



Curriculum Overview - Autumn Term 2026-2027

*This term, **Year 8** will be learning about the following:*

English	Maths	Science
<u>The Hobbit</u>: The novel explores the unforgettable story of Bilbo, a peace-loving hobbit, who embarks on a strange and magical adventure. Our assessments this term will focus on: Reading and writing	Ratio and scale, multiplicative change, multiplying and dividing fractions, working in the cartesian plane, tables and probability, indices, algebraic expressions. Our assessments this term will focus on: Topic assessments covering units above.	Motorsport (Physics) (Forces and Speed) You are What You Eat (Biology) (Diet and lifestyle and mixtures) Our assessments this term will focus on: Numeracy, application of knowledge gained of the topics above
Art and Design	Computer Science	Design and Technology
Beetle Sculptures using found materials. Our assessments this term will focus on: Construction techniques for sculpture.	Networking Python Turtle Our assessments this term will focus on: Start of topic knowledge assessments and end of topic tests.	Textiles: Pattern Cutting, Garment. Construction and Sewing Machine Skills. Food: Cultural Foods, Food Provenance and Cooking Skills. Product Design: Plastics, Workshop Equipment, Mechanisms and Shaping Skills. Our assessments this term will focus on: Application of knowledge on practical outcomes.
Drama	French	Geography
Physical theatre and how to devise a performance using these techniques. Brechtian theatre and how to devise a performance using these techniques. Our assessments this term will focus on: Performing to an audience and using key techniques for specific theatre styles	Perfect tense (talking about a past holiday - activities and opinions), celebrations and festivals, buying food. Using three tenses together. Our assessments this term will focus on: Writing and Transcription.	Cold Environments: focusing on polar, tundra and mountainous regions. Biome characteristics, human exploration and climate change considerations. Our assessments this term will focus on: Case studies and cold environment characteristics.
History	Music	PSHE
The British Empire, Transatlantic Slave Trade and WW1. Our assessments this term will focus on: Sources, interpretations and oracy through the topics above.	The 12 Bar Blues: Furthering keyboard skills and an introduction to improvisation. Folk Music: Introduction to the ukulele and group performance. Our assessments this term will focus on: Performance, arrangement and improvisation	Confident Me, Personal Safety, First Aid and Healthy Living. Our assessments this term will focus on: Consolidate and apply learning through informal assessments.
Physical Education	REP	Spanish
Build on the skills learnt in Yr7, refining and applying them to competitive situations in a variety of conditioned environments. Our assessments this term will focus on: One of the autumn and spring sports within the curriculum demonstrating skills learned.	An introduction to Judaism, with a focus on the messianic prophecy. Our assessments this term will focus on: How to interpret sources of wisdom and scripture. How does the messianic prophecy fit into a wider context?	The past tense: past holidays, activities and opinions, TV habits, music preferences, using our phone, making comparisons and using the present and past tense together. Our assessments this term will focus on: Writing and Transcription.