# Year 8





# What are students learning during Autumn Term II?

### **English**

Injustice: Non-fiction text study - *Using appropriate structures for a debate, rhetorical features in spoken language and in writing and prosodic features to engage the audience* 

### **Maths**

Number; Area and volume; Statistics, graphs and charts, Expression and Equations - (Continued) Calculating using squares, square roots, cubes and cube roots; using formulas for different shapes and solving everyday contexts involving measures; Understanding and analysing data using a range of diagrams and graphs

### Science

(Continued)

- 1. The Body (Biology) Heart, lungs and the digestive system.
- 2. Chemical Formulae (Chemistry) *Understanding a formula, naming compounds and writing an equation.*
- 3. Electricity (Physics) Current in a circuit, insulators and conductors, static electricity.

### **History**

Why was there a Civil War in England in the 17th century? The unpopularity of Charles I and how he angered parliament, the role of Hull in the English Civil War, Cavaliers vs Roundheads, Cromwell's New Model Army, execution of the king

# Geography

Geography of the Environment - Climate change, Australia bushfires, carbon future, wind farms, plastic pollution, landmines, The Mariana Trench, case studies in Bangladesh and China

# **Religious Studies**

What influence do religious traditions have? (Continued) - Christian marriage, Humanist wedding ceremony, religious iconography in Hinduism and Christianity, the significance of key religious people e.g. Martin Luther King, Gandhi

#### **French**

Paris je t'adore (Paris I love you) - Saying what you can do in Paris, saying what you like doing, asking for tourist information, saying what you visited and what it was like, saying what you did

# **Spanish**

Todo sobre mi vida (All about my life) - Saying what you use your phone for, what type of music you like, talking about TV, understanding a TV guide, tackling an authentic text, learning about young people's' lives





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### Art

Otherworldly: Surrealism (Continued) - History, principles, focus artists and practitioners of surrealism. Introduction to new approaches - taking risks and thinking outside the box.

#### Music

Why and how does music sound different all over the world? - The Pentatonic 5 note scale, musical instruments in Chinese music.

Guitar Hero - The elements of music, notation, chords and guitar parts

### Drama

Devising: Skills of the Actor (Continued) - Vocal elements, mime and action, actors sight-line application to focus points.

### **Physical Education – Girls**

Games - Netball OR Hockey - Practice of core techniques and skills, rules and decision making

PE - Badminton OR Dance - Performance of movement in isolation, developing sequence.

# Physical Education – Boys

Games -Rugby OR Football; *Practice of core techniques and skills, rules and decision making* PE - Badminton OR Gymnastics - *Performance of movement in isolation, developing sequence.* 

# Computing

E-Safety & Binary Logic & Python Programming in EduBlocks (Continued) - *Personal data* security - phishing, inappropriate behaviours. AND OR NOT gates, truth tables and circuits & using variables, outputting data and order (sequence) and input.

# PSHE (Personal, Social, Health, Economic Education)

Core Theme 2: Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) - Healthy respectful relationships, break ups, STIs/HIV, contraception, consent, LGBTQA+

# **Design & Technology**

Students are working in one of four rotations;

- 1. Design Technology Metal Manufacturing
- 2. Design Technology CAD/CAM modelling, design solutions.
- 3. Design Technology Papers & Card
- 4. Food Technology Food and nutrition health and safety, nutrients, allergies and skills.