

Wolfreton

SCHOOL AND SIXTH FORM COLLEGE



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Excellence, Endeavour, Respect

THE WOLFRETTON WAY

ART AND DESIGN

Why is it important to learn Art in Year 7?

Art is much more than drawing, painting and sculpture. It is about developing your creative language to communicate ideas and new ways of thinking. Being creative is so important employers state it is the 3rd most important work skill required in 2020 and the UK creative industry is known for developing talents which contribute in excess of £100 billion to our UK economy each year.

With this in mind the art department will help you:

- Keep you open minded and culturally aware.
- Enable you to see learning as play while having fun.
- Create a safe environment for you to take risks and flourish.
- Foster your resilience and self-expression to solve problems.
- Empower you to explore your feelings, experiences and emotions.
- Promote your wellbeing and happiness leading to fulfilment and joy.

What equipment will I be expected to bring to my Art lessons?

You should bring your normal school equipment as it states in your planner. We will provide everything else you need to learn, experience and enjoy your art lessons.

What will Year 7 lessons in Art look like?

In Art we offer a range of experiences in order for you to try out as many different ways of creating as possible. Amongst other things you will learn:

- about how colour is made and how it can relate to mood and emotion.
- what artwork from different cultures looks like, why it was made and why it is different to ours.
- there are many different ways of seeing the world, interpreting artwork and expressing yourself.
- how to assess your own and others' work in order to improve.

The Art department will always share with you our knowledge, experience and opinions.

How will I be assessed in Art?

You will be assessed at various points throughout the year on lots of different things, not just your ability to draw and paint. You will be assessed on:

- ability to handle materials.
- understanding, interpreting and describing artwork.
- how you make changes to improve your work.

The Art Department staff will always help you understand how to improve your work.

What other opportunities are available to me outside normal Art lessons?

Wolfeaton Art Department offer extra-curricular clubs, such as lunchtime sessions and after school clubs and activities on various days of the week.

Top tips for success in Art

- Try everything and work to the best of your abilities
- Don't be afraid to make mistakes. Mistakes are an important part of the learning process in Art.
- Have an open mind and be creative.

COMPUTING

Why is it important to learn Computing in Year 7?

- Computers have become an important part of everyday life. The skills you learn will be valuable for study, employment and play.
- We want you to be able to fully participate in society by being able to access all areas of modern society.
- Being safe has become very important and the skills learned will help you to use ICT safely and responsibly.
- Computing will enable you to understand how applications are created and the way they function.
- Many jobs require advanced computing skills, the ability to understand more than the basics is essential.

The IT industry forms an important part of the global economy. Having computing skills will give you the opportunity to work within this industry in the future.

What equipment will I be expected to bring to my Computing lesson?

You are expected to bring your normal equipment covered in your planner. This includes:

- Pen
- Pencil
- Ruler
- Rubber

We also recommend you purchase a USB memory pen drive to transfer files to and from school. 2GB will be more than enough. At Wolfreton we use Microsoft Windows and Office 365 amongst other software packages.

What will Year 7 lessons in Computing look like?

You will learn how to use the Computing tools through a number of different topics. The topics are:

- Programming in Small Basic
- Developing flowcharts and program branching
- Graphics Editing
- Internet Safety
- Using the Office 369 applications

The software you will learn to use includes Office application (Microsoft Office 365), programming environments (Microsoft Small Basic). You will also learn how to search for information on the internet using search engines such as Google and Bing. Many of the tasks can be practiced at home if you want to develop your skills. Homework will be set by your teacher.

How will I be assessed in Computing?

You will be assessed against the KS3 Computing National Curriculum. Generally, you will be assessed per topic. You will be given feedback about your work at the end of each project.

You will be assessed on the key processes and concepts of:

- Programming, Logic and Algorithms
- Button Quiz
- Using applications for creative purposes
- Using technology safely

You will be given a target at the beginning of the year, and advice on how to improve progress at each assessment point.

What other opportunities are available to me outside normal Computing lessons?

Students will have access to Office 365, their online portal for Emails, OneDrive and Office apps – they can use this for their computing and other subjects.

