

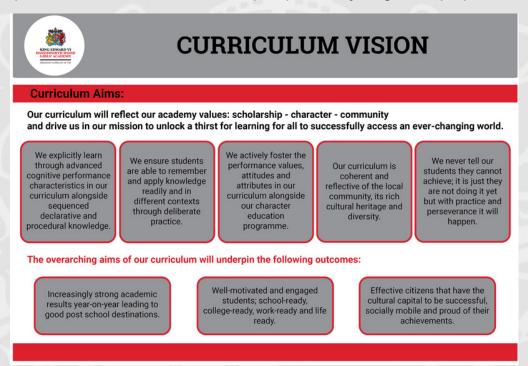
# Family Guide Year 8 Curriculum

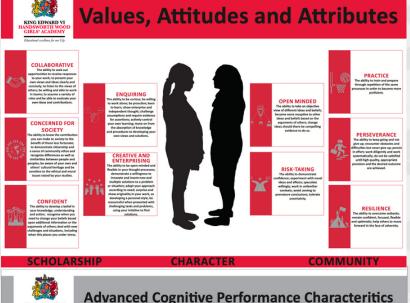


Scholarship - Character - Community

# **Our Curriculum**

Our curriculum vision is underpinned by our core values of scholarship, character and community. It is our mission to unlock a thirst for learning and ensure our students are school-ready, work ready and life-ready. This booklet is for families and students to see what learning is planned throughout the year in each subject. This can be used to revisit topics previously taught and prepare for future learning.





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# HIGH PERFORMANCE LEARNING

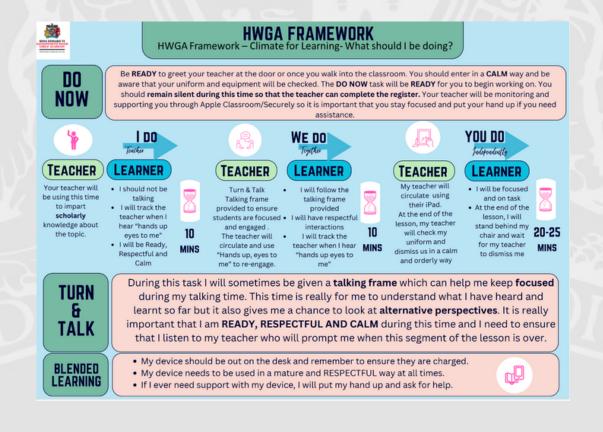
Our core aim is excellence for all which is underpinned by our vision, mission and values. We are a High Performance Learning World Class school which means that we believe in the HPL philosophy and framework. This means that we believe that all the students can be high performers, and we teach with these expectations in mind. We use HPL to develop our core values of scholarship, character and community which focuses on the Advanced Cognitive Performance skills and the Values, Attitudes and Attributes of the HPL framework. Your child will be taught these characteristics in the curriculum and through our pastoral support. The HPL framework is a set of characteristics that are well researched to prepare students for now and the future world of work.

# **Teaching & Learning Approach**



We implement our curriculum using a consistent learning framework which starts with students retrieving knowledge previously taught. Your child will follow a framework of modelled practice where the teacher explicitly models learning during the 'I Do', time for collaboration and questioning in the 'We do', then handed over to students during the 'You do' phase to apply their thinking.

To maximise learning and engagement, the following climate for learning framework outlines the attitude to learning that will support great progress and excellent outcomes.



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### **MATHS**

### **Year 8 Curriculum**

### **Curriculum Aims:**

In KS3, we teach for Mastery. Mastering maths means students of all ages acquiring a deep, long-term, secure and adaptable understanding of the subject. The phrase 'teaching for mastery' describes the elements of classroom practice and school organisation that combine to give students the best chances of mastering maths. Achieving mastery means acquiring a solid enough understanding of the maths that's been taught to enable students to move on to more advanced material.



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### **AUTUMN**

# Will a sequence of reciprocals ever have a 0 term? Students will generate terms of a linear sequences, generate terms of a non-linear sequences, identify different types of linear and non-linear sequences, find a given term in a linear sequence, develop a rule for finding a term in a linear sequence and generalizing the position to term rule for a linear sequence (n!" term) —

(Sequences).

Student will classify expressions, equations, inequalities and identities, derive equations from different contexts, solve linear equations with an unknown on one side then both sides, solve equations involving fractional terms and brackets and interpret the solution to an equation based on the context from which it is derived (forming and solving equations).

Students develop their understanding of inequalities from to include number line representations, understanding when inequalities are or are not satisfied, and finding solutions to simple linear inequalities.

Students form and solve inequalities based on geometric properties, contexts and pictorial representations, and experience manipulations that do and do not preserve inequality relationships. (forming and solving inequalities)

**Topics:** Generating term to term sequence for linear and non-linear, find the nth term, Forming and solving equations and inequalities

### How can graphs help you represent, display analyse data?

Students will understand; how to plot points in four quadrants. Students will plot coordinates from a rule to generate a straight line, develop a rule into an algebraic representation, develop concept of gradient using graphs of the form y=ax before moving to equations of the form y=ax+b, identify key features of a linear graph including the y-intercept and the gradient, make links between the graphical and the algebraic representation of a linear graph, recognise different algebraic representations of a linear graph, identify parallel lines from algebraic representations (linear graphs).

Students will understand how to draw real life graphs, experience describing, comparing and visualizing changing rate. They will be able to contextualise speed and compare in in different measures. (Real-life graphs).

