

Year 8 Curriculum

Autumn term 2024



Subject	Autumn Term 1		Autumn Term 2	
Art	<u>Still Life – An Introduction</u>		<u>Response to Still Life – A Ceramic Project</u>	
Computer Science	<u>Computer Systems</u> Programs and the operating system, to the physical components that store and execute these programs, to the fundamental binary building blocks that these components consist of.		<u>App Development</u> This unit aims to take the learners from designer to project manager to developer in order to create their own mobile app.	
DT	<u>Food (Unit 1)</u> Staple Foods Environmental Issues	<u>Food (Unit 2)</u> Healthy Eating Modifying Recipes	<u>Textiles</u> Developing sewing machine skills Constructing a pattern	<u>Product Design</u> Shaping metals Heating forming plastics. Target markets
Drama	<u>Rotation Project 1: Blood Brothers</u>			
English	Viewpoint Writing – Don't get me started! Literary Heritage – Sherriff's <i>Journey's End</i> and the poetry of the First World War			
Foundation Learning	How the brain works, the different types of memory and how learning happens		Effective study habits and how to get the most out of school.	
French (Dual Linguists)	Identity and Relationships			
Geography	<u>Frozen Continent: Antarctica</u> Students will consider every aspect of Antarctica, ranging from the climate, who owns it, animals that live and hazards faced.		<u>What is Development?</u> Focus on development using the case studies of Ghana and the UK	
History	<u>The Tudors – Introduction and the Catholic Church</u> Enquiry – How far did the Reformation change England?		<u>Problems faced by Elizabeth I</u> Enquiry – How did Elizabeth I overcome the problems which she faced?	

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Maths	Fractions Solving Linear Equations Simplifying and sharing in a Ratio	Percentages of amounts Substitution into expressions and <i>formulae</i> Compound Measures
Music	<u>Performance Study and Context</u>	<u>Ensemble Arrangement and Performance</u>
PE	Rugby and Basketball (Boys) Netball / Football / Rugby (Girls)	Football and Sports Acro (Boys) Hockey / Basketball (Girls)
PSHE	<u>Law and Order</u> British Values / What is the Law? / The role of the Police	<u>Law and Order</u> The Criminal Justice System / Reform v Punishment Debate
RE	<u>Christianity – Are humans incapable of being good?</u>	<u>Christianity – Can we be saved?</u>
Science	Topic 1: Earth and Space (Physics) Topic 2: Combustion (Chemistry) Topic 3: Plants and reproduction (Biology)	Topic 4: Light (Physics) Topic 5: Food and Nutrition (Biology)
Spanish	Food and Holidays	

Wider-Curricular	Culture Day (18.10.24)	Year 8 Communion (15.11.24) Christmas Concert (28.11.24) Year 8 Winter House Games (03.12.24) Year 8 Rugby Tournament (17.12.24)
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Other	School opens for Year 8 students (05.09.24) School Photographs (18.09.24)	
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