

This Curriculum Booklet outlines the content for each of the subjects that students study at JCoSS. It includes information about subject content, assessments that take place, an outline of the Home Learning that is normally set and the time required to complete it, useful website links to support learning and some tips for parents on supporting learning.

Key Dates for Year 9:

By end of November	Y9 First report sent home
To be confirmed	GCSE Options Evening
By end of February	Y9 Second report sent home
To be confirmed	Y9 Careers Fair
To be confirmed	Y9 Parents' Evening (Subject conversation with teachers)
By end of April	Y9 Third report sent home
To be confirmed	Y9 Assessment weeks
By end of July	Y9 Fourth report sent home

I have a question / issue I would like to discuss with someone at JCoSS. Whom do I contact?

Nature of query	Whom to contact
Progress or behaviour in an individual subject	Subject teacher
Progress or behaviour in several subjects	Form tutor
Student's wellbeing or family circumstances	Form tutor
Incidents and issues outside lessons	Form tutor
Payments including School Trip payments	Finance Office
Examinations	Exams Office
Student absence	Student Services
JCoSS coaches	Transport Officer
All other enquiries (or where you are unsure)	Main Office

Curriculum organisation for Y9 students:

Half year groups are called: T which is usually students in B, F, N and R Tutor groups V which is usually students in S, W and Y Tutor groups

Students are placed in sets for the following subjects: Jewish Education, Geography, History (all linked with the same teaching groups), Mathematics, English, Science and Foreign Languages.

Students are taught in mixed ability groups for the following subjects: Design & Technology, P.E., Art, Drama, Music,

Students are taught in their tutor groups for Kvutzah.

JCoSS offers a wide range of options for students to study at KS4. These subjects can be divided into three strands.

Core: The compulsory subjects studied by all students

English
Mathematics
Science
Jewish Education
P.E. not GCSE

Options: Students have the opportunity to study a further three option subjects from any of the following:

Art & Design: Fine Art
Business Studies
Computing
Design and Technology
Drama
Food Preparation and Nutrition
French
Geography
History
Latin
Media Studies
Modern Hebrew
Music
P.E.
Sociology
Spanish
Triple Science

Subject	Art	
<p>Main topics/areas studied this year.</p> <p>Theme: People, Places and Spaces. Foundation GCSE unit of work.</p>	Record	<p>This unit will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An Introduction to GCSE Art. Students will be starting a Foundation Coursework Unit towards the Personal Portfolio (5FA01) which is 60% of the total GCSE (Should they choose to take Art for GCSE). All work produced in Year 9 may be carried on towards their Year 10 Art coursework.
	Develop	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learning to actively engage with Art and Design in order to develop as an effective and independent student. Developing creative skills through a range of media and processes, through learning to use imagination when exploring and creating images.
	Explore	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing cultural knowledge, understanding and application of art, craft and design in historical and contemporary contexts, societies and cultures. The focus will be on developing ideas and following a personal line of enquiry within the theme. Students will be required to keep a sketchbook throughout the duration.
	Final Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing ideas towards a final outcome that is a culmination of work produced in this unit. Learning about the Assessment Objectives in which moderation of GCSE work takes place. Completed paintings, prints and 3D work with supporting studies to show the development of ideas leading to the final outcome.
<p>Assessment Headlines</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessment of coursework produced will be marked according to the exam board assessment objectives. Students work will be tracked in their sketchbooks with targets given on how to achieve target grades and improve upon existing grade. 	
<p>Useful Resources:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Victoria & Albert Museum Tate (Modern & Britain) National Portrait Gallery National History Museum Royal Academy Of Arts Saatchi Gallery Cass Sculpture Foundation 	<p>Websites:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://www.artsy.net/ http://www.artcyclopedia.com/ https://www.pinterest.com/ http://www.illustrationweb.com/ http://www.axisweb.org/
<p>What parents can do to support learning:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage the students to read up on the artists that will be looked at within each project, developing thoughts and opinions about the styles and work of each artist. Discussion about techniques, materials and processes and consolidating learning in class by stressing the importance of completing home learning. Encouraging students to visit galleries, exhibitions and museums to put art into context. Encourage students to take pictures and collect images of things that inspire them. 	
<p>Number of lessons in this subject:</p>	<p>4 lessons per fortnight.</p>	
<p>How much Home Learning is expected per week?</p>	<p>Normally one piece each week, taking 60 minutes on average. Some pieces may run over more than one Home Learning slot.</p>	

Lessons and project structure will be guided by each teacher, so there may be some variation in teaching content between classes.