**Topics:** Plot linear graph and find the equation of the line and parallel line, Drawing and interpreting real-life graphs

### SPRING

### Can graphs help you solve algebraic proportional problems?

Students will understand how to draw real life graphs, experience describing, comparing and visualizing changing rate. They will be able to contextualise speed and compare in in different measures. (Real-life graphs)

Students explore multiplicative relationships and balance, and revisit key concepts such as scale factor and constant of proportionality. Students compare directly and inversely proportional relationships before finding missing values and generalising. Finally, direct and inverse relationships emerge as different parts of speed × time = distance are held constant. (Direct and Inverse Proportion)

**Topics:** Drawing and interpreting real-life graphs, multiplicative relationships, proportion

### How is statistical analysis beneficial in real life?

Students are introduced to the fundamentals of data collection and analysis including question writing, classifying data, collecting data using tally charts, and interpreting data in bar and pie charts. (Univariate data)

Students extend their understand of what bivariate data is, and how it can be represented, to this week where they make deductions from the data, such as predict non-existent data, find averages, and assessing causality. (Bivariate Data)

**Topics:** Calculate averages, representing data using a suitable diagram, Bivariate data, scatter diagram

### SUMMER

# For an infinite-sided regular polygon, what would the values of the interior and exterior angles be?

Students will know the sum of interior angles of a triangle and use to solve angle problems (revise from Year 7). Explore different methods for finding the sum of the interior angles of polygons by splitting the shape into triangles. Generalise different methods for finding the sum of interior and define the sum of the exterior angles of a polygon. Use the sum of the interior and exterior angles of a polygon to solve problems. (Angles in a polygon)

Students will understand conventions for drawing and measuring bearings, plot and measure the position of an object on a given bearing and distance from a specified point, solve problems. (Bearings)

**Topics:** Angles in a polygon and their properties. Draw, measure and solve problems involving bearings

### Where is geometry used in the real world?

Students build on their understanding of circles as geometric 'tools' for constructing shapes of known side lengths to include calculating circumference and arc lengths. Students understand Pi as the ratio between radius squared and circumference, work out area of circles, sectors and compound shapes. (Circles)

Students learn the vocabulary to investigate properties of solid shapes. They are challenged to develop their visualisation skills working with 2-D representations and nets. Students work with prisms, cross sections and surface area. (Volume and surface area of prisms)

**Topics:** Circumference of circle, area of a circle, prisms and cylinders, volume, surface area





### **Curriculum Aims:**



To provide stimulating and exciting science lessons to enable all students to make the best possible progress and develop a passion for science that encourages them to have a career in the sciences.

KS3 students are taught 10 Big Ideas over three years that cover various aspects of Biology, Chemistry and Physics with a focus on Practical and Working Scientifically Skills.

### **AUTUMN**

# What is photosynthesis and why it is important? How can we test for the products of photosynthesis? How is a leaf adapted for photosynthesis? What and why is respiration important? How is aerobic respiration different from Anaerobic? What is fermentation? (Ecosystems)

Students will investigate the importance and photosynthesis and carry out investigations to test for the products. They will learn about the structure of the leaf and how the leaf is adapted for photosynthesis. Students will be able to compare aerobic and anaerobic respiration. They will learn how living organisms break down organic molecules to enable all other chemical processes.

# What are the differences in Current, Voltage and resistance in series and parallel circuits? How can we vary the strength of an electromagnet? What does the field pattern look like around the earth and how does this compare to a magnet? (Electromagnets)

Students will be able to set up and draw series and parallel circuits and will be able to draw an identify components. Students will investigate the differences between series and parallel circuits in terms of current and voltage. Students will investigate how to increase an electromagnets strength and what magnetic fields look like.

### Topics: Ecosystems and electromagnets.

Graph skills and understanding.

Data analysis skills

Application of knowledge, practical skills, evaluation and analysis

### Which light bulb is the most cost effective to run a filament bulb or a fluorescent? What are the energy transfers in a car or computer? What is work done and how do we measure it? How can we prevent heat loss? (Energy)

Students will be able to compare the running costs of a variety of equipment and be able to calculate the running costs. Students will learn about different ways of generating electricity. Students will be able to determine and explain energy changes for a variety of equipment. Students will be able to calculate work done and explain it.

Students will learn how to reduce energy loss by radiation, convection, and conduction.

### How are elements arranged in the periodic table? (The periodic table)

Students will be able to relate features of the particle model to the properties of materials in different states, sort elements using chemical data and relate this to the position in the periodic table. They will also compare the properties of elements with the properties of a compound formed from

**Topics:** Energy Costs, Energy Transfer, Work Done and Heating and Cooling

Application of physical formulae. Graph skills for cooling curves. Evaluation of energy generation types.

### **SPRING**

### How do we revise and revisit learning? (Health Interleaving) Students will learn some revision techniques and apply them to the health

How do you know when a chemical reaction has occurred and how can we determine reactivity? (Chemical Reactions)

Students will investigate and learn about different reactions, what is formed when they react and be able to write word and formula equations. Students will undertake a variety of chemical reactions learning how to identify when a reaction has occurred and how to rank according to reactivity.

### How and why do humans vary from each other? How have these changes occurred over millions of years? (Adaptations and inheritance)

Students will be explained how variation may have led to the survival of one species and the extinction of another. Students will identify characteristics as inherited and environmental and be able to explain why they have grouped them as such. Students will be able to explain how genetic material is stored in a cell and how it passes from generation to generation.

### How is speed calculated, what are motion graphs? how and why does pressure vary? (Motion and pressure)

Students will investigate the variables that affect the speed of a toy car on a ramp. They will interpret motion graphs and will investigate why objects sink and float and what pressures are being applied.

Topics: Genes, inheritance, and evolution.

Analysis of data. Hypothesis and predictions. Determining Variables. Measuring continuous and categoric data.

### How do we revise and revisit learning? (Chemical Reactions Interleaving)

Students will learn revision techniques and apply them to the Chemical Reactions unit

### What is the structure of the earth, what resources can we obtain from it? How has the atmosphere evolved and what factors continue to change its composition? (Earth)

Students will be able to describe the structure of the earth and state how different forms of rocks and fossils are formed. Students will be able to determine what factors have changed the composition of the atmosphere and will be able to interpret graphs based on these changes. Students will look at what resources we can obtain from the earth and determine how we can use these in a sustainable manner.

