

Year 8 Curriculum Outline 2021/22

The table below provides an outline of which topics/modules are planned to be taught in each of the three terms across the year. The topics/modules may not be taught in the order listed but should be taught during the term outlined.

Subject	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Art and Design	<p>TOPIC: WAR ART Key Skills: printing, painting, collage drawing/digital art</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • symbolism • war artists • contextual development and understanding • exploration of the role that visual images and words play in expressing issues and ideas is critical to developing "visual media literacy" • Commemorative work linked to history • The role of the war artist (Careers in Art challenge task) 	<p>TOPIC: INSECTS /PATTERN STRUCTURE DESIGN (LOWER SCHOOL EXAM) Key Skills: creative design/ working to a brief/ fashion /media</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • generating ideas / exploring materials • mark making • creating thumbnail sketches • examination preparation and development • effective planning • examination final piece • fashion drawing/design • V&A Fashion Design (Design and Making challenge task) 	<p>TOPIC: DADA & SURREALISM Key Skills: working from imagination/design/illustration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • social, political & scientific contexts • objective drawing and painting • creating new relationships by unexpected juxtapositions • development of compositions using Photoshop or other digital image manipulation software • opportunities for 3D work using traditional &/or found materials (Exhibition leaflet, Poster Design/Graphic's marketing advertisement challenge task)
Biology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Variation and genetics • Selective breeding and cloning • Microorganisms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Microorganisms (cont'd) • Enzymes and digestion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food and the digestive system • Ecological relationships
Chemistry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the three states of matter • elements and compounds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the reactivity series • rusting • reactions and energy change 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rates of reaction
Computing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Microsoft Office Specialist: Excel – (10/12 lessons) • Python Programming – Project – (4/5 lessons) • Robot wars – (1 lesson) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Computational Logic – (3 lessons) • The Impact of ICT – (4 lessons) • Year 8 Examination process – (2 lessons) • Escape room – (1 lesson) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Microsoft Office Specialist: Word– (10/12 lessons) • Computer Systems – build a paper computer – 2/4 lessons) • One day visit to Bletchley Park Museum

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Critical Thinking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> argument elements and structure argument writing assessing credibility using CRAVEN Identifying arguments, rants, quarrels, lists and explanations analogies corroborating & conflicting evidence assumptions alternative & generating explanations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> problem solving exploring who was responsible for the sinking of Titanic argument writing weaknesses in arguments: flaws and false appeals evaluating evidence and weaknesses of evidence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> British criminal justice system re-enacting a magistrates court case
English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Lord of the Flies</i> by William Golding <i>Much Ado About Nothing</i> by William Shakespeare 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Modern Poetry – 21st century poet – range of poems Reading and Writing Non-Fiction – Reading and writing a variety of non-fiction texts and analysing the effect of the writers' methods 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 19th century novel – for example, <i>The Time Machine</i> by H.G. Wells or <i>Wuthering Heights</i> by Emily Brontë Writing descriptions – Analysing the methods used in novel studied to influence own creative writing
French (Allez 1) New Course	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revision of basic tenses and grammar points Baseline Assessment Introduction to La Francophonie Introduction to French Literature: Le Petit Nicolas Unit 4 – A table <p>Vocabulary tests, translation and speaking practice for each unit</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 5- Mon quartier French Literature: Le Petit Nicolas La Francophonie Consolidation of Year 8 Course for End of Year Exam <p>Vocabulary tests, translation and speaking practice for each unit</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 7- Destination vacances Consolidate the present tense (regular and irregular verbs) and the near future tense. End of Year Activities (Film, Quizzes, Cultural studies etc...) <p>Vocabulary tests, translation and speaking practice for each unit</p>
Geography	<p>Brazil</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physical and Human Geography of Brazil Urban Issues and Challenges Development issues Inequality 	<p>Rivers & The Coastal Zone</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hydrological Cycle and Drainage Basin River processes and geomorphology Coastal processes and geomorphology Coastal management Flood risk and management 	<p>Africa Misconceptions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Landscape and Climate Ecosystems and Biomes (Tropical Rainforests) Sustainability Issues (Deforestation) <p>School Based Fieldwork</p>

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German (Zoom Deutsch 1)	<p>Further development of the 4 skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing</p> <p>Revision, consolidation and extension of grammar from Year 7.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 2B Home • Unit 3A Food and drink <p>(Regular vocabulary tests and translation practice throughout)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3B Local area • Year 8 exam • 4A Fashion and shopping <p>(Regular vocabulary tests and translation practice throughout)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4A Finish fashion and shopping • 4B Going on a trip <p>(Regular vocabulary tests and translation practice throughout)</p>
Healthy Living	<p>Healthy Living will be delivered through breakout sessions which will take place across the school year.</p>		
History	<p>How has the twentieth century shaped the lives of the people?</p>		
Latin	<p>Introduction to the Latin language:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • usefulness of Latin in the modern society • acquisition of basic vocabulary • grammar • introduction to basic translating skills • background work on Mythology, Gods and Goddesses • regular grammar and translation exercises 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • increasing competence in translation skills and familiarisation with the language itself • increased vocabulary knowledge • new grammar • vocabulary tests • regular translation • assessment of project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • new grammar • regular translation work

