



# Wadham School

A Church of England Community School

*"Life in all its fullness" John 10:10*



16<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Re: Curriculum Information Term 1 (3<sup>rd</sup> September to 25<sup>th</sup> October)

As part of our commitment to provide an excellent learning experience for the young people at Wadham School, the information in this letter outlines Curriculum, Home-Learning during absence and Extra-curricular activities for this term.

Through our curriculum, we provide a wide range of learning experiences both inside and outside of the classroom to encourage a love of learning and give the opportunity to experience success and fulfilment. We hope that you find the information helpful and a starting point to enable positive discussions at home about subject content and the opportunities that are available. Leaders and teachers at Wadham plan the learning and the sequence of learning very carefully. This gives all students the opportunity to work hard and progress in their academic studies to reach their full potential.

### Personal Development

At Wadham, all students are taught subjects which form the 'Personal Development' Curriculum. Our intent is that these subjects provide a variety of relevant and enjoyable activities enabling all students to develop their intellectual, moral, social, physical, spiritual and personal qualities to the full. The subjects that form the 'Personal Development' Curriculum are outlined below with the hours of teaching per two-week cycle.

Subject	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 13
Personal Development (PD)	2	2	2	2	2	2
Beliefs and Worldviews (BWV)	2	2	2	2	2	
Physical Education (PE)	5	5	5	4	4	
Enrichment (ER)				1		1



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You can find details of the full curriculum on the school website. Below you will see information for Year 11.

Subject	What will my Year 11 child learn in this subject Term 1?
Art	Major Project.
Beliefs and Worldviews	Christian Practices.
Business	Operations in Business.
Child Development	Completion of sample coursework, which allows for core knowledge to be re-visited.
3D Design	NEA: Pupils will be continuing to work on their personal portfolios, which will be submitted to the exam board alongside their final outcome. This NEA will contribute to 40% of the final GCSE grade for pupils.
Engineering	NEA: As set by the exam board. Pupils must respond to a brief and submit a portfolio of evidence along with a prototype of their resolution. This NEA will contribute to 40% of the final GCSE grade for pupils.
English Language	Paper 2 - Exploration
English Literature	Macbeth.
Film Studies	Global Film.
Food	Food and the environment, processing and production. Sensory evaluation. Students will be starting the NEA 1 Food Investigation task worth up to 15% of the final GCSE grade.
French	'Un oeil sur le monde' (Environment) & 'Qui suis-je?' (Who am I?)
Geography	Urban issues and challenges - Bristol
German	'Eine wunderbare Welt' (Environment) & 'Menschliche Beziehungen' (Personal Relationships)
History	Nazi Germany 1929-1939.
Maths	Algebra, Fractions, Decimals, Percentage, Number and Graphs.
Music	Indian Classical Music and Bhangra.
Personal Development	Relationships.

Photography	Major Project.
Physical Education (Core)	Fitness, Ultimate Frisbee, Netball, Basketball, Football or Badminton.
Physical Education (GCSE)	Sports Psychology.
Science (Combined)	Ecosystems, Moles and Magnetism.
Science (Separate)	Hormonal Control, Moles & Calculations, Periodic Table and Particle Model.
Statistics	Describing correlation by inspection, lines of best fit and Spearman's rank correlation coefficient, Pearson's product moment correlation coefficient. Calculating moving averages, seasonal and cyclic trends.

\* Please note: We review and evaluate our learning plans regularly and therefore some changes may be made termly.

### **Absence and Home-Learning**

We understand that it is unavoidable at times for a young person to be absent from school. However, we are keen that the learning and progress of a young person is not hindered by absence. In the majority of cases learning can be completed at home whilst absent from school. This will mean gaps in learning will be less of a concern when a young person returns to school as soon as possible after an absence.

The expectation is that students work at home and present their work to their class teacher when they return to school, either online or on paper.

### **Guide to learning at home:**

The information outlined in the Term 1 Curriculum Letter and Knowledge Organiser will help students identify the learning being completed in lessons at school this term.

### **Core Subject Learning Resources:**

**English** - Students who are absent when they are timetabled an English lesson should read the current curriculum topic using our library service:

[Wadham School \(accessit.online\)](https://uk.accessit.online/wdh01/#!dashboard)  
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Complete independent work on the curriculum topic(s) using Seneca plus complete and homework set via Teams and on Seneca. [www.senecalearning.com](http://www.senecalearning.com).

Log into Sparx Reader and read your allocated book. To find out more about Sparx reader watch <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jq8O-DYTN0w>

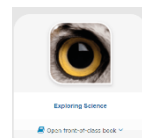
**Maths** - Students who are absent when they are timetabled a Maths lesson should access SPARX and use the topic code shown on the knowledge organiser. In the table above the learning for the whole term is identified also. Sparx will support Maths learning with videos, explanations, written work and questions with answers.

Students also have compulsory homework set on Sparx. Students should make sure this homework is complete and work on the additional XP Boost questions which are updated every week.

Students can also use the wide range of Maths learning websites available online to revisit topics that they have recently covered in lessons or topics that were identified on the curriculum letter or on the knowledge organisers sent earlier in the school year.

**Science** - Students who are absent when they are timetabled a Science lesson should use the following active learn website to access the online text book and resources. <https://www.pearsonactivelearn.com/app/home>.

To log in : use school email address as the username and all passwords have been set as "Science2024".



This resource provides the textbook used in class so students will be able to find the topics that are identified on the curriculum letter. Further details can be found in the knowledge organiser. The work set will show up in the 'Tasks' tab at the top of the page and can be repeated as many times as needed.

### **Extra-curricular activities – Term 1.**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8am-8.25am		Maths Past Paper Club - Canteen	Maths Past Paper Club - Canteen		
Lunchtime (1.20-1.55)	KS3 Languages A11  Creative Writing Club C21  <b>7/8/9/10/11 Cross Country</b>  <b>Years 10/11 Table Tennis</b>	KS3 Art Club-A02  Pride Club  GCSE Science Revision-D01  <b>Years 10/11 Badminton</b>	<b>Years 7/8/9 Badminton</b>  <b>Years 10/11 Netball</b>	Sparx HW Club A13  <b>Years 7/8/9 Netball (JJC)</b>  <b>Basketball Years 7/8/9 Basketball</b>	Chess Club B22 Starts 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept  KS3 Science Club D07  <b>Years 7/8/9 Table Tennis</b>  <b>Years 10/11 Basketball</b>

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Afterschool (3-4pm)	Badminton (All years) *£1.50/session via ipay.  Year 11 GCSE Revision A13 3- 4.10PM  <b>Years 10/11 Mixed Badminton</b> (N.Bailey)	GCSE French Support A11 Drop in Photograph  <b>Years 7/8 Mixed Hockey</b>  <b>Years 7/8/9 Boy's Rugby</b>	<b>Year 9 Trampolining</b> (JJC) *must sign up in advance in PE Office* *Only 16 places available*  <b>Years 9/10/11 Mixed Hockey</b>	KS4 Art and Photography  GCSE German A11 <b>Years 7/8/9 Badminton</b>  <b>All Years Girl's Football</b>  <b>Years 10/11 Boy's Rugby</b>	Badminton (All years) *£1.50/session via ipay.  <b>Years 10/11 Mixed Badminton</b> (N.Bailey)

Yours Sincerely,



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