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Year 7 Curriculum for Spring Term 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after the holiday!

English

This half term we will be exploring Mediaeval literature; reading 'A Knight's Tale' by Chaucer as well as reading and writing ballads. Students will continue to go to their writing classes and Fresh Start groups as usual.

History

Unit title: 'Wars of the Roses'

Summary- The Wars of the Roses was a civil war fought between 1455 and 1485 between two families for the English throne- the House of York and the House of Lancaster. The Lancastrian king Henry VI, who was known as the 'mad king', was defeated by Edward IV (York). The war ended when Henry Tudor, who was a Lancastrian, married Elizabeth of York.

As part of our topic this half term, we will be visiting Westminster Abbey on 9.2.24. Watch out for the trip letter which will be out soon...

PSHE

We will be looking at healthy / unhealthy relationships both in person and online, discussing issues of trust and where to seek help.

Drama

During the Spring Term, students will be developing communication and teamwork and work on building trust and social skills.

Interventions

English / Fine motor skills - letter formation, handwriting, touch typing
Speech and Language - 'Theft at Cipher Mansion' - using visual clues, logic and deduction to solve a mystery

SPAG - paragraphs, pronouns, nouns

Independent living - planning, shopping for and making a simple meal

Maths

Adding and subtracting / multiplication and division / knowledge review

Science

In Science this half-term Year 7 will be studying the topic Energy Changes. This Physics topic gives an introduction to the different ways energy is stored and how it can be transferred and used.

Computer Science

This term, students will be looking at using media to gain support for a cause.

The Arts and PE

Art - In art lessons we will be starting our project on 'Still-Life'. This includes observational drawing, abstract art and exploring the use of symbolism (or vanitas) in artwork. Pupils will experiment with different media such as pencil, watercolour and collage. Artists who use still-life/abstraction in their work include van Gogh, Picasso, and Cezanne.

Music- In music this year we are exploring music technology to create our own compositions. We will use software such as Chrome Music Lab to explore melody, rhythm, harmony and texture.

Practical PE- In PE this half term year 7 students will be participating in a range of activities including: Jumpball, Beanbag Raid and Dodgeball.

Homework

Maths and English homework continues to be offered to all students but both are optional. Homework is based upon work carried out in the classroom.

Getting in touch

We all want to make sure that your child's time in Year 7 is as positive as it can be so please get in touch with us if you have any worries or concerns as we have found that we are usually able to sort them more effectively if we know about them in the early stages. We also love to find out about achievements that have happened outside school, so please let us know!

It is quickest to use email or, if urgent, to phone the school and ask that we phone back:

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Your child will also have a planner which they are expected to bring in and take home every day. You can write any notes here for us.