

ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT SOCIETIES

SOCIETY	ACTIVITY	WHO WILL BENEFIT?
Abingdon Society	Debating	The oldest debating society of any school in the country. This is open to pupils in Fourth Form and above and provides a forum for pupils to discuss pertinent issues at an intellectual level. This society provides ideal preparation for any aspiring Oxbridge candidate, and for pupils interested in a career in Law, for example.
Knowles Society	Oxbridge and Medicine preparation	This society is for pupils in the Sixth Form who wish to apply for Oxford or Cambridge, and/or for Medicine, Veterinary Medicine or Dentistry. Pupils prepare a paper on a topic and this is discussed and debated by the group. This provides intellectual discussion which helps pupils to prepare for an interview.
Blessed Richard Whiting Society	Academic Society	This is an academic society for pupils in First and Second Forms, and provides academic enrichment for our most able pupils. For example, this society helps pupils prepare for the 13+ Academic Scholarship. This is the first step towards helping pupils to prepare for an Oxbridge or Medicine application.
Abelard Society	Academic Society	This is an academic society for pupils in the Third Form, and provides academic enrichment for our most able pupils. The Abelard Society takes the Blessed Richard Whiting Society a step further, and pupils learn presentation and interview skills as well as having the opportunity to discuss pertinent topics at an intellectual level.
Hildegard Society	Academic Society	This is an academic society for pupils in the Fourth and Fifth Forms, and is the first major step towards Oxbridge and Medicine preparation. Pupils usually have a good idea about the course for which they will apply, and this enables us to ensure that

		they begin the wider reading and academic enrichment necessary to allow them to succeed.
Model United Nations	A team is assigned a country which they represent at an inter-school competition.	This is excellent preparation for any Sixth Form pupil interested in international relations, politics or economics.