Many of the applications we use are available to download for free, such as Microsoft Small Basic or via Office 365.

There are many resources online showing you how to use or develop using the applications, simply search for them in Google.

If you really enjoy computing, you might want to look at some products available to expand your knowledge and experience, such as a Raspberry Pi.

Top tips for success in Computing

Enjoy experimenting with the computing tools; they are there to be used! Always be willing to have a go, try something new and have a go! This is the best way to learn in Computing. Practice using your computing skills outside of the lesson and school – we use computing every day! Download and try some of the applications at home; Scratch and Small Basic are free! If you have access to a Windows desktop or laptop computer, this will help match the school system.

DRAMA

Why is it important to learn Drama in Year 7?

- You will learn to work with others in your group.
- You will become confident in front of others.
- You will learn to see things from a different perspective.
- You will learn to express yourself and share your ideas with others.

What will I be expected to bring to my Drama lessons?

- A good sense of humour
- Respect for others
- Independence of mind
- A willingness to work

What will Year 7 lessons in Drama look like?

Drama at Wolfreton School will cover the following units of work:

- In unit 1 you will learn some basic drama skills.
- In unit 2 you will make up a play about spooky tales.
- In unit 3 you will learn about mime.
- Unit 4 is a PSHEE unit about PEER PRESSURE.
- In unit 5 we will look at characters from 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'.
- In unit 6 we will look at how FAIRY TALE stories can be used in Drama.

How will I be assessed in Drama?

From time to time your drama teacher will assess your work. You will be assessed for different skills:

- Performance skills - This will be assessed when you show your work to the rest of the class.
- Group work skills - This will be assessed when you work with others in the class on your performance.
- Evaluation skills - This will be assessed through your written work.

What other opportunities are available to me outside normal Drama lessons?

At Wolfreton School you will be able to get involved in many drama productions:

- There will be a yearly school performance.
- You can join the drama clubs.
- See performances.

Top tips for success in Drama

- Be able to work well with anyone in your group.
- Listen well to your teachers and take on advice
- Be able to think creatively and imaginatively.
- Encourage other to do well too.

ENGLISH

Why is it important to study English in Year 7?

- English is a life skill. You use it every day throughout your life.
- Your English skills are important for every other subject in the school.
- Through the study and experience of English, you will gain confidence in reading, writing and spoken communication.
- Books take you to places you've never been; you meet characters you've never known.

What equipment will I be expected to bring to my English lesson?

This will be covered in your student planner but will include:

- A reading book
- Your writing equipment

What will Year 7 lessons in English look like?

You will study a wide range of interesting and challenging novels, plays and poems. You will learn how the English language developed and how we communicate today.

Dependent on the activity you are likely to do the following things:

- Individual work
- Paired work
- Group work
- Presentation of work to the class
- Use of video and media
- Offer personal opinions
- Engage in drama

How will I be assessed in English?

You will be assessed on the key processes of writing, reading and speaking and listening.

You will be assessed formally each half term on specific skills.

You will know what your targets are and your teacher will suggest how you can progress.

What other opportunities are available to me outside normal English lessons?

- You will also have a reading and literacy lesson, taught within your PSHE program of study
- Book Clubs
- The chance to undertake creative projects which complement the texts studies in class
- Research projects about Myths and Legends – the first unit of work in year 7

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Top tips for success in English

- Be prepared at all times
- Take pride in your work
- Read often and widely
- Share your ideas

GEOGRAPHY

Why is it important to learn Geography in Year 7?

It is important to understand the world around you and the ways in which it is changing.

- You should explore your own 'geographical imaginations' of places.
- You will learn about different people's values and attitudes on a range of issues and explore your own values and attitudes.
- We want you to develop a range of skills such as presenting arguments, problem solving and map skills.
- It is important to know where places are in the world and what these places are like.
- You should be able to make decisions which balance concerns related to development as well as the environment.
- Place matters = without Geography, we are nowhere.

What equipment will I be expected to bring to my Geography lessons?

This will be covered in your student planner but will include:

- Pen / Pencil
- Ruler
- Rubber
- Homework (on due date)

What will Year 7 lessons in Geography look like?

