



EXTRA-CURRICULAR PROGRAMME

SENIOR SCHOOL
SPRING 2025-26

Aims: Developing Important Skills

At The British School of Amsterdam, our Extra-Curricular Programmes (ECPs) are regarded as an essential component of our educational offering, rather than simply after-school activities. They serve as a meaningful extension of our mission to nurture, inspire, and empower students to reach their full potential. Each activity is carefully selected to complement and enhance your child's overall educational journey and personal growth.

To support your understanding of the skills developed through these programmes, a comprehensive overview is available via the parent portal. This document outlines the core competencies fostered across all ECPs. For paid activities, more detailed information is provided, including radar charts that illustrate the specific skills targeted by each activity.

While we are committed to maintaining a safe and supportive environment for all students, it is important to note that certain activities particularly those involving physical exercise or sport may involve an inherent level of risk.





Please note the following important details regarding the Spring ECP:

1. We offer a combination of teacher-led extra-curricular activities (ECAs) at no additional cost, along with specialist-led activities for a fee. Our goal is to provide a broad range of ECAs that cater to diverse interests.
2. The Programme will begin on Monday 12 January and run for 10 school weeks, concluding on Friday 27 March 2026.
3. Our ECP is managed through an online system, SchoolsBuddy. Senior students and parents should now have a personal account to complete sign-ups and receive up-to-date information about all ECAs. If you are new to the school, or have not yet activated your account, you will receive an email with instructions. Should you encounter any issues, please contact us at ecprogramme@britams.nl.

Please note that all paid Extra-Curricular Activities (ECAs) include a standard tuition fee of €130 per term, which covers 10 sessions. Some activities may also require a small additional fee for materials. Full details are provided during the sign-up process.

Overview of Activities

Monday

Activity / Club	Year Group	Provider	Number of students	Cost
Chess	Years 7, 8 and 9	Teacher-led	4-10	Free (lunchtime)
Boys Basketball	Years 7, 8, 9	Jason Habes	10-16	130 euros
Cooking & Nutrition	Years 7 and 8	Athol Tresidder	5-8	130 euros
Senior Boys Soccer (indoors)	All Senior School	Alon Levi	8-14	130 euros

Tuesday

Activity / Club	Year Group	Provider	Number of students	Cost
BSA Times	Years 7, 8 and 9	Teacher-led	4-21	Free (lunchtime)
US + University Application Preparation	Year 10, 11 and 12	Teacher-led	4-16	Free (lunchtime)
Bronze CREST Science Awards	Years 7, 8 and 9	Teacher-led	4-10	Free tuition (lunchtime) 12.50 euros for the certification
Crochet	All Senior School	Teacher-led	4-16	Free (lunchtime)
Girls Volleyball	Years 7, 8 9 and 10	Wouter Westenlerg	10-16	130 euros
Seniors Table tennis 4.45pm - 5.45pm	All Senior School	Mark Smith	8-12	130 euros
Science Discussion Group (only till half term)	Years 12 and 13 only	Teacher- led	4-10	Free (lunchtime)
Senior School Orchestra	All Senior School	Teacher-led	4-30	Free (lunchtime)

Wednesday

Activity / Club	Year Group	Provider	Number of students	Cost
Senior Choir	All Senior School	Teacher-led	4-15	Free (lunchtime)

Wednesday continued

Activity / Club	Year Group	Provider	Number of students	Cost
Languages Board Games	All Senior School	Teacher-led	4-21	Free (lunchtime)
Netball	Years 8, 9, 10 and 11	Teacher-led	8-30	Free
French Consortium Cultural Activities	Years 9 to 13	Teacher led	4-10	Free
Bridge, Backgammon and other Boardgames	All Senior School	Teacher-led	4-21	Free (lunchtime) + 1 session on Friday lunchtime
Beginners Running	Years 10 and 11	Teacher-led	4-10	Free
Dutch for Seniors	All Senior School	Kim Pijnenburg	8-16	130 euros
Boys Volleyball	Years 7, 8 and 9	Wouter Westenlerg	10-16	130 euros
3D Printing	All Senior School	Ruperto Herrador	8-16	130 euros + 15 euros materials fee
Lego Robotics	Years 7, 8 and 9	Linda Broeken	10-15	130 euros + 15 euros materials fee
Body Scratch Immersive Coding	Years 7 to 10	Alvin Arthur	8-20	130 euros

*Duke of Edinburgh Award Club on Wednesday. Sign up and more information directly with DoE Director, Ms Parker.

