



Wadham School

A Church of England Community School

"Life in all its fullness" John 10:10



4th November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Curriculum Information Term 2 (4th November to 20th December)

Thank you for all of the positive feedback concerning this termly communication.

Wadham leaders and teachers plan the learning and the sequence of learning very carefully. It is fantastic that so many in our community are taking a keen interest in this, valuing the education journey and encouraging our young people to work hard to achieve their potential.

This letter outlines the content that will be taught in Year 8 throughout Term 2. You can find full details of the curriculum on the Wadham School Website.

Please can I also draw your attention to the Wadham School Website where you can find the Knowledge Organiser that is being used by your son/daughter this term: Ourschool/Curriculum/Year 8/Year 8 Curriculum Letters and Knowledge Organisers.

Subject	What will my Year 8 child learn in this subject Term 2?
Art	Continuing with the Patterns in Nature project, looking at the Artists Herald, Morris, Lewin.
Beliefs and Worldviews	'Christianity - Beliefs and Practices' Exploring what Christians believe and how the church interacts with modern society.
Computing	Computer systems.
Design	Continuing with their architecture project, pupils will learn about modern and composite materials.
Drama	The 5 Fundamentals of Drama; building confidence in acting.
English	Conflict Poetry and Non-fiction: Reading and analysing a diverse range of poetry alongside a range of non-fiction.
Food	Nutritional analysis, protein, seasonality and food availability.
French	En classe (2): Describing school uniform and facilities, comparing French and English schools.
Geography	Development – what's the best way to improve the world?
German	Schule ist klasse (2)!: Describing school uniform and facilities, comparing German and English schools.



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History	Civil Rights in the UK – what events have shaped the campaign for black civil rights & have they been successful?
Maths	Working in the cartesian plane. Representing data. Tables & probability.
Music	Rhythms and drumming. Writing and performing rhythm patterns from around the world.
Personal Development	Living in the Wider World: Respect for others, Multiculturalism, race and religion prejudice, LGBTQ+ bullying, Positive change made by others and Community projects/volunteering.
Physical Education	Hockey/Football or HRF or Mini Tennis. Orienteering or Netball or Gymnastics.
Science	8D – Unicellular Organisms. 8H - Rocks.

* 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 Curriculum Letter and Knowledge Organiser will help students identify the learning being completed in lessons at school throughout a 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.

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

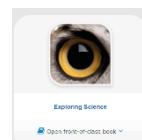
Maths - Students who are absent when they are timetabled a Maths lesson should log in to SPARX, go to 'Independent Learning' and complete codes for their current topic. Students can find which code to do by going to their Maths Teams page, then going to the 'files' section and finding a document called 'Sparx codes for each topic'. 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. These tasks have been set by Mrs Hazle to link in with the terms work.

All students also have access to their homework on teams. You can access any support needed from your Science teacher by contacting them through Teams.

Extra-curricular activities – Term 2.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8am-8.25am		Maths Past Paper Club Food Hall	Maths Past Paper Club Food Hall		

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Lunchtime (1.20-1.55)	Languages Years 7,8,9 A11 Creative Writing Club C21 Cross Country All Years	Art Club Year 7,8,9 A02 Pride Club All Years C05 Science Revision Year 11	History Year 10/11 B24 Badminton Years 7,8,9 Sports Hall Netball Year 10,11	Sparx HW Club A13 Netball Years 7,8,9 Sports Hall Basketball	Chess Club All Years B22 Science Club Year 7,8,9 D07 Table Tennis Years 7,8,9

	Sports Hall Table Tennis Years 10,11 Sports Hall Flying Start Club Year 8 E04	D01 Badminton Years 10,11 Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Years 7,8,9 Sports Hall Science Past Paper Club Year 10,11 D01	Sports Hall Basketball Years 10,11 Sports Hall
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Afterschool (3-4pm)	Badminton All years £1.50/session via ipay. Study Club Year 11 A13	Supervised Homework Club All Years A12 French Year 10,11 A11 Hockey Years 7,8 Sports Hall Boys Rugby Years 7,8,9 Sports Hall School Production All Years Main Hall (3:10-5:30)	Trampolining Year 9 Sports Hall Mixed Hockey Year 9,10,11 Sports Hall Film Studies Year 11 A13 Engineering and 3D Design Year 11 E02	Supervised Homework Club All Years A12 Art and Photography Year 10,11 A02/A13 German Year 10,11 A11 Badminton Years 7,8,9 Sports Hall Girl's Football All Years Sports Hall Boy's Rugby Year 10,11 Sports Hall Debating All Years C01	Badminton All years *£1.50/session via ipay.

Yours Sincerely,



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