

12L Autumn Term Curriculum Overview

This term pupils will be studying the following topics in their KS5 curriculum.

Subject	Topic
Art	This term students will explore images of leaves and plants based on rainforest environments, and a variety of the animals, insects, and birds that live in the rainforest. We will experiment with mark making, colour mixing, painting skills and mixed media.
Music	This term, we will be looking at melody in relation to voices and instruments. Students will learn how to use a colour code system in order to 'read' music and transfer these codes to instruments such as the piano and guitar. They will also continue to work on collaborative singing and band projects, culminating in assembly performances and recordings.
Fitness	This term students will be learning how to keep fit using various gym equipment within the fitness suite. The students will learn about different muscle groups and the exercises that will help develop the different groups. They will also monitor their fitness progress by completing a personal gym diary.
Numeracy	This term groups will be working on the following topics: Fractions, Decimals, Weights, Measures and Money. Students will also be working towards foundations and entry level maths exam work.
Citizenship	Students will continue to work towards their WJEC Pathways accreditation 'Taking a role in society in the UK'. They are learning about the ways in which people take political and social responsibility; learning about the election system, how people can participate in it and how people can help others in society.
Drama	Students will be using drama and role play to enact stories and scenes from The Grimm Brothers – Hansel and Gretel, Cinderella and Rumpelstiltskin. Students will be working in small groups to create class performances using staging, lights and costume.
Literacy	This term we will continue with the WJEC Audio Visual Texts coursework and we will focus on an episode of Dr Who. We will be exploring characters, what happens, main events and genre. Students will write written responses to the episode. In addition, students will have two additional lessons of literacy to support and develop their literacy skills.
PE	Pupils will visit local leisure facilities for swimming lessons as a refresher from Autumn term 1. Students will continue to learn different swimming techniques to improve both their confidence and independence in the water.
Employability	Students will continue to learn about the range of jobs in different types of workplaces and recognise personal and career opportunities for jobs that interest them. Students will learn about applying for a job and will partake in practice interviews.

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Work Skills	<p>Students will continue to learn about the world of work. This term it is about preparation for work; understanding what skills and personal qualities are needed by employers for different types of jobs. Students will be assessing their own skills and personal qualities, self-evaluating where they could improve and identifying a suitable job that they could do. Students will learn about applying for a job and will partake in practice interviews.</p>
Computing	<p>Students will complete work from the Information Technology module; where they have been learning how to use Microsoft Office programs such as Word, Publisher, Excel, Outlook and PowerPoint.</p> <p>The majority of the term will be spent practicing exam papers in order to prepare for a Pearson EDEXCEL Functional Skills Exam. This exam will test the student's abilities to send and receive emails, edit Word and Excel documents and to follow instructions.</p> <p>In addition students will also use Scratch to create computer code, develop their own programs and create sprites.</p>
Enterprise	<p>Continuing on a recycling/upcycling theme we will be making seeded paper from recycled egg boxes and cutting seeded paper for card making.</p> <p>Also upcycling and restoring furniture and wooden items.</p> <p>Learning to make and use chalk paint to upcycle small furniture.</p>
SoCo	<p>This term students will be considering how they communicate and interact with people in the local community with a focus on manners. They will also be considering their friendships and how to develop them during 'friendship fortnight'. Throughout these topics students will be supported to engage in positive social interactions with peers. Students will also use play to develop their confidence and communication skills.</p>
PSHE	<p>Road Safety</p> <p>This year student will be learning about different aspects related to road safety. Lessons will be based on discussions and covered different aspects of safety from driver, pedestrian and cyclist perspective. Students will learn about different road signs and their meanings. Students will be taking part in a Road Safety Week. Students will also learn about how to be safe on a bike and design their own cycle helmet.</p> <p>There will be a trip around our local area aiming at identifying and recording road signs around the school.</p>