**Year 8 Curriculum Map 2023 - 2024**

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|  | **Autumn 1** | **Autumn 2** | **Spring 1** | **Spring 2** | **Summer 1** | **Summer 2** |
| **Core Value**  **(TACTIC)** | **TEAMWORK** | **ADVENTURE** | **CONFIDENCE** | **TALENT** | **INDEPENDENCE** | **CURIOSITY** |
| English | Plot & Pace / Genres & Themes: Chapters 1 & 2, Catapult 1  **Reading Assessment**  Reading for pleasure | People & Voices:  Chapter 3, Catapult 2  **Reading Assessment**  Poetry: The World Reimagined | Autobiography & Reflection: Chapter 4, Catapult 2  **Writing Assessment**  Reading for pleasure | Your Language:  Unit 6, Ignite 1  **Writing & Spoken Language Assessment**  Hamlet | Survival  Witnesses & Reports: Chapter 5, Catapult 2  **Reading assessment** | Novel / Play: Of Mice and Men  Viewpoints & Issues: Chapter 6, Catapult 2  **Writing Assessment**  Exam skills |
| Reading  Ashley Booth Linked Texts | Drugs and alcohol (3 weeks)  Classics volume 1 (3 weeks) | Industrial Revolution (3 weeks)  Classics volume 2 (3 weeks) | Autism (3 weeks)  Population (3 weeks) | Evolution (3 weeks)  Resilience (3 weeks) | Liverpool (3 weeks)  Verse novels (3 weeks) | Critiquing the media (3 weeks)  World War 2 (3 weeks) |
| Reading  Class Novels | Small Steps – Louis Sachar | The Woman In Black – Susan Hill | I Am David – Anne Holm | Bridge to Terabithia – Katherine Paterson | The Grapes of Wrath – John Steinbeck | Illegal – Eoin Colfer |
| Maths | Number properties and calculations  Unit Test  Ratio to solve problems  Unit Test  Shape and measures in 3d | Statistics  Unit Test  Expressions and equations, simplifying, solving and using brackets.  Unit Test | Decimal Calculations: Adding, subtracting and multiplying with decimals.  Angles | Number Properties – Brackets, HCF,LCF, Prime Factor decomposition. | Sequences  Unit Test  Generating, extending and special sequences.  Unit Test | Fractions and percentages  Unit Test  Probability  Unit Test |
| Science | Working Scientifically 2  The Periodic Table | Ecosystems  Earth | Separation Techniques | Electricity and Magnetism | Health & Lifestyle  Energy | Inheritance  Motion & Pressure |
| Computing | Computing systems | Developing for the web | Intro to python programming | Media – vector graphics | Mobile app development | Representations – from clay to silicon |
| PSHE/RSE | **Drugs and alcohol:**  Alcohol and drug misuse and pressures relating to drug use. | **Community and Careers:**  Equality of opportunity in careers and life choices and different types and patterns of work. | **Discrimination:**  Discrimination in all its forms, including racism , religious discrimination, disability , discrimination, sexism, homophobia. | **Emotional wellbeing:**  Mental Health and emotional wellbeing, including body image and coping strategies. | **Identity and relationships:**  Gender identity, sexual orientation, consent, ‘sexting’ and an introduction to contraception. | **Digital Literacy:**  Online safety, digital literacy, media, reliability, and gambling hooks. |
| History | The Slave Trade  The British Empire  Case Study: India | The Industrial Revolution | The Industrial Revolution | Britain from 1901 | The Modern World | Going Global |
| Geography | World Climate | World Climate | UK population and Europe Migration | UK population and Europe Migration | Global thinking what is a region  What is an ecosystem | Continuing with Comparing Ecosystems |
| Art | Understanding of pencil techniques and perspective using shading to explore. 1 point and 2-point perspective. Developed in yearly portraits. | Autumnal project building into printed lanterns for winter display. | Traffic signs and road maps  3 D project continuing illustration and graphics.  How everyday signs are designed the importance of graphics. | Graphics continued  What is graphic design in art and design?  Graphic design is a creative process that combines art and technology to communicate ideas. Pupils design a piece that reflects this. | Textiles and structures  Native American art  How history influences art, design, and our creative processes. Pupils research and develop textile pieces. | Crowd scenes icons and idols, how we view modern celebrity and objects. Make a collage of a scene look at artist work by Richard Hamilton. Layered art work 2D and 3D |
| DT | Design and make clocks | Design and make clocks | Jewellery Enamelling | Jewellery Enamelling | Automata | |
| PE | Badminton 8  Table tennis | Health related fitness 8  Basketball | Table tennis  Dodgeball | Outdoor team sports – Football/cricket/rounders/tag rugby | Athletics Yr 8  Outdoor team sports – Football/cricket/rounders/tag rugby | Cross country running  Outdoor team sports – Football/cricket/rounders/tag rugby |
| RE | Holy Books – The Bible O.T | Holy Books –The Bible N.T | Islam | Sikhism | Hinduism | Judaism |
| Music | **Tech Rhythm & Beats:**  Developing a greater understanding of rhythm and beat though composition.  Introduction to composing beats, melody and chords using music sequencing software | **Christmas Keyboard Project 2:** Development of personalised keyboard, playing & performance skills  **Performance - Christmas concert / production** | **Ode to Joy:**  Developing keyboard skills and performing solo and as part of a mixed ensemble | **Theme & Variations:**  Exploring theme & variations structure through listening, performing and composing activities. based around ‘Frére Jacques’ and the elements of music.  **Preparation for Arts Award / GCSE Concert** | **Toccata & Fugue Remix:**  Exploring the music of J.S. Bach  Developing skills in using music technology competently to compose and remix music  .....  **Review M&M Theatre Production and Backstage Pass workshop**  **Arts Award / GCSE Concert** Rehearsals and performance | **Oh When the Saints Rhythm & Notation:**  Develop accuracy in using rhythmic and full staff notation to perform in solo and ensemble contexts  Students to develop keyboard playing technique from their own personal starting points |
| Careers | **Skills Builder Curriculum**  Problem Solving | **Skills Builder Curriculum**  Creativity | **Skills Builder Curriculum**  Listening | **Skills Builder Curriculum**  Speaking | **Skills Builder Curriculum**  Staying Positive | **Skills Builder Curriculum**  Aiming High |
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