Subject	Design and Technology	
<p>Main topics/areas studied this year</p>	<p>Food Technology</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use Your Loaf – a bread making project. Investigating the functions of ingredients in bread. Trialling bread products from different countries. Designing and making a bread-based product. • Up, Up and Away – investigating in-flight meals. Choosing a country and designing and making a product suitable for an in-flight meal on an aeroplane • The Great British Menu – investigating traditional British recipes. Students will plan and prepare a 3 course menu suitable for a restaurant/gastro pub. • Dietary Needs – students will learn about specific dietary needs, foods that can be eaten and foods to avoid. Practical activities will demonstrate dishes that cater for these needs. <p>The units covered will build their practical skills and understanding of nutrients to prepare them for the GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition course should they opt for in Yr10.</p>
	<p>Design and Technology</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shoe box Structures – Designing and making a prototype for a living space of their choice. Learning how to model ideas using modelling materials and equipment. A final prototype will be presented to the rest of the class in the format of a client pitch. • Graphics Skills Project – Students focus on working drawings eg: isometric, orthographic and perspective to prepare them for NEA should they opt to study Design and Technology at GCSE. • Wind Chime Project – designing and making a suitable wind chime for a specific outdoor space. Materials used during this project will include metal and wood. Students will investigate different structures and forces applied to these and they will draw on nature for inspiration for their designing. This project will include making a mould and pewter casting. • Electronics – Designing and making a product that contains an electronic circuit. Students will solder the circuit and make the housing to contain the circuit. • Wooden Stool Project – Designing and making a wooden stool with added storage focusing on ergonomics and wood joints.
<p>Assessment Headlines</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research – Investigations, Product Analysis, Questionnaire, Recipes • Designing – presentation of ideas, annotation/labelling • Planning – flow charts and time plans on diary sheets • Making – range of skills and equipment used, quality of finish • Evaluating and Testing – target user groups testing products, evaluating the success of the final product <p>Formal Assessment will take place at the end of each unit/project in the form of a National Curriculum level. Students will also carry out peer and self-assessment during these projects.</p>	

<p>Useful websites or resources</p>	<p>www.technologystudent.com http://www.bbc.co.uk/food/recipes www.interiordesign.net http://www.channel4.com/4homes/design-decorate/decorating-ideas http://www.philobiblon.com/eisenbahn/scratchbuilding.shtml</p>
<p>What parents can do to support learning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help students fully prepare for food practical lessons by ensuring a container and T Towel are supplied. • Ensure all the only ingredients brought into school are fresh fruit and vegetables and kosher fish. • Encourage students to evaluate their practical work the same day whilst it is still fresh in their mind. • Encourage students to be independent learners.
<p>Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject</p>	<p>4 lessons per fortnight</p>
<p>How much Home Learning is expected per week?</p>	<p>60 minutes of home learning is expected per week in Design and Technology or Food Technology. At times students may be expected to complete two home learning tasks of approximately 30 minutes.</p>

Subject	Drama and Theatre Studies	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Autumn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Naturalism/ monologues and duologues • Blackout
	Spring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creating Comedy • Mondays
	Summer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Face
Assessment Headlines	<p><u>Naturalism / monologues and duologues</u> Create monologues, duologues and groups scenes based on a range of stimuli.</p> <p><u>Blackout</u> To rehearse and realise our own production of Blackout Develop performance skills, knowledge and understanding; including acting and 'back-stage' roles such as music, lighting, sound, costume and prop</p> <p><u>Devising Theatre / Comedy</u> To study different genres and sub genres of comedy. To devise a piece of theatre using a stimulus.</p> <p><u>Mondays</u> To use the story of Brenda Spencer as a stimulus to create drama.</p> <p><u>The Face</u> Annotated a script as a performer, designer and a director – performed The Face.</p>	
Useful websites or resources	<p>http://www.digitaltheatre.com/ http://www.digitaltheatre.com/education https://www.unicorntheatre.com/ https://www.chickenshed.org.uk/ http://www.shakespearesglobe.com/?gclid=CIn-sJT6w88CFUUq0wodizoIEg</p>	
What parents can do to support learning	<p>Encourage students to watch Digital Theatre or Live theatre. Students should gain an understanding of <i>theatrical aesthetics</i> as a result of exploring a variety of plays and practitioners throughout theatre history. Students to visit West End and local theatre.</p>	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	4 lessons per fortnight	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	An extract of text to learn or written work to complete.	

Subject	English	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Autumn	Contemporary Poetry Critical Thinking
	Spring	Macbeth English Language – Analysis non-fiction texts
	Summer	English Language – writing to argue/persuade Creative writing– Of Mice and Men/ Sir Gawain and the Green Knight
Assessment Headlines	Students have regular levelled assessments in: Speaking & Listening, Reading & Writing. Most levelled assessments take place in class time. Additionally, students’ exercise books are reviewed regularly to take account of on-going classwork and homework. Students will receive their end of Key Stage 3 level at the end of Y9.	
Useful websites or resources	http://www.bbc.co.uk/skillswise/english/games?page=1 http://eastoftheweb.com/games/ http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks3/english/	
What parents can do to support learning	<p>Discuss topical issues with students and encourage them to give their opinion, justifying their ideas.</p> <p>Ensure that students read regularly from a wide range of genres of fiction and non-fiction. Reading lists are available on Moodle.</p> <p>Discuss ideas for writing with students and encourage them to consider the impact of their writing on their audience.</p> <p>Ensure that students proof read their work.</p>	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	7 lessons per fortnight, including 1 library lesson	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	<p>4 pieces per fortnight, one of which will be an independent reading task. Work will include written pieces; planning and preparing for assessments; spelling corrections; making notes on a reading task; research and language sheets.</p> <p>Each task should take approximately 30 minutes.</p>	

