Curriculum Outline

Year 8 2021 – 2022

Our Intent

At Bishop Stopford School, our aim is that every student should realise his or her unique potential. Our Christian ethos and core values are expressed in all that we do: the culture is articulated through highly productive relationships and there is a strong sense of identity and belonging. As a result, our curriculum nurtures and challenges, prioritises individual worth and social cohesion, and fosters independence and interdependence. Character development goes hand in hand with our striving for academic excellence. We want students to leave us happy and healthy, with a strong moral compass as well as with qualifications which have integrity.

Aspiration underpins our curriculum: it is designed so that no student is left behind or left out because of social-, learning- or other disadvantage. Both the taught and the wider curriculum are carefully planned to ensure that not only are students' basic skills secured, but they provide the foundation for future success. We aim to develop highly literate and knowledgeable learners who are creative, self-regulating and resilient. They have opportunities to develop depth as well as breadth, and because they are socially equipped, they can engage confidently with the wider world.

Underpinning Principles

- Leadership of the curriculum is active, reflective and research-informed.
- Our curriculum is unapologetically academic and knowledge-driven, ensuring Bishop Stopford students are engaged and thoughtful learners.
- Our curriculum is holistic: the spiritual, social and moral imperatives are as strong as the academic.
- Key Stage 3 lasts for Years 7-9 to allow the range of subjects to be studied and to build secure foundations for the two year GCSE programmes of study.
- Curriculum is structured to ensure effective progression through the key stages and beyond school to further study or employment.
- Our curriculum enables *all* learners to progress, though development of a rich language base and challenge in every lesson.

Dear Parents

In order to build on links between school and home which were established in Year 7, this booklet gives details of the curriculum followed this year.

This outline shows the teaching programme, which we trust will lead to enjoyable and meaningful learning. Students, of course, learn much more than can ever be listed in a booklet. Social skills, positive attitudes and other qualities form an important part of what we are aiming to develop at Bishop Stopford. A wide range of extra-curricular activities complements the planned timetable of lessons, and STEM days continue.

An overview of the timetable is given below:

	Number of lessons per fortnight	Organisation of teaching groups		
Art & Design	2	mixed ability		
Computer Science	2	mixed ability		
Design Technology*	4*	mixed ability		
Drama*	7	mixed ability		
English	1	mixed ability		
Foundation Learning	1	mixed ability		
Geography	3	mixed ability		
History	3	mixed ability		
Mathematics	6	setting		
Modern Languages	6	setting		
Music	2	mixed ability		
Personal, Social, Health & Economic Education	1	mixed ability		
Physical Education	4	setting		
Religious Education	3	mixed ability		
Science	6	setting		
Tutorial	1	mixed ability		
STEM Days	1 x 1 day	mixed		

(Lessons last for one hour. Tutor groups consist of approximately 27 students).

Homework is an extension of the curriculum offered at school, nurturing self-reliance in learning as well as giving an opportunity for consolidation or extension of topics covered in the classroom. You are required to sign the planner once a fortnight. You can also use it to record any messages you wish to pass to the form tutor. More information regarding homework can be found via this link: https://bishopstopford.fireflycloud.net/parent-information/homework

We will be pleased to respond to any concerns you may have about teaching, learning and life in Year 8. In this way, we hope to build on the good foundations laid down in the last year, and make this year a happy and fulfilling time.

Yours sincerely

Miss J Silverthorne **Headteacher**

^{*}DT and Drama are taught in a carousel, with each block lasting between 7 and 8 weeks. Students will have 1 block of drama and 4 blocks of DT throughout the year.

Year 8 Curriculum Mapping

The diagram below identifies the key opportunities for cross-curricular study in Year 8. Such opportunities enable students to see the links and the inter-dependency of their different subjects, to strengthen their understanding of the key topics and concepts studied and to make their learning vivid, real and memorable.

