



YEAR 8 CURRICULUM

Subject	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
English	- Gothic fiction - Gothic writing	- Poetry: war poetry - Conventions of non-fiction writing	Drama - Shakespeare - Romeo and Juliet
Maths	- Ratio - Proportion and scale - Algebraic manipulation - Coordinates and graphs - Multiplying and dividing fractions - Symmetry and reflection	- Area, volume, and density - Equations and inequalities - Percentages - Indices - Standard form - Interpreting and representing data	- Angles in parallel lines and polygons - Tables and probability - Circles - Graphs and charts - Sequences
Science	- Waves (sound and light) - Reactions (acids & alkalis, metals & non-metals) - Ecosystems (respiration and photosynthesis)	- Electromagnets (potential difference & resistance, current) - Organisms (breathing and digestion)	- Forces (contact forces and pressure) - Ecosystems (interdependence and plant reproduction)
Geography	- What is development? - One planet, many people: how are populations changing?	- Why do people move and what impact does this have? - Why do we need to understand why volcanos and earthquakes occur? - Are natural disasters “natural”	- What happens where the land meets the sea? - Diverse and dynamic - how is Asia transforming? - What are the challenges and opportunities for countries in Africa? - Why is the Middle East an important world region?
History	- What do historians do? - To what extent was the world turned upside down in the 17th century? - What impact did the transatlantic slave trade have on Africa?	- What impact did the British Empire have on its colonies? - Was the Industrial Revolution a “dawn of liberty” or a “period of darkness”? - Can the Suffragettes be described as terrorists?	- How did Europe’s Great War become the World’s War? - How was the world different after the World Wars?
RE	- Discrimination and Equality - Hindusim	- Sikhism - Big questions and my worldview	Resilience and suffering



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PSHE	Personal Growth, Social Media and AI	- Substance Misuse - Personal Safety	- Politics - Fundamental British Values
Art	Portrait and expression	Cultural masks	Landscapes and architecture
Dance	- Swansong - Choreography and performance	- Hip-Hop as an art form - Responding to a stimulus	- We Will Rock You - Performance project
Drama	Context (making creative intention understandable beyond the text)	Macbeth	Genres in Theatre
Music	- Blues and Reggae - Music for film	- Sonata form - The symphony	- Pop music foundations - Band project
PE	- Football - Rugby - Netball - Hockey - Handball - Basketball - Skiing - Badminton - Table Tennis	- Football - Rugby - Netball - Hockey - Handball - Basketball - Skiing - Badminton - Table Tennis	- Athletics - Cricket - Tennis - Volleyball - Rounders
DT - Food and Nutrition	Food hygiene principles	Introduction to Food Science	Energy balance and nutritional analysis
DT - 3D Art	- What are designers? - What are the design movements?	What is sustainability?	How does electronics work?
Computing	- My Digital World - Binary Bits and Bobs	- Introduction to Python - HTML and CSS	- Scratch Game - Exploring Python with Turtle Graphics
Spanish	- Daily routine and healthy lifestyles - Food, drink, and ordering in cafes	- Holidays and travel - Festivals and cultural celebrations around the Hispanic world	- Technology and social media - School life in Spanish-speaking countries