Subject	French	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Autumn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthy Living: Sports and healthy eating; fast food; unhealthy habits; using opinions, time phrases, adjectives, comparatives and superlatives; consolidation of present, past and future tenses • Leisure and Hobbies: Sports and common hobbies; giving a variety of opinions; musical instruments; using <i>faire</i>, <i>jouer</i> and <i>depuis</i> with the present tense; talking about books, films and TV programmes; using the imperfect tense.
	Spring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The World of Work: Revision of school subjects; types of jobs and the skills needed to do them; expressing aims and future plans; adverbs and quantifiers; using the concrete future tense. • My Family and Home Life: Giving descriptions of appearance and personality; adjectival agreements; saying who you get on with and why; household chores; revision of tenses.
	Summer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our planet: Talking about the environment; using object pronouns; using <i>devoir</i> in the present tense; using <i>il faut</i> with infinitives • Practical spoken French: Going on holiday and booking hotel rooms; campsites and travel tickets; explaining problems and emergencies
Assessment Headlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extended writing tasks on each Unit Covered and regular vocab testing • Assessments throughout the year on each Unit. At least two skill areas will be assessed for each Unit e.g. Reading, Writing, Translation, Speaking, Listening • Students' overall report levels are a mixture of the level in the assessment and their work throughout the term. 	
Useful websites or resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • www.linguascope.com (your child will have a username and password) • www.wordreference.com (a good online dictionary) • www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/french • www.vocabexpress.com • www.languagesonline.org.uk 	
What parents can do to support learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage students to spend a good amount of time learning vocabulary for spelling tests. • Show students how to proof-read their work, with a particular emphasis on checking verb endings, adjectival agreements and spellings. Students will always have the grammar notes needed to complete work accurately in their books but they will need to look back at it when working at home. • Work with students on using a good online or paper dictionary rather than Google Translate. Translating word for word rarely works but many students at this stage of their learning do rely on it when completing tasks at home. This can then severely limit their levels. 	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	4 lessons per fortnight	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Normally one piece each week, taking 30-40 minutes on average. Students will be given a range of home learning from extended writing tasks, reading comprehensions, translations and spellings to learn on a regular basis.	

Subject	Year 9 Geography	
<p>Main topics/areas studied this year</p>	<p>Autumn</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Urbanisation and megacities: examines some of the fastest growing cities around the world. Each city we look at has its own challenges from riots to flooding. At the end of the unit students will research their own megacity and its challenges. They will present their findings and offer viable solutions for its challenges. • Natural resources: As our global population grows and the our consumption of resources changes our use of the planets natural resources changes with it. Students will study the patterns of natural resource use and what the future implications of this are.
	<p>Spring</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coasts: investigates the physical processes at coasts as well as the impact of human activity at coastal areas. This is a short unit which uses geographical information systems along with other geographical skills and techniques to investigate coastal geography along the prized Jurassic Coast. • Geography of the middle East: The Middle East is a culturally and environmentally diverse region that plays an essential role in global politics. Students will study the physical and human geography that makes up this diverse region, Will study the conflicts that have defined its recent history and will be introduced to the Geography of Israel and issues of water security.
	<p>Summer</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development Dynamics: GCSE The final half term will be spent introducing a GCSE topic investigating how we measure global development, the different factors that have prevented some parts of the world from developing and the impact this has had on global inequality.
<p>Assessment Headlines</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessments – one per half term, using some class time and some Home Learning time. These will be graded with a level. • Students will be assessed over the year through a variety of different elements of Geography – such as map skills, extending writing, analysis and evaluation. 	
<p>Useful websites or resources</p>	<p>http://www.ngfl-cymru.org.uk/geographyinthenews/Default.aspx?locale=en http://www.bbc.co.uk/science/earth/natural_disasters http://www.un.org/en/globalissues/</p>	
<p>What parents can do to support learning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage students to watch the news and look out for articles relating to both human and physical geography • Buy an atlas for use at home 	
<p>Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject</p>	<p>3 lessons per fortnight</p>	
<p>How much Home Learning is expected per week?</p>	<p>Normally 1 piece each week, taking 45 minutes on average. Some pieces may span more than one Home Learning slot and some may be longer, depending on assessments.</p>	