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Mathematics KS3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Factors and powers (Delta 2 Unit 1) • Working with powers (Delta 2 Unit 2) • 2D shapes and 3D solids (Delta 2 Unit 3) • Real-life graphs (Delta 2 Unit 4) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transformations (Delta 2 Unit 5) • Fractions, decimals and percentages (Delta 2 Unit 6) – include use of Essential Maths Bk 9 • Constructions and loci (Delta 2 Unit 7) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Probability (Delta 2 Unit 8) • Scale drawings and measures(Delta 2 Unit 9) • Graphs (Delta 2 Unit 10) <p>DELTA 3 topics (if time): Unit : 1.1, 1.3, 1.4 Unit 2: 2.1, 2.2, 2.3</p>
Music	<p>Pop Through the Ages</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening and analysing popular music from the 1950s to present day • Exploring popular song structure (Verse/Chorus, Pre-Chorus, Middle 8) • Performing a chord sequence using ukulele and/or guitar • Understanding drumming notation and patterns including four on the floor • Developing individual singing technique 	<p>Film and Television</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening and analysing film, video games and television scores and their composers • Exploring leitmotifs and performing <i>Hedwig's Theme</i> from Harry Potter on the keyboard • Understanding the importance of music in films to heighten the drama and convey emotion • Composing to a moving picture • Exploring 20th century minimalist techniques in film music 	<p>Rhythms of the World</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring and respecting different musical cultures, traditions, conventions and history • Performing together as a class music from Africa through singing and drumming • Understanding rhythmic features, notation and dictation • Whole class Samba • Listening and appraising the musical fusion, Bhangra <p>Class Concert</p>
Physics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • light • sound 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sound • heat and temperature 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • electromagnetic spectrum

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PSHCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What kind of person am I? • Friendship/understanding others • Confidence and Self-esteem • Fire Safety Talk • SRE 1 – Communication, Relationships and Sex – discussing the issues • SRE 2 – Consent • SRE 3 – A question of new relationships and diversity in sexual orientation • SRE 4 – Contraception Check • SRE 5 – Sexting and the Law • SRE 6 - Pornography • SRE 7 – Forced Marriage • PC1 • Drugs • Mindfulness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Risks – E-safety 1 • Risks – E-safety 2 • Body Image • Careers Talk • Kudos in ICT rooms • The Real Game in ICT rooms • PC2 • Organisation and Revision • Exam Week • Mindfulness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coaching for Success • Smoking and Alcohol • British Values • Year 9 Tutor Groups • PC3 and of term review
Religion & Worldviews	<p>Abrahamic Religion Jewish Beliefs, Teachings & Practices</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Covenants 2. Prophets 3. Mitzvot 4. Jewish Rites of Passage 5. Jewish Festivals <p>Inquiry: Importance of Laws.</p> <p>Middle-Eastern Religion</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Zoroastrianism 2. Bahaim <p>Inquiry: Importance of Prophets</p>	<p><i>Begin study for OCR Religious Studies GCSE J625</i></p> <p>Paper 2</p> <p>Islam Beliefs and Teachings</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Core beliefs 2. Nature of Allah 3. Prophethood 4. Books 5. Angels 6. Eschatological Beliefs & Teachings 7. Life After Death 	<p>Paper 2</p> <p>Islam Practices</p> <p>The importance of practices Public & private acts of worship</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hajj 2. Zakah 3. Sawm 4. Festivals 5. Jihad

Year 8 Core PE Programme of Study 2021-2022

	8COL SET 1	8COL SET 2	8COL SET 3	8HE SET 1	8HE SET 2
2 Weeks	Rounders	Rounders	Rounders	Rounders	Rounders
4 Weeks	Netball	Table Tennis	Badminton	Netball	Table Tennis
Half Term					
3 Weeks	Tag Rugby/ Football	Netball	Personal Survival	Tag Rugby/ Football	Netball
4 Weeks	Personal Survival	Gymnastics/ Dance	Netball	Personal Survival	Gymnastics/ Dance
Christmas Break					
3 Weeks	Gymnastics/ Dance	Football/ Tag Rugby	OAA	Gymnastics/ Dance	Football/ Tag Rugby
3 Weeks	Badminton/ Basketball	Personal Survival	Table Tennis	Badminton/ Basketball	Personal Survival
Half Term					
3 Weeks	X-Country	X-Country	X-Country	X-Country	X-Country
1 Week	Fitness	Fitness	Fitness	Fitness	Fitness
1 Week	Year 8 Examinations				
1 Week	Fitness	Fitness	Fitness	Fitness	Fitness
Easter					
4 Weeks	Cricket	Athletics/ Rounders	Athletics/ Rounders	Cricket	Athletics/ Rounders
2 Weeks	Athletics/ Rounders	Cricket	Athletics/ Rounders	Athletics/ Rounders	Cricket
Half Term					
2 Weeks	Athletics/ Rounders	Cricket	Athletics/ Rounders	Athletics/ Rounders	Cricket
4 Week	Athletics/ Rounders	Athletics/ Rounders	Cricket	Athletics/ Rounders	Athletics/ Rounders