

Programme of Events & Exhibitions



TONBRIDGE
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SKINNERS' DAY PROGRAMME 2023

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HEADMASTER'S WELCOME



It is a great pleasure to welcome everyone, including parents, Governors, friends and families, to our end-of-year celebrations. This is always a special occasion in the School calendar: a day when we can appreciate the boys' outstanding achievements throughout the academic year, and when we are treated to all manner of demonstrations and displays, illustrating the wide range of activities our students participate in.

This day also marks the annual Visitation of the Master and Court of the Skinners' Company to the School: a proud tradition that goes back to our founding by Sir Andrew Judde.

From Art exhibitions to an Ultimate Frisbee match on The Fifty, there is a great deal to enjoy in today's programme. We have junior play performances, a rocket launch, readings, robotics, science talks and a display of some of our community projects and partnerships, to name but a few of the attractions.

Musically, the Symphony Orchestra is performing in the Chapel, while School bands will be treating us to rock, jazz, blues and swing. Sport includes cricket, hockey, tennis, basketball, rackets, archery

and climbing, and of course the annual 'Leavers versus Remainers' clash will be taking place on The Head.

I highly recommend dropping in to a few of the locations across the campus, including the Barton Science Centre, Big School, the Vere Hodge Centre, Old Big School Gallery, the Smythe Library and the EM Forster Theatre. If you fancy a stroll, you may like to visit the School Orchards, where you will also be able to purchase our Tonbridge apple juice and honey.

A special mention must go to our Upper Sixth Leavers who will be playing a prominent role today. They have contributed much to the academic and co-curricular life of the School, and I am sure that everyone would like to join me in wishing them well as they embark on the next stages of their educational careers.

Wishing you all a wonderful day.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'James PRIORITY'.

James PRIORITY
Headmaster

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

10.00am	Service in the Chapel
11.00am	Prize Giving in the Marquee
12.30pm	Drinks Reception in the Marquee (following Prize Giving) Cricket: Leavers vs Remainers on The Head
12.45pm	Art and DT Exhibitions in Vere Hodge, Tunnel Gallery and OBS Gallery Conservation: Pigs, Honey and Apple Juice in the School Orchards 10 Years of Drama, film screening in the EM Forster Theatre Tonbridge Community Action at the Orchard Centre
1.15pm	Cricket: U16s v U15s on Martin's Hockey: Novi Exhibition Match on the Foundation Astro
1.30pm	Drama: Extracts from the Junior Play: <i>Emil and the Detectives</i> EM Forster & Staveley Competition Reading and Film Screening in Big School
1.45pm	Basketball: 3x3 Basketball at the TSC Outdoor Courts Biology: Exploring Microscopes in the Barton Science Centre Tennis: 1 st VI v Old Tonbridgians on the Clay Courts
2.00pm	Symphony Orchestra: Sibelius' Second Symphony in The Chapel Rocket Launch on Whitby's Pavillion
2.30pm	Climbing: Demonstration at the TSC Prosser Memorial Climbing Wall Cool Physics: Liquid Nitrogen demonstrations in the BSC Atrium Rackets: Parents' trials on the Rackets Courts Ultimate Frisbee: Boars v Old Tonbridgians on The Fifty
2.45pm	Bands and Big Band in the Marquee CCF: Rifle Range Tour and Weapons Display CCF: Archery Tag on the Lower Hundred Modern Languages Drama in the EM Forster Studio Theatre
4.00pm	Tea for parents and boys in Houses

Orchard Centre Café (ground floor): open all day for refreshments
School Shop and Bookshop: open 9am - 5pm

EXHIBITIONS

Art, Design Technology & Engineering Exhibitions

Leavers' Exhibition

OBS Gallery & Art 2 | 12.45 - 4.00pm

Exhibition showcasing the work of our Art and Design Technology A-level leavers.

GCSE Exhibition

Tunnel Gallery | 12.45 - 4.00pm

Exhibition showcasing the work of our GCSE Art and Design Technology students.

Formula 24 2022-23

Vere Hodge Centre | 12.45 - 3.00pm

Display of the Formula 24 electric cars that were designed, built and tested by Lower Sixth students as part of their Wednesday afternoon activities programme.