# What are the key features of the digestive system and what are their functions? How do we maintain a healthy body and what factors can affect our organ systems?

### (Health and lifestyle)

Students will undertake a journey through the digestive system and be able to explain the function of each part. Students will be able determine diets for specific needs and will complete food tests for all the major food groups. Students will investigate the how to maintain a healthy body and determine how the body fights infection. Students will also learn the structure and function of the main organ systems in the body.

# How do you know when a chemical reaction has occurred and how can we determine reactivity? What are polymers and their uses? (Metals and acids)

Students will investigate how metals react with acids, oxygen and water, what they form when they react and be able to write word and formula equations. Students will undertake a variety of chemical reactions learning how to identify when a reaction has occurred and how to rank according to reactivity.

**Topics:** Earth structure, atmosphere, composition.

Analysis of data atmospheric changes. Hypothesis and predictions of changes to the atmosphere and resources. Group work and discussion skills.

### SUMMER

How do we revise and revisit learning? (Waves Interleaving)
Students will learn revision techniques and apply them to the
Chemical Reactions unit

# How do we revise and study independently, so we are successful in our End of Year Assessment?

Students will be taught a Nd practice a variety of revision techniques and apply these to their areas of need.

**Topics:** Revision Techniques Graph skills and understanding.

Data analysis skills

Application of knowledge, practical skills, evaluation and analysis

# What would be expected of me when completing a Required Practical? (Full Practical Write-ups)

Students will embed their practical write-up knowledge.
Students will be able to identify variables in a practical, collect valid data and identify errors. They will be able to graph their results and draw a valid conclusion.

# What question can I investigate or what topic of interest can I improve my knowledge and understanding of? (Projects)

Students will work in groups on a project of their choice and develop a wider knowledge and understanding of their chosen area. Groups will present back to the class.

**Topics:** Practical skills; predictions, variables, data collection, error identification, graph skills and conclusions.

Projects: Group work, self-motivation, research, organisation, presentation skills, confidence



# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

# **Year 8 Curriculum**



### **Curriculum Aims:**

THE COME PURPOSE OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES AT KEVI HWGA:

- ENCOURAGES PHILOSOPHICAL THOUGHT, DECISION-MAKING SKILLS, COLLABORATION AND INDEPENDENT WORKING SKILLS AND THE SEARCH FOR COMPROMISE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTIONS THAT WORK.

- MAKES A KEY AND UNIQUE CONTRIBUTION TO UNDEPSTAMBIONE BRITISH HERITAGE, PLURALITY, VALUES AND FUTURES.

- ENABLES PUPILS TO BE ABLE TO LEARN HOW TO RESPECT THEMSELVES AND UNDERSTAMD THEIR OWN AND OTHERS THE SEARCH SE



AUTUMN	SPRING	SUMMER
Baseline assessment Study of faith	Rites of passage	Moral Dilemma
To learn relevant keywords. Compare the similarities and differences within and/or between religions and beliefs. The influence of religion on individuals, communities, and societies. Analyse religious viewpoints and its impact on 21st century Britain.	To learn relevant keywords. Compare the similarities and differences within and/or between religions and beliefs. The influence of religion on individuals, communities, and societies. Analyse religious viewpoints and its impact on 21st century Britain.	To learn relevant keywords. Compare the similarities and differences within and/or between religions and beliefs. The influence of religion on individuals, communities, and societies. Analyse religious viewpoints and its impact on 21st century Britain.
<b>Topics:</b> Christian and Sikh independent learning Beginnings Festivals Teachings	Topics: How do religions celebrate each transition? Focus on 2 religions: Christianity and Sikhism Describe and explain each ROP and its impact on the community Birth, initiations, marriage, deaths	Topics: Discussing moral issues and the problems that arise for the believer Reflect on religious teachings Sanctity of life Quality of life
Worship Life in Britain Festivals	What is the impact of celebrating your traditions in the UK? Similarities and differences	Abortion Euthanasia Arguments for & against
Topics: Christmas Visakhi and Diwali Id ul fitr/Id ul Adha /Ashura The importance of celebrations The true meaning behind the festivals	Birth, initiations, marriage, deaths	Facts /religious teachings vs non religious attitudes in contemporary Britain
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# **ENGLISH**

# **Year 8 Curriculum**



Curriculum Aims:

The curriculum aims to equip students with powerful knowledge that will form a solid foundation for further study, In Year 8, students not only study accomplished texts which widen their knowledge of historical events and their understanding of dramatic concepts such as the 'wellmade play'; students also have the opportunity to study more diverse writers. In Year 8, students consider texts such as 'Clap When You Land' and as such are introduced to dual narratives and the notion of the verse novel.



SPRING	SUMMER
'Journey's End'	Comedy: 'As You Like it'
Topics: Irony – dramatic irony, analysing metaphors, allusion, symbolism, narrative voice, characterisation: character's thoughts and dialogue, the well-made play, motif, acts and scenes, rhyme, metre, enjambment and caesura  'Great Expectations'  Topics: Extended metaphor, analysing extended metaphor in depth, motif, irony, narrative voice, narrative stricture (frames, cyclical), dialogue, characterisation, epistolary writing.	Topics: Extended metaphor, analysing extended metaphor in depth, allusion, allegory, symbolism, satire, genre of comedy, the structure of comedy, comic archetypes, the development of the genre over time, different types of comedy over time, parody, epigram.
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### **Curriculum Aims:**

ART AS A SUBJECT HAS THE POTENTIAL TO BROADEN PERCEPTION, ENHANCE AND DEVELOP MOTOR SKILLS, CAPTURE, AND ENCOURAGE IMAGINATION, AND DEVELOP AWARENESS OF THE PHYSICAL WORLD, IN INTERPRETATION OF COLOUR, LIGHT AND FORM THROUGH VISUAL PERCEPTION. AS STUDENTS PROGRESS, THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO THINK CRITICALLY AND DEVELOP A MORE RIGOROUS UNDERSTANDING OF ART AND DESIGN. THEY SHOULD KNOW HOW ART AND DESIGN BOTH REFLECT AND SHAPE OUR HISTORY, CULTURE, AND CREATIVITY. ART SHOULD ENGAGE, INSPIRE AND CHALLENGE STUDENTS, EQUIPPING THEM WITH THE KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS TO EXPERIMENT, INVENT AND CREATE THEIR WORK OWN WORKS OF ART, CRAFT AND DESIGN.

