

7MA Curriculum Leaflet

Spring 1



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Tutor Time Focus:

We will be looking at emotional regulation within the classroom, continuing to use the six-point scale and investigating what expected and unexpected behaviours are within the school.

English

We will be learning about:

Writing for different purposes and researching. We will be writing to a school based in Taiwan for letter-writing exchange to find out more about different cultures.

Reading various fiction and non-fiction texts and engaging with them on a deeper level.

Drama classes based on creating waxworks about real life celebrities. We will be using freeze frames and our voices to act as different characters.

Maths

We will be learning about:

Number – Fractions

Identifying the halves and quarters of shapes and different amounts. Sharing amounts between a larger number of groups. Starting to understand simple fractions as percentages.

Geometry – Position & Direction

Using positional and directional language to solve problems. We will be using BeeBots and other robots to understand turns and direction.

Science

We will be learning about:

We will be learning about what is in our solar system. We will be looking at the features of the moon and Sun and how they move around the Earth. We will learn about Earth's place within the solar system.

Spanish

We will be learning about:

Numbers

How to introduce ourselves

Animals and pets

Geography

We will be learning about:

Weather

The different kinds of weather that we experience in Britain. Learning about the different distinct features of the seasons and understanding when they fall within the year. Knowing how to prepare for each of the different weathers through what clothes we should wear and what we might need to keep us healthy and safe.

Computing

We will be learning about:

What are toys, games and puzzles?

Introduction to Computational thought. Learning to understand terms such as Algorithm, Hardware, software, program, robot, AI, digital/analogue.

We will be using different types of coding software such as Hour and Code and Minecraft Code

Personal Social Development

We will be learning about:

Positivity is the Key

For the students to explore and present the feelings and behaviour they experience when they are feeling good.

Building Healthy Friendships and Relationships

For the students to explore and practise positive thinking for a range of age-related scenarios and practise a range of strategies for dealing with strong emotions.

Philosophy for Children

We will be learning about:

Using different books, stories and to encourage the students to relate to their own life experiences. We will be engaging in whole class discussions around what the meaning of different stories could be and what lessons we could learn from them.

We will be focusing on turn taking and listening to the opinions of others in the class.

PE

We will be learning about:

Hockey:

Learn about passing, dribbling, shooting, safe tackling. Play hockey games in teams.

Indoor Rowing:

Name parts of the rowing machine. Use the machine safely. Use the correct catch, drive and finish positions. Understand the recovery process for rowing.

Graphics

We will be making:

- A sports day medal

We will be learning about:

- What is Graphics?
- How do we draw shapes?
- How can the computer help us to draw shapes?
- What is a design brief?
- What is the design process?
- What makes a good medal?
- What materials and processes can we use to make a medal?

Home Learning Opportunities

English – Encourage your child to read when they can. If your child is reading a book at home, ask them to bring the book in as they can be given the opportunity to read and share it with the class. Continue to use Reading Eggs and Reading Eggspress.

Maths – Encourage your child to find simple fractions of shapes and amounts. Using words share as “sharing” ask your child to divide some of larger amounts between different groups at home. Continue to use Mathletics.

PE – Ask your child to complete some of the exercises that they have been doing in their PE Lessons.

Computing – Give your child the opportunity to access online resources and platforms under supervision.

If your child completes anything that they would like to share with the class, please take a picture or send it in with your child.

Art

We will be learning about:

Still Life Drawing

What is still life?

Who is Yayoi Kusama?

Positive and negative space drawings

Stage 1 drawing out of still life

Stage 2 use of paint and colour mixing

Stage 3 completed final piece

Written evaluation

Music

We will be learning about:

Singing as part of a group and finding our own voices.

Responding to different kinds of music.

Drumming with various instruments and trying to follow a beat or rhythm.

Working as a team.

Preparation learning songs and music for Easter.

Preparing for Adulthood

We will be learning about:

Exploring the four key pathways in PfA – Employability, Community inclusion, Health and Independent living.

Exploring ways the students can pursue their own interests at school and at home.

To understand different roles and jobs within a society and which of these jobs might be applicable to them.

Events this half term

School Police Officer visit to Stormont – Stop and Search workshop (date tbc)

Assembly by London Air Ambulance