Subject	History	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Autumn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nazi Germany and the Holocaust: Hitler’s personality and ideas, the rise of the Nazi Party, life in Nazi Germany, Jewish people in 1930s Europe. The impact of Nazi rule on Jewish Germans, Kristallnacht, the radicalisation of Nazi policy and the Final Solution.
	Spring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nazi Germany and the Holocaust: Hitler’s personality and ideas, the rise of the Nazi Party, life in Nazi Germany, Jewish people in 1930s Europe. The impact of Nazi rule on Jewish Germans, Kristallnacht, the radicalisation of Nazi policy and the Final Solution. • Health and the People in Britain: Medieval ideas on disease, treatment and surgery, public health in the Middle Ages, Islamic medicine. The Renaissance and developments in surgery and healthcare. The Great Plague and developments in public health. 18th century hospitals and the development of vaccines.
	Summer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health and the People in Britain: Medieval ideas on disease, treatment and surgery, public health in the Middle Ages, Islamic medicine. The Renaissance and developments in surgery and healthcare. The Great Plague and developments in public health. 18th century hospitals and the development of vaccines.
Assessment Headlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 assessments – Autumn Term, using some class time and some Home Learning time. These will be assessed with an APS score. • Assessments for Health and the People in Britain will be based on GCSE style questions to prepare students for KS4 study. • Students’ overall term levels are a mixture of the level in the assessment and their overall contribution in class and in their books during the term. 	
Useful websites or resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • www.schoolhistory.co.uk • www.Johndclare.net • www.spartacus.schoolnet • www.bbc.co.uk/history 	
What parents can do to support learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage students to watch horrible histories or any relevant topical history documentaries. • Students should gain contextual understanding of the periods taught in the curriculum by reading both historical fiction and reference books. 	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	3 lessons	
How much home learning is expected per week?	Normally one piece each week, taking 30 minutes on average. Some pieces may last over more than one Home Learning slot and may be longer, depending on assessments.	

Subject	Jewish Education	
	Autumn	<p><u>UNIT ONE: BIBLICAL LEADERSHIP</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to leadership: what is leadership? • Biblical Leaders • Slavery in Egypt • The Birth of Moses and his early life • Return to Egypt • Exodus • Giving of Torah, What Happened at Sinai? • Interpretation of text – • Traditional text vs Divine inspiration • Generation of the wilderness • Moses and siblings • Korach- A rebel with a cause? • Moses’ final words <p><u>UNIT TWO: DECISION MAKING IN JUDAISM</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What happened at Yavne- The development of Rabbinic Judaism • Development of Jewish Law • What is Halacha? • The development of Rabbinic Judaism • Eye for an Eye • Halacha in action • Questions & Responsa within the denominations • A Jewish response to ethical issues including¹: ✓ Abortion ✓ Divorce ✓ Euthanasia ✓ Tattooing and Piercing ✓ Organ donation ✓ Cosmetic Surgery
	Spring	<p><u>UNIT THREE- DILEMMAS OF LEADERSHIP DURING THE HOLOCAUST</u></p> <p>Dilemmas of leadership in Jewish history: The Judenrat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Warsaw and Lodz ghetto • The Warsaw Ghetto Uprising • Holocaust theology- an introduction <p><u>UNIT FOUR- AN INTRODUCTION TO ZIONISM AND THE CREATION OF A JEWISH STATE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the connection between Jews and Israel? • What are the origins of Zionism? • What is Zionism? • In what ways has Zionism been understood? Secular; religious; traditional sources; political; cultural; • socialist; Reform; • History of Israel: Ottoman Empire; Mandate Period; Balfour Declaration; Arab community living in Palestine • Hagunah and Irgun

Students will study a selection of these ethical issues rather than all of them.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Declaration of Independence
	Summer	<p><u>UNIT FIVE: MANY FACES OF ISRAEL</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Israeli leaders; David Ben Gurion, Golda Meir and Yitzhak Rabin • Jewish law and Israeli actions: Pidyon Shevuim, Entebbe and Gilad Shalit • Land for Peace- The impact of the Six Day War • Jewish Minorities in Israel • Non-Jewish Minorities in Israel • Is Israel a pluralist society?
<p>Assessment Headlines</p>		<p>Autumn Term:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete key words test on important vocabulary used in that topic • Students will be able to navigate around the Tenakh whilst analysing text and looking at it from a critical point of view. • Utilise Jewish law to respond to a modern ethical issue <p>Spring Term:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete key words test on important vocabulary used in that topic • Evaluate the actions of Jewish leaders in Poland during the Holocaust • Explaining why the Zionist movement development in the late 19th and early 20th century. <p>Summer Term:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete key words test on important vocabulary used in that topic • Students will be able to showcase their knowledge of Israel through answering GCSE style questions
<p>Useful websites or resources</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • jewishvirtuallibrary.org • jewfaq.org/index.htm • maven.co.il • g-dcast.com • tali-virtualmidrash.org.il • www.chabad.org/ • www.masorti.org.uk/ • www.reformjudaism.org/ • www.theus.org/ • www.Quizlet.com
<p>What parents can do to support learning</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage the students to read the JC or Jewish News in order to keep abreast of developments in the community. • Develop a love of reading and discussion – maybe on a Friday night or even, suggest that students try to get to Synagogue – or take part in the various Youth groups and activities available. • Facilitate debates with their children on the topics we are studying • Support the ethos of the school
<p>Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject</p>		5 lessons per fortnight
<p>How much Home Learning is expected per week?</p>		Normally two pieces each week, taking 20-30 minutes on average. Some pieces may last over more than one Home Learning slot.