AUTUMN	SPRING	SUMMER
How can I transfer my knowledge of the formal elements to observational drawing? (Desserts Project) Students further learn about colour theory and research artists in the Pop Art movement who were influenced by colour. Students will use technical language when analysing their own and peers work and have opportunities to create art work in teams.  Topics: Fine Art skills Textile skills	How are social issues addressed in art and design? (Issues Project) Students will learn about social issues and how they are represented in art and design for example, consumerism. Students explore a range of contemporary artists and how they have made social statements through their art work.  Topics: Technical drawing-proportion Inspiration from other artists	What impact does perspective have on my drawings? (Buildings Project) Students will understand the technical language of perspective and how to create 3D drawings using the illusion of perspective. Students to research and analyse artists who have used perspective and the impact it has on their works.  Topics: Technical language Inspiration from other artists
The formal elements Colour theory Using technical language Procedural knowledge	Expressing opinions Respect to others Procedural knowledge Declarative knowledge	Technical drawing Drawing from perspective Procedural knowledge Declarative knowledge
Declarative knowledge  How do I translate my knowledge and skills of 2D drawing into 3D sculptural work? (Desserts Project)  Pupils will take inspiration from other artists and experiment with scaleenlarging objects. Students will explore a range of materials and in teams design and create large scale cardboard desserts.  Topics: Using different tools Mixed media Team work Communication Designing Procedural knowledge Declarative knowledge	How do I generate my own ideas in Art and Design? (Issues project)  Students will research the artist Grayson Perry and how his art work deals with political and social issues.  Students to incorporate literacy/text into their artwork and design a narrative for their 3D vase. They research traditional and contemporary ideas of vanity.  Topics: Creativity with composition Responding to an issue Generating own opinion Listening to others Generating ideas Procedural knowledge Declarative knowledge	How can I experiment with perspective in a 3D setting? (Buildings Project)  Students to experiment with creating 3D buildings considering composition and layout. To learn about building 3D structures using NETS and designing the front of a townhouse considering your own artistic style  Topics:  Designing Understanding NETS Experimenting with composition Generating ideas Procedural knowledge Declarative knowledge
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### **Curriculum Aims:**

Students are required to understand the need and how to follow legislation in computer science. Students to be responsible, competent, confident and creative users of information and communication technology. Students are required to understand and apply the fundamental



COMPUTING	principles and concepts of computer science, including abstraction, logic, and algorithms.	
AUTUMN	SPRING	SUMMER
Website Development This unit will enable students to understand the basics of creating multipage websites. It will enable learners to demonstrate their creativity by combining components to create a functional, intuitive and aesthetically pleasing website. It will allow them to interpret a	Programming – Use of Scratch Scratch opens up the opportunity for students to become creative communicators, computational thinkers and empowered learners. When students gain experience in designing and coding projects that express their ideas, they develop computational fluency.	Advanced Spreadsheets Spreadsheet skills prepare students for the future. S skills allow students to: Organise Calculate

specific brief. In the first few lessons, students will be trained on using our platforms (using one drive, organising folders, rename files, downloading files and saving it to one drive, Seneca premium, Teams, staff zone etc)

client brief and to use planning and preparation techniques when

properties, purposes and features of multipage websites, plan and

create a multipage website and review the final website against a

developing a multipage website. On completion of this unit,

students will be able to explore and understand the different

### Topics:

Algorithms **Problem Solving** Communication and coordination Digital Literacy

Python Programming (intermediate) There is a computer program behind just about everything we use today. Without computer programs many things, from washing machines to aeroplanes, would not have technological capabilities

By enabling students to program their own stories, games and

animations, Scratch is intended to help "young people learn to:

Think: creatively reason systematically work collaboratively.

Python is one of the most popular programming languages in the world and this unit will teach students:

• How to write basic programs in Python

we have come to rely on.

- Become familiar with key terminology in programming
- Understand why sequencing is important

All activities require students to code in Python. The key programming construct underpinning all work in this unit is sequencing.

### Topics:

Algorithms **Problem Solving Programming Constructs** 

r the future. Spreadsheet

Create graphs

Analyse data

Use/practise formulas

Apply formatting techniques Understand IF statements

Practise conditional formatting

Understand use of data validation

These skills provide a critical foundation in preparation for future studies and the workplace. Today, many careers require knowledge of how to use a spreadsheet program.

### Topics:

Data Management

Digital Literacy

### Computer Crime & Cyber Security

Students will study some:

- legal safeguards regarding computer use, including overviews of the Computer Misuse Act
- Data Protection Act and Copyright Law and their implications for computer use
- Phishing scams and other email frauds, hacking, "data harvesting" and identity theft will be studied and are discussed together with ways of protecting online identity and privacy.

Health and Safety Law and environmental issues such as the safe disposal of old computers are also discussed.

Communication and coordination Digital Literacy



# **CLASSICS**

# **Year 8 Curriculum**



Curriculum Aims:

Year 8 Classics develops students' understanding of stories of classical origin to further enhance their cultural capital. As well as developing their understanding of vocabulary and etymology, the grammatical elements of Classics lessons guides students to deepen their knowledge of grammar, building on Year 7 foundations.



