

GREAT BADDOW HIGH SCHOOL

SPECIALISING IN SCIENCE AND SPORT

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Dear Parent (Year 5)

Year 5 activities

We are thrilled to be able to invite your child to join us at Great Baddow High School next half term. We are offering the opportunity for your child to join us for:

- **Art Club**
- **Choir**
- **Chatterbooks**

Junior Choir:

The aim of the junior choir is to develop the musicianship of the children through singing together. They will have the opportunity to sing in a wide range of styles, in unison and in different parts, by ear and using simple notation. We will begin each session with a fun warm up. The children will need to bring a snack and water to drink during our short break time.

Being part of this group and singing together in this way will provide the children with the opportunity to make friends, familiarise themselves with Great Baddow High School music department and have lots of fun!

Art Club:

The intention of art club is to ignite the student's imagination and creativity, providing an inspiring environment for them to work in and explore new ways of producing art!

During the sessions, students will have an opportunity to look around the art department and see work completed by students from Years 7 -13 and be able to ask questions about the department and art lessons in secondary school.

The sessions will provide children with a chance to improve practical art skills, enabling learners to explore a wide range of techniques and media. The children will be able to develop their work in a safe and nurturing environment, building their confidence, allowing them to take risks with their work and to have fun!

Chatterbooks:

The aim of Chatterbooks is to expand children's reading horizons and to promote a love of reading. Children who attended the sessions held previously, commented:

'An amazing experience. Loved it', 'The activities were well organised', 'I liked it and would recommend to a friend'.

We will be reading a challenging animal and issues-based story. Pupils will be lent a copy of the book for the duration of Chatterbooks so that they can continue to read at home. As in previous years, the sessions will be led by Donna Harris (Assistant Librarian) who will use aspects of the story to stimulate discussion and create fun, book related activities. Children who attend Chatterbooks have the opportunity to experience a secondary school library, interact with children from other schools and most importantly develop a range of skills, for example communication, comprehension and research.

The sessions will take place on the following dates:

Junior Choir be on: (6 sessions)

- Wednesday 18th May
- Wednesday 25th May
- Wednesday 8th June
- Wednesday 15th June
- Wednesday 22nd June
- Wednesday 29th June

Chatterbooks and Art Club will each be on: (4 sessions)

- Wednesday 8th June
- Wednesday 15th June
- Wednesday 22nd June
- Wednesday 29th June

For all sessions children will meet in main reception, be registered and the activities will run from 3.45pm to 4.45pm. All sessions are free of charge to pupils currently in Year 5.

Please select just one session Junior Choir, Art Club or Chatterbooks. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. If you would like your child to attend these sessions, please complete the reply slip below and return it directly to Great Baddow High School by **Monday 28th March** or complete the form via the link here: [KS2 Year 5 Activities @ GBHS](#)

An email will be sent confirming your child's place; if you do not receive a confirmation, unfortunately you should assume that all places have been filled and you have not secured a place. We will use the contact details provided on the reply slip for confirmation of a place and to communicate details. Upon the completion of the sessions all details will be deleted. For our school privacy statements, please go to our website <https://www.gbhs.co.uk/11/privacy-notices> or request a copy from reception.

If you have any further questions regarding:

Chatterbooks please contact (haw@gbhs.co.uk)

Art Club please contact (mcl@gbhs.co.uk)

Junior Choir please contact (evs@gbhs.co.uk)

We look forward to meeting your child.

Yours faithfully

Mrs A Mills
Deputy Headteacher

To: **Great Baddow High School - FAO Mrs Mills**

I would like my child to attend:

Session	Please only select one (tick below)
Junior Choir after-school sessions commencing Wednesday 18 th May	
Chatterbooks after-school sessions commencing Wednesday 8 th June	
Art Clubs after-school sessions commencing Wednesday 8 th June	

Pupil surname..... Pupil Forename.....

Current junior school.....

Email

Emergency contact number

Medical needs.....

Parent/Carer signature.....

Please print your name

Today's date: