



Curriculum Bulletin - Y9 EPS3



What Will I Be Learning About This Half Term?

English	We will be learning about Malorie Blackman's 'Noughts and Crosses'. We will be learning about character, theme and how to analyse extracts and a whole text.
Maths	We will be learning about ratio, area, volumes, sequences and graphs
Science	This half term in Biology we will study diseases, in Chemistry we will study separation techniques and acids and in Physics we will be learning about how we use energy within the home, how we generate that electricity and the fundamentals of electrical circuits.
Geography	We will be continuing to learn about a major UK city, with the focus being on London. We will learn about the growth of the city and the opportunities and challenges offered to the people that live there. Following on from this we will then learn about how urban areas can be made more sustainable for the people that live in them.
German	We will be learning about the world around us, in particular looking at key topical themes such as the environment and how it affects our hometown and region.
History	We will be learning about 'Change over time'. Pupils will learn about the development of British society. This builds on 'The Middle East', where pupils learned about the development of political power, war and conflict and discrimination and rights. As well as previous topics studied on these themes.
ICT	We will be learning programming skills in Python.
Learning for Life	We will be learning about the key beliefs in Islam as a world religion and how these beliefs impact upon life choices, including within personal and family relationships and why they are important to Muslims in the UK today.



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Art and Design	We are working on the theme of portrait and are working from and inspired the contemporary artists Aaron Kraten and Debs Weiers.
Computer Science	We will be learning about Networks. Specifically network topologies and protocols. This builds on the work completed on the Introduction to Networks unit in year 8. We will then move onto network security.
Dance	We will be completing our group choreography and work on physical skills. In addition we will be beginning work on technical skills and solo dances.
Design Technology	Pupils will be designing and making a MP3 docking station, this will include soldering skills, electronic components knowledge and making of detailed housing linked to a client.
Digital Art	Students are developing skills and understanding of GIF graphics/animation. They will learn how to animate and produce simple moving graphics that explore composition, colour and style through structured workshops including light art.
Drama	Students will explore the practitioner Brecht and use his conventions to create, develop and perform a devised piece of theatre.
Enterprise and Marketing	We will be learning about market research, designing and marketing a product.
Music	Pupils are beginning new compositions this term to further develop their composition skills. Pupils are also using their listening skills to develop a deeper understanding of the Musical elements. Music will be selected from a range of genres and give them a greater understanding of the musical timeline.
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Psychology	We will be learning about why criminal and anti-social behaviour occurs and developing an understanding of a range of research methods and how they are applied to Psychological research.
Sport	We will be learning how to plan and deliver a sports leadership session whilst evaluating its effectiveness by looking at strengths and areas for improvement of our coaching abilities.