

Curriculum Overview for Key Stage 3;

Subject	Year 7			Year 8			Year 9		
	Autumn	Spring	Summer	Autumn	Spring	Summer	Autumn	Spring	Summer
English	Myself and Others Novel – “The Iron Man” The Incredibles A Christmas Carol	The Novel - Oliver Twist Geat Expectations. Reading skills and creative writing	Poetry -The Highwayman/Travel Shakespeare - Macbeth	Myths and Legends Poetry and Fiction	Reading Experiences Genres – Fiction and non-fiction	Shakespeare	Novel – Poetry Reading skills and creative writing	Non-fiction – Media Comprehension and report writing. Presentation skills.	Shakespeare – The Tem Novel; Drama skills, performance pieces, comprehension and anal
Underpinning the KS 3 curriculum is a consistent focus on handwriting, spelling, punctuation, grammar, phonics and oracy									
Maths	Mental Maths Baseline Number/ Place Value Linear Calculations 2,5 10 Times Tables Time hour, ½ past, ¼ past/to Symmetry	Mental Maths Number +/- arrays Basic Fractions Calculation; Money Recognising 2D/3D basic shapes	Mental Maths Number +/- x/+ Vocabulary Data Handling Bar graphs/linear Measurement Length	Mental Maths Assessment Place value Th H T U strategies Number formal methods +/-; Time. Minutes/ Passage of time	Mental Maths Number / Counting Calculation- decimals /fractions (addition of equivalent)Space and Shape- nets/tessellation	Mental Maths Number / Counting Calculation 3,6,4,8,Times Tables;Data Handling Carroll/Venn diagrams Measurement Capacity	Mental Maths Number +/- numbers Calculation 7,9,11,12 Times Tables Fractions +/-	Mental Maths Number Word problems Calculation Timetables Properties of 2D/3D shapes	Mental Maths Assesse Number +/- x/+ formal methods Data Handling Measure Mass/Length/ Capacity
Fast Learning challenges in KS3. Throughout the Key Stage lessons will be linked to a variety of ICT opportunities. Key Stage 3 Years 7-8 will follow Rapid Maths, Year 9 and Key Stage 4 will follow Mymaths. The latter will be linked to the student’s ability level and supp their knowledge and understanding through a variety of tasks and challenges									
Science	Acids and alkalis Solids, liquids and gases / cells + bacteria	Earth and space Structure of the earth	Forces Reproduction + food webs	Atoms, elements, compounds and mixtures Variation, skeleton/muscles	Electricity and magnetism Nutrition and digestion	Periodic Table Properties and uses of materials. Energy	Chemical reactions + genetics	Light waves and sound waves Respiration / drugs	Photosynthesis Motion – speeding up + slowing down
ICT	Word Processing & Basic Computer Skills Presentations & DTP	Presentations & DTP Spreadsheet	Emails End of year project	Word processing Presentations & DTP	Spreadsheet Database	Digital Imaging End of year project	Word processing Presentations & DTP	Email Internet research	Spreadsheet Preparation for ITQ/Entr Level
All students regardless of age/year group will receive Internet Safety training during the first weeks of the Autumn Term and during Internet Safety Day (Week) (1 st week of Feb)									
RE	FAITH COMMUNITIES- Importance of Belonging and Expressions of Belonging.	Importance of Worship and Places of Worship	Rites of Passage, Birth and Initiation, wedding and Death ceremonies.	SACRED WRITINGS/ RELIGIOUS LEADERS – Bible through character and stories. Christian Leaders.	JUDAISM - Torah and Shabbat ISLAM – QU ‘ran and Mohammed	Life and importance of Religious leaders Inspirational people	BELIEFS AND PRACTICES/ IDEAS ABOUT GOD Christian Beliefs and Practices, Judaism Beliefs and Practices	Islam – Beliefs and Practices Hinduism – Beliefs and Practices	Signs and Symbols Ideas about God
PE	Swimming Football Basketball (basic skills)	Swimming Fitness Movement to Music (basic)	Swimming Cricket/rounders (basic skills) Athletics	Football Basketball Badminton (intermediate skills)	Fitness Movement to Music New Age Kurling/Boccia (intermediate)	Cricket/rounders Athletics (intermediate skills)	Football Basketball Badminton (intermediate skills)	Fitness Move to Music New Age Kurling/Boccia (intermediate)	Cricket/rounders Athletics (intermediate skills)
