



Curriculum Overview - Autumn Term 2026-2027

This term, Year 12 will be learning about:

Art	Biology	Business
A wide range of workshops focussing on lots of different techniques and application of media, to build up skills that can be utilised in the personal portfolio. Our assessments this term will focus on: The workshop content	Theme- Foundations in Biology Basic components of living systems, Biological molecules, Plasma membranes, Enzymes Biodiversity and Evolution: Classification and evolution, Biodiversity Exchange and transport: Exchange surfaces and breathing Our assessments this term will focus on: End of topic assessments that will develop exam skills and test understanding of content	Theme 1 - Marketing Theme 2 - Raising finance and financial planning Our assessments this term will focus on: Developing exam skills, interpreting case studies and developing their evaluative skills.
Chemistry	Classical Civilisation	Dance
Chapter 1: Atomic Structure Chapter 2: Structure and Bonding Chapter 3: Redox I Chapter 5: Amounts of Substance Chapter 6: Organic Chemistry Our assessments this term will focus on: Transition to A Level exam questions covering content covered this term	Greek Religion: The Olympian deities, personal experience of the divine, religion in society and sanctuaries. Our assessments this term will focus on: building essay and exam skills for the Greek Religion paper.	Component 1: Performance - solo linked to specified dance practitioners stylist features Choreography: Exploration of devices as well as performance within a choreography and movement memory Component 2: Appreciation - Analysis of Rooster dance work by Christopher Bruce Our assessments this term will focus on: Solo performance and Section A exam questions on Rooster and aspects of Rambert
Economics	English Literature	Fashion
Theme 1 - microeconomics - An introduction to economic theory and markets Theme 2 - measures of economic performance and aggregate supply and demand. Our assessments this term will focus on: Introducing students to the shorter exam questions and familiarising students with the exam structure.	Shakespeare - Hamlet Chaucer - The Merchant's Tale and Prologue Our assessments this term will focus on: Introducing students to exam questions, deepening knowledge of writing about contextual factors and honing skills in developing an argument in essay writing	Unit 2: Designing and Making Principles Skills: Fabric embellishment techniques, understanding patterns, basic garment construction, developed sewing machine skills. Our assessments this term will focus on: Exam question practice. End of Unit 2 mock exam in lesson. Assessment of sketchbook and practical assignments.
Film Studies	French	Geography
Introduction to Film: students are introduced to the key elements of film form Component 1: Alien and Vertigo - a comparative study of both films focusing on context and auteur theory Component 2: Parasite and Pan's Labyrinth - a double film study focusing on analysis of key elements of film form. Our assessments this term will focus on: Comparative analysis of Vertigo and Alien Double film study of Parasite and Pan's Labyrinth	Theme 1: Changes in French society Unit 1: Changes in Family structures Unit 2: Education Consolidating subject knowledge through all four language skills. Film: Au revoir les enfants - introduction to themes and characters Our assessments this term will focus on: Baseline test: Listening, Reading, Grammar, Translation	Topic 1: Tectonic Processes and Hazards: Understanding the causes of hazards, the way they can be managed and responded to. Topic 2: Globalisation: The consequences of globalisation for global development and the physical environment. Our assessments this term will focus on: Baseline Assessment. Plus end of unit assessments which aim to develop exam skills for a range of command words and geographical skills.



