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Have a look at what we have got planned for our Autumn 2 term.

English

GOTHIC FICTION

Next term, pupils in KS3 will continue with our topic on **Gothic fiction**. They will explore classic texts and themes of the genre, such as mystery, suspense and the supernatural, while developing their skills in reading, analysis and creative writing. Pupils will also have the opportunity to write their own gothic-inspired pieces, building confidence in using language to create atmosphere and tension.

Maths

Next half-term, pupils will follow the White Rose Maths curriculum, building confidence through small, sequenced steps. Next half-term, pupils will be studying area and volume, equations and inequalities, and number – fractions. They will learn how to calculate the space inside and around 2D and 3D shapes, solve algebraic equations and inequalities, and work confidently with fractions in different contexts. These topics will help pupils strengthen their problem-solving skills and prepare for more advanced mathematical concepts.

Science

Next half-term, pupils will explore temperature, particles and energy; learn how heating and cooling cause changes of state; compare conduction, convection and radiation; test insulation in an investigation; and interpret and communicate conclusions.

PSHE

Next term, Year 9 pupils will continue focusing on their health and well-being. Pupils will explore topics such as emotional resilience, managing stress, personal safety, and healthy lifestyle choices. The lessons are designed to be engaging and practical, giving pupils the skills to look after their own well-being and to make positive choices as they move through adolescence.

Personal Development Programme

Next term, pupils will continue to take part in our Personal Development programme, which supports their social, emotional and mental health needs while building important life and work-related skills. In each lesson, pupils will be encouraged to grow in confidence and self-awareness, show a positive attitude to learning, work well with others, and manage their own behaviour. The programme is designed to help pupils develop the personal skills they need to succeed both in school and beyond, whilst having lots of fun!



POL-ED



Next term, Year 9 pupils will continue to follow the Pol-Ed well-being curriculum, which focuses on supporting their mental health, emotional resilience and personal safety. Lessons will help pupils explore positive coping strategies, understand how to manage stress, and develop the confidence to make safe and healthy choices. The aim is to give young people the tools to look after their own well-being and prepare them for the challenges of growing up.

Extra-Curricular

- ◆ Doe Park
- ◆ Visits from external organisations
- ◆ Extra curricular activities off site
- ◆ Reward Trips

How you could support your child:

- Show an interest in what your child is learning about
- Ensure they come to school in the right uniform
- Keep in contact with school regarding any relevant issues