

Key Stage 3 - Year 8 Curriculum

Year 8 Subject	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
Art	Portraits / Drawing	Portraits / Wire	Aboriginal Art	Observational Drawing	Printmaking	David Hockney
	On rare occasions, we will swap projects around within a year if this is the only way to make sure that every class can benefit from using our specialist ceramics studio.					
Design Technology	Students rotate between five subject areas throughout the year: 1) DT – Design and make task; Smart and modern materials 2) Food – Intermediate cooking skills; Eatwell guide 3) Graphics – Introduction to nets; Design and make a mobile 4) Resistant materials – Iterative design; Design and make a lamp 5) Textiles – Sweet packaging; Design and make a cushion					
Drama	Dramatic Tension and Intermediate Skills	Physical Theatre, Dance and Mime	Status (into Issues-Based devising)	Commedia Dell'arte	Texts in Practice – interpret and realise a script	Soap Opera
English	Topic List: <i>The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time</i> by Mark Haddon; Poetic forms, including Ballads and 'The Ancient Mariner'; Non-fiction work – Elizabeth Fry; Macbeth; Descriptive Writing; <i>To Kill a Mockingbird</i> by Harper Lee <i>In addition, students have fortnightly library lessons.</i>					
French 1st Year	Welcome	School	Free Time	Family	Town	Trip to Dieppe
French 2nd Year	Hobbies	Visit to Paris	My Identity	House and Home	Going Out	Trip to Dieppe
German 1st Year	Introduction to German and Phonics	Myself	School	Family and Friends	Free Time	Free Time
German 2nd Year	Holidays	Town	Shopping	After School Activities	Health	Going Out

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Geography	<u>Weather and Water</u> What is weather, UK climate patterns and the water cycle.	<u>Adventure Landscapes</u> The formation, use and conservation of different landscapes in the UK and wider world.	<u>Africa</u> Challenges and successes in Africa including tourism, resources management, AIDS pandemic and development.	<u>Glaciation</u> The formation of glacial features and the management of glacial landscapes.		<u>Global Issues</u> An investigation of a range of issues including global warming, endangered species and crime.
History	Henry VIII and the break with Rome	Edward, Mary and Elizabeth Tudor	The Gunpowder Plot	The English Civil War	The Industrial Revolution	Empire and Slavery
IT	eSafety	Data Handling	Algorithms	Introduction to Python		Networks
	Topics may take place in a different order and for different lengths					
Maths	Fractions Algebra: Simplifying Expressions; Expanding and Factorising; Solving Equations	Fractions, Decimals, Percentages Co-ordinates and Graphs Sequences Transformations	Number Inequalities Angles	Ratio and Proportion Area, Surface Area and Volume Using a Calculator	Pythagoras Data Handling	Constructions Calculations Probability
Music	Reggae	Waltz	Musicals	Form and Structure	Film Music	Ukulele and Ensemble Skills
Physical Education	Please see separate table at end of document.					

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PSE	Looking Ahead Diversity in Society Racism Homophobic Language Radicalisation	Team Building Time Management Careers and Jobs	Body Image Changing Relationships Body Changes STIs Self Esteem	News and Fake News Images in the News	Online Safety Personal Safety Basic First Aid Mental Health Child Sexual Exploitation	Young Carers Anti-Social Behaviour Rule of Law Sexting Community
Religious Studies	Prejudice and discrimination This unit focuses on why there is prejudice and discrimination in the world and what can be done to overcome it. Topics we look at include: the Holocaust, Rwanda and Islamophobia		Buddhism This unit focuses on the life of the Buddha all the way up to his enlightenment and death. Students will learn about different practices and beliefs such as where they worship, festivals and specific teachings		Ultimate questions In this unit students will consider ‘big’ issues such as ‘is there a life after death?’ ‘Why do people suffer?’ and Plato’s cave	Judaism Within this unit we will look at its connection to Christianity, why and how Jews celebrate different festivals and what it means to be a Jew
Science	Classes follow different routes, but topics covered are: Biology: Biochemistry; Digestion Chemistry: Element and Mixtures; Reactions and Sustainability Physics: Energy; Electricity and Magnetism					

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Year 8 Physical Education - 3 × 50 minute lessons per week

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Boys Outdoor	Rugby	Rugby	Football	Football	Cricket/ Tennis	Striking and Fielding
Boys Indoor	Badminton/ Fitness	Fitness/ Badminton	Basketball/ Theory through Practical	Basketball/ Theory through Practical	Athletics	Athletics
Boys Extra	Climbing/ Gymnastics	Hockey	Netball	Climbing/ Gymnastics	Tennis/ Cricket	Invasion Games
Girls Outdoor	Hockey	Hockey	Netball	Netball	Rounders/ Short Tennis	Invasion Games
Girls Indoor	Dance/ Badminton	Dance/ Badminton	Fitness/ Gymnastics	Fitness/ Gymnastics	Athletics	Athletics
Girls Extra	Rugby	Climbing/ Trampolining	Climbing/ Trampolining	Football	Short Tennis/ Rounders	Striking and Fielding

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