

Year 7 Curriculum Plans

Subject	Autumn Term				
English	'A Perfect World' - Students will explore speeches from inspirational campaigners, scientists and role models in order to master the art of persuasion; culminating in writing their own speech.		'Poetry to Inspire' - Students will analyse a range of inspirational poems and develop their knowledge of poetic techniques; they will be assessed in their ability to write an analytical response to a poem.		
Geography	Our local Area - An introduction to Geography & maps skills		Our local area continued - Our Island Home - The Geography of the United Kingdom		
History	What was life like for ordinary people in Britain before 1066? How did the Normans come to control England from 1066?		Could English Monarchs do whatever they wanted in the Middle Ages?		
Maths	Sequences	Understanding and use of algebraic notation	Equality and equivalence	Place value and ordering integers and decimals	Fraction, decimal and percentage equivalents
Physical Education	Healthy Body Football, Netball, Badminton	Healthy Mind Location of muscles, Healthy Relationships Manners and Respect	Healthy Body Swimming, Rugby, Basketball	Healthy Mind, components of a warm up Healthy Relationships, leadership Skills	
RE	Can we learn anything from religious communities?		Who are the heroes and villains in our community?		
Science	Introduction to scientific investigations and laboratory safety.		States of Matter: Exploring the behaviour and structural arrangement of atoms and how this explains the properties of different materials.		
Spanish	Los básicos - Introductions and classroom language.				

Subject	Spring Term			
English	Frankenstein - Students will explore the play text of Mary Shelley's 'Frankenstein' working towards a critical analysis of one of its main themes.		Crime and Detective Fiction - Students will learn about Victorian England in order to explore 19th century detective stories by writers such as Sherlock Holmes; they will evaluate a key character for their assessment.	
Geography	Our Island Home continued followed by - Our European Neighbours		Our European neighbours - Human and physical features of the European continent	
History	How religious were Medieval people? Why did people go on Crusades?		Was the Black Death a disaster for Medieval England?	
Maths	Solving problems with addition, subtraction, multiplication and division	Fractions and percentages of amounts	Operations and equations with directed number	Addition and subtraction of fractions
Physical Education	Healthy Body Basketball, Swimming, Gymnastics	Healthy Mind Diet Healthy Relationships Empathy	Healthy Body Swimming, Dance, Gymnastics, OAA	Healthy Mind Cardiovascular System Healthy Relationships Resilience
RE	Who is my neighbour?		Should charity begin at home?	
Science	Cells and Organisms: Exploring the structure of living things and their life processes.		Energy: Exploring thermal, chemical and electrical energy. Acids and Alkalis: Investigating how acids and alkalis react and the role of indicators.	
Spanish	El colegio - Describing school and giving opinions on school subjects.			

Subject	Summer Term				
English	War Fiction - Students will learn about the context of WWI and WWII exploring poems as well as real-life accounts of war in order to develop their own short story opening.				
Geography	Going Global - Issues and challenges our world faces				
History	Is it too simple to say that Henry VIII changed the English Church because he wanted a son and heir? Was there a 'religious rollercoaster' under the Tudors?		Were the English Tudors England's greatest ruling dynasty? Natural disaster or government policies - why did poverty increase under the Tudors and what did the government do about it?		
Maths	Constructing, measuring and using geometric notation	Developing geometric reasoning	Developing number sense	Sets and probability	Prime numbers and proof
Physical Education	Healthy Body Athletics	Healthy Mind Components of Fitness Healthy Relationships Communication	Healthy Body Softball, Cricket, Rounders		Healthy Mind Skeletal System Healthy Relationships Co-operation
RE	Are we responsible for the planet?				
Science	Ecology and Ecosystems - Describing the interdependence of living things in their environment.		Earth in Space - Exploring our position in the Universe. Forces - Quantifying and describing physical forces.		
Spanish	Mi tiempo libre - Describing hobbies and free time activities.				

Subject	Carousel 1	Carousel 2
Art	<p>Insects - Students are introduced to the Visual Elements, Line, Shape, Tone, Form and Texture, Colour and Pattern. To develop drawing skills and use of imagination.</p>	<p>Students develop their painting and colour mixing skills. They will add and experiment with a range of media to complete a final piece for the insect project.</p>
Computing	<p>Impact of technology - Collaborating online respectfully - Discovering how the development of technology plays a key role in our everyday lives</p> <p>How computers work - Understanding computer systems including Hardware and Software.</p> <p>Control and programming using Flowol - Using Flowol to mimic the control of real life scenarios.</p>	<p>Modelling data - Spreadsheets - Discovering the world of spreadsheets and the concept of cell referencing. Students will collect, analyse and manipulate data turning it into graphs and charts.</p> <p>Representations - from clay to silicon - Introducing learners to binary digits and how they can be used to represent text and numbers.</p> <p>Programming essentials in Scratch - Developing knowledge of key programming constructs including sequencing, variables, selection and count controlled iteration using Scratch 3.</p>
Design	<p>Design in the Real World</p> <p>Introduction to 2D Design computer programme. Designing own packaging using other cultures as inspiration.</p>	<p>Role of a Designer in the Real World</p> <p>CAD/CAM - Using scratch artwork to create final packaging; photo manipulation; 3D products; legal requirements.</p>
Drama	<p>The Elephant Man - Exploring the true-life story of Joseph Merrick through role-play and script-writing, encouraging creative-thinking and empathic skills.</p> <p>Blood Brothers - Students memorise and perform a scene from this classic play text.</p>	<p>The Actor's Tool - Students develop performance skills through exploration of acting styles through improvisation, helping to build performance confidence.</p> <p>Macbeth - Practical exploration of this Shakespearian text.</p>



Food	Make a range of products using different cooking methods. Learn about the importance of food hygiene and safety, making healthy choices and The Eatwell Guide.	Make a range of products using different cooking methods. Students also learn about food provenance and factors affecting food choice.
Music	Developing keyboard skills – Learning to play the keyboard using proper techniques and musical flair. As well as deciphering the treble clef and learning the elements of music. Ukuleles – Learning to play the ukulele and perform as part of a successful ukulele ensemble. Focusing on listening, performing and teamwork skills.	Band skills – Students will learn chords, as well as how to play the drums and bass guitar. They will use their music skills learnt throughout the year to perform as part of a pop band ensemble, experimenting with these new instruments, but still focusing on creating a quality performance.