



# Year 9 Autumn Term 2024: September – December. What will I be learning?

**English** – This term you will be covering **one** of these three themes – epic journeys, belonging and growing up. This will be explored through **one** of the following books.

**Which texts might I read?**

- Hunger Games
- Macbeth
- Of Mice and Men
- Heroes

**What skills will I learn?**

- Learn how to show don't tell
- Understand how to write a successful guide and leaflet
- Appreciate the concept of genre
- Use effective techniques when creating fictional writing.
- Understand how to analyse an author's viewpoint
- Learn how to write an effective report.
- Understand how historical context can impact a text.
- Understand what empathy means, its importance when reading and how it is created by authors.

**Mathematics**

**What will I be learning?**

Depending on which class you are in you will be focusing on the following topics at different stages of the term:

- Powers and roots
- Quadratics
- Inequalities and formulae
- Analysing data
- Standard form
- Expressions/formulae
- Data
- Multiplicative reasoning
- Number
- Sequences and equations
- Statistics
- Fraction, decimals and percentages

**Science**

**What will I be learning about? You will follow topics with biology, chemistry and physics**

- Cell biology
- Chemical changes
- Electricity
- Particle model of matter

**PE What will be learning?**

In PE you will be learning and developing your skills in:

- Football
- Netball
- Rugby



**Humanities**

**What will I be learning?**

This term you will be focusing

History: The First World War; causes, events and consequences

Geography: Volcanoes and earthquakes

PSE/RS: Emotional wellbeing and resilience in school, careers and ethics in religion

**Performing Arts**

**Music –**

**What will I be learning?**

**Drama –**

**What will I be learning?**

- Building movement and vocal skills – developing these to a more advanced level – look at scripted work to develop these skills effectively
- Characterisation using scripted work – role on the wall, line learning for performance and improvisation- Stanislavski and the Given Circumstances- Blood Brothers

**French: What will I be learning?**

**Start of the GCSE course and you will develop your skills in reading, writing, speaking and listening**

- Revision of family, places in town, time and numbers
- Develop your skills to talk about your friends, what makes a good friend
- Talking about family relationships
- Learning how to make arrangements to go out and development of future tenses, this will lead to you describing a day out
- Discuss role models
- Talking about sports
- Learn about how to discuss using technology
- Talk about reading habits and which music you listen to.

**Spanish What will I be learning?**

**Start of the GCSE course and you will develop your skills in reading, writing, speaking and listening**

- Discussing holiday activities and the weather
- You will learn how to talk about your holiday preferences
- You will be able to talk about holidays in the past
- You will learn how to book accommodation in Spanish
- You will learn to give your opinions about subjects in school
- You will develop skills so you can describe the school day and your school uniform
- Talking about school rules and things you find difficult in school
- You will learn to talk about activities and achievements

**Art and Technology**

**In Art you will be focusing on the Matchstick Box project:**

This project includes the golden knowledge of artist movements, key dates, and artists' names. Each student is assigned a period of art or an art movement from the timeline and tasked with a creative 3D project. They will decorate the inside and outside of a matchstick box with information about the artist, artwork, key facts, and dates relevant to that period.