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JCoSS Year 9 Curriculum Booklet 2023-2024

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 6th February 2024 GCSE Options Evening

By end of February Y9 Second report sent home

To be confirmed Y9 Careers Fair

6th March 2024 Y9 Parents' Evening (Subject conversation with

teachers)

By end of April Y9 Third report sent home Monday 13th May to Friday 24th May 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.



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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	
	Develop	 This unit will include: 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
Main topics/areas studied this year.	Explore	 towards their Year 10 Art coursework. 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.
Theme: Me, Myself and I Foundation GCSE unit of work.	Record	 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
	Present	 Students will be required to keep a sketchbook throughout the duration. 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.
Assessment Headlines	board • Stude	ssment of coursework produced will be marked according to the examed assessment objectives. ents work will be tracked in their sketchbooks with targets given on to achieve target grades and improve upon existing grade.
Useful Resources:	Tate (MoNationalNationalRoyal AcSaatchi (& Albert Museum odern & Britain) Portrait Gallery History Museum cademy Of Arts Gallery Ipture Foundation Websites: https://www.artsy.net/ http://www.artcyclopedia.com/ http://www.pinterest.com/ http://www.illustrationweb.com/ http://www.axisweb.org/
What parents can do to support learning:	each pro each art • Discussion learning • Encourant context.	ge the students to read up on the artists that will be looked at within bject, developing thoughts and opinions about the styles and work of ist. on about techniques, materials and processes and consolidating in class by stressing the importance of completing home learning. ging students to visit galleries, exhibitions and museums to put art into ge students to take pictures and collect images of things that inspire



Number of lessons in this subject:	3 lessons per fortnight.
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Normally one piece each week, taking 60 minutes on average. Some pieces may run over more than one Home Learning slot.

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



Subject		Key Stage 3 Computing
	Autumn	Introduction to Coding with PythonBinary Numbers
Main topics/areas studied this year	Spring	 Website Design with HTML, CSS and JavaScript Additional Coding Techniques with Python Components of a Computer
	Summer	 Handling large datasets with Advanced Spreadsheet Techniques Independent Coding Projects
Assessment Headlines	Students are assessed at various points through the year, often by submitting evidence of the projects they have completed accompanied by an explanation of their work	
Useful websites or resources	 https://www.w3schools.com/python/ https://www.w3schools.com/html/ https://teach-ict.com/2016/ks3/ks3 home.html https://thonny.org/ 	
What parents can do to support learning	 Ask students to talk you through the work they are doing. Provide access to a computer with Thonny installed. 	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	3 lessons per fortnight	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Students will often use home-learning time to develop their skills and/or their projects.	



Subject	Design and Technology	
Food Technology	 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. 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. 	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Design and Technology	 Graphics Skills – 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 Steady Hand Game Project – 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.
Assessment Headlines	DesigningPlanningMaking -Evaluating	— Investigations, Product Analysis, Questionnaire, Recipes g — presentation of ideas, annotation/labelling — flow charts and time plans on diary sheets — range of skills and equipment used, quality of finish and Testing — target user groups testing products, g the success of the final product



	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.
Useful websites or resources	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
What parents can do to support learning	 Help students fully prepare for food practical lessons by ensuring they have a large container, apron and T Towel. Ensure 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.
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	4 lessons per fortnight
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	30 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 15 minutes.
End of year exam will assess	No end of year assessment



Subject		Drama and Theatre Studies	
	Autumn	Naturalism/ monologues and duologuesNoughts and Crosses	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Spring	MondaysIconic	
	Summer	The FaceComedy through the Ages	
Assessment Headlines	Create mostimuli. Blackout To rehear Develop racting and props Mondays To use the Iconic To use ico drama. The Face Annotate The Face. Comedy To study of	e story of Brenda Spencer as a stimulus to create drama. onic television/theatre/films/books as a stimulus to create d a script as a performer, designer and a director – performed	
Useful websites or resources	http://wv http://wv https://w https://w	e using a stimulus. vw.digitaltheatre.com/ vw.digitaltheatre.com/education ww.unicorntheatre.com/ ww.chickenshed.org.uk/ vw.shakespearesglobe.com/?gclid=CIn- CFUUq0wodizolEg	
What parents can do to support learning	Encourag Students result of e theatre h	e students to watch Digital Theatre or Live theatre. should gain an understanding of theatrical aesthetics as a exploring a variety of plays and practitioners throughout	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	3 lessons	per fortnight	





How much Home Learning is expected per week?