Subject	Jewish Education – Beit Midrash	
<p>Main topics/areas studied this year</p>	<p>Autumn</p>	<p><u>UNIT ONE: Ethics of the Fathers</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examining the Rabbinic concept of history. • What are the key theological statements in the book? • What are the key ethical statements in the book? • How do we relate to texts when some parts inspire and other sections are deeply problematic? • Looking at classic commentators on the book. • What makes a good person? • Should we look to traditional texts to inform our morality? • Free will versus determinism. • What makes a positive relationship? • How does morality relate to the concept of God? • What are the patterns and themes across the whole book? <p><u>UNIT TWO: Midrash</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the function and purpose of Midrash? • Why do we read Midrash? • How does Midrash relate to the biblical text focusing on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Creation Adam and Lilith - The temptation of Eve - Cain and Abel - Abraham and the idols - Jacob and Esau - Moses • How does Judaism understand the relationship between the physical and spiritual worlds?
	<p>Spring</p>	<p><u>UNIT THREE – Israel Books</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read a specific book linked to Israel. • Create a reflective journal. • Research the background and context of the book. • Write an extended report on the book.
	<p>Summer</p>	<p><u>UNIT FOUR: Holocaust Diaries.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A broader understanding of what makes a Jewish text. • What are Holocaust Diaries? • What was life like in the Warsaw Ghetto? • Look at excerpts from the diaries of Adam Czerniakow and Emanuel Ringelblum. • How did Czerniakow relate to the Nazis? • How did Czerniakow justify his acts? • How did Ringelblum understand resistance? • How did Ringelblum describe daily life in the ghettos. <p><u>UNIT FIVE: WORLD FAITHS- INTRODUCTION TO ISLAM</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who is Allah? • Who was Mohammed • Birth in Islam • The 5 Pillars • Why do Muslims fast? • Women in Islam • Being a Muslim in Britain

<p>Assessment Headlines</p>	<p>Autumn Term:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete key words test on important vocabulary used in that topic • Students will be able to navigate around Pirke Avot whilst analysing text and looking at it from a critical point of view. • Write a letter to the Rabbis of the Mishna. <p>Spring Term:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete key words test on important vocabulary used in that topic • Extended writing task on an Israel book. • Students will be able to present and describe the role function and meaning of a specific Midrash. <p>Summer Term:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete key words test on important vocabulary used in that topic • Students will critically consider Holocaust Diary entries. • Students will be able to showcase their knowledge of Islam through answering GCSE style questions
<p>Useful websites or resources</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • www.sefaria.org. • www.chabad.org • www.masorti.org.uk/ • www.reformjudaism.org/ • www.theus.org/ • jewishvirtuallibrary.org
<p>What parents can do to support learning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage the students to read the JC or Jewish News in order to keep abreast of developments in the community. • Develop a love of reading and discussion – maybe on a Friday night or even, suggest that students try to get to Synagogue – or take part in the various Youth groups and activities available. • Facilitate debates with their children on the topics we are studying • Support the ethos of the school
<p>Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject</p>	<p>5 lessons per fortnight</p>
<p>How much Home Learning is expected per week?</p>	<p>Normally two pieces each week, taking 20-30 minutes on average. Some pieces may last over more than one Home Learning slot.</p>

Subject	Kvutzah – PSHCE (Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education)	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Autumn	<p>Personal and Internet Safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthy Eating – Poor Diet • Healthy Lifestyle – Sleep <p>Careers and Employability</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GCSE Choices and Employability • Future Careers and Employability • Morrisby Testing
	Spring	<p>Relationships and Sex Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relationships and Marriage • LGBT+ Language and HBT Bullying • Domestic Abuse and Forced Marriage • Contraception and STIs • Sexual Health, Sexual Activity and Masturbation • Human Trafficking and FGM
	Summer	<p>Substance Misuse</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Smoking and Vaping • Cannabis <p>Mental Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resilience • Confidence • Bullying
Assessment Headlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kvutzah (PSHCE) is delivered by a team of PSHCE specialist teachers and they will be evaluating the impact of learning over time. Teachers regularly monitor students and interventions are put in place for students that teachers have concerns about. 	
What parents can do to support learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage students to discuss the issues that they have been learning about in Kvutzah (PSHCE). There may be questions that they may only feel comfortable asking parents or they may wish to discuss a particularly interesting topic. • Encourage students to engage with current affairs. 	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	1 lesson per fortnight. There will be a number of informal opportunities outside of lesson for students to take part in.	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Home learning will be minimal however project work may be set.	

