

Year 9 Curriculum Overview 2020-21							
		Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
English	Topic	Of Mice and Men - Modern Novel	The Crucible - Play	We Should All Be Feminists	The Adventure of the Speckled Band	Relationships Anthology - Poetry	Romeo and Juliet
	Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social and historical context. Exploration of the key characters George and Lennie and the relationship between the characters. Interpretation of key ideas such as the American Dream. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding literary and dramatic conventions. Exploring the social and historical context of the Salem Witch Trials and McCarthyism. Analysing the presentation of the tragic hero John Proctor and the antagonist Abigail Williams. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conventions of non-fiction and powerful essay writing. Exploration of the wider concept of gender and identity through other complimentary non-fiction writing. Analysis and application of persuasive writing features. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conventions of nineteenth-century writing and relationship of the 'detective novel' to the genre. Explicit teaching of Victorian vocabulary and stylistic devices specific to Conan Doyle. Analysis of the relationship between Sherlock Holmes and Dr Watson. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exploring the poets' perspectives on relationships through the poetry. Identification and analysis of poetic techniques. Comparison of the poems and their ideas about relationships. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revision of The Crucible and the Adventure of the Speckled Band for the end of year assessment. Conventions of Shakespearean theatre and tragedy. Understanding of plot and key characters.
Maths	Topic	Number, ratio proportion and rates of change	Number, ratio proportion and rates of change	Algebra	Algebra, Geometry and Measure	Geometry and Measure	Algebra, Geometry and Measure
	Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Place Value and number sense Decimals Estimation and rounding Indices, powers and roots Factors, multiples and primes Ratio 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decimals Fractions Percentages Proportion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Algebraic Notation Simplifying and index laws Expanding and Factorising expressions and substitution 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Linear equation Linear inequalities Perimeter and area Pythagoras 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Properties of shapes Angle facts Parallel lines Circles Volume and surface area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sequences Basic vectors
Science	Topic	Reactivity Plants	Forces in Action Biological Systems	Sound Energetics and Rates	Matter Cell Structure and Transport in Cells	Cell Structure and Transport in Cells Atomic Structure and the Periodic table Molecules and Matter	Molecules and Matter Atomic Structure and Introduction to Chemical Bonding
	Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reactions of metals with water and acids Reactions and bonding Photosynthesis Specialised organs of plants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forces and their effects Work done Respiratory system Drugs, smoking and alcohol 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sound waves and speed of sound Hearing, microphones and speakers Factors affecting rate of reaction Exothermic and endothermic reactions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Particle theory Pressure, upthrust and sinking Transport in plants Plants as food 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specialised cells and cell structures Gas exchange Structure of the atom Groups 1, 7 and 8 of the periodic table Particle theory Moments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specialised cells and cell structures Gas exchange Structure of the atom Groups 1, 7 and 8 of the periodic table Particle theory Moments
Geography	Topic	Climate change	Urbanisation	Urbanisation/Life in an NEE	Life in an NEE	Energy	Energy
	Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding the natural and human causes and impacts of climate change. Adapting to and minimise the impact of climate change. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Urbanisation and its causes. Environmental impacts of urbanisation. Sustainable settlements. Rural to urban migration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding Transnational Corporations. Globalisation Causes of inequality in urban areas. Migration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Squatter settlements Megacities Interdependence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Natural resources Energy security Advantages of renewable and non-renewable energy sources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geothermal energy. Fracking Reducing the demand for energy.
History	Topic	World War 1	The Holocaust	World War 2	Russian Revolution	Russian Revolution/Stalinist Russia	Revision and The Cold War
	Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Long term causes to WW1 Short term causes to WW1 What are trenches like? Weapons used during WW1 Battle of the Somme Passchendaele Why did Germany lose? Treaty of Versailles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nuremberg Laws Kristallnacht Concentration camps Extermination camps 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Causes of WW2 Blitzkrieg tactic Battle of Britain Battle of the Atlantic Enigma Why did Germany lose WW2? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Why did the Romanov dynasty end? Rasputin- good or bad? February Revolution 1905 Who is Lenin? How were the Bolsheviks able to seize power? October Revolution 1917 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Who is Stalin? How did propaganda and terror help Stalin control Russia? 	