An extract of text to learn or written work to complete.



Subject	English		
	Autumn	Contemporary Poetry Critical Thinking	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Spring	Macbeth English Language – Analysis non-fiction texts	
	Summer	English Language – writing to argue/persuade Creative writing/ Spoken Language – Of Mice and Men	
Assessment Headlines	Students have regular assessments in Spoken Language, Reading & Writing. Students also have a 'key piece' marked in direct preparation for an assessment. Assessments take place in class time. Additionally, students' exercise books are reviewed regularly to take account of on-going classwork and homework.		
Useful websites or resources	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zr6bxyc https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z4hrt39 https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/courses/zh86hcw https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zv7fqp3 https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zfwpd6f https://jcoss.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/JCoSS-Year-9- Recommended-Reads.pdf		
What parents can do to support learning	Discuss topical issues with students and encourage them to give their opinion, justifying their ideas. Ensure that students read regularly from a wide range of genres of fiction and non-fiction, including the recommended reads link above. Discuss ideas for writing with students and encourage them to consider the impact of their writing on their audience. Ensure that students proof read their work.		
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	7 lessons per fortnight, including 1 library lesson		
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	3 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. Each task should take approximately 30 -40 minutes.		
End of year exam will assess	In Reading students will be assessed on their ability to analyse how a writer has used language in a non- fiction extract In Writing students will be assessed on their argument writing.		



Subject	History	
	Autumn	 Political ideology: What different political ideologies are there, why do they appeal to different people, how does democracy compare to dictatorship The First World War: the causes of WW1, Recruitment, Trench warfare, the end of the War and the Treaty of Versailles, The Russian Revolution: Tsarism and the Russian Empire, the 1905 revolution, Stolypin's reforms, the impact of WWI, the February and October revolutions, Bolshevik consolidation of power
Main topics/areas studied this year	Spring	Nazi Germany Hitler's personality and ideas, the rise of the Nazi Party, life in Nazi Germany,
	Summer	 The Holocaust: 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.
Assessment Headlines	time.AssessGCSEsStudenassess	ssments – using some class time and some Home Learning These will be assessed with an APS score. Sments for Health and the People in Britain will be based on Style questions to prepare students for KS4 study. Ints' overall term levels are a mixture of the level in the ment and their overall contribution in class and in their books to the term.
Useful websites or resources	• <u>www.</u>	schoolhistory.co.uk Johndclare.net spartacus.schoolnet bbc.co.uk/history
What parents can do to support learning	topica • Studei taughi	rage students to watch horrible histories or any relevant I history documentaries. Ints should gain contextual understanding of the periods It in the curriculum by reading both historical fiction and Ince 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.	





End of year exam will assess:

All topics listed above





Subject		Jewish Education
Main topics/areas studied this year	Autumn	 UNIT TWO: CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES Development of Jewish Law Halacha in action A Jewish response to ethical issues including¹: Abortion Divorce Euthanasia Tattooing and Piercing Organ donation Cosmetic Surgery UNIT ONE: BIBLICAL LEADERSHIP 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?
	Spring	UNIT TWO- DILEMAS OF LEADERSHIP DURING THE HOLOCAUST The Warsaw and Lodz ghetto The Judenrat Were Adam Czerniakow and Chaim Rumkowski collaborators? The Warsaw Ghetto Uprising- Mordechai Anielewicz Passive and Active resistance: young verses old? Holocaust theology- an introduction

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ Students will study a selection of these ethical issues rather than all of them.