Subject	Latin	
<p style="text-align: center;">Main topics/areas studied this year</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Autumn</p>	<p>Cambridge Latin Course end of Book I, beginning of Book II: Stages 11-14</p> <p>Main language features:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intransitive verbs with dative • Sentence pattern nominative + dative + verb • 'placet' • 'nobis' and 'vobis' • Different ways of asking questions • 1st and 2nd person (singular and plural) imperfect and perfect • 1st and 2nd person (singular and plural) imperfect of esse • Infinitive + volo, nolo, possum. -que. • Infinitive + difficile, necesse, etc • Agreement of adjectives in case and number • Form of adjectives 1st, 2nd and 3rd declensions <p>Cultural background:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pompeii: elections and local government • The eruption of Vesuvius; the destruction and excavation of Pompeii • Life in Roman Britain: houses, mining, farming, slavery, career of Salvius • The Romans in Britain: conquest, Romanisation and trade, Boudica's rebellion
	<p style="text-align: center;">Spring</p>	<p>Cambridge Latin Course Book II: Stages 15-18</p> <p>Main language features:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relative clauses. Imperfect tense of possum, volo and nolo. • Pluperfect tense. Relative clauses introduced by quos and quas • Genitive case • Gender; agreement of adjectives and relative pronouns in gender <p>Cultural background:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cogidubnus, king of the Regnenses, evidence for his reign • The palace of Fishbourne • Roman Alexandria: growth of the city, trade, key buildings, racial tensions • Glassmaking in Alexandria; government and economy of Egypt, peasant farmers
	<p style="text-align: center;">Summer</p>	<p>Cambridge Latin Course Book II: Stages 18-20</p> <p>Main language features:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gender; agreement of adjectives and relative pronouns in gender • The pronouns hic and ille • The Imperative • The vocative case • Present participles • The pronoun is, ea, id

	<p>Cultural background:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Glassmaking in Alexandria; government and economy of Egypt, peasant farmers • The worship of Egyptian Gods including the Goddess Isis • Medicine and science in the ancient world, including astronomy
Assessment Headlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four assessments over the year testing three skills: Translation (Latin-English), Comprehension, Understanding of Grammar • Students’ overall predicted end of year levels are a mixture of the level in the assessment and ongoing teacher assessment throughout the term.
Useful websites or resources	<p>Useful websites or resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://www.cambridgescp.com (see esp the online vocab tester) • http://latinipadapps.com/ • http://www.britishmuseum.org/explore/cultures/europe/ancient_rome.aspx • http://www.theclassicslibrary.com • http://www.perseus.tufts.edu/hopper/ • https://quizlet.com/ <p>Apps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lexidum • Quizlet (see MrsTrup < Year 9 Latin) • Memrise_
What parents can do to support learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage students to spend a good amount of time learning vocabulary and word tables. ‘Little but often’ should be the mantra! Offer to test them on these. Make sure they spend their time on the words that they do not yet know (rather than going over ones which they are confident with). Flashcards can enable them to do this very efficiently. • Work with students on using the dictionary at the back of their text books and their grammar notes, rather than Google Translate. Translating word for word rarely works but many students at this stage of their learning do rely on it when completing tasks at home. This inhibits their progress as it is precisely the process of translation – i.e. the steps involved in figuring out what the Latin means - that they need to learn.
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	4 lessons per fortnight
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Normally one piece each week, taking 30-40 minutes on average. Students will be given regular vocabulary - not reaching the pass mark will result in a lunchtime re-test. Sometimes extended learning pieces will be set but these will never be due in for the next day. Worksheets, grammar exercises or short passages for translation may be set for completion over night.

Subject	GCSE Maths		
Main topics/areas studied this year		Higher	Foundation
	Autumn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number • Algebra 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number • Algebra
	Spring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interpreting and representing data • Fractions, ratio and percentages • Angles and trigonometry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graphs, tables and charts • Fractions and percentages • Equations, inequalities and sequences
	Summer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graphs • Area and Volume • Transformations and construction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Angles • Averages and range • Perimeter, area and volume
Assessment Headlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will sit a unit assessment at the end of every topic and an end of year assessment combining all topics in June. The end of year assessment consists of three parts - one non-calculator paper and two calculator papers. 		
Useful websites or resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://www.mymaths.co.uk (login details are provided by JCoSS) • http://www.mathswatchvle.com (login details are provided by JCoSS) • https://hegartymaths.com/ (login details are provided by JCoSS) • http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks3/maths/ • http://nrich.maths.org/secondary-lower • http://www.ukmt-resources.org.uk/index-tr.html • https://corbettmaths.com/ • https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/gcse.html • https://www.piximaths.co.uk/ks2-ks3-ks4-resource-index • https://www.emaths.co.uk/index.php/student-resources/past-papers/key-stage-3-ks3-sat-past-papers 		
What parents can do to support learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage students to complete Home learning on the day it is set, to use notes provided, Moodle or the websites above to support learning. • Encourage students to log onto MyMaths, Mathswatch or Hegarty Maths (even when it is not set for Home Learning) to discover new areas of maths and practise Key Skills. • When it comes to revision in the summer, print off past papers and work through at home under timed conditions. 		
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	Seven lessons per fortnight		
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Students are set home learning tasks twice a week		