		Art	Computer Science	Design	Drama	Foundation Learning	English	Geography	History
	Art			Typography					
	Computer Science	Representations		Mobile app development		Digital Literacy			
	Design/Food	Design Ideas						Microplastics Food Miles	
	Drama	Costume Design		Costume design			Blood Brothers script	North/South divide	
	Foundation Learning		Typing skills Internet searching Cyber Security				Copyright, Plagiarism and referencing	Bedrock – academic vocabulary	Bedrock – academic vocabulary
aught	English				Characterisati on, narrative shape			Writing about places	Elizabethan England Victorians
Subject where the topic is taught	Geography	TRF's			TRF's				Development & Ghana
ere the t	History						Tudors and Stuarts		
ject who	Maths						Maths vocabulary		
Suk	MFL	Day of Dead masks		Food Unit - cooking					History of Festivals
	Music			Romantic Period			Romantic Period		The Blues
	PSHE	Mindful colouring					Private Reading		Racism
	PE								
	RE	Religious artw ork						World Religions	Reformation
	Science							Rocks	Black Death (Unicellular Organisms)

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	Art						Cultural Masks	
	Computer Science	Binary			Internet Safety			
	Design/Food						Moral Issues & Food production	Metals
	Drama			Musical: Blood Brothers	Impact of poverty			Nature vs nurture debate
	Foundation Learning							Bedrock – academic vocabulary
ght	English				Personal vs social responsibility			
Subject where the topic is taught	Geography	Climate graphs						Weathering Water & Nutrient Cycle
ere the t	History			Trans- Atlantic Slavery				Industrial Revolution
ject whe	Maths					Speed		Density
Sub	MFL	Numbers			Body and Healthy Living			
	Music							
	PSHE							Drugs and Alcohol
	PE				Physical/Mental wellbeing			Anatomy (Muscles and Bones)
	RE			Worship				
	Science							

Important Dates

Month	Item	Date
September	School opens School photos	3 rd September 2021 9 th September 2021
October		
November		
December	Report issued	17 th December 2021
January	Progress Review	25 th January 2022
February		
March		
April		
May		
June	Report Issued Isles of Scilly Camp 1 Isles of Scilly Camp 2 Isles of Scilly Camp 3 Isles of Scilly Camp 4	10 th June 2022 9 th June 2022 14 th June 2022 19 th June 2022 24 th June 2022
July		

Parents have the right to withdraw their son/daughter from Sex and Relationships Education, Religious Education and Worship.

Please contact Mr G Kirke (Assistant Head Curriculum) if you wish to discuss this further.



Faculty: Expressive Arts Department: Art

Faculty Introduction:

Techniques learnt in Year 7 are consolidated in Year 8 with a greater focus on 3D materials.

Topics/Modules to be covered:

Observational Drawing Project:

- Students will be given the chance to experiment in a variety of mixed media including ICT.
- Direct observational study to investigate tone/texture/form.

Ceramics Project

Graphic Project:

 Investigation into comic book design and layout. Character design and typography also explored.

Multi-cultural Studies:

Possible projects may include mask making.

Assessment:

Targets for improvement identified on individual assessment sheets and given verbally throughout.

Homework:

Extension tasks set over a number of weeks to complement classwork. Homework will amount to approximately 3 hours per term.

Enhancement Activities:

- Art Club
- Opportunity to have work displayed around school

Texts to be issued and arrangements for return:

Students are required to have the following items which can be purchased through the school: B pencil, blendable colouring pencils.



Faculty: Technologies

Subject: Computer Science

Faculty Introduction: A high-quality Computer Science education equips students to use computational thinking and creativity to understand and change the world. Computer Science has deep links with mathematics, science and design and technology, and provides insights into both natural and artificial systems. The core of computing is computer science, in which students are taught the principles of information and computation, how digital systems work and how to put this knowledge to use through programming.

Building on this knowledge and understanding, students are equipped to use information technology to create programs, systems and a range of content. Computer Science also ensures that students become digitally literate — able to use, and express themselves and develop their ideas through, information and communication technology — at a level suitable for the future workplace and as active participants in a digital world.

Topics to be covered in the year will include:

- Unit 1 Computer Systems
- Unit 2 Developing for the web
- Unit 3 Introduction to Python programming
- Unit 4 Programming
- Unit 5 Mobile App development unit

Assessment

The students will be assessed using a mixture of teacher assessment and end of unit tests, depending on the topic

Enhancement Activities:

- Lunchtime and after school computer use with Internet access.
- Coding Club
- Raspberry pi competitions.
- E-Safety week activities
- Cyber First year 8 girls competition

Texts to be issued and arrangements for return:

 No textbooks are issued for Computer Science. All resources (including the course textbook) are available on-line using a Dynamic Learning login that is issued to every student in September.