Robotics Society

Vere Hodge Centre | 12.45 - 4.00pm

An interactive display of various projects undertaken by the Robotic Society. This includes a remote-controlled search and destroy challenge, Ant-weight battle bots and a driving challenge.

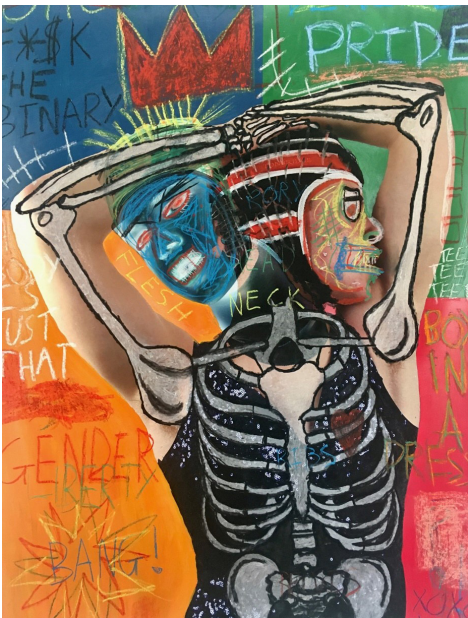
Drama and Literature Exhibitions

Junior Play Performances

EM Forster Theatre | 1.30pm

Extracts from the Junior Play: *Emil and the Detectives*.

From 12.45pm, 10 Years of Drama at Tonbridge will be shown on the screen.



EM Forster & Staveley Competition Reading and Film Screening

Big School | 1.30pm

The winners of each age group of the EM Forster Prose Fiction competition and Staveley Poetry competition will read their pieces, interspersed with screening of outstanding films from the school film-making competition.

Modern Languages Drama

EM Forster Studio Theatre | 2.45pm - 3.15pm

The Modern Languages Drama Lower Sixth proudly present the action-packed opening scene of Romeo and Juliet in French, Spanish and German – with English subtitles, of course!

Music Exhibitions

Symphony Orchestra Concert

Chapel of St Augustine | 2.00pm

The Symphony Orchestra performs Sibelius' wide-ranging Symphony No. 2 featuring idyllic, pastoral music, a turbulent *scherzo* and a joyous *finale*, regarded by Finns as the ultimate musical expression of their culture and quest for independence.

Bands and Big Band

The Marquee | 2.45pm

A selection of rock, jazz, blues and swing from the School bands, with a rousing finish from Big Band.



Science Exhibitions

Cool Physics

[Barton Science Centre](#) | 2.30pm

A demonstration-filled talk on what happens when things get very cold (nearly -200°C). A fun and explosive event, involving levitation and liquid nitrogen.

Biology: Exploring Microscopes

[Barton Science Centre](#) | 1.45pm

View life in a drop of pond water or see your own cheek and blood cells with our powerful class set of microscopes.

Rocket Launch

[Whitby's Pavillion](#) | Lift-off at 2.00pm

The Rocketry Club (weather permitting), will launch their model rockets to 850 feet, bringing their cargo of raw eggs safely back to Earth with a parachute descent. Warning - these rockets launch with a whoosh and lots of smoke!



Sporting Events and Exhibitions

Cricket: Leavers v Remainers

[The Head](#) | 12.30pm

The Upper Sixth 'Leavers' will take on the Lower Sixth 'Remainers' in their annual clash on The Head. This is always a keenly contested fixture, with School bragging rights up for grabs.

Cricket: U16s v U15s

[Martin's](#) | 1.15pm

The U15s will be challenging the U16s to a game on Martin's for their last school cricketing performance of the season.

Hockey: Novi Exhibition Match

[Foundation Astro](#) | 1.15pm

Novi Hockey Exhibition game (Day vs Boarder) at 1.15pm on the Foundation Astro.



Tennis

[TSC Clay Courts](#) | 1.45pm

The 1st VI take on a selection of Old Tonbridgian first team players in preparation for the Independent School Tennis Association Championships.

3x3 Basketball

[TSC Outdoor Basketball Court](#) | 1.45pm

This rapid form of the game sees plenty of activity at both ends of the court, as reduced teams play against one basket with just seven minutes on the clock. Best views from the TSC balcony.

Ultimate Frisbee

[The Fifty](#) | 2.30pm

Tonbridge School's Ultimate Frisbee team, 'the Boars', go head-to-head against a team of Old Tonbridgian players on The Fifty.

