

WHAT IS YOUR YEAR 8 CHILD LEARNING THIS HALF TERM?

APEX	In APEX, students will learn about the importance of consent in all types of relationships. They will discuss stigmas and pressures surrounding this unit.	ART	In art, students will learn to present personal and meaningful responses, making links with the artists that they have researched.	BIOLOGY	In biology, students learn about the processes of photosynthesis and respiration and how energy is transferred between organisms.	CHEMISTRY	In chemistry, students will explore the development of the periodic table, one of the most fundamental parts of chemistry.
COMPUTING	In computing, students will learn how to perform simple image editing and create composite images using existing graphics, text, filters and other special effects.	DESIGN & ENGINEERING	In design and technology, students will explore manufacturing considerations required in the development of products, using this knowledge to disassemble and analyse an existing product.	DRAMA	In drama, students will interpret the play Bang Out of Order exploring the issues of anti-social behaviour.	ENGLISH	In English, students will understand Shakespeare's story-telling methods through the lens of comedy.
FOOD & NUTRITION	In food preparation and nutrition, students will conduct a research investigation into the best ingredients to use for a recipe, understanding how ingredients can affect sensory characteristics of food.	GEOGRAPHY	In geography, students will begin to explore a range of threats including; plastic, oil spills, overfishing and climate change and consider how they are impacting our oceans at a global and local scale.	HISTORY	In history, students will study different social groups who fought for the right to vote in the 19th and 20th centuries. This includes The Peterloo Massacre, Chartist and the Suffragettes.	MATHS	In maths, student will learn about a range of vocabulary and notation relating to angles. They will investigate angle properties and will be taught compass and ruler constructions. Students will also learn and then apply the 4 rules for congruent triangles.
MFL	In French and Spanish, students will build on their knowledge of descriptions and now describe relationships as well as looking at celebrities.	MUSIC	In music, students will learn the history and significance of Blues music from its origins on the plantations in the southern US states during the slave trade, to eventually its rise in popularity in the entertainment in Chicago. The students learn its vital role in the development of popular music.	PE	In PE, boys will take part in a range of sports including: rugby, football, hockey, fitness, badminton, swimming, and gymnastics. Girls will take part in a range of sports including: netball, rugby, hockey, fitness, gymnastics, swimming, badminton and football.	PHYSICS	In physics, students will experience a range of practical work in this topic including floating and sinking, pressure, levers and Newton's Laws. We also introduce some of the key equations of motion.
RS	In RS, students will continue to use their Worldview Lens to ask thought provoking questions about how we can challenge Prejudice in today's society.						

"We are delighted to share with you the subject specific content that your child will learn during this half term. This half term we are launching our spring extra-curricular timetable and will share this with students and parents/carers in due course."



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