



Wadham School

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"Life in all its fullness" John 10:10



22nd April 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

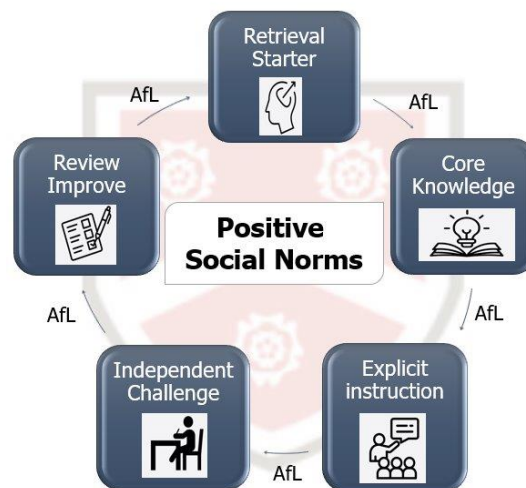
Re: Curriculum Information Term 5 (22nd April to 23rd May)

This letter identifies the topics that will be taught during Term 5 with core knowledge, knowledge organisers, homework and the Wadham 'Positive Social Norms' in place.

To compliment and support learning and progress, each student receives key information for each term in a Knowledge Organiser. Curriculum Plans, Knowledge organisers and the homework plan for the term can be accessed on our website.

Students are rising to the challenge of an aspirational curriculum as we move into the final two terms of the academic year, complimented by an embedded structure of learning inside and outside of the classroom.

Students are progressing as learners so that they can achieve their very best in the formal assessments at the end of the school year. The results of these assessments, each student's work in class, their homework and their attitude to learning will all be considered when leaders plan grouping (sets) for September 2025.



From the monitoring that our leaders are carrying out on a regular basis at Wadham and from the views of student's, the learning cycle has become consistent in classrooms. It is our intention to rectify instances where this may not be the case and therefore I encourage parents and carers to talk to their son and/or daughter, questioning about lesson learning and be in contact with classroom teachers, subject leaders or the school leaders if there is something that we could address to further improve.



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Subject	What will my Year 9 child learn in this subject Term 5?
Art	Street Art, stencil techniques and looking at a variety of street artists.
Beliefs and Worldviews	Finish the study of ethics in society. Begin a look at the Social Sciences – How modern lenses like Psychology & Sociology describe belief, behaviour and construct a worldview.
Computing	Cyber Security and the impact of technology.
Design	Product Analysis, Brand Awareness, Papers and Board core knowledge.
Drama	Devising Commedia performances and Physical Theatre.
English	Lord of the Flies: Reading the novel, before completing an essay that links an analysis of an extract with a study of the whole text.
Food	Raising agents: mechanical/chemical/biological.
French	'La santé (1)': describing eating habits, talking about healthy and unhealthy foods, discussing what makes a healthy lifestyle.
Geography	Glaciation and Rivers. Students will complete the glaciation in the UK unit and then move onto global river systems. This puts freshwater systems into context on a macro-micro scale.
German	'Bleib gesund (1)': typical breakfasts, traditional German food, cooking, talking about healthy and unhealthy foods.
History	Chernobyl – What was the Chernobyl disaster and why was it allowed to happen? A look at Soviet Society and the Cold War.
Maths	Enlargement & symmetry. Solving ratio & proportion problems. Rates.
Music	Film Music: performing well known leitmotifs.
Personal Development	The Equality Act and Protected Characteristics. The Rule of Law. Parliament: The House of Lords and the House of Commons. Democracy, voting and elections.
Physical Education	Table Tennis or Badminton or Netball. Athletics or Striking and Fielding.
Science	Key concepts in biology (transport) and data handling.

* 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/)

<https://uk.accessit.online/wdh01/#!/dashboard>

Complete independent work on the curriculum topic(s) using Seneca plus complete and homework set via Teams and on Seneca. www.senecalearning.com.

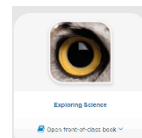
Log into Sparx Reader and read your allocated book. To find out more about Sparx reader watch <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jq8O-DYTNOw>

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 5.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime (1.20-1.55)	Science and Languages ActiveLearn Homework Support All Years A12 Year 10 GCSE Practical Support Sports Hall Creative Writing Club C21 BWV Revision Year 11 B25	Art Club Year 7,8,9 A02 Pride Club All Years C05 Science Revision Year 11 D01 Badminton Years 7,8 Sports Hall Year 9,10,11 Tennis Tennis Courts Statistics, Further Maths and Maths Revision Year 11 A06	History Year 10/11 B24 Tennis Years 7,8 Tennis Courts Badminton Year 9,10,11 Sports Hall	Sparx HW Club A13 Science Past Paper Club Year 10,11 D01 Table Tennis Year 7,8 Sports Hall GCSE PE Theory Support Sports Hall	Chess Club All Years B22 Science Club Year 7,8,9 D07 Table Tennis Years 9,10,11 Sports Hall

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Afterschool (3-4pm)	Badminton All years £1.50/session via ipay. Year 10 AEP Support Sports Hall Study Club Year 11 A13 Performing Arts All years (Summer Showcase rehearsals)	Supervised Homework Club All Years A12 French Year 10,11 A11 Rounders Years 7,8 Sports Hall Year 10 GCSE PE Practical Support Sports Hall Debating All Years C01	Athletics All Years Sports Hall Rounders Year 9,10,11 Sports Hall Film Studies Year 11 A13 Engineering and 3D Design Year 11 E02	Supervised Homework Club All Years A12 Cricket Year 7,8 Sports Hall Cricket Year 9,10 Sports Hall Art and Photography Year 10,11 A02/A13 German Year 10,11 A11 Geography Year 10/11 B21 Year 11 Maths and Statistics Revision C05	Badminton All years *£1.50/session via ipay.

LIBRARY CLUBS

STARTING 24TH FEBRUARY

Monday	Mindfulness Monday CHILL, CHAT AND RELAX
Tuesday	Crafting SEE TEAMS FOR EACH WEEKLY ACTIVITY
Wednesday	Creative Writing WITH MISS COOMBS
Thursday	Lego Club WITH MRS PAWLING
Friday	Puzzle Club PROBLEM SOLVING AND JIGSAWS

Clubs start at 1:30pm in the Library

Open for homework and quiet reading every day

Yours Sincerely,

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Curriculum and Outcomes