In Year 7 you study the following topics:

- Place matters - skills
- Asia
- Europe
- Antarctica
- Australia
- Africa

How will I be assessed in Geography?

You will also be assessed on the development of your geographical knowledge, understanding and skills. These will be assessed through a variety of lesson activities, homework projects and end of unit examinations. You will be involved in both peer and self-assessment activities within your lessons. You will receive regular feedback on how you are performing in Geography and the next steps that are required in order to improve and make progress

What other opportunities are available to me outside normal Geography lessons?

Across years 7 and 8 we do a variety of fieldwork activities. Other opportunities such as the Geography Club help students to establish and maintain a key interest in the subject. Former student and current Geography Undergraduate at Newcastle University: "Geography is all around us – it helps to explain why something is happening in a particular location – it is always relevant, never boring and something which I am delighted to study at degree level"

Top tips for success in Geography

Have an enthusiastic approach to learning

- Keep up to date with the news (local/national/global)
- Be reflective – What am I good at? How can I improve?
- Take pride in producing the best work possible
- PLACE MATTERS

HISTORY

Why is it important to learn History in Year 7?

Skills:

- Communication- both oral and written - involves organisation and structure.
- Evidence - questioning it to see if it is biased and reliable - analysing.
- Prioritising events, evidence and arguments.
- Developing well balanced and thought out arguments.

Content:

- Respect, tolerance, empathy, understanding – Fosters Citizenship.
- History is full of marvellous stories about real people.
- It is important to have a knowledge of how society has developed - politically, culturally and socially.
- History is one of the fastest growing leisure industries of our time.

Concepts:

- History is full of concepts; Cause and Consequence, Change, Similarity and Difference, and Interpretations of events; such concepts are applicable in many areas of life.

What equipment will I be expected to bring to my History lesson?

This will be covered in your student planner but will include:

- Pen and pencil
- Ruler and rubber
- Coloured pencils
- Highlighters
- Exercise book

What will Year 7 lessons in History look like?

The topics you will cover are:

- Pre 1066, the Romans.
- Medieval life and society, the Battle of Hastings, castles, murder of Becket, Black Death.
- Tudors kings and queens including the Reformation
- Gunpowder Plot and English Civil War

Dependent on the activity you are likely to do the following things:

- Thinking
- Re-enactments / role plays
- Group Work
- Use of video clips
- Self and peer assessment
- Research and presentations to the class
- Creative work (poster, model making etc...)
- Communication – longer pieces of writing
- Developing explanations

How will I be assessed in History?

You will be assessed regularly throughout the year through numerous written pieces of work. These will awarded a mark and will have then have specific targets for you to improve.

You will be assessed on the key concepts and processes of:

- Explanation
- Change
- Understanding and explaining sources of evidence
- Analysis
- Communication / literacy

Top tips for success in History

- Show interest and an enthusiastic approach.
- Be ready and prepared to think in every lesson.
- Contribute to class discussion and debate and all activities.

MATHS

Why is it important to learn Maths in Year 7?

Mathematics is everywhere, it provides us with an international language with which to model and explain the world around us. In your Maths lessons at Wolfreton we are starting to equip you with the knowledge, problem solving skills and reasoning capacity to take with you into the outside world. Maths in Year 7 deepens the knowledge you have acquired at primary school and introduces new concepts that are built on in future years. We start to explore the world of algebra, using calculations for reasoning and applications of ratio in real life.

What equipment will I be expected to bring to my Maths lesson?

You will be expected to bring:

- a pen
- pencil
- ruler
- scientific calculator

Scientific calculators and geometry sets are available to purchase from the school.

What will Year 7 lessons in Maths look like?

Mathematics at Wolfreton is a journey that starts in your first lesson in Year 7. Our early topics build on what is learnt in primary school, introducing problem solving contexts and new terminology to help deepen your knowledge. All of our maths lessons start with retrieval of work, methods and facts you have covered recently to make it easy for you to remember content as we move through the year. We use a wide variety of engaging resources on our interactive whiteboards together with other activities such as puzzles and challenge tasks. Homework is set once a week and is either linked to the work you have done that week in class or is a review of all the work you have done so far. Every three weeks we set homework online using Hegarty Maths

How will I be assessed in Maths?