Subject	Modern Hebrew (Ivrit)	
<p>Main topics/areas studied this year</p>	<p>Autumn</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friendship – describing myself / my friends using physical descriptions and character traits. • Going out with friends (future plans). • The cinema – movie preferences. • Film recommendations and reading blogs in Ivrit. <p>Stretch & challenge: Design a film poster in Ivrit. Include a description of the movie/type of movie and reasons for watching it.</p>
	<p>Spring</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussing Multiculturalism in Israel using the present tense. • Recounting Aliyah (immigration to Israel) stories, using the past tense. • Learning about the History of Modern Hebrew & various family words. • Learn about a minority group in Israel (the Druze community). Discover their beliefs/customs. • Understand longer texts in Ivrit. • Visiting Israel; discussing preparations prior to the trip using the future tense and places to visit in Israel. <p>Stretch & challenge: Create a leaflet in Ivrit to advertise a tourist destination in Israel. Extension: Include reviews by people that had visited the attraction.</p>
	<p>Summer</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning for the future: Discussing various careers & academic studies. • Israeli technology: Reading complex texts. <p>Stretch & challenge: Research Israeli inventions and create a presentation about it to present in class.</p>
<p>Assessment Headlines</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 Assessments during the year for all 4 language skills; Reading, Listening, Speaking & Writing. • Students are also assessed according to their performances in various projects, spelling tests and home learning progress. 	
<p>Useful websites or resources</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Israeli newspaper for advanced/accelerated readers; <i>'Ipost'</i> • Quizlet – vocabulary revision • Rosetta Stone in Hebrew: www.rosettastone.co.uk 	
<p>What parents can do to support learning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage pupils to revise new words, grammatical structure and topics learnt in class. • Encourage students to extend their Hebrew reading and speaking beyond the classroom. Develop students' interest and connection to Israeli culture and the land of Israel through exposure to music, media and friends or relatives in Israel. 	
<p>Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject</p>	<p>4 lessons per fortnight.</p>	

How much Home Learning is expected per week?

1 piece each week taking 30-40 minutes on average. Students will be given spellings to learn on a regular basis and students should use the little and often approach to learning. Sometimes extended learning pieces will be set but these will never be due in for the next day.

Subject	Physical Education
<p>Main topics/areas studied this year</p>	<p>Sports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athletics • Badminton • Basketball • Cricket • Dance • Football • Gymnastics • Handball • Netball • Rounders • Table Tennis
<p>Assessment Headlines</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students complete a theory test once a term on the same healthy active lifestyle topic. • Students are assessed for each sport that they complete each half term. • Overall JCoSS grade is a combination of practical scores and theory test results.
<p>Useful websites or resources</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BBC Sports Academy - http://news.bbc.co.uk/sport1/hi/academy/default.stm • Youth Sport Trust – http://www.youthsporttrust.org/ • JCoSS football results – www.football.mitoo.co.uk • Theory Test Revision Videos – https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCO_wX4FwXEBsfVcn9H0dMDQ/videos • Maccabi GB – www.maccabigb.org
<p>What parents can do to support learning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage pupils to participate in a range of sports (competitive and recreational) outside of School hours • Spectate at a sporting event • Encourage importance of healthy and active lifestyle • Watch sports on Television/ listen on radio to help develop child’s awareness of sports • Help revise theory tests on the JCoSS PE YouTube account
<p>Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject</p>	<p>3 lessons per fortnight</p>
<p>How much Home Learning is expected per week?</p>	<p>Home learning is expected prior to students completing the theory test. This will be set via insight</p>

Subject	Music	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Autumn	Composing – creating an original composition Film Music – composing music for a piece of film Solo – creating and rehearsing a solo performance
	Spring	Folk Music - learning about the folk tradition Battle of the Bands – creating a performance of a pop song Jazz – learning about improvisation and blues/jazz
	Summer	Musical Theatre – learning about and creating a musical theatre piece Group Performance - creating and rehearsing a group performance
Assessment Headlines	At the end of each 10 lesson project students will be assessed on one of the key skills (performing, composing, listening and appraising). This could take the form of a submitted piece of work (composition), recording (performance) or written work (listening/appraising)	
Useful websites or resources	BBC Bitesize GCSE Music http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zpf3cdm Music Theory https://www.teoria.com/ Music Theory https://www.musictheory.net/ Edexcel GCSE Site https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/music-2016.html Score writing software https://musescore.org/en	
What parents can do to support learning	Ensure that students regularly practice on their instrument and join a school ensemble. Listen to a wide variety of music. Students should be encouraged to attend as many concerts and performances as possible.	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	4 lessons per fortnight	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Not applicable	