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		UNIT THREE: MANY FACES OF ISRAEL Israeli leaders: David Ben Gurion, Golda Meir and
		 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?
	Summer	Israel- The cultural centre for world jewry?
		WORLD RELIGIONS: HINDUISM
		What is Hinduism?
		Hindu Creation Myths
		What are Hindu Holy Books?
		How do Hindus Worship?
		How does Hinduism treat Women?
		What is the meaning of Divali?
		What is the Caste System and Reincarnation?
		What is the role of Hinduism in the Modern World?
	Autumn 1	Геrm:
	• Cc	omplete key words test on important vocabulary used in that
	to	pic
	Students will be able to navigate around the Tenakh whilst	
	analysing text and looking at it from a critical point of view.	
	Spring Term:	
	Complete key words test on important vocabulary used in that tanks	
		pic
Assessment Headlines		valuate the actions of Jewish leaders in Poland during the
		plocaust
		udents will be able to showcase their knowledge of Israel rough answering GCSE style questions
	Summer	, ,
		omplete key words test on important vocabulary used in that
		pic
		omplete a research project on the Jewish response to one of
	th	e ethical issues studied
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	• <u>je</u>	wfaq.org/index.htm
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Useful websites or		li-virtualmidrash.org.il
resources		ww.chabad.org/
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		ww.reformjudaism.org/
		ww.theus.org/
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What parents can do to support learning	 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
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	5 lessons per fortnight
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Normally two pieces each week, taking 20-30 minutes on average. Some pieces may last over more than one Home Learning slot.
End of year exam will assess:	To be advised



Subject	Jewish Education- Beit Midrash		
		UNIT ONE: Ethics of the Fathers	
	Autumn	 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? UNIT ONE (a) - Israel Books Read a specific book linked to Israel. Create a reflective journal. Research the background and context of the book. Write and extended report on the book. This is an independent unit that will span across the three terms. 	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Spring	 UNIT TWO: Pre-HPQ Giving students who are considering doing an HPQ in KS4 a taste of the type of work involved. Who has been a major influence on the Jewish community? How to research focused question. Creating a significant independent piece of writing or an artefact. Presenting a rational of their choice of subject, their research methodology and their artefact they chose to create. UNIT THREE: The Warsaw Ghetto. A broader understanding of what makes a Jewish texts. What was life like in the Warsaw Ghetto? Watch and analyse different documentaries on the Warsaw Ghetto. Look at excerpts from the diaries of Emanuel Ringelblum and Adam Czerniakow. How did Ringelbum understand resistance? How did Ringleblum describe daily life in the ghettos. How did Czerniakow justify his acts? 	



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	 UNIT FOUR: Midrash What is the function and purpose of Midrash? Why do we read Midrash? How does Midrash relate to the biblical text focusing on - 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? UNIT FIVE: WORLD FAITHS HINDUISM What is Hinduism? Hindu Creation Myths What are Hindu Holy Books? How do Hindus Worship? How does Hinduism treat Women? What is the meaning of Divali? What is the Caste System and Reincarnation? What is the role of Hinduism in the Modern World? 		
	Complete key words test on important vocabulary used in that topic Students will be able to povigete around Dirke Avet whilet		
	 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. 		
	Spring Term:		
Assessment Headlines	 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. 		
	Summer Term:		
	Complete key words test on important vocabulary used in that		
	topic		
	Students will be able to showers their knowledge of Islam		
	 Students will be able to showcase their knowledge of Islam through answering GCSE style questions 		
	• www.sefaria.org.		
	• www.chabad.org		
Useful websites or	• <u>www.masorti.org.uk/</u>		
resources	• www.reformjudaism.org/		
	• www.theus.org/ • iewishvirtuallibrary.org		
	<u>jewishvirtuallibrary.org</u>		



What parents can do to support learning	 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 	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	4 lessons per fortnight	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Normally two pieces each week, taking 20-30 minutes on average. Some pieces may last over more than one Home Learning slot.	
End of year exam will assess:	To be advised	





