

Autumn Term 2

Year 9

Please use this route through to find out what students are learning in the classroom and beyond.

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	Assessment	Home Learning
How should I plan my time?	Students think hard and answer lots of questions every lesson. Students practice and get feedback on their work.	Due every Thursday at 4pm: 1 hour Sparx Maths 1 hour Sparx English
	Exams: No formal exams this half term.	Due every Friday at 4pm: 1 hour Sparx Science
Subject	What are students learning in lessons?	What could students do to extend their learning and develop their character?
Art	Natural Forms: Research and respond. Use Peter Randall Page and a variety of ceramics artists to inspire designs for ceramics.	Be creative: collect images of natural forms and 3D artwork inspired by them.
Computer Science	Cyber phronesis: online conduct, the effects of cyberbullying and analysing real life data.	Be creative: create a poster to role model positive online behaviour.
Drama	Political Theatre: exploring the practitioner Bertolt Brecht and his political theatre.	Be open-minded: read a newspaper and find out about local and world wide events.
English	The Crucible continued: exploration of characterisation and themes throughout the play. Creating links to the 1950's McCarthy era and The Salem Witch Trials in 1692.	Be curious: research the 1950's American McCarthy era and The 1962 Salem Witch Trials. Be independent: revise the play and key quotations.
Food Technology	Protein: why we need protein, foods that provide protein. Fats: we need fat, how we can make healthier choices about the fat we eat, cooking meatballs and alternatives as a high protein, low fat dish.	Be curious: how can vegetarians and vegans ensure that they eat enough protein?
French	The French speaking world: spotlight on a French speaking country and what you can do there, shopping in a Francophone country, now and before, comparing places to live in the world.	Demonstrate reflection: research and reflect on how Paris has changed since WW2. What can you do/see there now?

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Geography	Climate Change: natural and human causes, impacts, responses and future projections of climate change. Life in a Newly Emerging Economy: opportunities and challenges of economic development in Nigeria.	Be curious: use Google Earth to explore the different areas of Lagos including Makoko and Banana Island.
History	Suffrage: the work of the Suffragists and Suffragettes. Protest: Emily Davison WWI: the significance of the war for women.	Demonstrate respect: take part in a remembrance day event.
Maths	Algebraic manipulation. Laws of indices. Standard form. Expanding and factorising double brackets.	Be independent: explore how standard form is useful in Science.
Music	Composition skills: melody and accompaniment texture, cadences and melody writing (including repetition and development.	Be curious: listen to a range of songs. Can you hear where the chord changes? Can you hear where the cadences are?
Physical Education	Each set will study one of the following sports: basketball, table tennis, netball, handball, trampolining, football, hockey or fitness. For each sport students learn: preparation, execution, follow through for skills, basic rules of the sport, competitive gameplay.	Be Curious: Are you excited to watch or track the cricket this term? The Ashes between 21st Nov - 8th January!
PSHCE	Drugs and alcohol: factual understanding of legal and illegal substances. Develop a firmer understanding of the consequences and repercussions of taking drugs, including the impact on the body both physically and mentally.	Be curious: learn about the risks of different drugs, using the website 'Talk to Frank.'
Religious Studies	Life and death: Thomas Aquinas' natural law, Joseph Fletcher's situation ethics, and the ethical issues of abortion, euthanasia, animal rights and capital punishment.	Be curious: research the lives of Thomas Aquinas and Joseph Fletcher.
Science	Electricity: electrical components, circuits, current, potential difference and resistance. Magnetism: magnets, magnetic fields and electromagnetism.	Demonstrate independence: create a circuit using a potato or lemon! Investigate why this works. Can you make an electromagnet too?
Spanish	The Spanish speaking world: spotlight on a Spanish speaking country and what you can do there, shopping in a Spanish speaking country, now and before, comparing places to live in the world.	Demonstrate reflection: research and reflect on how Barcelona has changed since the Spanish Civil War. What can you do/see there now?