Subject	Key Stage 3 Science and (start of) GCSE Science	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Autumn	Electricity and Magnetism
	Spring	Adaptation and Evolution, Ventilation and Respiration
	Summer	Acids and Alkalis (subject to change)
Assessment Headlines	<p>Students are expected to know each unit's Core Questions by the end of the unit.</p> <p>Students are assessed against the Core Questions continuously throughout the course of KS3. There will be a mini-quiz on them every three lessons and end of unit assessments will draw heavily on them.</p>	
Useful websites or resources	<p>Quizlet: https://quizlet.com/JCoSSKS3Sci</p> <p>Kerboodle: Students can access electronic textbooks and other resources. They have been issued usernames and passwords. http://www.kerboodle.com</p> <p>SAM Learning: Teachers will set home learning through this website, and there are other activities to engage our students in science that they can complete in their own time. They have been issued usernames and passwords. https://www.samlearning.com/</p> <p>Other useful websites: http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks3/science/ http://www.freezeray.com/ http://www.echalk.co.uk/ http://www.planet-science.com/ http://www.schoolscience.co.uk/ http://www.arkive.org/ http://royalsociety.org/ http://scienceteachinglibrary.wordpress.com/ http://www.csiro.au/resources/DIYScience http://www.exploratorium.edu/who/parents/</p>	
What parents can do to support learning	<p>Help their children achieve fluency in core scientific principles by using the Core Questions on Quizlet.</p> <p>The flashcards option on Quizlet will allow parents to verbally test their children on the Core Questions.</p>	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	7 lessons per fortnight	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	1 or 2 home learning tasks are set each week taking about 40 - 60 minutes each.	

Subject	Spanish	
<p>Main topics/areas studied this year</p>	<p>Autumn</p>	<p>Viva! 2 Módulo 1 Mis Vacaciones and mis Vacaciones, Mira 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introducing preterite of ir to discuss a past holiday and consolidating time phrases and present tense to talk about where you normally go on holiday. Consolidate immediate future to state where you are going to go next holiday. • Introducing preterite tense of a range of ar regular verbs to say what you did on holiday • Introducing/consolidation preterite tense of a er and ir verbs to say what you did on holiday • State opinions in present, preterite and future tenses <p>Viva 2 Module 2 (Todo sobre mi vida) and Mira 2 ‘Diviértete’</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What you use your phone for revising present tense. (viva) • What you did yesterday using preterite including comparisons (using más ...que) and comparisons & superlatives of using your phone today and yesterday to consolidate the two tenses. Ex: Use of future: What do you use your phone for today and what are you going to use your phone for using immediate future. (viva) • Expressing what kind of music you like and giving opinions (viva) • Expressing what other people like and dislike (mira) • Discussing TV programmes and films and making comparisons and giving opinions (viva and mira) • Understanding more challenging texts using a variety of tenses to describe a holiday
	<p>Spring</p>	<p>Mira 2 – La Salud</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning parts of the body – me duele and duelen. Consolidate present & introduce <i>reflexives</i>. • Describing symptoms and remedies • Discussing unhealthy and healthy diet - Using three tenses together (future as making resolutions) and using para to make more complex sentences • Lifestyle changes using the three tenses together <p>Viva 2 Module 4/ Mira 2 Mod 5 – De Moda – Using irregular verbs, role play/photocard skills on the topic of shopping & clothes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talking about clothes and consolidation of colours and adjectival agreement and bringing in a new verb (llevar) • School uniform • Describing a fancy dress outfit • Opinión of clothing - use of superlative • Shopping – su puede and se pueden • Using this and these- opinions & reasons for choices consolidation of comparative adjectives (más...que) • Using irregular verbs : querer , poder, llevar • ((mira 2 covers this too) • Dialogue / picture cards

	<p>Summer</p>	<p>Viva 2 Module 4 (¿Qué hacemos?)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arranging to go out • Using <i>me gustaría</i> + infinitive • Making excuses and expressing problems • Tengo que / Hay que / Debo + infinitive • Saying what other people look like • Talking about sporting events • Using three tenses • Using a dictionary • Using direct pronouns <p>Viva 2 Module 5 (Operacion Verano)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describing a holiday home • Discovering more about the comparative • Describing holiday activities • Using the superlative • Asking for directions • Using the imperative • Talking about summer camps • Learning more about using three tenses
<p>Assessment Headlines</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will be assessed in Speaking, Listening, Reading, Writing and Translation skills throughout the year. There will be 3 sets of assessments as well as End of Year assessments. • Students’ overall report card levels are a mixture of the level in the assessment and their work throughout the term. 	
<p>Useful websites or resources</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • www.linguascope.com (your child will have a username and password) • www.wordreference.com (a good online dictionary) • www.languagesonline.org • www.activeteachonline.com (your child will have a username and password) • Spanish guide provide free of charge for home revision and support in lessons 	
<p>What parents can do to support learning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage students to spend a good amount of time learning vocabulary for spelling tests. • Show students how to proof-read their work, with a particular emphasis on checking verb endings, adjectival agreements and spellings. Students will always have the grammar notes needed to complete work accurately in their books but they will need to look back at it when working at home. • Work with students on using a good online or paper dictionary rather than Google Translate. Translating word for word rarely works but many students at this stage of their learning do rely on it when completing tasks at home. This can then severely limit their levels. 	
<p>Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject</p>	<p>4 lessons per fortnight</p>	
<p>How much Home Learning is expected per week?</p>	<p>Normally 1 piece each week, taking 30-40 minutes on average. Students will be given spellings to learn on a regular basis and not reaching the pass mark will result in a lunchtime re-test. Sometimes extended learning pieces will be set but these will never be due in for the next day. Worksheets and grammar exercises may be required to be completed over night.</p>	