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Health & Social Care	History	Mathematics
Unit 1: Human Health & Development Human growth and development through the life stages; Factors affecting human growth and development across each life stage Unit 2: Human Biology & Health Organisation of the human body, Body systems Our assessments this term will focus on: Memory and recall of key terminology Exam skills practice for Units 1 and 2 & 2027 exams	Paper 1: Tsarist and Communist Russia Alexander II and his reforms, analysing the success and impact. Alexander III and his revisionist attitude. Paper 2: The Wars of the Roses Henry VI's challenges as King of England and the outbreak of the Wars of the Roses. The breakdown of relations between the Lancastrians and Yorkists. Our assessments this term will focus on: Recall terminology and ability to write extended answers focused on core content	Pure Mathematics: Algebraic expressions, indices & surds, quadratic functions, equations & inequalities, graphs & transformations, binomial expansion Mechanics: Forces & motion, connected particles, friction Statistics Data collection, measures of location and spread Our assessments this term will focus on: A baseline test assessing the GCSE skills and application of these to unfamiliar problems. Half termly assessments with exam style questions.
Mathematics: Core	Mathematics: Further	Music
Analysis of Data: Data Handling, sampling methods, displaying data, averages and measures of spread Personal Finance: Use of percentages, planning budgets, interpreting payslips, income tax and national Insurance Correlation and Regression: Scatter graphs and best-fit lines, correlation coefficients, regression lines Normal Distribution: Understanding the normal distribution and the standard normal distribution, estimating probabilities and transforming data to a standard normal distribution Our assessments this term will focus on: End of unit assessment on the above topics including skills and exam-style questions	Core Pure Mathematics: Complex Numbers, argand diagrams, series, roots of polynomials, matrices, linear transformations, proof by induction Decision Mathematics Algorithms, graphs & networks, algorithms on graphs Further Mechanics Introduction to mechanics, momentum & impulse, work, energy & power Our assessments this term will focus on: End of unit tests that support students in familiarising themselves with exam style questions.	AoSA: Development of the Symphony: Introduction and Haydn Symphony 100 Movement I AoSB: Jazz. Ragtime, Early Jazz and Big Band. Composition: Western Classical tools and techniques Our assessments this term will focus on: Solo performance Composition tasks End of unit listening tests
Photography	Physical Education	Physics
A wide range of workshops focussing on lots of different techniques and technical application of Photography, to build up skills that can be utilised in the personal portfolio. Our assessments this term will focus on: Assessment of workshop skills learned	Paper 1: Section A: Anatomy & Physiology Energy systems, Vo2, Energy transfer Section B: Skill acquisition Skill, skill continuums and transfer of skills Impact of skill classification on structure of practice for learning Section C: Sport & Society Pre-industrial (pre-1780); Industrial and post-industrial (1780–1900) Our assessments this term will focus on: End of unit tests with exam system questions in each topic to assess understanding of content	Measurements and their errors; Particles and radiation; Waves Required Practicals: 1. Investigation into the variation of the frequency of stationary waves on a string, tension and mass per unit length of the string 2. Investigation of interference in Young's slit experiment and diffraction by a diffraction grating Our assessments this term will focus on: Baseline test assessing skills and knowledge



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Politics	Psychology	Sociology
Paper 1: UK Politics Democracy and Participation. Political Parties. Paper 2: UK Government The Constitution Parliament. Our assessments this term will focus on: A baseline assessment for both units End of unit essay based assessments	Paper 1: Introductory Topics in Psychology Social Influence Memory Attachment Paper 2: Psychology in Context Approaches in Psychology Research Methods Our assessments this term will focus on: Introducing students to the exam structure and question types, End of topic tests Research Methodology & Synoptic links	Beginner Sociological Theory Sociology of Education Culture and Identity Our assessments this term will focus on: Baseline test on Sociological Theory Future exam practice on Education and Culture & Identity
Spanish	Step Up	
Theme 1: Changes in Spanish society Unit 1: Changes in Family structures Unit 2: The world of Work Consolidating subject knowledge through all four language skills. Our assessments this term will focus on: Baseline test: Listening, Reading, Grammar, Translation	Non- Assessed curriculum Key Themes: Study Skills - Effective Organisation, Reading, Note Taking and Public Speaking Religion & World Views - Stewardship, Ethics in Different Professions, Free Will & Determinism and Inequality & Poverty Wellbeing & Personal Awareness - Consent Cultural Events - The Festival Year Next Steps - Super Curriculars & UNIFROG In the News - National Issues	

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