Faculty: Technologies

Subject: Design Technology

Faculty Introduction:

In Key Stage 3, students follow a varied programme of study which covers all aspects of the National Curriculum.

Year 8 develops subject knowledge, whilst enhancing practical skills and abilities. Students will complete all modules of work on a carousel basis.

Topics/Modules to be covered:

- Textile Technology Assembling three dimensional fabric products.
- Product Design Electronic Systems
- Food Preparation and Nutrition Cultural cuisine and healthy eating.

Assessment:

All work will be assessed according to the Bishop Stopford assessment system.

Homework:

Within Year 8 homework comprises two set pieces for each project designed to both test and broaden a student's knowledge.

Enhancement Activities:

- Rotary Club Technology Tournament
- STEM days

All students are actively encouraged to enhance the presentation of their work by the use of ICT. ICT facilities are available within school at lunchtimes.

Texts to be issued and arrangements for return:

Texts are used during lesson time for specific learning objectives as and when required.



Faculty: Expressive Arts

Subject: Drama

Faculty Introduction:

Drama in Year 8 is taught as part of a carousel. Following on from the devising skills learnt in Year 7, Year 8 progress to the use of a play script. Students learn about the features of a play script whilst acquiring knowledge of the context, plot and characters of the play: Blood Brothers.

In the second half of the block, students build upon their knowledge of theatrical styles by learning about Naturalistic and Non-Naturalistic performance. Students learn about the context of both theories and practitioners. They identify the two styles within Blood Brothers, and use what they have learnt to create their own performance work of contrasting styles.

Topics/Modules to be covered:

- Blood Brothers
- Naturalism / Non-naturalism

Assessment:

- Group work
- Vocal and Physical Skills
- Characterisation
- Analysis and Evaluation
- Devising Process
- Delivery
- Style, Genre, Conventions
- Design

Enhancement Activities:

- Theatre visits
- Involvement in Drama Club and School Production

Texts to be issued and arrangements for return:

n/a



Faculty: English

Subject: English

Faculty Introduction:

All students follow a range of units of work covering the key skills of reading, writing, grammar and vocabulary and spoken English. A wide range of literature is at the heart of our work.

Topics/Modules to be covered in the year:

- The Novel: study of a modern novel.
- Literary Heritage: study of a pre 20th century text. This year we will be studying Oliver Twist by Dickens.
- Shakespeare: study of a Shakespeare's monologues).
- Non-Fiction Writing based on creating convincing viewpoints
- Flash Fiction Writing

Assessment:

- Each unit has a summative assessment point.
- These assessments receive 'What Works Well/Even Better If' comments and require a 'My Response Is' from the student.
- All students complete an end of year test to check overall progress.

Homework:

Students follow a programme of homework which aims to develop literacy skills and consolidate the work they have been doing in class lessons. This homework should take approximately 30 minutes. Teachers might, at times, give students homework which extends their class work, such as drafting an essay, or producing a project about books they have read.

Enhancement Activities:

- Competitions.
- Book Week including visits by writers
- 'Chapter One' reading club

Texts to be issued and arrangements for return:

Students will be issued with a copy of the class reader at some stage during the year. If it is lost or mislaid, students are responsible for paying the replacement cost.



Faculty: Wider Curriculum

Department: Foundation Learning

Faculty Introduction:

The Foundation Learning programme is in two sections:

ICT/Typing Skills

Year 8 students are enrolled into 'Typing Cub' which is a web-based software designed to teach touch typing. Students also continue to improve their ICT skills.

Bedrock

Bedrock is also a computer based reading program, which makes students aware of the breadth of words in the English language and so helps to broaden their vocabulary.

Modules to be covered in the year:

- Typing Club
- PowerPoint Adding Action Buttons
- Searching the Internet
- SAM Learning
- Copyright
- Avoiding Plagiarism
- Referencing Websites
- Introduction to Databases
- Cyber Security

Assessment:

- There is a short digital assessment at the end of each Foundation Learning lesson.
- Typing Club is also assessed as students' progress through the course. The 'scoreboard'
 allows students to view each other's' scores and try to outperform each other and progress
 up the leaderboard.

Homework:

Two 15-20 minute Bedrock 'lessons' are set as homework during Foundation Learning lessons each week

Enhancement Activities:

The 'Bishop Award' is designed as an enhancement activity.

