

YEAR 7 WHAT WILL MY CHILD LEARN THIS TERM?

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EVENTS & UPDATES

Monday 8 - Friday 12 April: **Interform**

Monday 13 - Friday 17 May: **Wellbeing Week**

Friday 24 May: **Last day of half term**

Monday 3 June: **Return to school**

Friday 19 July: **Last day of school**

ART

This term your child will be focusing on developing skills linked to the formal elements. This will consist of colour, line, tone, texture, pattern, shape and form. We will be exploring these within landscape and portraiture where pupils will begin to work in artists styles and developing their own responses to them.

COMMUNITY & PERSONAL

Pupils in Year 7 have already started the Risks and Safety topic last term. The topic focuses on keeping safe online and begin with lessons on online safety and online grooming. Pupils will also discuss the risks associated with online challenges e.g. viral TikTok trends and how to keep safe. Finally, lessons will also discuss gambling and how common it is to gamble online, as well as how they can avoid online fraud and identity theft.

After this topic, pupils will look at how to look after their mental health and well-being. Lessons will include puberty and hygiene, ways to keep good mental health, anxiety, peer pressure and managing emotions.

COMPUTING

This term your child will be completing their text-based programming unit introducing them to the IDE Thonny and developing the fundamental skills required as a programmer. They will look at sequencing, iteration, variables and subroutines. This will allow them to use the Turtle library to design and program an image of their choice.

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

In Design and Technology pupils rotate each term of the year to a different specialist area and this term will study one of the following:

Workshop Rotation: Pupils will learn about the properties and uses of metals and polymers in the world of Design and Technology and will safely use a range of tools and pieces of equipment to manufacture a range of functional prototypes including a tea light holder and a mobile phone stand.

Design Studio Rotation: Pupils will learn about the sources, properties and uses of different fibres and fabrics and will use a range of different pieces of equipment such as a sewing machine to manufacture a draw string bag. In addition to this pupils will learn a range of 3D drawing and communication techniques including single point perspective and shading and rendering skills.

Food Preparation and Nutrition Rotation: Pupils will develop their knowledge of food groups, healthy choices and basic food preparation skills, to develop an understanding of nutrition and health through healthy eating guidance and the role of the Eatwell Guide.

Pupils learn how about safe working routines, high risk foods and how to prevent cross-contamination. They apply this knowledge to their practical work, learning how to use an oven and a hob safely, develop knife skills and begin to combine skills and techniques to make a range of dishes including potato wedges, pasta salad and fruit crumble.

DRAMA

Year 7 are exploring the theatrical style employed by the theatre company Kneehigh. Pupils will learn the key conventions used within this style and develop an understanding of its aims and intentions, before applying the style to their own performance work.

ENGLISH

Pupils in Year 7 will begin the summer term by completing their reading of Orwell's 'Animal Farm' and will use the protest novel to create their own speeches, newspaper articles and letters. After the half-term they will then explore contemporary poetry and use these as a springboard to create their own.

GEOGRAPHY

Pupils will be studying Weather and Climate, looking specifically at why we have a variation of climates around the world and variations on a local scale such as Micro climates. They will also be looking at different weather hazards and events, such as tornadoes and Hurricanes, and the impacts these can have on people. Pupils will then be studying one ecosystem, which is deserts, looking at the climate, adaptations and sustainable management.

HISTORY

Pupils will be finishing their study of Medieval Life and the impact of the Black Death. Pupils will then begin their study of the Tudors by exploring the different Tudor monarchs and religious changes in this period. Pupils also look at the impact of religious change including the Pilgrimage of Grace in Yorkshire and debate different interpretations of Mary I.

MATHS

Pupils in Year 7 will start the Summer term by finishing the work they have done on Ratio and Percentages. They will then move on to studying Geometry of 2D shapes, where they will learn how to calculate the area and perimeter of different two-dimensional shapes. They will also learn how to perform and describe different transformations of shapes including reflection, rotation, translation and enlargement. Later in the term, pupils will study the Handling Data unit, where they will learn how to draw and interpret various statistical diagrams and calculate averages and the range for data sets.

MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

In Languages pupils will learn vocabulary and structures about what they do in their free time. They will use the present and future tenses.

MUSIC

In Year 7 Music curriculum, pupils will continue to study the basics of music theory and practical keyboard skills, as well as how to play the ukulele and guitar. Ensemble performances and exposure to a range of musical genres will help pupils to develop their appreciation for music and build confidence in their own abilities as musicians. As part of the ensemble component of the curriculum, pupils will have the opportunity to participate in group performances.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Pupils in Year 7 will take part in several PE/Games rotations in an extremely varied and diverse curriculum during the academic year. PE activities such as badminton, dance, gymnastics, fitness, athletics and tennis will be participated in during the academic year. In addition, there are several games activities that pupils will take part in such as rugby, football, netball, hockey, basketball, cricket, rounders and softball. Pupils will also get the opportunity to take part in an extremely successful extra-curricular timetable. Also, all pupils will take part in respective Interform competitions throughout the year, competing against other form groups to win points for their house. Finally, pupils will get the opportunity in May time to attend the annual Wales residential to Glan-llyn, developing their communication, teamwork, and organisational skills.

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Pupils in Year 7 will be continuing with lessons about what it means to be a Christian. This will be explored by looking at key Christian beliefs, the history of early Christianity, the role of Jesus, parables taught in the Bible and discussing traditions and beliefs around Jesus through the Easter story.

Next pupils will be exploring Islam and what it means to be Muslim. Within this topic we will look at the Muslim understanding of God and the life and teachings of Muhammad as well as understanding the main cause for the Sunni / Shi'a split and some differences between the two groups. Pupils will be able to identify the 5 pillars of Islam, how each pillar affects Muslim's lives. We will also study the Hajj Pilgrimage and the importance of this, consider what is found in the Qur'an and why it is important for Muslims.

SCIENCE

This term pupils will be learning about Forces and Motion and the relationship between speed, distance and time. In a Chemistry topic, pupils will be learning about Atoms, Elements and Compounds and looking at the reactions of metals with oxygen. In a Biology topic this term, pupils will be learning about Relationships in Ecosystems.