Art / DT	Portraits – To look at different portraits from around the world and to develop line drawing skills. Mechanism - To understand and use simple paper mechanisms	Mythical Creatures - to develop drawing skills through collage and tracing techniques. Bookends – To develop practical woodwork skills and understand safety rules	Printmaking – to look at different types of print making in the UK and to develop a simple repeat pattern. Structures – To gain understanding of different structures around the world and how they are built	Graffiti – To look at British graffiti artists and develop the use of colour. Christmas decoration – to use a range of wood work skills to produce a basic Christmas decoration.	Landscapes – to develop understanding of a foreground and background Wooden boxes: To look at traditional ways to join wood together	Fashion design – To look at the history of fashion and to develop basic designs. Mechanisms – to develop a simple wooden toy with a cam system	Animals – To develop ideas around animal camouflage through collage. Wind chimes – To develop practical wood work and metal work skills	Pop Art – To look at the history and impact of pop art and create an original pop art design. Birdhouse – To build on existing skills in woodwork and produce a successful product that is accurately measured out	Comic book – To develop literacy and artskills to produce a simple comic I about school life Egg Cup – To explore the properties of plastic materials and its properties through the use of heat.
Music	Listen to and appraise folk and world music. Explore interrelated dimensions through performing and composing	Listen to and appraise music written for Spring. Explore basic rhythm and notation through drumming.	Listen to and Appraise music for Dance. Develop performance and composing skills on the Ukulele / keyboard.	Develop composing, performing, listening and appraising skills by exploring music for TV and Film.	Explore the music of Indonesia, composing, performing, listening and appraising.	Develop performance and composing skills on the Ukulele / keyboard.	Develop composing, performing, listening and appraising skills by exploring Programme music	Explore the music of India, composing, performing, listening and appraising.	Develop performance and composing skills on the Ukulele / keyboard.
Drama	Drama is Serious Fun: Working together Christmas Production: Performance skills	It Was Terrifying Key moment; emotional literacy Mime	Shakespeare Performance skills Arts Award Personal development	Giant Thunder Monologue Authority and Subjugation	Scripted Drama The Signalman – developing performance Creating atmosphere	Shakespeare in Performance Ensembles and companies	Becoming a Character Emotional Literacy	The Snowman Theatrical Technique and form	Shakespeare in Perform Brechtian drama
History	Medieval Britain – Norman Conquest. Natural and Human World – key features of Africa, Asia, Russia, Middle East	Magna Carta Volcanoes and Earthquakes	Black Death and Peasants Revolt. Rivers – flood and drought	Britain 1509-1745 Charles I and Oliver Cromwell Chocolate and the Fair Trade.	French Revolution China and Industrialization	Captain Cook, cotton and Slave Trade. Tourism	Britain 1745-1901 Local history, industrialization Staying at home – The British Isles	Britain at War – Adolf Hitler/ Holocaust Climate zones and climate change	Britain from 1901 = Wellf State. European links.
Geog									
PSHE	Puberty; Our Class; Modern/Social Reform; Skills for work	Relationships with others; Substance use/misuse; Votes for all; Career awareness	Personal safety; Who runs the UK; Experiences of work	Sexual health; Enjoy and be active; The fight for the vote; Interests and talents	Relating to adults; Staying safe; Human Rights; Places of work	Changing family networks; Emotional health/anti social behavior; Identity, prejudice and Britishness; Finance and structure of business	Sexual health; Healthy lifestyle; Homophobia and censorship; Negotiation and confidence building	Sexual relationships; Staying safe; The Justice system; Looking forward to the future	Relationships, human rig Liberties enjoyed by citiz Informed choices and ac planning
Careers									
CShip									
MFL	Listening, reading, speaking and writing activities in GERMAN. Theme – Greetings, Numbers, ART	GERMAN – Theme SPORT.	GERMAN_ Theme – GERMAN FOOTBALL	FRENCH- Greetings, numbers, colours, Theme – CHOCOLATE	FRENCH- SPORT THEME	FRENCH – Study of France	FRENCH – SPIES AND SECRET AGENT theme	FRENCH – MUSIC and TV theme.	FRENCH- MUSIC ,TV ar FILM theme.
Cookery	Unit 1- Health, safety and hygiene in the kitchen. Unit 2- Equipment	3- Planning a shopping trip 4-Healthy eating	5- Eating together 6-Lifeskills	7- Health, safety and hygiene 8-Healthy snacks	9 and 10-Foods from around the world	11-Planning a meal for an occasion 12-Life skills	Unit 1- Health, safety and hygiene in the kitchen. 2-Preparing a meal for a special diet	3-Shopping, planning and budgeting meals 4-Healthy eating	5-Cookery book 6-Life skills

The red highlighted areas show opportunities where SMSC and British Values could naturally be promoted in the curriculum.