Resources to be issued and arrangements for return:

Two 15-20 minute Bedrock 'lessons' are set as homework during Foundation Learning lessons each week.



Faculty: Modern Languages Subject: French

Faculty Introduction:

Students will follow three modules. Modules comprise language for communication, with the associated vocabulary and grammatical structures. There are also opportunities for completing ICT activities and independent cultural projects.

Topics/Modules to be covered in the year:

- Holidays, travel and transport
- Healthy living
- Festivals and celebrations

Assessment:

- Two written common assessments per year, one of which is an end of year exam.
- Three end of module pieces of formally marked work
- Targets for improvement identified.

Homework:

30 minutes homework is set once per week. Students will be using the on-line resource Quizlet

Enhancement Activities

International Day

Texts to be used:

'Studio 2' used in class on a needs basis. Students are expected to bring their own bi-lingual dictionary to lessons. Students will also have the opportunity to subscribe to a French foreign language magazine.



Faculty: Humanities

Subject: Geography

Faculty Introduction:

'What other subject tells us so much about the great issues of the age – global change, natural and human?'

Students are taught in mixed ability groups for 3 lessons a fortnight.

Topics/Units to be covered:

- Tropical Rainforests
- Antarctica
- Development in Ghana
- Coasts

Assessment:

- 3 end of topic assessments.
- Effort graded 1 5 and whole class feedback
- End of year exam.

Homework:

Homework tasks will include a variety of mediums. These will include research prior to learning, independent research tasks, planning for presentations or developing revision skills. There will also be extended writing pieces or completion of questions.

Enhancement Activities:

- Research and project based work
- Independent research
- Proposed fieldtrip to Hunstanton

Texts to be issued and arrangements for return:

Geography Matters, 1, 2 and 3' and 'Progress in Geography Key Stage 3'. All textbooks utilised are kept and used at school.



Faculty: Humanities

Subject: History

Faculty Introduction:

Students are taught in mixed ability tutor groups in Year 8. A variety of topic areas are covered. The emphasis is on British history.

Topics/Modules to be covered:

- Tudor England
- Gunpowder Plot
- English Civil War
- Restoration and Enlightenment
- Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade and Empire
- Industrial Revolution

Assessment:

- Specific assessments are given using the Bishop Stopford assessment system
- Targets for improvement identified.
- · End of year test

Homework:

Some homework will be research, planning or revision. Some will be completing extended writing tasks or assessments.

Texts

Exploring History textbooks are kept and used at school.



Faculty: Mathematics

Subject: Maths

Faculty Introduction:

Students are taught in four broad ability sets. Different sets cover a topic in differing depths. Scientific calculators and maths equipment must be bought by all students and brought to all lessons. We recommend all students use the same calculator which can be bought from the finance office for approximately £8.50.

Topics/Modules to be covered:

- Whole numbers, decimals, fractions.
- Negative numbers.
- Algebra, co-ordinates, angles, symmetry.
- Areas, perimeter, volume.
- Mean, mode, median and range.
- Charts and graphs.
- · Probability and problem solving.
- Investigations.

Assessment:

- Regular assessment of homework, mental and investigational skills.
- Regular tests, which can result in movement between sets.
- Targets for improvement given where necessary.
- End of year test.

Homework:

- 30 minutes' homework is set up to twice a week.
 Homework is generally further practice/consolidation of the topic covered in class, so usually needs to be completed by the next lesson.
- Maths Help is available weekly for extra assistance with homework or classwork.
- The school have a MathsWatch subscription. Each student will have a password and login provided at the beginning of the year. MathsWatch can be used for homework, revision or enrichment.

Enhancement Activities:

- Extension activities for more able mathematicians.
- The most able mathematicians enter the UK Junior Mathematical Challenge.
- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) activities which develop problem solving skills.
- MathsWatch and Maths Help.

Texts to be issued and arrangements for return:

Students may use a textbook in the classroom. Some students may be issued with a homework book. If issued, homework books must be returned in the summer term.



Faculty: Expressive Arts

Subject: Music

Faculty Introduction:

Students develop their musical skills through topics which allow them to cover the National Curriculum. All topics are taught with an integrated approach to the three disciplines of performance, composition, listening and appraising.

