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## ACHIEVEMENT FOR ALL

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Dear Parents and Carers

As we reach the final term of the school year before the summer break, we wanted to get in touch to let you know our plans for learning in Year 8 in Summer 1.

### English

Within this term's English lessons, students will be reading a play script called 'Chicken!'. This play is all about road/bike safety as well as peer pressure. Students will be looking at attributes of characters, the importance of informing people about road/bike safety, understanding why we use apostrophes and producing in groups their own road safety script

You can always help by reading together, either aloud or just encouraging them to make time to read at home. We will be using the school library regularly and will also have a book box that relates to our learning in the classroom. The best homework is to read regularly and this will have the greatest impact on progress, regardless of how fluently they are able to read.

Important Links:

<https://www.think.gov.uk/>  
<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/article/39664/Road-safety-in-Norfolk>  
<https://nationalhighways.co.uk/road-safety/>  
<https://capt.org.uk/csw-road-safety/>

### History (Humanities)

The first part of the summer term sees us continue with History (up to May half term). In this time we will finish looking at The Industrial Revolution including Children at Work. This links with our next topic of the Victorian Age (1837-1901) where we look at the Poor Law and the Workhouse. Whilst studying this topic Year 8 have a trip to Gressenhall where we will be looking at the Workhouse museum to discover the first hand tales of people who worked there. We also study Queen Victoria and what life was like in the Victorian Era.

Useful links:

- [Victorian Age BBC Bitesize](#)
- [The Victorians](#)

### RSHE

We will be exploring and discussing the following topics: Consent, Contraception and Parenthood, Bullying /Abuse, Social Influences; 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 me know.

## **Philosophy and Ethics**

In this term's Philosophy and Ethics lessons, students will be looking at the argument 'Science vs Religion'. Students will be able to describe the scientific account of creation as well as the Biblical account of creation.

## **Maths**

During Summer term 1, students will be learning all about the following topics: statistics, measures and time/money or algebra

## **Science**

In Science this half-term Year 8 will be finishing the topic Inheritance and Selection, then moving on to study the topic Properties of Earth's Materials. This Chemistry topic gives an introduction to the geological history of the Earth, but also looks at how and why we use the materials we get from the Earth.

## **Computer Science**

In this term's Computer Science lesson, students will be looking at the topic ***Layers of a Computer*** System. Students will be able to explain how a computer operates and be able to explain what artificial intelligence (AI) is and how it is evolving everyday within the 21st Century.

## **Art**

Urban and digital Art is the Year 8s theme in art lessons this half term. Developing on from last term this project looks at how cities have influenced approaches to art. Students will explore the work of Banksy through creating their own stencils and using spray paint.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zpqxs82/articles/zd4n3qt>

## **PE**

In practical PE this half term year 8 students will be learning about adapted cricket and Abi Sutherland from Norfolk Cricket will be delivering 3 specialist sessions and providing links to local free SEN after school cricket sessions.

<https://www.norfolkcricket.co.uk/lords-taverners-super-1s-hub/>

## **Music**

This half term we will be exploring the use of music in the film industry and how it can create and enhance atmospheres.

## **Drama**

This half term, using the set text 'Chicken', we will be exploring the themes and creating a piece of Drama related to road safety

## **Homework**

In Year 8, homework will be encouraged but optional. It has the most impact when it is relevant and curriculum related and whenever possible, we will seek to ensure it relates to some aspect of our classroom learning. Please speak to me if you think your child could manage more or needs less!

All homework assignments will be placed within Google Classroom.

If you have any questions or want to let us know about anything your young person is achieving or concerned about outside of school or at home, please do let me know. We will be delighted to work together and it is very important to us to see your whole child, not just their school bit!

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