Thursday

Activity / Club	Year Group	Provider	Number of students	Cost
Jazz Band	All Senior School- by invitation only	Teacher-led	4-15	Free (lunchtime)
Havenstraat Journal	Year 10, 11, 12 and 13	Teacher-led	5-21	Free (lunchtime)
CIE - French Native	Years 10, 11, 12 and 13	Teacher-led	3-10	Free
D&D	Years 7 to 13	Teacher-led	4-21	Free
Girls Soccer	Years 7 to 10	Alon Levi	8-16	130 euros
Boys Basketball	Years 10 and 11	Jason Habes	10-16	130 euros

Thursday continued

Activity / Club	Year Group	Provider	Number of students	Cost
Advanced Drawing	All Senior School	Ruperto Herrador	8-16	130 euros + 15 materials fee
Cheerleading	All Senior School	Jamey Esajas	8-21	130 euros
Cricket Team	All Senior School	Taku Kusano	8-21	130 euros
MUN	All Senior School	Teacher-led	8-30	Free
Homework	Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11	Teacher-led	3-21	Free
Production	Years 7, 8 and 9	Teacher-led	1-60	Free
Spanish and French Support	Years 8, 9 and 10	Teacher-led	4-21	Free (lunchtime)
UKMT Maths Challenge	All Senior School	Teacher-led	1-25	Free (lunchtime)
TEDxBSA Youth 2026	Years 9,10,11,12 and 13	Teacher-led	4-21	Free (lunchtime)

Friday

Activity / Club	Year Group	Provider	Number of students	Cost
Band	All Senior School	Teacher-led	4-15	Free
BSA Youth Advisory Board	Years 10,11,12 and 13	Teacher-led	6-21	Free
Bridge, Backgammon and other Boardgames	All Senior School	Teacher-Led	6-16	Free (lunchtime) + 1 session on Wednesday lunch
Public Speaking Skills	All Senior School	Amy Lewis	8-15	130 euros
Girls Basketball	Years 7, 8, 9 and 10	Jason Habes	10-16	130 euros

*There is a drop in art session open to all, every lunchtime in the Senior art room.

Booking Information and Procedure

This booklet provides an overview of all activities available across our Senior School. For more detailed information, please refer to your SchoolsBuddy account. If you're new to the school, you should have received an activation email at the address you provided.

Booking will begin on Wednesday 10 December at midnight and will be open until Tuesday 16 December at midnight. Activities will run from Monday 12 January to Friday 27 March with the following exceptions:

- Half term week: No activities running Monday 23 February to Friday 27 February 2026.

Whilst we do not want to impose a limit on the number of activities a student attends per week, we do recommend the following:

- Years 7, 8 or 9 - no more than three activities per week.
- Years 10, 11, 12 or 13 - no more than two activities per week.

Unless we are informed otherwise, we will allocate the number of ECA's mentioned above to the students.

ECA timings are as follows:

- 3.45pm to 4.45pm
- 4.45pm - 5.45pm (some activities might be run on a second slot)

*Some might run over lunchtimes too, normally in sessions of 30 minutes.

Using SchoolsBuddy

The entire sign-up process will be done via SchoolsBuddy. Students and parents can complete the sign-up via the container that applies to you in SchoolsBuddy, and the process requires you to make and submit choices to the school for the activities for this period. The school will then allocate activities based upon the selections and the group's size.

- The sign-up system allows you to select up to five activities per week, which should be in order of priority.
- Selecting more than the maximum allowed (e.g. 5 options) is recommended to provide alternative choices in case your top selections are oversubscribed.

- The system is NOT a first-come first-served system, as long as you send your choices before the sign-up window closes, when you submit your choices makes no difference in terms of allocation.
- Activity places are allocated using the SchoolsBuddy algorithm. This system is designed to maximise the chances of your child getting into the highest possible number of their priority choices.
- Popular activities may reach maximum capacity. If this happens, your child will be allocated to the next choice on their priority list. SchoolsBuddy keeps a score of past allocations to compensate children who did not get all their desired choices in future sign-ups, ensuring fair allocation over the academic year.
- After making your choices, click **Review & Confirm** to check your preferences and then finalise your submission by clicking the **Complete and Send All to School** button.
- You will receive an email confirming your choices. If you do not receive an email, your submission may not have been fully completed so please review the process.
- You can amend your choices while the sign-up window is open by clicking **Review** in SchoolsBuddy. You must resubmit your choices after making any changes. Amending your choices does not affect the likelihood of getting your preferred activities.
- The sign-up window will automatically become invisible after the deadline is reached.
- You will receive an email regarding the extra-curricular activities your child has been admitted to on Thursday 18 December. If you have not got into the activity of your choice or have any other issue, you will then be able to make other arrangements by contacting Mr Piqueiras.
- All ECA payments are processed through SchoolsBuddy. Each activity includes a trial session (Session 1) at no cost, provided we receive confirmation that your child will not continue before Session 2. If your child withdraws after the first session but before Session 3, fees will be charged on a pro-rata basis. If no notice is received by Session 3, the full fee for the term will be applied.

Please scan the QR code to access the SchoolsBuddy login page.

For any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Piqueiras on ecprogramme@britams.nl.



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