

25th October 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

I am pleased to share with you all an overview of the different topics, units, and areas of study your child/ren will be completing next half-term (November – December 2024) in each of their subjects. This information will be shared with you each half-term to support your understanding of the curriculum and any upcoming assessments.

If you would like further details, please visit our website where additional guidance on the curriculum for each subject at the different key stages is available.

I also wanted to make you aware that you will begin receiving a weekly email on a Friday notifying you if your child/ren has missed one or more homework tasks set that week. More detailed information about missed homework can be found on the MCAS App.

Yours faithfully



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Year 9 – Autumn 2

Subject	Curriculum Focus	Assessment
English	Stranger than Fiction (Non-Fiction)	Writing Non-Fiction (Language P2 Question 5)
Maths	Collecting and Representing Data Angles Bearings Construction and Loci	Mid Term 1 Assessment
Biology	B1: cell biology continued	End of topic test
Chemistry	C1: atoms, elements and the periodic table continued	End of topic test
Physics	P1a: Finish energy (part 1) P3: Particle Model	End of topic test
French	Talking about events and activities in the past tense	Receptive Productive
Spanish	Using the preterite tense to describe what you did last weekend and how to use direct object pronouns.	Receptive Productive

Geography	Paper 1 Section B The living world (Cold environments) – Students will investigate the way in which flora and fauna adapt to this fragile environment. They will then look at both the opportunities and challenges living in cold environment (like Svalbard) can bring and how these important places can be protected.	Summative – (End of Section B) GCSE questions on ecosystems, TRF and Cold Environments.
History	Paper 1 – Medicine in Britain. Key Topic 2 – The Medical Renaissance, 1500-1700; Key Topic 3 – Medicine in the 18 th and 19 th centuries	End of Topic Tests
PRE	In this section of Christian Beliefs and teachings we begin to explore the role of judgement and the afterlife, whilst also assessing the role of God and Jesus within this process. We finish by exploring the role of sin and salvation within the Church.	Full Christian belief topic test (Exam style)
PE GCSE	Physical Training 1.2 Fitness testing 1.2 Training Principles	Homework Questions Weekly Mini mock 1
Sport BTEC	Sport and Media Task 1/2: Topic Area 3: Negative effects of the media in sport	Coursework Homework – Task related
Health and Social Care	Planning and creating a health promotion campaign. Delivering the health promotion campaign.	Weekly vocab tests. Delivery of campaign.
Art	Colour media exploration - Coloured pencil - Oil pastel - Watercolour	A02 A03
Drama	Theatre Review – Introduction Silver Arts Award planning continues Blood Brothers Monologues and intro to Pro-formas	Performance Mini Proforma Theatre review formative assessment
Music	Students will learn about ‘Music Through The Decades’ focusing on how popular music has developed throughout the twentieth century. Students will engage in a wide range of practical/ensemble activities as well as increasing their ability to distinguish between different musical styles.	End of topic test Spelling and definition tests
Computer Science	1.2 Memory and Storage Primary and secondary storage. Storage medium – optical, magnetic or solid state. Characteristics of storage devices. 2.1 Algorithms: Pseudocode, Search & Sort algorithms	Formative feedback on lesson worksheets. End of unit test.
Design Technology GCSE PD	SYTYC. Skills matrix activities. Contextual challenge tasks.	Verbal/peer feedback. Verbal feedback. Written/peer feedback.
Design Technology GCSE TX	SYTYC. Skills matrix activities. Contextual challenge tasks.	Verbal/peer feedback. Verbal feedback. Written/peer feedback.
Catering	Raising Agents Food Miles Baking, Whisking, Beating, Weighing, and measuring Raising agents	

Engineering	Preparing for the Clamp project	R015 PowerPoint: Health and safety, Risk assessment, Specialist equipment
Business GCSE	Unit 1 Business in the real world: business legal structures (sole traders, partnerships, private and public limited companies), franchising, social enterprises, business planning, aims and objectives, stakeholders and business location.	Progress check 1: Business legal structures and business objectives
Economics GCSE	Unit 3.1.3 – How prices are determined: 3.1.3.1 Demand for goods and services 3.1.3.2 Supply for goods and services 3.1.3.3 Equilibrium price	
Media	Analysis of the key media concepts in superhero films covering: Media language (mise-en-scene, editing, sound, cinematography). Genre and narrative.	Superhero assessment
Hair and Beauty Level 2	Unit 201 -The key features of hair and beauty in ancient eras and decades of the past hundred years. Hair and beauty in today's society.	End of unit assessment
COPE/ ASDAN	Week chart- colour code how you use your time/fill in how you use time. Present your charts. Design and complete questionnaires for sports session in PE.	Completed questionnaire challenge
PSHE	Post-16 choices Life-long learning Unifrog for Careers and Futures	
Core PE	Depending on timetabled group, students will have the opportunity to practice football, handball, rugby, table tennis, netball or fitness	Ongoing in the lesson
Core RE	Key questions such as: Is Great Britain Christian? How does charity support Religion? What is the nature of the family unit in the UK?	Recall Quiz Questions