



Year 8 Vocational Curriculum Map 2025-26



Subject	Autumn 1 3 Sep - 24 Oct	Autumn 2 3 Nov- 19 Dec	Spring 1 6 Jan- 13 Feb	Spring 2 23 Feb- 27 Mar	Summer 1 13 Apr- 22 May	Summer 2 2 June- 17 July
English	Diversity in Our Community Animated story – The Present Emotional Literacy Writing for meaning		Deaf Role Model Writing for Meaning Research and fact finding Resilience, overcoming prejudice.		People who change the World Biography Book: Malala Yousafzai Resilience Overcoming prejudice Fighting for rights to equality	
Maths	Numbers 1 Comparing, ordering and spelling numbers Numbers 2 calculations and checking answers Measurements 1 Basic measures, money and time	Shapes 2D & 3D shapes and their properties Graphs Tables, Tally tables and bar graphs Number 3 Odd, even numbers, multiples, factors and other numbers	Numbers 4 Rounding numbers and quantities, negative numbers Geometry 1 Position of objects, angles and turns Measurements 2 Conversions and calculations of money and time	Fractions Half, quarter, & harder fractions. Comparing and calculations Geometry Coordinates and reflections Graphs Line, pie and harder graphs. Averages	Proportions Ratios and fractions, and scale factors Geometry 2 Properties of others Shapes Measurements 3 Areas, perimeters and volumes	Fractions Fractions, decimals and percentages Algebra Number patterns and rules, using word rules Geometry Circles, Nets and different views of 3D shapes
Deaf Studies	Festivals of the world *		Responsibilities and Consequences		Inventors and Inventions (Deaf + Hearing)	
Science	Digestion and the digestive system	Forces	Earth and space	Sound and light	Solids liquids and gases	Variation of animals
ICT	Digital literacy: Patterns	Digital literacy: Patterns	Programming: Programming Quizzes	Robotics: Evolution of robots, projects	Graphics: Digital graphics, Paint tools	Graphics: Digital graphics, Vector graphics
Humanities	Me and my family history.	Recycling + My school and litter	The 7 Continents of the world (and the 5 oceans) Making an interactive map	Life in Victorian times (Oliver Twist) Old and new toys	Things in our streets now and then (including series of local trips)	Hot and cold places in the world

PSHE	<u>Healthy Lifestyles</u> Respectful relationships- Healthy and unhealthy friendships	<u>Healthy Lifestyles</u> Mental health and wellbeing Identifying and talking about emotions sensitively / How to ask for help.	<u>Self-awareness</u> Peer influence / Stereotypes &expectations	<u>Self-awareness</u> Healthy Intimate relationships expectations of gender roles,	<u>Healthy Lifestyles</u> <u>Keeping active</u> Benefits of a balanced lifestyle <u>Substances- DAT</u>	<u>Employability skills/ work place skills</u> How to make a positive contribution in the community-volunteering
DT	Colour project Colour theory and colour study Designing a felt cushion based on the colour project	Exploring fabric- focus on cotton, wool, Making a felt cushion and using the felt pieces for animation	Kandinsky Rhythm Colour and feelings Exploring ideas and images – responses	Design Timeline of instruments- exploring different countries & instruments making instruments from recycled products	Environmental Artists First Nationals-People on the move Designing a print for the tepee-making foam stamps	Triangulations – how can you make shapes stronger? Using tools and materials to construct the tepees-
FT / Catering	Safety Introduction to Food Technology- developing awareness of health and skills building.	Healthy eating and kitchen skills	Healthy eating – increasing how many fruit and vegetables we eat	Healthy eating – developing kitchen skills	Understanding where food comes from /healthy eating	Understanding where food comes from/ healthy eating
PE	Fitness To develop their core fitness skills Basketball Develop movements including running, jumping, throwing, catching	Futsal Develop movements including passing, shooting, dribbling Badminton Develop movements including various shots using racket.		Athletics Develop movements including Jumping, throwing and running Cricket Develop movements including batting, bowling, catching.		
	Swimming Weekly swimming lessons are provided to pupils to help them develop an important life-saving skill that will be ingrained in them throughout their lives. Being able to swim and understand essential water safety skills is paramount to their overall safety when around water. Progress in swimming is recorded using our online assessment system B Squared					
Art	All About Me My Strengths. What makes me unique?	Colour Me Create, illustrate and animate a poem. Felt cushion and applique	Kandinsky influence Rhythm, colour and music Line and movement	Music and Fashion Exploring ideas for instruments from recycled products Timelines	Environmental Artists First Nationals People on the move Comparing tribes	The Rainbow Serpent Making tepees – influences of Native American art

Woodland School/Character in Education	Introduction to connecting with nature, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Fixed point photography to show seasonal changes of plants and trees. (repeat for each season/half term) -Weather discussion and appropriate clothing. -Autumn Activities leading into Winter -Tree and leaf identification -Craft using sticks, leaves, pine cones, acorns etc. Christmas crafts. Leaf rubbing, printing 	Activities linked to spring, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Understanding the seasonal cycles of the year. -Spring walks. Seasonal language. -Seed sowing and planting. Identifying different animals and plants you see throughout the seasons. -Foraging -Puddle and mud activities. <p>Character in Education : London is Burning</p> <p>Developing teamwork skills- learning about the power of fire- good and bad fire</p> <p>Commando Jo – creating shelters – cross curriculum with DT</p>	Activities linked to summer, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Nature walks -Making a bug hotel -Flower crowns -Natural paints and dyes -Scavenger hunts -Pond dipping.
Horticulture	Getting ready to work in the garden <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weather discussion and appropriate clothing. Using tools safely How to clean the tools Keeping the area tidy Create the craft things for Christmas Fair Harvesting crops Sowing winter flowering veg Indoor sprouting. Start house plant cuttings 	Sowing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare the growing area Sowing the vegetable/herbs seeds and seedlings indoor/outdoor Sowing the flowers seeds Propagate the plants Keeping the area tidy 	Planting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keeping the area tidy Growing the seeds/seedlings/plants Propagate the plants Create the craft things for Summer Fair