AUTUMN	SPRING	SUMMER
Classics: The Odyssey	Classics: The Odyssey	Classics: Greek Theatre
Week 2, 4, 6 and 8)	(Week 16-18)	(Week 26 – 29)
Episode 1 Return from Troy.	Episode 9 The Stranger in his Own Land.	The Chorus. Clytaemnestra's Treatment
Episode 2 Odysseus Starts his Story.	Episode 10 and 11 A Beggar in his Own Place	Helen. Clytaemnestra's developing anger
Episode 3 My Name is Nobody.	Episode 12 Home	
Episode 4 The Calm before the Storm.		Grammar:
	Grammar:	(Week 30 – 32)
Grammar:	(Week 19-20)	Fragments
(Week 3, 5 and 7)	Verbs to Create Personification. Adjectives to	Colons
Participle phrases, Nouns to Create Imagery, Nouns	Create Personification	Omission
(Nomenclature).		
	Topics:	
Topics:	Classics:	Topics:
Classics:	Decoding and learning the etymology of the words	Classics:
Decoding and learning the etymology of the words	culture, saga, mythology and adventurous.	Decoding and learning the etymology of the words
culture, saga, mythology and adventurous.		culture, saga, mythology and adventurous.
	Grammar	
Grammar:		Grammar
Nouns to create imagery and Nomenclature	Classics: Greek Theatre	
	(Week 21 – 23)	
	Introduction to Greek Theatre	Classics: Greek Theatre
	Features of a Tragedy Play	(Week 33 – 36)
Classics: The Odyssey	Introduction to Oresteia	Cassandra's Story
(Week 9, 11, 13 and 15)		Clytaemnestra's Revenge
Episode 5 Odysseus Bewitched.	Grammar:	Clytaemnestra's Revenge Justified
Episode 6 The Land of the Dead.	(Week 24 -25)	Cassandra's Foreboding Feelings
Episode 7 Torment and Trial.	Conjunctive adverbials	
Episode 8 Shipwrecked .	Passive Voice	Grammar:
		(Week 37 – 39)
Grammar:	Topics:	Contractions
(Week 10, 12 and 14)	Classics:	Dashes and pair of dashes
mperatives. Coordinating Conjunctions. Verbs to	Decoding and learning the etymology of the words	Semicolons
describe sensory experience.	culture, saga, mythology and adventurous.	
		Topics:
Topics:	Grammar	Classics:
Classics:		Decoding and learning the etymology of the words
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### **Curriculum Aims:**



WE ENABLE STUDENT TO DEVELOP CREATIVELY AND TO GAIN PRACTICAL EXPERIENCES THAT CAN GUIDE THEM IN THE OUTSIDE WORLD. WE PROMOTE A 'CAN DO' ATTITUDE AND PROMOTE A LOVE OF THE ARTS. OUR FOCUS IS ON BUILDING CONFIDENCE AND ORIGINALITY.

AUTUMN	SPRING	SUMMER
What do we already know about drama?	How can we explore drama using genre?	How do we explore a play text in drama?
Macbeth Pupils will explore a scripted performance, focussing on the Horror genre. Students will look at how to take a play from page to stage and will focus.  Topics: Working with scripts Creating mood and atmosphere Tension states (LeCoq) To be able to use script to direct and devise using the boundaries of genre to influence work.  How can we explore drama using genre?  Commedia Dell 'Arte Pupils will explore the beginning of Comedy with the skills and techniques of Commedia Dell 'Arte. To work as a professional troupe. They will draw on prior knowledge gained and devise using the complexities of the genre.  Topics: Historical context Lazzi Centre of leading Stock characters	Commedia Dell'Arte Pupils will explore the beginning of Comedy with the skills and techniques of Commedia Dell 'Arte. To work as a professional troupe. They will draw on prior knowledge gained and devise using the complexities of the genre.  Topics: Historical context Lazzi Centre of leading Stock characters  How can we explore drama using genre?  Theatre in Education Pupils devise a Theatre in education performance for year 7 students to be performed live to groups.  Topics: Creating a performance for a set target audience	Our Day Out Pupils to study the text, exploring the characters and scenarios off and on script. Pupils to learn the set-up of a script including key terms such as stage directions, scenery and directing a text.  Topics:  Exploring scripted plays – language, characters, acting style, staging concepts  Live theatre  To watch and review a piece of live theatre Pupils will watch a performance from the National Theatre online.  https://www.dramaonlinelibrary.com/national-theatre-collection  Topics: Performing a play text Acting skills Peer Pressure Consequences





### **Curriculum Aims:**

- THE CORE PURPOSE OF OUR STUDY OF GEOGRAPHY AT KEVI HWGA, AND WHAT WE WANT STUDENTS TO GAIN FROM IT, CAN BE SUMMARISED IN THREE STATEMENTS:

   GEOGRAPHY STIMULATES A SENSE OF WONDER ABOUT THE WORLD,
   GEOGRAPHY INSPIRES STUDENTS TO WANT TO SHAPE A BETTER FUTURE,
   GEOGRAPHY EQUIPS STUDENTS WITH SKILLS FOR THE FUTURE.



