

English

Students will study the Shakespearean tragedy, Macbeth. They will explore the context and the conventions of Elizabethan society in order to better understand the concepts within the play. They will study plot and character development and will practice the skill of analytical writing. They will also have the opportunity to continue to develop their creative writing skills. This unit will prepare them for further study of Shakespeare: they will read the comedy The Taming of the Shrew in year 8 and study Romeo and Juliet at Key Stage 4.

Maths

The overriding theme for this half term is geometry looking at lines and angles. Students will build on KS2 to construct and measure lines, angles and triangles, using a ruler, protractor and pair of compasses. Angle rules will then be introduced and built upon to enable students to solve multi-step angle problems.

Science

Will study the following units:

Reproduction which looks at the structure and function of the male and female reproductive systems, pregnancy and the changes that take place during puberty.

Space Science which looks at the structure of our solar system, the history of space exploration and why we have day, night and seasons on Earth.

History

Students are studying a key enquiry called: Could a Medieval king do whatever he liked? This will continue in to the next half term. After this, students will focus on problems that existed within Medieval society with a focus on the Black Death and the Peasants Revolt.

Geography

Year 7 In year 7 our budding geographers will begin to look at the Islands of the South Pacific, such as Tonga and New Zealand, to better understand how these nations survive and thrive, while trying to adapt to the looming threat of sea level rise.

Languages

In Spanish pupils will be learning to use impersonal verbs, time phrases and adverbs to talk about free time activities. They will begin to respond to questions beginning with ¿cuándo? and ¿qué? Pupils will continue their phonics journey by learning about the spelling to sound correspondence of strong vowels.

Technology

Materials Project - Engineering (Focussed Practical Task)

Polymers and Production Aids (Technology)

Sustainable Café (Food & Hospitality)

Healthy Eating/Lifestyles (Food & Hospitality)

Art

Art: Pop Art Project.

The aim of this half term is for students to explore the inspiration behind the Pop Art theme and look at colour theory. Students will continue to explore through drawing/painting, the different styles of Pop Art and how popular culture inspires Artists.

Physical Education

Students will follow two of the following activities: Badminton, football, fitness, problem solving and gymnastics. Game based activities will focus on the introduction or consolidation of skills with application within small sided games or challenges. Following of rules and regulations will be developed working towards the full sided game where appropriate. Gymnastic activities will focus on the development of high quality sequenced activities exploring rolls, shapes, inversion and balance. Fitness testing will explore baseline data and a variety of methods used to improve fitness. Problem solving with develop leadership and communication skills through the planning, leading and delivery of potted games.

Reading Curriculum

Y7 students will be exploring a range of texts with the theme of Time. Developing their comprehension and fluency. Regularly reading to build confidence

Religious Studies

Students will continue their study of some of the greatest thinkers in Western Philosophy, such as Plato and Descartes and will investigate why some of their ideas have continued to be popular hundreds of years after first being proposed. We will explore the links between the philosophers' ideas and the students own beliefs.

Expressive Arts

Students will begin to explore musical theatre and the key features within it. Students will explore 'Matilda'; developing their performance technique through characterisation and the learning of choreography. Students will develop an understanding of the role of the ensemble.

Music

In Music, students are learning about the ukuleles. They will learn how to read TAB notation and how to perform famous songs such as "Smoke on the Water" and "Seven Nation Army" on the ukulele, as well as different chords and strumming patterns.

Computing

Students will start to develop their grasp of the fundamentals of Computer Science, by studying the CPU and its main components, how the fetch decode execute cycle works and then how data is represented in a computer system by binary and how to convert to and from our denary number system

