## Year 8 Half Term 4 Curriculum

| Subject | Half Term 4 - Topic/Summary of Powerful Knowledge |
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| English | Terror and Horror (Gothic Fiction): <br> - Science vs Nature - develop understanding of social anxiety portrayed in Gothic Literature <br> - Analysis of conceptual metaphor <br> - The outsider archetype <br> - The theme of isolation <br> - Representation of women as absent, seductress or victim <br> Main text: Frankenstein (Shelley) |
| Maths | Fractions \& percentages <br> - Convert fluently between key fractions decimals and percentages <br> - Calculate key fractions, decimals and percentages of an amount without a calculator <br> - Calculate fractions, decimals and percentages of an amount using calculator methods <br> - Convert between decimals and percentages greater than $100 \%$ <br> - Percentage decrease with a multiplier <br> - Calculate percentage increase and decrease using a multiplier <br> - Express one number as a fraction or a percentage of another without a calculator <br> - Express one number as a fraction or a percentage of another using calculator methods <br> - Work with percentage change <br> - Choose appropriate methods to solve percentage problems <br> - Find the original amount given the percentage less than $100 \%$ <br> - Find the original amount given the percentage greater than $100 \%$ <br> - Choose appropriate methods to solve complex percentage problems <br> Standard index form <br> - Investigate positive powers of 10 <br> - Work with numbers greater than 1 in standard form <br> - Investigate negative powers of 10 <br> - Work with numbers between 0 and 1 in standard form <br> - Compare and order numbers in standard form <br> - Mentally calculate with numbers in standard form <br> - Add and subtract numbers in standard form <br> - Multiply and divide numbers in standard form <br> - Use a calculator to work with numbers in standard form <br> - Understand and use negative indices <br> - Understand and use fractional indices <br> Number sense <br> - Round numbers to powers of 10 and 1 significant figure <br> - Round numbers to a given number of decimal places <br> - Estimate the answer to a calculation <br> - Understand and use error interval notation <br> - Calculate using the order of operations <br> - Calculate with money <br> - Convert metric measures of lengths |


|  | - Convert metric units of weight and capacity <br> - Convert metric units of area <br> - Convert metric units of volume <br> - Solve problems involving time and the calendar |
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| Science | Energy 2 reactions 2 <br> - Work energy and machines <br> - Energy and temperature <br> - Energy transfer <br> - Radiation and insulation <br> Reactions 2 <br> - Atoms in chemical reactions <br> - Combustion <br> - Thermal decomposition <br> - Conservation of mass <br> - Exothermic and endo thermic <br> - Energy level diagrams <br> - Bond energies |
| History | Democracy in Britain, <br> - Magana carta <br> - Peasants Revolt <br> - Civil War, <br> - Peterloo Massacre <br> - Chartists |
| Geography | Population: <br> - Causes of migration <br> - Effects of migration <br> - The American Dream <br> - Migration and the UK |
| Spanish | Las Vacaciones: <br> - Talking about a past holiday. <br> - The Preterite tense <br> - Opinions in the past |
| Art | Urban Surroundings - Colour and Painting; <br> - Developing a composition <br> - Complete a watercolour painting. Improve skills in record tone, texture and form. Include references to complementary / harmonious colours. <br> - Develop skills in press print |
| Computing | Animation <br> - Learn to use animation software <br> - Basic graphic drawing for animation <br> - Animation techniques <br> - Undertake an animation project |
| DT | Key Rings <br> - Understand the differences of thermosetting and thermoforming polymers and the environmental impact <br> - Design and manufacturing through computer aided design and computer aided manufacture <br> - Using tools and equipment safely in the workshop environment |


|  | - Understanding working properties of timber and the different joining techniques <br> - Applying different drawing techniques (freehand sketching/perspective/rendering/shading) |
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| Food <br> Preparation <br> \& Nutrition | Factors that affect food choices <br> - Hydration <br> - Allergens <br> - Bacteria source and symptoms of E-coli and salmonella, staphylococcus aureus, campylobacter, bacillus , preventing cross contamination/cause of food poisoning <br> - Smoothies <br> - Sesame noodles <br> - Salt and pepper chicken |
| Drama | Devising - Explorative Strategies <br> - Recognition and conventions of dramatic genres <br> - Development of the techniques <br> - Use and role of narrator <br> - Still Image as a narrative technique and to refine the physicality of a character <br> - Responding to a stimulus |
| Music | Composing Using Loops <br> - The purpose of a loop. <br> - How a piece of music is constructed using loops. <br> - Creating their own loop patterns. <br> - Using music software to edit, improve and enhance their own music. <br> - Creating music within a given structure. <br> - Adding additional sections to a piece of music to extend and develop their musical ideas. <br> - Critically comment on a composition. <br> - Applying dynamics and tempo to a composition. |
| PE | Development of skills and tactics in one of the following sports swimming, gymnastics, softball athletics and badminton. <br> - Focus on muscles and muscles movements related to sporting actions. <br> - Participation in an interform competition. <br> - Continual development of fitness levels and knowledge of fartlek training. |
| RE/PSHE | Respecting Others: <br> - Where do we see faith-based conflict in the world? <br> - Extremism <br> - Racism and faith-based prejudice <br> - How does religion work for peace in our society? |