Rackets

[Rackets Courts](#) | 2.30pm - 3.30pm

Parents' trials: For any parents wishing to have a go at playing the world's fastest and most difficult of sports.

Climbing Demonstration

[TSC Prosser Climbing Wall](#) | 2.30pm

Members of the Climbing Club have been ticking off routes on the local sandstone outcrops all summer and a small group will be setting off on a climbing trip to the Lake District on Sunday. See them practise their skills and, if you're so inclined, have a go yourself.



CCF Exhibitions

Rifle Range Tour and Weapons Display

Rifle Range | 2.45pm

Shooting of the School's .22 calibre rifles will be taking place on the 25-metre indoor range, which can be found behind the Fives Courts. Come along to see the range in use, as well as a display of Shooting Club and CCF weapons, and for the chance to try some shooting for yourself.

Archery Tag

Lower Hundred | 2.45pm

It's paintballing meets archery: come along to the Lower Hundred to try your hand at a game of Archery Tag!

Community Outreach

Tonbridge Community Action

Orchard Centre | 12.45pm - 4.00pm

A display outlining some of our local community projects and partnerships that have run throughout the year, featuring the recent Giving Day and associated community projects.

Smythe Library and Archives

Competition Essays

The Smythe Library | All day

Read the winning entries of the 2023 Greenwood Legacy, EM Forster Prize, Staveley Prize and Chichele Essay competitions, all of which will be on display in the Library. Plus, learn about the history of the named Skinners' Prizes in a display in the Chan Café.

Tonbridge School Archives

The Games Porch | All day

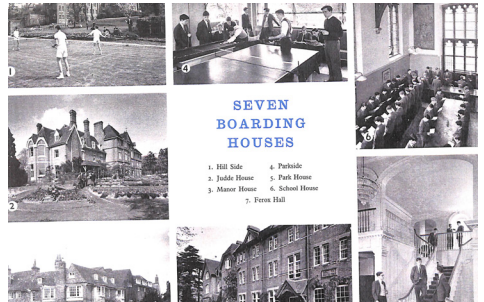
A display of archive photographs of the School, including a selection of aerial photography of the grounds.

Conservation

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School Orchards | 12.45pm - 4.00pm

All are most welcome to come and visit the pigs in the School Orchards. You will be able to see the activities boys have been involved with over the year, and will also be able to purchase apple juice and honey.







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TEACHING

- 1 Barton Science Centre
- 2 Chadwick Building
- 3 Dry Hill House
- 4 Modern Languages
- 5 Music School
- 6 Smythe Library
- 7 EAL

COMMUNAL

- 8 Cawthorne Lecture Theatre
- 9 Chapel
- 10 Orchard Centre
- 11 E.M. Forster Theatre
- 12 Vere Hodge Centre
- 13 Medical Centre
- 14 Big School
- 15 OBS Gallery
- 16 Reception
- 17 Tonbridge School Centre (TSC)
- 18 Tunnel Gallery
- 19 School Shop

ADMINISTRATION

- 20 Nicolson Wing
- 21 Administration offices
- 22 Headmaster's office
- 23 Rivers House
- 24 Bursary





A227 WROTHAM

HILL SIDE

SOMERVELL HOUSE

DRY HILL PARK ROAD

COWDREY HOUSE

BRECON HOUSE

JUDGE HOUSE

ROWE HOUSE

WHITWORTH HOUSE

OAKESHOTT HOUSE

PARKSIDE

SCHOOL HOUSE

WELLDON HOUSE

SMYTHE HOUSE

BEECH LAWN

PARK HOUSE

COMMUNITY HALL

CLARE HOUSE

MANOR HOUSE

SHIPBOURNE ROAD

NORTH PATH (PEDESTRIAN ACCESS TO CAR PARK)

UPPER HUNDRED

THE FIFTY

FOOTPATH

GROUND'S DEPT.

THE HEAD

PAVILION

FOOTPATH

LOWER HUNDRED

P VISITORS

THE QUAD

HAVELOCK ROAD

FIVES

LAUNDRY

CCF

RANGE

SQUASH

LANSDOWNE ROAD

ESTATES DEPT.

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HIGH STREET

BORDYKE

FEROX HALL

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