

Curriculum Bulletin - Y8 EPS3



What Will I Be Learning About This Half Term?

English	We will be studying the theme 'Storms, Islands and Us' We will be learning about Shakespeare's 'The Tempest' and a range of storm themed poetry. We will also be learning about effective descriptive writing.
Maths	We will be learning about fractions, percentages, ratio, area, volume and sequences
Science	This half term, year 8 will be learning about Energy, Ecosystems & Genes.
Art & Design	We will continue to work on portraits inspired by the contemporary artist Keemo and will be introduced the mechanical collages produced by the famous artist Eduardo Palozzi
Design Technology	Pupils will be designing and making a personalised picture frame (pine). We will be using a mixture of traditional hand tool skills and CAD/CAM to produce a high quality product for a client of their choice.
Drama	Moral Dilemmas This unit of work provides a context in which students can examine and clarify their own values towards a range of societal issues.
Geography	We will be learning about tectonic activity, with a focus on earthquakes, volcanoes and tsunami. Following on from this we will learn about the physical processes that create river landscapes and how humans interact with rivers.
History	We will be learning about 'The Industrial Revolution' and 'Getting the vote'. Pupils will learn about the themes of development of political power and changes in British society. This builds on the 'Changing ideas 1669 to 1789', where pupils learned about changes in British society. As well as previous topics studied on these themes.
ICT	We will be learning about Data Representation. This builds on the work completed in Year 7 on How computers work. We will then look at binary logic which builds on the binary work studied in year 7.
Languages	We will be learning about the world of technology and what young people use the internet for such as social media and mobile technology including apps, iPads, tablets etc. This will follow on from writing a review about a Spanish film on the topic of cinema previously studies.
Learning for Life	We will be learning about the relationship between religious beliefs, peace and forgiveness building on our previous learning using these themes from the perspective of three world religions.
Music	Pupils are starting a new topic 'Remix' In this topic pupils use the Mac computers to create remixes of existing songs. They will listen to a range a remixes and develop a knowledge of music samples.
Physical Education	Boys - We will be learning the skills, techniques and tactics in football and the physical and skill related components of health-related fitness and the methods of training associated with them. Girls - We will be re-visiting data from year 7 healthy lifestyles unit and will look to improve scores by undertaking several fitness tests.