

8/9L Autumn Term Curriculum Overview

This term pupils will be studying the following topics in their KS3 curriculum.

Subject	Topic
Literacy	In Literacy this term, we will be reading 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes. Through differentiated activities, pupils will learn to develop their reading and writing skills. We will be working on spelling, punctuation, grammar and handwriting activities. Pupils will also learn to develop their comprehension skills by answering different questions about the story. We will be looking at and creating our own posters, newspaper articles and comic strips about the Iron Man. We will use role-play and drama activities to strengthen our understanding and to improve our articulation skills.
Numeracy	This term we will work on developing our skills and understanding of number and money including: <ul data-bbox="496 891 1375 1205" style="list-style-type: none">• reading and writing numbers, properties of numbers, place value, ordering and comparing, number bonds, odd and even numbers and vocabulary relating to number;• calculations including addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, times tables and related vocabulary.• identifying coins up to £2.00, reading and writing money notation, values of each coin, addition and subtraction using money, calculating change and money games.
Computing	Students will learn that when a computer does something it is following instructions called Code. They will then write, or program, their own Code and create their own basic games and apps. They will learn to work logically, systematically and identify mistakes. In addition Students will also focus on computers safely and responsibly, knowing a range of ways to report unacceptable content and contact when online.
Science	This term students will be learning about living things and the environment . They will also learn about the human body and health. They will learn about personal hygiene, healthy eating and how lifestyle issues like smoking, drugs and alcohol affect our health. I recommend the BBC website. It is a great learning resource for Science. The web address is www.bbc.co.uk/education . They can also go to educationcity.com for more homework tasks and learning.
Humanities	The pupils will be learning about the Romans in Britain and the legacy they left behind. They will explore the way the

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	Romans lived, dressed and ate and the cultural aspects we use in everyday life.
Food Tech	Students will learn about basic nutrition, diet and health. They will also be introduced to Business Enterprise in food technology. During practical lessons, pupils will get the opportunity to investigate and cook dishes from around the world including Baked Tortilla chips, Spaghetti Bolognese and Vegetable chowder.
Craft	First half term: Students will develop fine motor and creativity skills through cutting, sticking, sorting and designing within a variety of individual and group tasks. We will be focusing on making trophies and medals for things we are proud of, starting with medals and then using increasingly difficult techniques to create trophies and boxing/wrestling style belts. Second half term: Second half term: students will further develop the skill set explored in the first half term to make winter holiday cards and decorations such as bunting and baubles.
PSHE	Road safety – Student will be learning about different aspects related to road safety on a road from driver and pedestrian perspective. They will learn all about road signs and design they own ones. There will be a trip around our local area aiming at identifying and recording road signs around the school. Students will be taking part in a Road Safety Week. Students will also learn about how to be safe on a bike and design a cycle helmet.
Art	Students will be looking at different myths and legends in Art and exploring shapes, patterns, mark making, textures and colours. Students are encouraged to draw from their imagination, memory and experience, and record their research in art sketch books.
Drama	Greek Myths . Students to enact stories and scenes from Greek Myths including Dadalus and Icarus, Arion and the Dolphins.
Music	Students will be exploring music production and song-writing , focusing on recording and editing audio/sounds. Students will also be using iPad music apps and computer programmes which include; 'Audacity', 'SoundPlant43' and 'GarageBand', as creative tools for writing and performing songs. Students will also use voice and traditional instruments to compose, record and perform.

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PE	<p>First half-term - Pupils will build on their knowledge on how to use basic invasion game principles to play as a team and outwit opponents. With steady progression students work to build confidence and self-esteem.</p> <p>Second half-term - Pupils will focus on skills related to net games.</p> <p>Swimming Once a week students develop competence and confidence through accessing an allocated swimming slot at one of our local leisure centres.</p>
Social Communication	<p>Through this unit pupils will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Learn how to introduce themselves to others• Identify members of their class and key members of staff at Highshore• Learn appropriate ways to greet and find out information about people in the school <p>Students will be supported to engage in positive social interactions with peers. They will attempt to recognise how peer interactions lead to positive social and emotional development</p>
Yoga	<p>This term, pupils will be learning about the 5 main base poses in yoga (standing, heel sitting, hands and knees, cross legged sitting and 'L' shaped sitting and how to safely transition between them. Through these activities, we will be working on developing core strength, balance and flexibility. Each lesson will incorporate different breathing techniques to strengthen, energise and calm the nervous system. There will also be a few minutes of relaxation at the end of each lesson. 8-9L will be working towards learning a sequence of movements, which will transition between the 5 main base poses.</p> <p>We will also be learning about Mindfulness with a focus on the breath, mindful listening skills and mindful moving.</p>