Topics/Modules to be covered:

- Blues arrangement/composition—blues scale and twelve bar blues chord structure, syncopated rhythms, performing, improvising
- Popular music developing knowledge of harmony and song structures
- Intervals use of intervals in composition and their effect.
- Ground Bass repeating bass lines with changes in texture and melodic lines above.
 Group arrangement of Pachelbel's canon.
- Keyboard skills, building on 5 finger technique from y7, adding bass notes and chords.
- Short 'set works' listening, performing, keywords and context. Dvorak's "Largo"

Assessment:

- Assessment using Bishop Stopford Assessment system.
- Tasks set and feedback sent via firefly.
- Targets for improvement identified through verbal and/or written feedback.

Homework:

No homework is set in Year 8. Music is available for optional practice between lessons.

Enhancement Activities:

- A wide variety of choirs and instrumental ensembles are open to all students throughout the year.
- Girls and boys choir and ukulele ensembles, open to all.
- Visiting musicians workshop
- Creative Worship performing in assembly/Eucharist
- Carol Service
- End of term concerts
- African Drumming workshop

Texts to be issued and arrangements for return:

Not applicable.



Faculty: Physical Education

Subject: Physical Education

Faculty Introduction:

PE helps students to develop positive associations with physical activity, acquire skills and apply tactics, evaluate and improve performance, gain knowledge, understand about fitness and health and develop their personal qualities.

Topics/Modules to be covered:

Games Activities: hockey, football, rugby, netball, handball, rounders, cricket, basketball, badminton, tennis, volleyball, softball and table tennis.

Athletics Activities: athletics.

Body Management: rhythmic gymnastics and health related fitness.

Assessment:

Assessment in line with other practical subjects.

Short and long term reports.

On-going self and peer assessment in lessons.

Enhancement Activities:

- Year 8 students have the opportunity to attend a residential in the Isles of Scilly where they
 experience a variety of outdoor and adventure activities.
- School teams are organised in all the major games and activities, with practices at lunchtimes and with matches after school.
- The school enters a team in the District Cross Country and Athletic championships.
 Talented students are put forward for selection at district/county level.
- Inter-house competitions various activities.
- Level 3 School Games (winter and summer) in some activities.



Faculty: Personal, Social and Health Education Subject: PSHE

Faculty Introduction:

PSHE helps students to develop inter-personal, communication and social skills. Topics are divided between:

- A tutorial led by the students' form tutor
- Personal, Social and Health Education lessons, taught by a member of the PSHE team.

Topics/Modules to be covered:

Personal, Social and Health Education

- Health issues alcohol and drugs
- Citizenship prejudice

Tutorial:

- Study skills; identifying strengths
- One to one interviews and monitoring of progress
- Everyone reading in class
- Preparation for residential visit to Isles of Scilly
- Assembly preparation
- Families
- Thinking and study skills
- Careers
 - Health and Safety in the workplace
 - Take your child to work day. Briefing and debriefing activities
 - Understanding the world of work
 - Skills for work
 - British values and extremism

Homework:

Homework is not set, although students may sometimes need to collect materials for use in lessons.

Enhancement Activities:

- Take your child to work day
- External speakers



Faculty: Humanities

Subject: Religious Education

Faculty Introduction:

In RE, students develop an understanding of the practices and beliefs of the key religious and non-religious worldviews found in the UK and to enable our students to demonstrate and foster skills to be positive members of society develop knowledge, skills and understanding, evaluating religious responses to personal and ethical issues.

Topics/Modules to be covered:

- Christianity Trinity
- Islam
- Sikhism

Assessment:

- End of module tests, using the Bishop Stopford Assessment system
- Effort Grade A-E
- Targets for improvement
- End of year test

Homework:

Homework is set for 30 minutes per week. Use of ICT to complete homework is encouraged.

Enhancement Activities:

- Experiential projects e.g. making Torah scrolls.
- Use of ICT for extension tasks.
- Use of lpads for virtual visits.
- Meet the Faiths Workshop
- Analysing and interpreting sources of authority e.g. Bible

Texts to be issued and arrangements for return:

Text books are issued for lessons but are not taken home. Electronic version available through Kerboodle.



Faculty: Science

Subject: Science

Faculty Introduction:

The second year of Key Stage 3 develops skills further and introduces new areas of knowledge. Students are set in broad ability groups.