Students are informally assessed throughout the lesson using mini-whiteboards, multiple choice questions and verbal questioning to help the teacher personalise support. They also complete a written key question at the end of the lesson to help students assess if they have met the learning objective. Students in all year groups are formally assessed every half term. These assessments allow us to check that students are acquiring the knowledge and skills they need and to help us see if they need any extra support. Before the assessments students are given a revision list (which is also sent out to parents) and a list of videos they can watch to help them revise. After the assessment each student receives a personalised report to show strengths and areas for development which they share with parents.

What other opportunities are available to me outside normal Maths lessons?

Our staff are passionate about maths and love to set challenges for students. These might be puzzles, challenges or creative tasks and they always attract house points! Each week we have a maths fact of the week and we encourage students to come to us with any other facts that they find. We run lunchtime homework sessions to support students.

Top tips for success in Maths

- Be an active learner!
- Active learners are inquisitive, they always wonder why their teacher has done one step and ponder what the next one will be.
- Believe you can be successful in maths, work hard and always ask for help if you need it

MFL

Why is it important to learn languages in Year 7?

- It is fun to learn another language and to be able to communicate and make new friends.
- When you leave education you are more likely to find a job if you can speak another language plus you can work abroad more easily.
- If you leave university with a language qualification you can earn up to 10% more than non-linguists in comparable jobs.
- The UK trades the most with Europe and companies need people with some language ability to retain customers and keep them happy.
- When you travel you can enjoy different cultures more if you have an enjoyment of foreign languages.

What equipment will I be expected to bring to my languages lesson?

We learn languages at Wolfreton in a variety of ways. You should bring:

- A full pencil case with pens, pencils, colours, ruler and rubber
- A dictionary is recommended
- Your exercise book (provided)

What will Year 7 lessons in languages look like?

At Wolfreton we offer a wide variety of languages and a range of different qualifications that are relevant for today's world. What languages can I expect to learn at Wolfreton?

- In Year 7 you will either learn French or Spanish for 2 hours per week. These lessons will include pair work for speaking, creative writing, grammar and pronunciation activities.
- In Year 9 as well as French or Spanish, many students will have the opportunity to learn a second language for one hour per week (German or Japanese) This will give you the chance to experience a wide range of languages, which are all important in their own right and are used widely in the world of business and tourism.
- In Year 10 you will start your GCSE in either French or Spanish and you can opt to also continue with your second language. If you are making good progress you can choose the language you study at GCSE.

How will I be assessed in languages?

There are 4 key skills that will be assessed regularly at Wolfreton. They are listening, speaking/pronunciation, reading, writing. You will have a personal learning checklist to monitor your progress.

What other opportunities are available to me outside normal languages lessons?

At Wolfreton we offer many extra-curricular activities to learn languages which include:

- A range of trips to France, Germany and Spain to learn about culture and practise all four language skills.
- Study courses and tutorials to improve your grasp of the language.
- Language Clubs at lunchtime or after school.

Top tips for success in languages

- According to Lingo the Lion
- Practice the language outside of school
- Make flashcards for new vocabulary
- Discover Internet games, read, watch films or foreign TV programs, listen to music in the language.
- Learn as many new words as possible every week.

MUSIC

Why is it important to learn Music in Year 7?

- It builds your confidence
- It helps you to develop new skills
- Helps you develop your communication skills
- Allows you to be creative
- Allows you to discover new and exciting types of music through listening and performing.
- Allows you to think about your presentation skills.
- Helps you to appreciate other cultures.
- Uses different thought processes from other subjects
- Promotes creative thinking
- Improves co-ordination skills

What equipment will I be expected to bring to me Music lesson?

- Pen
- Pencil
- Planner
- Your creative thoughts and a 'can do' attitude!
- Organisational skills for your assessment books.
- Instruments – if you play one and your teacher asks you to bring it in. You can often use it in composition tasks

What will Year 7 lessons on Music look like?

