



Art and Design

In year 9, Art students will complete one completed coursework project. You will learn new techniques, new processes and work with a wide range of materials.

You will research the work of other artists and designers, use their influences within your own work and learn how to annotate your findings and experiments within a sketchbook structure.



Computer Science

In Year 9, students will cover a range of content, which includes the following;

Section 1: Computer hardware, computer software, computer memory and storage; moral, legal, cultural and environmental concerns.

Section 2: Computational logic, algorithms, programming techniques and data representation.

Section 3: Programming project.



This content is revisited in Year 10 and 11 and prepares students for G.C.S.E. Computer Science.

Design and Technology

The year 9 Design and Technology course focuses on developing the theory, knowledge, designing and making skills covered in year 7 and 8. Course content includes:

- Learning about designers, design styles and iconic designs.
- Studying materials and their properties in greater depth.
- Producing several design projects with some examples of making.



Pupils will learn the requirements of the GCSE course and produce computer-based design folios of the kind used at GCSE. The work covered should allow them to make an informed decision when it comes to GCSE options in year 9.

Drama

The Year 9 Drama course focuses on students developing an understanding of a range of specialisms including acting, movement, lighting, sound; make up, costume and set design.

They will also start to study the GCSE set text, Blood Brothers, through reading the play, research and acting out scenes. Students will evaluate their own work and that of others to support their development towards the live theatre written exam.



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Food Preparation & Nutrition

Food Preparation and Nutrition is a course which encompasses the theory of food alongside the making of dishes.

We focus on specific food commodities, such as Fruit and Vegetables, Dairy, Meat and Cereals and then delve deeper into understanding the core aspects of: Nutrition, Food Science, Food Provenance, Food Safety and Food Choice.

We begin to master the 20 key skills of cooking, within our practical lessons, some of which students will already be confident and comfortable; such as knife skills and preparing fruits and vegetables.

Lessons are structured with theory and practical weekly or theory and a food science experiment which gives students a clear picture of the expectations of GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition.



Music

The Year 9 Music course mainly focuses on further developing your performance skills, both individually and by forming bands, to play a wide range of music. You will have the opportunity to try out a wide range of instruments and also to refine your favourite.

Activities will include:

- Creating your own music
- Rearranging the music of others
- Performing jazz, pop and film music

Alongside the practical activities, you will also develop your knowledge of music theory and associated listening skills, vital for success should you decide to follow Music to G.C.S.E. Level.



French

French: In Year 9 pupils will do a fast-track taster course which will focus on the following themes as well as important grammar points and three tenses:

Term 1

Greetings
Family and Pets
Personal descriptions
Local Area
School
Opinions

Term 2

Countries and Holidays
Weather
Food and Drink
French phonics and pronunciation

Term 3

Clothes
Films and Television
Jobs and future aspirations