# **GEOGRAPHY**

AUTUMN	SPRING	SUMMER
Development	Plate Tectonics	Climate Change
Students should understand, through the use of detailed place based exemplars at a variety of scales the key processes in human geography relating to international development.	Students should understand, through the use of detailed place-based exemplars at a variety of scales the key processes in physical geography relating to plate tectonics.	Students should understand, through the use of detailed place-based exemplars at a variety of scales the key processes in physical geography relating to the changing climate from the Ice Age to present.
Key Concepts & Topics: Human Geography Locational Knowledge Place Specific Knowledge Development Indicators Conditions in ACs/LIDCs Map Skills	Key Concepts & Topics: Physical Geography Place Specific Knowledge Structure of Earth Plate Boundaries Volcanoes Earthquakes Map Skills  Population & Migration  Students should understand, through the use of detailed place based exemplars at a variety of scales the key processes in human geography relating to population & urbanisation.  Key Concepts & Topics: Human Geography Place Specific Knowledge Population Change Migration Data Analysis Map Skills	Key Concepts & Topics: Human Geography Environmental Geography Climate Change Deforestation Burning Fossil Fuels Green House Effect  Russia Students should understand geographical similarities, differences and links between places through the study of the human and physical geography of Russia.  Key Concepts & Topics: Human Geography Physical Geography Environmental Geography Place Specific Knowledge Map Skills Geopolitics Population Culture Climate



# HISTORY

### **Year 8 Curriculum**



### **Curriculum Aims:**

An enquiry-based approach that encourages students to question and evaluate ideas and concepts. Helping students to recognise that History is contested, constructed, inescapable and fascinating. Engages with Britain's past and that of the wider world in order to promote students becoming active in historical debate and using evidence to make judgements with confidence.



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### **AUTUMN**

### What was life like in Tudor England?

Students by the end of this unit should be able to identify how the Tudor dynasty began, describe the different Tudor Monarchs and what they were known for. Here students should be able to provide examples of problems that the monarchs faced and how they overcame these. Students should also be able to reach a clear and well justified judgement on which of the Tudor Monarchs was the most significant and why.

### Key concepts:

Power Similarity and difference Change over time Cause and consequence Perspective

### How much did England change in the 1600s?

Students by the end of this unit will be able to explain what key changes took place in England in the 1600s. They will consider the roles of James I, Charles I, Oliver Cromwell and Charles II. They will be able to explain why there was a civil war in England and describe the two different sides during the English Civil War. Students will be able to practise reaching conclusions in this unit and being able to justify their judgements. They will also work with sources to help reach a judgement on the wider enquiry question.

### Key concepts:

Power
Similarity and difference
Change over time
Cause and consequence
Perspective
Significance

### **SPRING**

### What was the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade?

Students by the end of this unit will be able to confidently explain what the Trans-Atlantic Slave trade was. In this unit we will be considering the Slave Trade Triangle, what life was like on the journey through the middle passage and on plantations for enslaved people, how some tried to rebel against slavery and how abolition was reached at the time. Students will also look at recent events that have led to more people wanting to learn more about the Slave Trade and enslaved people. Students in this unit will be working on their key historical writing skills for example writing convincing speeches.

### Key concepts:

Similarity and difference Change over time Cause and consequence Perspective Significance Persecution

# What impact did the British Empire have on its colonies?

Students by the end of this unit will be able to explain what the British Empire was and what impact it had on its colonies. Students will be looking at two main case studies in the enquiry and these will be India and British colonies in Africa. Students will be learning about this topic from the perspective of the colonies and the focus being on the changes that were made to the colonies. Some of the things they will be looking at includes the East India Company, the Amritsar Massacre, the partition of India and Pakistan and the scramble for Africa. In terms of historical skills students will be working with a range of sources throughout this enquiry.

### Key concepts:

Power
Similarity and difference
Change over time
Cause and consequence
Perspective
Significance
Persecution
Democracy

### SUMMER

### How did the Industrial Revolution change Britain?

Students by the end of this unit will be able to explain what the Industrial revolution was and explain its impact on Birmingham and other areas in Britain at the time. Students will be looking at the causes of the revolution, the changes and new inventions that were made, the impact on different areas, with a focus on Birmingham, the conditions in factories, the roles of women and children and also impacts upon migration. In this unit students will be working towards reaching a judgement on how beneficial the Industrial Revolution was for Britain.

### Key concepts:

Power
Similarity and difference
Change over time
Cause and consequence
Perspective
Significance
Persecution
Democracy

### Was a war at the turn of the century inevitable?

Students by the end of this unit will be able to make a clear judgement on whether WW1 was inevitable? Students will consider the long-term and short-term factors that led to the start of WW1. They will learn about the plans during WW1, the reality of fighting on the Western Front, how censorship was used and what role the empire and women both played in WW1. By the end of the unit students will be able to write IDEA paragraphs that show their knowledge and analysis of some of the key parts of WW1.

### Key concepts:

Power
Similarity and difference
Change over time
Cause and consequence
Perspective
Significance
Persecution
Democracy



# **MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES - SPANISH**

### Year 8 Curriculum

### **Curriculum Aims:**

- To equip students with the skills needed to communicate in a foreign language
- To develop students' confidence in their ability to communicate
- To provide students with opportunities to discover the culture of other countries
- To develop a love for language learning



