

YEAR 7 CURRICULUM OVERVIEW - HALF TERM 2

Please find below a summary of the curriculum being covered in each subject this half term. The curriculum pages on our website also have further information: <https://www.maltonschool.org/essential-information/statutory-information/curriculum/>

English	Students will be given an insight into the history of literature through the unit 'Telling Tales Through Time'. They will explore different texts from a range of time periods and consider how language and literature changes and develops over time. Students will be introduced to the work of William Shakespeare through analysing his use of rhetoric in Julius Caesar.
Maths	Students will cover algebra manipulation; specifically, equations and expressions, looking at simplifying expressions, substituting and solving equations. They will also cover measures and units, looking deeper at time and converting units of length, mass and capacity linking further to real life applications and life skills.
Science	After completing the units which were started in their first half-term, students are moving on to studying human reproduction (Biology) and the Particle Model of matter (Chemistry).
Art	Students will be experimenting with a range of media to produce a series of analytical drawings of bugs and linking this to their earlier research. Students will be introduced to the use of pencil, pen and paint alongside the techniques of blending, colour mixing and mark making to produce a series of analytical drawings. Students will gain knowledge of primary, secondary and complementary colours.
Citizenship	Students will look at their role in the local community and prepare for and carry out their Personal Challenge, as part of the Malton School Citizenship Award. They will finish the half-term by making festive cards that will be delivered to local care homes as part of our involvement with the local community.
Computing	Students will be working on 'Computing 1' where they will learn about the internal components of a computer. They will also learn about input and output devices before moving on to binary numbers and addition.
Drama	Students are continuing to work on their Creating Drama Topic covering the three tools of the actor, using a mask and creating short performances for the class to watch. Students will also be learning how to discuss and evaluate drama and offer constructive feedback to their peers.
DT	Students will continue to develop their skills working with basic machinery and hand tools through their earphone wrap project which requires them to also use of their design and research skills.
French	Students will learn to describe themselves and others. They will learn how to discuss personality as well as use physical descriptions.
Food	Students will be looking at Health and safety, knife skills and basic practical's allowing them to grow in confidence when working in food technology. Self-evaluation forms are set for homework.
Geography	Students complete a series of lessons covering all aspects of map skills (compass directions, grid referees, map symbols, contours and height, distances, and cross-exactions).
History	Students will study the Battle of Hastings and weigh up the different reasons as to why William won. They will then complete a short series of lessons looking at how the Normans ruled England.
Music	Students will continue to develop their analysis skills and prior knowledge from Autumn term 1, whilst also performing simple songs from the 1960's-present Day.
PE	In their Games lesson, students will be taking part in either Table Tennis or Handball whilst in PE lessons, students will be taking part in either Dance, Rugby or Badminton. Students will be developing core skills and techniques in each of these activities in both skill-based practices and conditioned/competitive games whilst starting to analyse others' performances.
RE	Students will continue the unit of work looking at whether we need to prove God's existence, including why atheists think that God does not exist.
Homework Club	Staff are available to support students within homework club which operates in Room 11 (West Wing) on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons from 3.15pm to 5.00pm.
Literacy	Students will be working on the Accelerated Reader programme starting reading, quizzing and achieving rewards.
Numeracy	Students work on Sparx Maths in form time one day a week and are also encouraged to use the Independent Learning section in Sparx to work on their Maths skills within their own time. Students collect XP points across the year and may receive rewards if they are in the top 20 students within the year group.
Extra-Curricular	Updates are posted on the school website.

Important Dates this half term:	6/12/23 Carol Service St. Michaels 12/12/23 Christmas concert 7pm 13/12/23 Yr7 Christmas disco 20/12/23 Assessment reports home 22/12/23 Training Day - no students in school
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