Your lessons will be:

- Practical
- Lively
- Creative
- Exciting
- Sometimes noisy
- Varied
- Always interesting and enjoyable

How will I be assessed in Music?

- You will perform pieces of music on different instruments.
- You will write your own pieces of music.
- You will describe and evaluate different pieces of music.
- You will be assessed individually and as a group.

What other opportunities are available to me outside normal Music lessons?

There are lunchtime clubs including the singing group for everyone and the school orchestra, for instrumentalists. You can learn to play an instrument with our instrumental teachers who visit once a week, outside of your allocated 1-hour music lesson. Our instrumental teachers from the music service teach most instruments.

Top tips for success in Music

- Don't be afraid to share your creative ideas
- Try and contribute in group activities
- Remember you can always ask for help if you are not sure
- If you don't have a go you'll never know so try every activity!

PE

Why is it important to learn PE in Year 7?

Most importantly we want you to enjoy and succeed in the many types of activities that you will take part in throughout the year. You will discover which activities you like to do and what you are good at, as well as where to get involved in extra-curricular activities.

PE will help you make lifelong choices about a healthy, active lifestyle and will improve your own fitness. PE will also help you develop personally and socially because you will work in groups and teams as well as individually.

This will help you develop fairness and the ability to work as a team player. You will improve your leadership skills through coaching or refereeing. The range of experiences that PE offers will help you learn how to overcome challenges in both competitive and creative activities.

What equipment will I be expected to bring to my PE lesson?

This will be covered in your student planner but will include:

- Indoor kit or outdoor kit for the appropriate lesson
- A plastic bag for boots or wet clothing
- Shin pads for football and hockey
- Football boots for rugby, football and hockey
- Pen or pencil
- Planner
- Indoor court shoes

What will Year 7 lessons in PE look like?

The activities you will cover include: Gymnastics, rugby, badminton, fitness, basketball, hockey, football, dance, tennis, athletics, cricket, rounders and volleyball team games.

Dependent on the activity you are likely to do the following things:

- Warm ups
- Skill practices
- Full and conditioned games
- Presentation of work to the class
- Individual work/competitions
- Group work/ team competitions
- Students leading/coaching
- Students officiating
- Students judging performance

How will I be assessed in PE?

You will be assessed on your performance for each activity in both practices and match situations. Assessment will focus on the four main areas of performance: Technical, Tactical, Physical. It is important that you know how you are performing in each activity and what you have to do to make improvements in your performance.

What other opportunities are available to me outside normal PE lessons?

Wolfeaton is widely known as one of the elite secondary schools for sport in the East Riding of Yorkshire. Wolfeaton School has a huge number of school teams for many sports including A, B and C team. We offer:

- A wide range of extra-curricular clubs and activities that take place at both lunchtime and after school
- A dedicated team of staff prepared to give you their own time
- School teams competing at local, regional and national level in many sports, including: Football, Badminton, Girls' Football Cross Country, Netball, Tennis, Rugby, Basketball, Girls' Rugby, Dance, Cricket, Dodgeball, Rounders, Athletics, Hockey, Table Tennis

Top tips for success in PE

- Show a keen and enthusiastic approach
- Always do your best
- Take pride in having the correct kit for every lesson

PSHE

What is PSHE?

PSHE is a high impact course that enables students to reach their full potential by developing knowledge, skills and attributes necessary to thrive as global citizens. PSHE provides students with the capacity to make responsible decisions and manage many of the most critical challenges and opportunities life can present. PSHE provides a platform that gives every student the opportunity to be safe and successful within the ever-changing landscapes of today's society.

What can I expect?

- To cover ideas/concepts not covered by other subjects
- Develop an understanding of issues experienced in everyday life
- Develop skills that will enable you to overcome challenges
- To help further prepare you for life after school
- Preparation for future roles as parents, employees and leaders

What are the key themes in PSHE?