Subject	Kvutzah – PSHCE (Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education)	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Autumn	 Personal and Internet Safety Healthy Eating – Poor Diet Healthy Lifestyle – Sleep Careers and Employability Careers in the 21st Century and Beyond Employability Skills Options
	Spring	 Relationships and Sex Education Relationships and Marriage LGBT+ Language and HBT Bullying Peer-on-Peer Abuse and Toxic Behaviour Contraception and STIs Sexual Health, Sexual Activity and Masturbation FGM, Forced Marriage and Trafficking
	Summer	 Healthy Living First Aid – Chest Pain and Choking Resilience Substance Misuse Smoking and Vaping Cannabis
Assessment Headlines	 Kvutzah (PSHCE) is delivered by a team of PSHCE specialist teachers and they will be evaluating the impact of learning over time. Students also assess themselves on their knowledge and skills related to curriculum content. Teachers regularly monitor students and interventions are put in place for students that teachers have concerns about. 	
What parents can do to support learning	 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		
		Cambridge Latin Course end of Book I, beginning of Book II: Stages 11-14	
Main	Autumn	 Main language features: 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 Cultural background: 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 	
topics/are as studied this year	Spring	Cambridge Latin Course Book II: Stages 15-18 Main language features: Relative clauses. Imperfect tense of possum, volo and nolo. Pluperfect tense. Relative clauses introduces by quos and quas Genitive case Gender; agreement of adjectives and relative pronouns in gender Cultural background: 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	
	Summer	Cambridge Latin Course Book II: Stages 18-20 Main language features: • 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 Cultural background: 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 Four assessments over the year testing three skills: Translation (Latin-English),
Assessmen t Headlines	 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	 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/ Lexidum
	Quizlet (see MrsTrup < Year 9 Latin)Memrise_
What parents can do to support learning	 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.
End of year exam will assess:	Translation and comprehension skills



Subject	GCSE Maths		
•	Higher Foundation		
Main topics/areas studied this year	Autumn Number Algebra Algebra		
	 Interpreting and representing data Fractions, ratio and percentages Angles and trigonometry Graphs, tables and charts Fractions and percentages Equations, inequalities and sequences 		
	 Graphs Area and Volume Transformations and construction Angles Averages and range Perimeter, area and volume 		
Assessment Headlines	Students will sit a unit assessment at the end of every topic, a winter assessment at the end of the first term and an end of year assessment combining all topics in May. The end of year assessment consists of two parts - a non-calculator paper and a calculator paper.		
Useful websites or resources	 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 https://mathsmadeeasy.co.uk/gcse-maths-revision https://www.drfrostmaths.com/resourceexplorer.php https://www.geogebra.org/?lang=en-GB https://www.maths4everyone.com/index.php https://www.onmaths.com/ 		
What parents can do to support learning	 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 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		



End of year exam will assess:

Knowledge and understanding of all topics covered during the year.





Subject	Modern Hebrew (Ivrit)	
	 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. Stretch & challenge: Design a film poster in Ivrit. Include a description of the movie/type of movie and reasons for watching it. 	
Main topics/areas studied this year	 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. Stretch & challenge: Create a leaflet in Ivrit to advertise a tourist destination in Israel. Extension: Include reviews by people that had visited the attraction. 	
	 Planning for the future: Discussing various careers & academic studies. Israeli technology: Reading complex texts. Stretch & challenge: Research Israeli inventions and create a presentation about it to present in class. 	
Assessment Headlines	 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. 	
Useful websites or resources	 Israeli newspaper for advanced/accelerated readers; 'Jpost' Quizlet – vocabulary revision Rosetta Stone in Hebrew: www.rosettastone.co.uk 	





What parents can do to support	 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
learning	culture and the land of Israel through exposure to music, media and
	friends or relatives in Israel.
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	4 lessons per fortnight.
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.
End of year exam will assess:	Non-native class - Topics include: Friendships, going out to eat, movie preferences and recommendations. Native class - Final GCSE exams





Subject	Physical Education	
Main topics/areas studied this year	 Athletics Badminton Basketball Cricket Dance Football Gymnastics Handball Netball Rounders Table Tennis 	
Assessment Headlines	 Students complete a theory test once a term 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. 	
Useful websites or resources	 BBC Sports Academy - http://news.bbc.co.uk/sport1/hi/academy/default.stm Youth Sport Trust - http://www.youthsporttrust.org/ JCoSS PE Channel -	
What parents can do to support learning	 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 	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	3 lessons per fortnight	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	Home learning is expected prior to students completing the theory test. This will be set via insight	
End of year exam will assess	Not applicable	