Topics/Modules to be covered:

- Plants
- Food and nutrition
- Light
- Multicellular organisms
- Breathing and respiration
- Periodic table
- Heat transfers
- Rocks
- Earth and space
- Fluids
- Combustion

Assessment:

- End of block tests (3 per year), using the Bishop Stopford internal assessments.
- Effort graded A E.
- Targets for improvement identified.
- Practical investigation work.
- Weekly homework.

Homework:

30 minutes homework is set each week.

Homework tasks include questions to test knowledge and understanding; revising for tests; research and planning; writing up investigations and work to develop skills e.g. graph work. In addition, students are expected to use time at home to formally assess key work and assessments.

Enhancement Activities:

- Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) Activities
- Information and additional homework tasks are available on the VLE

Texts to be issued and arrangements for return:

A KS3 revision guide can be purchased from the Science Faculty. Additional workbooks are available.



Faculty: Modern Languages

Subject: Spanish Second Language

Faculty Introduction:

Students in Sets 1 and 2 in Bands A and B will begin studying Spanish as a second language. They will have 2 lessons a fortnight of Spanish and 4 of their first language French.

Students study five modules of work. Modules comprise language for communication, with the associated vocabulary and grammatical structures. There are also opportunities for ICT and independent reading.

Topics/Modules to be covered:

- Personal ID
- Free time and technology
- House and home
- Town
- Holidays

Assessment:

- Two common assessments per year.
- Three end of module pieces of formally marked work.
- Targets for improvement identified.

Homework

Homework is set for 30 minutes once a week.

Enhancement Activities:

International Day

Texts to be used:

Students will use a variety of resources in class but will not be issued with a textbook.

Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG)

We live in a time where the pace of change is more rapid than at any point in history. Changes in society and the nature of work (including the use of technology and the influences of the global market) will have a profound effect on patterns of employment. To meet these challenges, the CEIAG programme helps our students to develop the knowledge, confidence and skills they need to make well informed, considered choices and plans which enable them to progress smoothly into further learning and work, now and in the future.

The CEIAG programme for Year 8 is delivered within the tutorial programme. It is mapped to the learning outcomes of the Career Development Institute's (CDI) Careers, Employability and Enterprise framework.

Topics:

In Year 8, students have the opportunity to take part in Take a Child to Work Day. They gain an insight into the world of work and apply their learning from school into the work environment. Students undertake a number of preparatory sessions in their careers lessons. Once back in school, there is time to reflect on their day.

- What is work? students recognise the value of different forms of work to individuals in society and identify the opportunities and rewards from each of the pathways available.
- Health and safety in the work place activity linked to Take a Child to Work Day.
- Labour Market Information students learn what the labour market is and how individuals
 can be affected by the changing supply and demand for labour.
- Take a Child to Work debrief reflection and evaluation of the work shadowing day.

These lessons are supported with a workbook containing all the completed activities and reference resources to assist with learning. Students who visit the work place have a further workbook to document these activities and learning points.

Enrichment Activities:

- Take a Child to Work Day Students spend the day work shadowing in a business setting.
 An enterprise and career development activity is provided for any students who are not able to go out of school. This is provided to the school by The Young Enterprise Company Learn to Earn Programme.
- Progress Review Evening an opportunity for students and parents to meet with the school's Careers Adviser.
- Careers Talks Year 8 students are welcome to attend any of the lunchtime Careers Café or career talks arranged at lunchtimes across the school year.
- Careers help and advice parents and students are welcome to book an appointment with the Careers Adviser. Email: careers@bishopstopford.com

Quality Assurance

The CEIAG programme at Bishop Stopford School is delivered to nationally accredited standards. The school are holders of national Quality in Careers Standard.

STEM Days

Students take part in one technology day to 'join up' their learning in the technology subjects (Design and Technology, Maths and Science).

On each of the days, students take part in a variety of activities which enables them to make links between the subjects and enhance their own learning.

Learning takes place in teams and will be themed.

Enhancement Activities

Trips and Visits: Voluntary Contributions

The viability of trips and visits is entirely dependent on parents recognising their value, and therefore supporting them with voluntary contributions. There is no obligation to contribute, and students will not be deselected because of a lack of parental contribution. However, information regarding trips or visits will state processes for cancelling a trip and returning monies, should the school not receive sufficient voluntary contributions for the activity to go ahead. Consideration for students facing financial hardship will be detailed in any information issued.

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