AUTUMN	SPRING	SUMMER
How do I talk about what interests me?	How do I talk about my daily routing?	How do I discuss jobs?
Saying what I use my phone for.	How do I talk about my daily routine? Giving opinions about food.	Saying what you have to do at work
Talking about my music preferences.	Describing mealtimes.	Saying what job you would like to do
Saying about what I watch in TV.	Discussing getting ready to go out.	Saying what you did at work yesterday
Describing what activities I did yesterday.	Talking about clothes and colours	Describing jobs
Topics:	Topics:	Copying with authentic texts
Fluency:	Fluency:	Topics:
Pronunciation of key sounds: h, r, g, c	Pronunciation of key sounds: ñ, ll, ch, j, z	Fluency:
Understanding the role of accents in the past tense	Vocabulary:	Pronunciation of j
Vocabulary:	Opinion phrases,	Pronunciation of masculine and feminine correctly
Activities on phone	Food and mealtimes	Difference of pronunciation between "fui" and "fue"
Opinions	Daily routine verbs	Vocabulary:
Type of music	Colours	Jobs
TV programmes	Clothes	Jobs description- activities
Frequency words	Sequencers	Adjectives to describe jobs
Free time activities	Grammar:	Workplaces
Grammar:	Using opinión phrases with infitives	Using sequencers and time phrases
Revising present tense	Using "no" to make a sentence negative	Grammar:
Stem-changing verbs – Preferir	Reflexive verbs	Recall "tener que + infinitive"
The use of definite articles with opinion phrases	Recall adjective agreement	Recall adjective agreement
Past tense of regular/irregular verbs.	Recal Near future tense	Understand the difference between "me gusta" and "me
Using present and past verbs together	Using "este, esta, estos, estas".	gustaría"
		Recall past tense
How do I discuss holidays?	How do I talk about going out?	Recall past tense of "ir"
Talking about countries	Saying what I want to order in a restaurant	Using present and past verbs together
Talking about a past holiday	Discuss what to buy for a party	
Saying what you did on holidays and how it was	Describing a party	How do I talk about plans for the summer?
	Arranging going out	Describing a holiday home
Topics:	Making excuses	Describing holiday activities
Fluency:	Talking about attending sporting events	Asking for directions
Pronunciation of words with two vowels: Grecia, avión		Talking about summer camps
Difference of pronunciation between "fui" and "fue"	Topics:	Describing a world trip
Pronunciation of r and rr	Fluency:	
Vocabulary:	Pronunciation of d between vowels	Topics:
Countries	Pronunciation of v	Fluency:
Holiday activities	Pronunciation of h	Clear pronunciation between "se puede" and "se
Means of transports	Pronunciation of Q	pueden",
Giving extended opinions	Pronunciation of j	Pronunciation of Z
Using sequencers	Vocabulary:	Pronunciation of ü
Grammar:	Vocabulary of food and ordering in a restaurant (menu,	Vocabulary:
Revision of present tense with -ar, -er and -ir verbs	primer plato, etc.)	Adjectives to describe houses
Near future tense	Vocabulary of party activities	Holiday activities
Preterite of -ar, -er and -ir verbs	Places in town to go out	Directions
	Recall time	Activities to do in a summer camp
	Positions (delante, detrás, etc.)	Fillers
	Esxcuses	Grammar:
	Grammar:	Understanding the difference between "ser" and "estar"
	Using "usted" and "ustedes"	Comparatives
	Me gustaría + infitive	Superlatives
	Stem-changing verbs, e.g., querer, poder	Imperatives
	Using three tenses together	"Se puede" + infinitives



# MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES - FRENCH

Perfect tense

# Year 8 Curriculum

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AUTUMN	SPRING	SUMMER
How do we talk about leisure activities?	How do we talk about food and festivals?	How do we talk about travel?
Talking about TV and actors/actresses	Discussing breakfast	Asking for tourist information
Arranging to go to the cinema	Discussing lunch and dinner	Countries
Talking about books I read / like to read	Revising dates and giving opinions on festivals	Usual holidays -who with, how long, where
Talking about digital technology	Describing a festival	Activities on holidays
Discussing the weather	Learning about "Fête de la Musique"	Opinions about holidays
Talking about leisure and weather	Discussing what I am going to eat for a special occasion	Topics:
Topics:	Topics:	Fluency:
Fluency:	Fluency:	Pronunciation of "gne"
Silent final "x"	Pronunciation of "de l'"	Pronunciation of "oy"
Silent final "s"	Pronunciation of "th"	Pronunciation of "ant"
Silent final "e"	Pronunciation of "ill" ("juillet")	Pronunciation of "é"
Pronunciation of "qu"	Silent final consonant ("voudrais", "jus", "chaud")	Pronunciation of "ais" and "ait"
Pronunciation of "d" (un film d'action, un roman d'amour)	Silent final "e"	Silent final "s"
Pronunciation of "ait"	Pronunciation of "er"	Understanding, asking and answering questions
Understanding, asking and answering questions	Understanding, asking and answering questions	Vocabulary:
Vocabulary:	Vocabulary:	Countries
Types of films	Items of food and drinks	Question words
Types of TV programmes	Numbers and months  Names of festivals in French Activities during a festival	Transports
Types of books Opinions	Sequencers and connectives	Length of time Activities on holidays
Online activities	Quantities	Opinions
Weather phrases	Higher numbers	Time phrases
Hobbies	Grammar:	Grammar:
Grammar:	Partitive article	Using "à", "au", "à la", "aux" to say to/in a country
Present tense of -er verbs	Present tense	Genders
Negatives	Near future tense	Present tense
Definite/indefinite articles		Perfect tense
Present tense of "faire"	How do we talk about our home and home life?	
Using "on"	Talking about where you live	How do we talk about a past holiday?
	Discussing what we can do in the region	Discussing what you visited
How do we talk about our identity?	Describing your house	Talking about what you did on holidays (using the perfect tense of
Describing personality	Saying where things are	regular and irregular verbs)
Saying what you do with friends	Talking about what you must do to help at home	Talking about a past holiday in details
Talking about music	Talking about a future event.	
Talking about clothes Saying what you did last weekend	Topics:	Topics: Fluency:
Saying what you did last weekend	Fluency:	Pronunciation of "é"
Topics:	Pronunciation of "gne"	Silent final "s" ("suis", "avons")
Fluency:	"h" silent letter ("habite")	Vocabulary:
Silent final consonant (unless adding "e" for feminine)	Silent final "s"	Places you visit on holidays
Pronunciation of "oi"	Silent final consonant ("lit", "chocolat")	Range of verbs to describe activities
Pronunciation of "ine", "ain", "ains"	Pronunciation of "ain"	Subject pronouns
Pronunciation of "au"	Pronunciation of "th"	Opinions
Silent final "e"	Pronunciation of "ais"	Grammar:
Understanding, asking and answering questions	Pronunciation of "ois" ("je dois")	Perfect tense of regular verbs
Vocabulary:	Understanding, asking and answering questions	Perfect tense of irregular verbs
Adjectives of personality	Vocabulary:	Expressing past opinions
Intensifiers	Types of accommodations and areas	1222
Hobbies	Rooms in a house	20,000
Music genres	Furniture	
Opinions Clathos	Prepositions House chores	
Clothes Colours	Grammar:	
Grammar:	Present tense	
Adjective agreement	Using modal verbal phrase "on peut" followed by an infinitive	
Possessive adjectives	Using "il y a"	
Present tense	Using "je dois" followed by an infinitive	
Perfect tence	Near future tense	

Near future tense







### **Curriculum Aims:**

In year 8 students will broaden their knowledge of music from different cultures as well as strengthening their composition and performance skills.