Citizenship

- To develop skills as an individual to become a positive member of society
- To understand the rights and responsibilities of yourself and others
- To explore the different cultures in the UK and around the world
- To make decisions and express opinions about important issues in your life

Personal Well-being

- To build up confidence and self-esteem
- To understand and manage your emotions and communicate constructively with others
- To discuss relationships and the ability to work with others
- To stay safe and look after the welfare of others
- To develop resilience and a strong mind
- To understand the meaning of maintaining a healthy lifestyle

Financial Capability

- To learn how to manage money and personal finances
- To understand the functions and uses of money
- To identify the main qualities and skills needed to enter and thrive in the world of work

Sex and Relationships

- To learn how to manage money and personal finances
- To understand the functions and uses of money
- To identify the main qualities and skills needed to enter and thrive in the world of work

Careers

- To give you the practical skills to make a positive transition from school to work or further education
- To develop decision-making skills to make career choices in the future
- To provide information, advice and guidance for all young people

PSHE Enrichment Days

Throughout the year, you will also be involved in a series of PSHE Enrichment Days which are directly linked to the PSHE topics.

- October: E-Safety Day – safety online, cyberbullying and prevention.
- November: Health Day – Lifestyles & choices.
- March: Environmental Awareness Day – Plastics & futures.
- July: Healthy Relationships – Safety.

This PSHE Enrichment programme will continue throughout all key stages. Different topics are explored each year. Students from Year 9-11 are provided with the opportunity to delve further in to the different PSHE key themes through 1-hour timetabled lessons every week.

How will I cover these topics in PSHE?

All the topics will be covered in the different faculties and subject areas across the curriculum. For example:

- English - Relationships and self-esteem
- Drama - Bullying/Personal well-being
- RE - Citizenship topics
- Geography - Global citizenship
- History - Citizenship
- Maths - Financial capability and money
- Science - Health and sex education
- PE - Health and fitness
- Foreign Languages - Global citizenship
- IT - E-safety, Careers and financial capability
- Technology - Financial capability and personal well-being

How will I be assessed?

You will be assessed in various ways:

- Homework
- Presentations
- PSHE Enrichment Days
- The end of year report
- Tutor Comments

SCIENCE

Why is it important to learn Science in Year 7?

To create an understanding and provide the necessary tools to begin to reshape the world we live in through topics covering:

Biology	Living Systems, Reproduction, Genetics and Evolution.
Chemistry	Particles, Atoms and Elements and Chemical Reactions
Physics	Space, Forces and Energy.

You will build skills in science experiments and how to carry them out safely, develop learning skills that will help you throughout the school and demonstrate your research skills through exciting homework.

What equipment will I be expected to bring to my Science lesson?

This will be covered in lessons and your student planner but will include:

- Pen and Pencil
- Ruler
- Calculator
- Rubber

What will Year 7 lessons in Science look like?

You will cover three main areas of Science: Biology, Physics and Chemistry. These will be covered by:

- Use of ICT
- Group work
- Practical experiments
- Investigation
- Role play
- Class discussion and debate
- Independent research
- Modelling
- Using creativity to enhance learning

How will I be assessed in Science?

You will be assessed throughout your lessons and class work on the following skills:

- Thinking scientifically
- How Science is used in the world around you
- The ability to communicate your ideas
- Using investigative approaches
- Using experimental evidence to answer questions

You will be assessed within each topic via an assessed task and after every term, you will have an exam paper that assesses you on the topics you've learnt about, this includes your end of year assessment.

What other opportunities are available to me outside normal Science lessons?

During the school year there will be opportunities to:

- Explore aspects of Science in addition to the curriculum content.
- There is also an active STEM club (edible experiments) run by the department.

Top tips for success in Science

- Have an enthusiastic and inquiring approach
- Show an understanding and appreciation of health and safety during practical experiments
- Learn the key underpinning concepts to stay one step ahead

SOCIETY AND ETHICS

Why is it important to learn Society and Ethics in Year 7?

To prepare students to become equipped with the knowledge, understanding and skills needed to be valued members of an increasingly multi-faith and multi-cultural society.

We aim to develop enquiring minds and support students in considering their personal opinion about a variety of ethical issues including animal rights, gender equality and religion.

What learning experiences can I expect in Society and Ethics lessons?

