

# Summer Term 1

# Year 9

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

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<b>How should I plan my time?</b>	<b>Assessment</b>	<b>Home Learning</b>
	<p>Students think hard and answer lots of questions every lesson. Students practice and get feedback on their work.</p> <p>Exams: No formal exams this half term.</p>	<p>Due every Thursday at 4pm: 1 hour Sparx Maths 1 hour Sparx English</p> <p>Due every Friday at 4pm: 1 hour Sparx Science</p>
<b>Subject</b>	<b>What are students learning in lessons?</b>	<b>What could students do to extend their learning and develop their character?</b>
Art	<p>Either - Group Project: Use of and exploration of line &amp; stylisation of natural forms and portraits using pens &amp; ink on a large scale inspired by Lucy Mclaughlan. Or - GCSE style project: Everyday objects / Food: record ideas through a variety of media.</p>	<p>Be curious: research and look at semi abstract art - with a focus on colour.</p>
Computer Science	<p>Computational Thinking: computational strategies and techniques to display, reduce the complexity and solve problems.</p>	<p>Be independent: apply the computational thinking skills to worded math exam question.</p>
Drama	<p>Responding to a stimulus: use songs, quotes and images as an inspiration for making theatre. Apply the skills and techniques learnt throughout KS3 to short performances.</p>	<p>Be creative: write a short script or monologue in response to a song, quote or image.</p>
English	<p>Detective Fiction - Sherlock Holmes and The Speckled Band: characterisation and thematic exploration across the text. Non-Fiction writing: Speeches, Letters and Articles. Developing writing skills using methods for effect.</p>	<p>Be explorative: watch/listen to key speeches across history. Be independent: revise key characters and quotes.</p>
Food Technology	<p>Research and cook: research, select, plan and cook a seasonal celebratory dish.</p>	<p>Be reflective: how could you modify your dish to meet nutritional guidelines more successfully?</p>
French	<p>Relationships: character descriptions and relationships, what makes a good friend and when you were younger.</p>	<p>Be creative: create a family tree for you or a friend with short descriptions of each family member in French.</p>

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Geography	Ecosystems and the Biosphere: biomes, plant and animal adaptations, direct and indirect threats to forests, conservation.	Be curious: research what palm oil is and how it is used in our every day life. Reflect on how your feel about the environmental consequences.
History	The Grand Alliance: the relationship between Britain, France and the USA 1941-1945. The arms race: development of nuclear weapons after 1945. Cold War crises: tensions in Cuba & Germany 1948-1963	Be curious: What happened to Peter Fechter and why?
Maths	Pythagoras Theorem. Interior and exterior angles in polygons. Vectors. Transformations.	Be creative: research tessellation. Can you create your own tessellating pattern?
Music	Intermediate guitar and film music.	Be Curious: listen to the music used in films, how does it add to what is happening on the screen?
Physical Education	Each set will study one of the following sports: athletics, Rounders, tennis, cricket, softball or stoolball. 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 UEFA Football Champions League? 30th May, check it out!
PSHCE	New risks: risks of addiction and where to find support. Risks of 'fake news' and how and why to report. Risks around 'propaganda' linked to radicalisation and extremism and how to report.	Demonstrate independence: explore the NSPCC website. Have a look at the Online Safety Quiz with a parent / carer.
Religious Studies	Wealth and Poverty: Christian and Muslim beliefs about wealth and giving to charity. Sikhism: the beliefs and practices of Sikhs today.	Be curious: investigate the langar meal.
Science	Cells: organelles and their functions in animal, plant and bacterial cells. Radiation: types of radiation and their applications.	Be curious: how are bacteria cells different to animal cells? Where do we use bacterial cells in industry?
Spanish	Relationships: character descriptions and relationships, what makes a good friend, when you were younger.	Be creative: create a family tree for you or a friend with short descriptions of each family member.