AUTUMN	SPRING	SUMMER
What is Blues Music?	How can we use our understanding of Rhythm and	How can we incorporate our knowledge of musical
	Pulse to create a piece of Djembe Music?	theory so far?
Blues Music		
	African Drumming	Minimalism
tudents will explore a number of blues musicians and		
he history of blues.	Students will learn about the African culture while	Students will explore and analyse a number of
	working in small ensembles to produce a piece of	minimalism music. They will then use laptops/iPads to
tudents to create a piece of music that uses a twelve	African music.	create and record their own examples.
par blues structure.		
	Topics:	Topics:
opics:	History of African Drumming music	History and Origin of Minimalism
History of Blues music	Call and Response	Composition techniques
Analysing Blues music	Master Drummer	Composing a four beat melodic cell.
Performing the 12 bar Blues	Djembe techniques (Bass, Slap, Tone)	Note changing
Composing Blues lyrics	Performing in larger groups	Augmentation
Developing knowledge of chords	Dynamics	Diminution
Dynamics	Tempo	Note addition and subtraction
	Structure	
empo		Phase shifting
itructure	Texture	Dynamics
exture	Timbre	Tempo
imbre		Structure
		Texture
What is RAP music and how can we create our own	How can we incorporate our keyboard skills to learn	Timbre
RAP song?	about and play an Indian Classical style piece?	
		How can we develop our ensemble skills to ensure a
RAP Music	Indian Classical Music	effective performance?
tudents will create a RAP song using a mixture of	Students will explore the different parts and scales of	Band Performance #2
echnology, keyboards and their own voices.	Indian classical music before incorporating these into a	The state of the s
	solo or paired performance	In groups the students will rehearse a song ready for
opics:		performance at the end of the year.
listory of rap music	Topics:	2///
tructure of rap music	History of Indian Classicical Music	
Performing rap music	Structure of Indian Classical Music	Topics:
Jsing DAW to record chords bass line and then	Drone	Playing two different pop songs
perform over the top of a backing track	Raga	Chords and bassline
Dynamics	Rag	Rehearsal skills
-empo	Tala	Performance skills
itructure	Dynamics	keeping a beat
exture	Tempo	Singing
imbre	Structure	Dynamics
	Texture	Tempo
	Timbre	Structure
		Texture
		Timbre



# **PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

# **Year 8 Curriculum**



### **Curriculum Aims:**

- To enthuse and inspire students to participate fully and develop a lifelong involvement of physical activity, sport and exercise.
   Promoting good physical health, emotional and social wellbeing.
- To understand the importance of leading healthy and active lifestyles.



AUTUMN	SPRING	SUMMER
How do we get students to use a range of tactics and strategies to overcome opponents in direct competition through team and individual games?  Sports: Football Netball Volleyball Basketball Handball  Topics: Outwitting Opponents/ Accurate Replication	How do we get students to develop their technique and improve their performance in other competitive sports and how do we get them to perform dances using advanced dance techniques within a range of dance styles and forms?  Sports:  Dance Gymnastics Fitness Badminton  Topics: Exploring & Communicating/ Exercising Safely and Effectively	How do we get students to develop their technique and improve their performance in other competitive sports?  Sports: Athletics  Topics: Performing at Max Levels/Accurate Replication  How do we get students to use a range of tactics and strategies to overcome opponents in direct competition through team and individual games?  Sports: Ultimate Frisbee Rounders Cricket  Topics: Outwitting Opponents /Identifying & Solving/Accurate Replication









# CREATIVE DESIGN ROTATION

DT, TEXTILES AND FOOD PREPARATION & NUTRITION

### Curriculum Aims:

The aims and objectives of the design and technology department relate directly to those of the Academy. Creativity, flair, and innovation are encouraged from year 7 through to year 11. We see Creative Design as an area of practical and creative activity that aims to prepare young people for life in a changing technological society. We feel that the modern approach to teaching these subjects should emphasize on core life skills during key stage three and building on those with more industry specific skills at GCSE. We aim and endeavour to excite and challenge pupils.

### **13 WEEK ROTATION**

DT - PRODUCT DESIGN

How does the DT curriculum link to Science
and how does electricity work?

Night light, Electronics & CAD Topics:

Working to plans, Laser cutting, Soldering and building a PCB.

### **TEXTILES**

What are the differences between man made and natural fabrics? (Confectionary project)

Pupils develop knowledge of different fabrics and how they are made. Students experiment using both man made and natural fabrics towards project theme.

How can I use artist research to inspire and develop my own personal response? (Confectionary project)

Students research confectionary artists to inspire and develop their own confectionary response. Using hand different fabrics and embellishment, students design and create their own creative piece.

### **FOOD PREPARATION & NUTRITION**

How do we know the right nutrients for our bodies, how do we prepare a food using different techniques? Skills - Technical Skills, using a variety of commodities and different methods to make a range of dishes

### **Topics:**

Nutrients - what do they do for the body,
What foods provide us with the correct nutrients,
Planning for a teenage diet
Food groups