Phase 2 Curriculum Overview - Year 8

Please find below details of what your child will be learning in this phase along with how you can support them and check their understanding. In their student planner you can find knowledge organisers for all of these topics which you can use to quiz your child on what they have learnt as well as support them to complete their 'Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check' home learning.

Subject	What your child will be learning	How you can support them and check their understanding
English	Gothic Writing: Reading and evaluating gothic writing across time Developing grammar competency in your own writing. Understanding exposition, inciting incident, rising action as essential in evoking a gothic atmosphere	LCWC spellings and vocabulary in the planner. Supporting with Accelerated Reader engagement.
Mathematics	 Ratio review Real life graphs Direct and Inverse proportion Univariate data Bivariate data 	https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/gcse.phphttps://corbettmaths.com/contents/ Sparx maths - independent learning
Science	 Forces 2 - first physics topic of the year Infection & Response (pathogens, diseases, treatment) British Science Week 	BBC Bitesize - Science https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zng4d2p LCWC homework in planners each week
History	Students will study how the Empire contributed to the war effort. • Students will study whether Imperialism caused WW1 • How the empire soldiers helped during WW1 • How the empire soldiers helped during WW2 • What was life after WW2 like for soldiers who stayed in Britain	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zcsgbqt#z29qjsghttps://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z6vff82
Geography	Topic 1: Climate Change. Students will study about both human and natural causes of climate change. They will understand the greenhouse effect. Students will look at the impacts of climate change and ways that these impacts can be reduced. Topic 2: Development. Students will be able to understand the 4	 LCWC using KO in planner. BBC Bitesize https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z4kw2hv Use Seneca for independent learning https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/

	different employment sectors and how quality of life varies across an LIC, NEE and HIC. Students will discuss the causes of the developments gap and ways it can be reduced.	
Modern Foreign Languages	•	
PSHE	Respectful interactions Students will be trying to understand how we understand and respond to social issues. They will be covering:	BBC Teach has great resources to help support conversations with young people: Mental health: https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/articles/z7jyd6f Body image: https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/articles/zfbkhbk
Art	Theme: Portraiture/Identity → Formal element exploration: Line, tone, texture, colour, shape, pattern, texture and form. → Rules of portraiture and technical drawing → Collage, photography and printing → Observational drawing and painting. → Exploring and analysing a range of artists.	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zkpjxg8
Design and Technology	Food: Food and person hygiene skills Dishes from around the world Food provenance and choices Product design: Developing knowledge of materials. Developing equipment and health and safety skills in the workshop. Developing knowledge of wood joints Designing and prototypes Accuracy of measuring and development of practical skills such as sawing and sanding	
IT	 Graphic Design: Plan & Design A Logo Using Photopea Designing A Database Creating A Database Computer Systems - Hardware: Let's look inside a computer Von Neumann Architecture Primary and Secondary 	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zv2v4wx/revision/1 https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zswnb9q/revision/1 https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/t

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Drama/Dance	 Benjamin Zephaniah's 'Refugee boy' Narrative Dance 	Look/Say/Cover/Write/Check key weekly vocabulary, see knowledge organiser Homework set on keywords.
Music	 Chord chemistry - major, minor, 7th and suspended chords Riffs & notation - popular riffs and how to musically notate and play them 	Look/Say/Cover/Write/Check key weekly vocabulary, see knowledge organiser Homework set on keywords.
PE	 Football- 6 lessons (continues from phase 1) Fitness- 4 lessons (continues from phase 2) Handball- 7 lessons (continues in phase 3) Gymnastics- 5 lessons Girls PE Basketball- 3 lessons (continues from phase 1) Badminton/Table tennis- 9 lessons Handball- 4 lessons Football- 8 lessons (continues in phase 3) Fitness- 3 lessons (continues in phase 3) Fitness- 3 lessons (continues in phase 3)	Key rules/techniques involved in each activity- Football- https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/g uides/zxrbcwx/revision/3 Badminton- https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/g uides/z37j2p3/revision/3 Basketball- https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/g uides/zgxxnbk/revision/3#:~:text =A%20basketball%20team%20c an%20have,two%20hands%20on %20the%20ball. Handball- https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/g uides/zp3ybk7/revision/3
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