



Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back after the holiday! We would like to welcome Miss Bennett to 7B as she takes over teaching for the half term, in place of Miss Cossey.

English

Myths and legends from around the world. We will be revisiting the writing genres we have learnt about during the year; recount, non-fiction writing including information texts and diaries and poetry.

History

The Early British Empire

PSHE

RSHE (relationship, sex and health education). We will be covering using correct names for genitalia, puberty, menstruation, consent and FGM. We will follow county guidance for this and ensure that the sensitive topic is taught appropriately and mindfully. If you would like to ask more questions about this please let us know.

Drama

In Drama we will be exploring status and how it affects characterisation and acting 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 - Learning and using the following terminology: determiner pronoun, possessive pronoun adverbial
Independent living - travel in the local area

Maths

The students will be working in their specific maths stage. They will be learning statistics, measures, and time and money.

Science

In Science this half-term Year 7 will be studying the Acids, Alkalis and Chemical Reactions. This Chemistry topic gives an introduction to commonly occurring Chemical reactions and is also one of the most hands-on Year 7 topics, so students will be practicing how to work safely in the laboratory.

Computing

In a unit called "Programming Essentials in Scratch: Part 2", students will build on their understanding of the control structures' sequence, selection, and iteration (the big three), and develop their problem-solving skills. Learners will learn how to create their own subroutines, develop their understanding of decomposition and learn how to create and use lists.

The Arts and PE

Art

Art Nouveau is the Year 7s theme in art lessons this half term. The focus is on the creative use of materials and the observation of flowers. Drawings will be created and developed into stained glass windows and into card reliefs based on the study of artists Mucha and Klimt.

Music

In music this term we will be exploring the instruments of the orchestra, trying our hand at instruments from the string, woodwind, brass and percussion families.

Practical PE

Year 7 students will be learning about outdoor teamwork activities and striking and fielding games.

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.