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Dear Parents and Carers

It hardly seems possible that we are approaching the Summer term and the final term as Year 9 and Key Stage 3 students! In many ways, this is the loveliest term of all, with the warmer weather, Summer uniform and increased opportunities to enjoy being outside. We have got some exciting curriculum content to discover together and will continue to ensure that everyone is prepared and ready for Year 10 - the whole Year 9 curriculum is designed to be a bridge between Key stage 3 and 4 and everyone has engaged very confidently with that so there is no need to fear Year 10 !

We have our trip to Duxford on 1st May to enhance our History curriculum and on 2nd May a VR company is coming into school to support the Geography curriculum which should be fun.

We will be welcoming Miss Nudd and Miss Langley to work alongside Mr Booker as TAs in the Y9 classroom.

English

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time: This play is adapted from the Mark Haddon book and explores life through the eyes of a young man called Christopher who is phenomenal at Maths! It discusses autism, family, adventure and crime. There is some swearing in the play - we will approach this maturely and nobody will be asked to read anything they are uncomfortable with. The language in the play is authentic to the characters and we will make sure that it is not glorified and is read in context. The play and book are included in the exam board specifications and are used across many secondary schools.

Maths

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

During the Summer Term Year 9 students will be introduced to the ARC App, which is a Maths App that students are able to use at home to support their recall of topics. The ARC App will be especially helpful in supporting students' revision as they move into Year 10 and begin working towards GCSE Maths. We are introducing the ARC App to students this term so they become familiar with using it. Over the course of the next few weeks students will set up their ARC school account during the Maths lessons. Once they have their login details they will be able to download the App on their own mobile device at home (either phone or tablet - it does need to be a touch screen device). Students will then be able to begin using the ARC App for their own revision. If you have any questions regarding the ARC App please contact Clare van Gorp (Maths teacher) at the school on cvangorp@allsaintslessingham.co.uk.

History

We will study World War Two, looking at the rise of Hitler, the Holocaust and the messages we can learn from it in our modern world.

Geography

We will continue our learning about the continent of Africa and finish the topic looking at Kenya. This will include an in depth study looking at the opportunities and challenges the country faces including tourism and sustainability. We will then be moving on to our 'Spatial Sense' unit for the final part of the summer term with a focus on tourism and sustainability - focusing on the local area.

Useful links: [Development in Kenya](#), [Tourism in Kenya](#), [Where is Africa RECAP](#)

PSHE

This term is focusing on sex and healthy relationships. We will follow county guidance for this and ensure that the sensitive topic is taught appropriately and mindfully. If you would like ask more questions about this please let me know,

Personal Development

We will be learning all sorts of useful life skills this term, including a bit of car maintenance - so if you have any car issues over the Summer you will know who to ask for assistance!

Art

In art lessons, students will develop self-study skills, through exploring the theme of 'Power' in art. Students will create a mindmap of ideas, before exploring artists work, creating photography and designing a final piece from their studies that links to the theme. <https://artsandculture.google.com/usergallery/bwliA6fef89IJA>

PE

Year 9 students will be learning about outdoor adventurous activities and striking and fielding games, including a visit from Norfolk SEN cricket who will be delivering a session for us.

Science

We will be studying the topic Chemical Energetics and Resources. This Chemistry topic gives students the background knowledge to understand the issues arising from producing energy for Humans to use. The topic will combine opportunities for practical work completing chemical reactions and also independent projects around the issues of climate change which will connect well with previous Geography learning.

Music

In music this term we will be exploring pop music over the decades from the 1960s to the present day. We will listen to both British and American pop music and compare styles, instruments, clothes, performance techniques and much more. We will also use the keyboards to explore pop music performance.

Computer Science

Over the next few weeks we will be reviewing the importance of cyber security and learning more about the risks of malware along with the reinforcing the need to be cyber aware and mindful of data protection. We will then move into further topics linked to computer programming.

Philosophy and Ethics

We will be exploring Islam, including common misconceptions. We examine religious texts and apply these to the beliefs Muslims hold and look how these influence religious practices.

Drama

In Drama we will be exploring different practitioners and physical theatre.

Catering

Students will continue to travel to College on a Tuesday and learn to prepare and cook different dishes. Please remember to send in a container to bring them home where possible.

Homework

As usual, there will be homework that connects to the curriculum content on Google Classroom each week. We would also encourage all students to engage with reading Plus at home, those who did last half term have made remarkable progress and it really makes a difference. We have a well-stocked book box of books which connect to our curriculum - and will be encouraging students to take these home and read them. Please remember to record reading at home in planners so students can access the reward scheme.

Please do contact us if you have any concerns or to share successes at home, we love hearing them,

Ms Jones and Mr Booker.