

## 9 Autumn Term Curriculum Overview

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

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Literacy	Animal Farm. Students to read Animal Farm. We will examine the themes of social justice and politics. This will be backed up by work in Drama. Students will write their own manifestos, create their own parties and political posters.
Numeracy	Number. Students to work on number skills including addition, subtraction, division and multiplication. Targets will include using their fingers to help them with calculations.
Computing	<p>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.</p> <p>In addition Students will also focus on computers safely and responsibly, knowing a range of ways to report unacceptable content and contact when online.</p>
Science	<p>This term pupils will be looking at the topic of <b>Living things</b>, specifically <b>Plants</b>. We will look at the difference between animal and plant cells. <b>Plant nutrition and growth</b>. Photosynthesis. Label a plant and know functions of the parts. Reproduction of plants and the life cycle of a plant. I recommend the BBC website. It is a great website. The web address is <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/education">www.bbc.co.uk/education</a>. They can also go to <a href="http://educationcity.com">educationcity.com</a> for more homework tasks and learning</p>
Humanities	The pupils will be learning about the Romans in Britain and the legacy they left behind. They will explore the way the Romans lived, dressed and ate and the cultural aspects we use in everyday life.
Food Tech	<p>This term we will be developing basic food preparation skills through the topics of <i>Sweet Treats</i> and <i>Celebrations</i>.</p> <p>Students will be using all parts of the cooker, a range of small equipment and focusing on following written and/or verbal instructions to cook as independently as possible.</p>
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.

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	<p>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.</p>
PSHE	<p>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.</p>
Art	<p>Students will be looking at examples of ‘Animals in Art’. We will practise drawing from our imaginations, memory and experience. We will be exploring colour theory, mixing and applying paint, cutting and collage, sketching, and mark making. Working both in 2D and 3D.</p>
Drama	<p>Race, gender, age, sexuality , Prejudice and equality.            Students to looks at different scenarios that show how people can be treated differently and unfairly because of race , gender or age. Students to also work on scenes from Animal farm and explore how the book deals with the themes of social justice.</p>
Music	<p>Students will be exploring <b>music production</b> and <b>song-writing</b>, 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.</p>
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>
Yoga	<p>This term, pupils will be learning about the main base poses in yoga and how to safely transition between them. Through</p>

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	<p>these activities, we will be working on developing core strength, balance and flexibility. These lessons will also include some seated yoga with lots of stretching and twisting. Each lesson will incorporate different breathing techniques to strengthen, energise and calm the nervous system. We will also be using massage balls to stimulate the reflex points in the hands and the feet. There will be a few minutes of relaxation at the end of each lesson.</p> <p>We will also be learning about Mindfulness with a focus on the breath, mindful listening skills and mindful moving.</p>
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