There are lots of different activities and approaches to learning in Society and Ethics that makes lessons both enjoyable and informative. Be prepared to share your own opinion about certain topics, listen to others and work in pairs/groups for some tasks. There will be a use of text video clips and research tasks as well as written tasks to help your learning.

What will Year 7 lessons in Society and Ethics cover?

In year 7 students will learn about ultimate questions; considering the meaning and purpose of life. They will go on to explore four of the six world religions (Christianity, Islam, Sikhism and Buddhism) including places of worship, holy texts, places of pilgrimage, people of courage and beliefs in creation well as life after death. Students will also consider various ethical issues in year 7 such as gender equality, animal rights and religious identity.

Through knowledge and understanding of different religious beliefs, we aim to encourage tolerance and respect to others as well as reflect upon our own personal opinions.

In Society and Ethics, we follow the guidelines of the East Riding Agreed Syllabus.

How will I be assessed in Society and Ethics?

You will complete 3 assessed pieces of work throughout the year as well as an end of the year exam. This is to ensure your learning and understanding of the topics studied and that you can learn from religions to present your own ideas.

What other opportunities are available to me outside of Society and Ethics lessons?

As part of our PSHE Enrichment Day programme we cover topics associated with Society and Ethics including themes surrounding equality and anti-racism.

We are aiming to book outside speakers as well as organise visits in the foreseeable future.

TECHNOLOGY

Why is it important to learning Technology in Year 7?

- Discover new skills.
- Help to make lifelong choices about healthy lifestyles.
- Develop interest in design and manufacturing.
- To develop your own designs in many alternative materials.
- To be able to work independently on practical work.
- To challenge your opinions on designs.
- To solve real problems.

What equipment will I be expected to bring to my Technology lesson?

- Food ingredients when cooking and food apron.
- Apron for practical lessons.
- Pen, pencil, ruler.

What will Year 7 lessons in Technology look like?

The activities you will complete:

- Be environmentally aware when designing.
- Investigate and use a range of materials to manufacture products
- Be able to create simple electronic circuits that uses inputs and outputs
- Develop technical skills by analysing, using and evaluating materials and processes
- Using hand tools and computer integrated manufacturing
- Prepare a variety of savoury food products
- Develop technical food skills
- Understand nutrients and the effects on our body
- Create meals using seasonal ingredients
- Develop confidence in planning and preparing food products

How will I be assessed in Technology?

You will be assessed on the key processes of:

- Designing and making your practical work.
- Evaluation of your project folder.
- Working in a team.
- Development of your practical skills.
- Evaluating and improving your personal performance.
- Managing your time.

What other opportunities are available to me outside normal Technology lessons?

- After-school clubs
- Lunchtime clubs
- Technology Challenges
- Working on projects to make the school a better place

SEN

How does SEN support your learning?

Students sometimes have difficulties learning in lessons for a number of reasons. Our department can help you in many ways:

- Working with you in class to help you complete work.
- Working in small groups during one of your lesson times on literacy or numeracy.
- Working at tutor time on individual programmes using ICT to build your skills and confidence with reading, spelling and numeracy.
- Discussing your work with you so that you have a better understanding.
- Joining Autumn transition with a small group of Year 7 students to familiarise yourself with life at Wolfreton, discuss any problems and help you make friends.
- Attending social and emotional groups to support you with any personal difficulties, for example self-esteem.
- Co-ordinating sessions with our Emotional Literacy Support Assistant (ELSA) if deemed necessary.
- In Year 9, we will decide if it is appropriate to test you, to see if you are eligible for extra exam arrangements, such as having a reader, scribe or extra time.

How is literacy support provided at Key Stage 3?

- Screening for Reading and Spelling - standardised scores in the low average band, individual programme at tutor time, one session per week.
- Standardised scores in the below average band; literacy lesson 1 hour per week, reading focus, spelling focus and reading and spelling.
- Multi-Sensory Literacy Lesson (MSL) – this is a literacy lesson for students with significant literacy difficulties identified through our screening process.

Top tips for success

- Remember your planner.
- Bring books and equipment to lessons.
- Pack your bag the night before school.
- Write your homework in your diary.
- Listen carefully to instructions.
- Ask for help if you need it.