Subject	Music	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Autumn	Composing Instrumental Music – creating original compositions across instrumental genres Battle of the Bands 3 - creating and rehearsing concert repertoire
	Spring	Music for Stage and Screen – composing music for a piece of film across cinematic genres and analysing songs from Musical Theatre Fusion – creating and arranging music for a Samba bateria
	Summer	Ensemble and Jazz – learning about improvisation and jazz through ensemble performance JCoSS Musician Portfolio – demonstrating a range of skills acquired through music at JCoSS, through a combination of solo performance, free composition and written analysis
Assessment Headlines	Students will be assessed at the end of half term 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.musictheory.net/ Same writing of the result for the resu	
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	3 lessons per fortnight.	
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	N/A per week.	
End of year exam will assess	Culminated skills in performance, composition and analysis	



Subject	Key Stage 3 Science	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Autumn	Evolution & Adaptation, Atmosphere, Magnetism, Periodic Table
	Spring	Universe, Lifestyle & Disease, Earth Structure
	Summer	Motion, Light
Assessment Headlines	Students are expected to know each unit's Core Questions by the end of the unit. Students are assessed against the Core Questions continuously throughout the course of KS3. There will be a mini-quiz on them every lesson and end of unit assessments will draw heavily on them.	
Useful websites or resources	Quizlet: https://quizlet.com/JCoSSKS3Sci Carousel learning: https://www.carousel-learning.com/ Kerboodle : Students can access electronic textbooks and other resources. They have been issued usernames and passwords. http://www.kerboodle.com 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/ Other useful websites: http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks3/science/ http://www.freezeray.com/ http://www.schoolscience.co.uk/ http://www.arkive.org/ http://www.arkive.org/ http://www.csiro.au/resources/DIYScience http://www.exploratorium.edu/who/parents/	
What parents can do to support learning	Help their children achieve fluency in core scientific principles by using the Core Questions on Quizlet and Carousel learning. The flashcards option on Quizlet will allow parents to verbally test their children on the Core Questions.	
Number of lessons per fortnight in this subject	7 lessons	per fortnight
How much Home Learning is expected per week?	1 or 2 hor	me learning tasks are set each week taking about 40 - 60 each.



End of year exam will assess

There are 2 end of year exams

Exam 1 will cover content from the core questions

Exam 2 will cover application of science relating to topics covered





Subject	Spanish	
Main topics/areas studied this year	Unit 1: Mis Vacaciones Consolidation of present tense to describe a holiday using regular and irregular verbs Using a range of time phrases and sequencers in present tense Introducing preterite tense to describe a past holiday Using a range time phrases and equencers in the preterite tense Giving opinions in the present and preterite tense on holidays Extended writing task using two tenses (three as challenge) Autumn Unit 2: Todo sobre mi vida What you use your phone for revising present tense. Using soler + infinitive to add range of language to present tense Describing what you did yesterday using preterite Using comparatives (using másque) and superlatives Using immediate future to describe what you are going to use your technology for Expressing what kind of music you like and giving a range of opinions Discussing TV programmes and films and making comparisions and giving opinions Using poder and querer to make arrangements to go out	
	Unit 3: En forma Learning parts of the body — using stem changing verbs (me duele/duelen). Consolidate present & introduce reflexives. Describing a range of ailments Discussing unhealthy and healthy lifestyle and diet Using three tenses together (future as making resolutions) Describing daily routine Unit 4: El trabajo Describing types of jobs in the present tense Using tener que tos ay what duties the job involves Using the conditional and future simple to say what job you would like to do/will do and why Using three time phrases together	





	Unit 5: Jóvenes en acción		
	 Talking about children's rights revisiting the verb poder Talking about fair trade Talking about recycling using 'se deberia' Epressing your point of view Consolidation of grammar learn this year 		
Assessment Headlines	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.		
Useful websites or resources	 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 vocab booklet provided for home revision and support in lessons 		
What parents can do to support learning	 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 1 piece each week, taking 30-40 minutes on average. Students will be given spellings to learn on a regular basis. 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.		
End of Year Exam	Reading and Writing Paper. Topics: Holidays, Technology and media, Body parts and health, Jobs. Grammar: Focus on using three tenses together (Present, Preterite and Future).		