

Malbank School & Sixth Form College

KS3 Curriculum Overview

Year 7

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Art	Focus on shape, space, colour and pattern using the work of abstract artist Frank Stella – four distinct assessment objectives over the course of the year.					
Dance	Introduction to concepts important to Dance		Introduction to choreography and creativity in Dance		Introduction to developing and evaluating sequences within Dance	
Drama	Darkwood manor – character development	The amazing maze – cultural development	Circus – resilience skills	Kite – communication skills	Blodin the Beast	Reflection and assessment
English	What inspired Victorian writers?		What makes a hero and a villain?		Why and how does English Language change over time?	
Geography	Introduction to Geography. Flooding using Boscastle and Bangladesh as case studies.		Introduction to and the development of OS map reading skills.		Geography of Sport.	
History	What is History?	Why was there a fight for the throne in 1066?	Did the Normans bring a truckload of trouble?	Did the church make everyone good?	Sick to death of it – why was medieval England plagued by ill health?	Stories of migration – an historical travel through time to appreciate how Britain was shaped by migration
ICT	Organising within computing	Communication	Visual programming	Modelling	Exploring data	
Maths	Students will develop knowledge and skills in number, algebra, ratio and proportion, geometry and measures, statistics and probability.					
MfL	Bridging unit	C'est perso	Mon college	Passe temps	Ma zone	Les vacances
Music	Musical Beginnings: 1. Find Your Voice 2. The Musical Elements		Around the World: 1. Africa and Brazil 2. Reggae: Fusion		Notation: 1. I Got Rhythm 2. Ode To Joy	

Opening Minds	Learning to Learn		Breaking news	Zoo builder	Our Nantwich	Eco den
Performing Arts						
PDL	Organisation Resilience Family life	Gender and stereotyping Kindness Fundamental British values	Internet safety Communication Puberty	Wellbeing Exam prep Mental Health	Careers Drugs and Alcohol	Leadership Fundamental British Values
PE	Indoor: Badminton Trampolining	Outdoor: Handball Football Netball	Indoor: Volleyball Basketball Gymnastics	Outdoor: Rugby Hockey	Indoor: Cricket Tennis	Outdoor: Athletics Softball Rounders
RS	Comparative Religions	Christianity		Islam	Ethics	Judaism
Science	Introduction to science & Lab Safety Movement & cells Particle Model Speed & Gravity		Interdependence Metal & non-metals, Separating mixtures Earth structure, Current, Energy costs		Variation & Breathing Acids & alkalis Sound, Voltage & Resistance	
Technology	DT Types of structures Types of forces Graphics Mood lamp – research, production and analysis		Food Tech Safety and the use of equipment The Eatwell guide Seasonality of food Importance of breakfast		Textiles Introduction to the use of design briefs Mood boards Research, construct and evaluate a product	

Year 8

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Art	A focus on landscape painting using work by Caroline Dangerfield - four distinct assessment objectives over the course of the year.					
Dance	Development of the concepts which are important to Dance		Development of choreography and creativity in Dance		Further developing and evaluating sequences within Dance	
Drama	TIE – Dialogical learning	Urban legends	Two worlds	The street	Reflection and assessment	Reflection and assessment
English	How do people use the power of the written word to try and change the world?		What happens when society breaks down?		<i>How do writers present different types of relationships?</i>	
Geography	Population – using China and Mexico as case studies	Ecosystems	Energy	Kenya	Coasts	Crime
History	Religious change in the 16 th Century	Gloriana – Was Elizabethan England a golden age?	Gloriana – Was Elizabethan England a golden age?	Why was the world turned upside down in the 17 th Century?	Is violence the best way to bring about change – The development of terror?	An empire to be proud of?
ICT	Organising for the web		Digital media		Web programming	
Maths	Students will develop and build on knowledge and skills in number, algebra, ratio and proportion, geometry and measures, statistics and probability.					
MfL	T'es branche	Paris	Mon identite		Quel talent	Studio decouverte
Music	How to be a Great Composer: 1. The Black Note March 2. Melody		Popular Music: 1. Jazz, Blues & Rock n Roll 2. Riffs		Song Writing: 1. Protest Songs	
Opening Minds						
Performing Arts						
PDL	Leadership Careers Anti-bullying	Peer pressure and consent	Internet safety Drugs and Alcohol	Careers Mental wellbeing Communication	Resilience Basic First Aid	Resilience Fundamental British Values

