking and listening ✓ Creativity ✓ Cultural capital ✓ Costume designer ✓ Speaking and ✓ Writer ✓ Broadcaster ✓ Film maker ✓ Director ✓ Producer ✓ Actor ✓ Costume designer ✓ Sound effects	Room 19
Media Leaders  Curriculum Area: English  Year Groups: Year 10 & 11	Explore the world of media by joining a skilled team of students who will work together to produce recorded and live school and community news bulletins as well as print media. Have a presence at every exciting event at school; seek out the most interesting stories and share the positivity with the community!	✓ Verbal and nonverbal       ✓ Broadcasting       3.00-4.00         communication skills       ✓ Editing       And other times when necessary.         ✓ Team building       ✓ Content creating         ✓ Working to tight deadlines       ✓ Publishing         ✓ Using software       ✓ Photography         ✓ Reading and Writing       ✓ Filming/ camera crew         ✓ Editing and proofreading       ✓ Editing and proofreading	Media Suite
Sunshine Club  Curriculum Area: Learning Support  Year Groups: Year 7&8	A multi-curricular club, directed by students. Students will explore their previous week at Thornhill, looking at experiences in and out of the classroom and collaboratively consider how they can deepen knowledge through talk, play and other activities.	Reading and V Politician Every Monday 3.00-4.00  Team building V Mediator  Verbal and nonverbal communication skills  Aiming high Collaboration	.52

		✓ Motivation ✓ Perseverance			
Diversity Club  Curriculum Area: Learning Support  Year Groups: Year 7-11	A student led group, exploring issues related to the LGTBQ+ community in a relaxed and non – judgemental way.	<ul> <li>✓ Resilience</li> <li>✓ Communication</li> <li>✓ Decision making</li> <li>✓ Team building</li> <li>✓ Speaking and listening</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Counsellor</li> <li>✓ Community work</li> <li>✓ Charitable work</li> <li>✓ Discussion and support roles</li> </ul>	Every Thursday 3.00-4.00	Resilience room
Homework club  Curriculum Area: Learning Support  Year Groups: All	An opportunity for students to complete homework with the support of a member of the learning support department at school.	✓ Decision making ✓ Resilience ✓ Organisation ✓ Working to deadlines		Every Monday 3.00-4.00 Every Wednesday 3.00-4.00 Every Thursday 3.00-4.00	LRC
Starfish club  Curriculum Area: Learning Support  Year Groups: Years 7, 8 and 9	An opportunity to meet other students with Andy and his team from YFC. Students will participate in a range of activities to support teamwork and positive social skills	✓ Team building ✓ Speaking and listening ✓ Communication	hill	Every Monday lunchtime 12.15 - 12.45	LS2
T FEST  Curriculum Area: Religious Studies but involving various other departments	The chance to perform at our first school performance of the year. T Fest is a festival of thanks involving performances such as music, dance, drama, and readings and will happen on October 23 <sup>rd</sup> . The aim of the festival is to show our thanks as a school to the NHS and Carers and	✓ Verbal and physical Communication ✓ Confidence Building ✓ Teamwork ✓ Aiming High ✓ Working to deadlines	<ul> <li>✓ Presenting (e.g. teacher, manager, presenter, media)</li> <li>✓ Drama</li> <li>✓ Dance</li> <li>✓ Working in the Community</li> </ul>	Non- specific- you will be rehearsing and practising your part or performance with your designated teacher at agreed times and in your own time.	Various including R21, Drama Room, Music Room. TFEST will take place in the Main Hall.

including Music, DT, Drama. Year Groups: All year groups	funds raised will go to charities supporting relief for carers in Sunderland. Look out for further information about how you can get involved.	\ \ \ \	Resilience Contributing to the Local Wider Community Active citizenship Risk taking			
Board Games  Curriculum Area: Maths  Year Groups: All year groups	Come and join the Maths department for a night of board games! Use your logic to outwit your opponent, your problem solving to find the answer and your wit to outsmart the other team!	\ \ \ \ \	Listening Speaking Problem solving Teamwork Staying positive Leadership	<ul><li>✓ Game creator</li><li>✓ Team leader</li><li>✓ Systems analyst</li><li>✓ Play therapist</li></ul>	Every Thursday 2.40-3.45	Maths Department

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