RS	Topic	Religion and Work	Religion and Sport	GCSE Christianity Beliefs	GCSE Christianity Beliefs	GCSE Islam Beliefs	GCSE Islam Beliefs
	Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Importance of work Business & Enterprise Economy & Taxation Rights & Responsibilities Trade Unions Volunteer Work 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction Benefits & Misuse Morality in Sport Drugs in Sport Devotion Issues of Equality 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Denominations Nature of God Omnipotent (all-powerful), loving & just (fair) Oneness of God & the Trinity Creation, Incarnation and crucifixion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resurrection & Ascension Resurrection & Life After Death Afterlife & Judgement Heaven and Hell Sin & Salvation Role of Christ in Salvation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oneness of God & supremacy of God's will Sunni & Shi'a Islam Nature of God Angels Predestination Life After Death 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prophethood Adam Ibrahim Muhammad & the Imamate Qur'an Holy Books in Islam
Spanish	Topic	Free time	Work	Healthy Lifestyle	Global issues	Travelling Abroad	Revision of Topics 1-5
	Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Present tense Opinions on film Talking about your week Cinema What you will do on your birthday 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What you do at work What you would like to do using the conditional Using the present and preterite tense together 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using negatives to talk about diets Active lifestyles Daily routine Talking about ailments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poverty Children's rights Journeys to school Environmental issues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting and greeting people Describing a trip in the past with irregular preterite The weather 	
FL	Topic	Revisiting Family Descriptions and Relationships	Going Out and Staying In	Festivals and Food	Talking about where you live	The Environment	

	Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using reflexive verbs to describe family relationships. Using avoir and être to describe family members 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talking about what you do in your free time Using the past perfect tense Talking about what you do at the weekend. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussing a French speaking country Discussing festivals and food Talking about our daily routine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talking about your home town Talking about your region Talking about a French town or region. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talking about the weather Talking about going shopping Discussing environment problems of the world 	
IT	Topic	Excel Party Planner 1	Edexcel Party Planner 2	Microbits 1	Microbits 2	E-Safety	Introduction to Python
	Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spreadsheets intro Inputting and presenting data Formulas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Formulas for calculation Formulas for calculation 2 Party planning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is cyber security? Strong passwords Making a password generator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is cryptography? Caesar cypher algorithms Cyphers and text based programming 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Body image Online dangers Grooming 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The editor and development environment
Music	Topic	Developing Skills on the Ukulele	Ensemble Musicianship	Film Music Techniques	Film Music Application	Exploring Popular Music	Music Project/Live Lounge
	Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Playing the Ukelele Different chords Reading and playing music from tablature 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore working in musical group. Rehearse and perform in ensemble 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate iconic film music composers. Explore importance of music in film. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application of film music to composition. Explore composing techniques to achieve overall effect 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exploration of song structure, including textures, instruments, timbres and sonorities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students will focus on a performance or composition.
Art	Topic	Intro to Art Public Art	Public Art	Public Art	Public Art – Natural Forms/Still Life	Natural Forms/still life	Natural Forms/still life
	Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drawing and design. Formal elements Art movement and artist knowledge. Exploring media and techniques. Analysis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Artist research and study Formal elements Drawing, design and exploring media and techniques. Group sculpture 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drawing, design and exploring media and techniques. Formal elements Final Piece. Largescale outcomes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drawing, design and exploring media and techniques. Experimentation. Formal elements Small scale final outcomes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drawing, design and exploring media and techniques. Experimentation. Formal elements Small scale final outcomes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drawing, design and exploring media and techniques. Experimentation. Formal elements Small scale final outcomes.
PSHE	Topic	Health and Wellbeing	Health and Wellbeing	Living in the Wider World	Living in the Wider World	Relationships	Relationships
	Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alcohol Awareness Drugs & the law Vaccinations Organ Donation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blood donation Acid attacks Self-harm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Personal development Enterprising personalities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enterprising skills Careers Workplace 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eating disorders Female body image Child sexual exploitation Abusive relationships 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peer pressure British community, religion & cults Gender identity LGBTQAI+