		Fundamental British Values Initiative	Communication			
PE	Indoor: Badminton Trampolining	Outdoor: Handball Football Netball	Indoor: Volleyball Basketball/Fitness	Outdoor: Rugby Hockey	Indoor: Cricket Tennis	Outdoor: Athletics Softball Rounders
RS	Buddhism		Judaism	Hinduism	Sikhism	Philosophy
Science	Plant reproduction & Human reproduction, Universe & Periodic table Energy transfer & Light		Respiration & Evolution Climate & Chemical energy Contact forces, Magnets & Electromagnets		Inheritance Elements Wave properties, Work & Wave effects	
Technology	DT Finger joints and making a propeller launcher – research, use of practical skills and evaluation		Food Tech Safety and equipment review Nutrition Product analysis Making a number of products and evaluation.		Textiles The use of design briefs Developing the use of mood boards Research, construct and evaluate a product	

Year 9

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Art	Focus on artistic and cultural discovery using the work of American artist David Lozeau – four distinct assessment objectives over the course of the year.					
Dance	Embedding the concepts which are important to Dance					
Drama			Detention Centre – reflecting on the ills of society and whop is to blame. Introduction to GCSE Drama.			
English	How do writers encourage us to think beyond our own values and beliefs?		How do powerful and disturbed voices give us an insight into the human condition?		Why are readers fascinated with horror and the supernatural?	
Geography	Tourism and its impact		Natural hazards		Urban areas.	
History	Stories of the industrial revolution	Stories of the industrial revolution	From hot war to cold war	Who was responsible for the persecution and death of over 6 million Jews?	Did the roaring 20's roar for everyone?	
ICT	Organising business	Python profits	Website coding		Advanced data	
Maths	Students will further develop and continue to build on knowledge and skills in number, algebra, ratio and proportion, geometry and measures, statistics and probability.					
MfL	French speaking contries	Qui je-suis Friends and relationships	Qui suis-je Younger life and role models		Le temps des loisirs	
Music	Film Music			Rock Band		
Opening Minds						
Peforming Arts	Introduction to Performing Arts					
PDL	Communication Careers Fundamental British Values	Fundamental British Values Feedback Careers	Internet safety Mental wellbeing Character development	Fundamental British Values Mental wellbeing	Finance	Finance Careers

		RSE - Family		Character development		
PE	Indoor: Badminton Trampolining	Outdoor: Handball Football Netball	Indoor: Volleyball Fitness	Outdoor: Rugby Hockey	Indoor: Cricket Tennis	Outdoor: Athletics Softball Rounders
RS	Religion, peace and conflict		Judaism		Relationships and families	
Science	Photosynthesis & Digestion Types of reaction & Earth resources Pressure, Heating & cooling		Adaptations, interdependence & competition, Classification The composition & evolution of the Earth's atmosphere, Carbon dioxide & methane as greenhouse gases. Common atmospheric pollutants & their sources Energy changes in a system, & the ways energy is transferred, Conservation & dissipation of energy		Organisation of an ecosystem, Biodiversity & the effect of human interaction on an ecosystem Using the Earth's resources & obtaining potable water, Life assessment & recycling National & global energy resources, Current, Potential difference & resistance	
Technology	DT Designing, constructing and evaluating a Christmas decoration or clock.			Food tech Further develop the understanding of the eatwell guide The importance of protein Food provenance Multicultural foods Micronutrients.		