

Melksham Oak Community School: Year 7 Curriculum Overview 2021-22

YEAR 7	Lessons per 2-week timetable cycle	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
English	8	Introduction to figurative language through study of poetry	Reading prose through study of the gothic novel 'Coraline' by Neil Gaiman	Introduction to rhetorical devices through study of travel writing	Introduction to creative writing through study of myths	Introduction to Shakespeare in context through study of The Tempest	Shakespeare's language through close analysis of scenes from The Tempest
Maths	7	Number: Calculating; Counting & comparing Data: Measuring & presenting data	Number: The number system; Exploring FDP Geometry: Visualising & constructing; Investigating properties of shapes	Algebra: Algebraic proficiency- - Tinkering; - Pattern sniffing Shape: Measuring space Ratio & Proportion: Proportional reasoning	Shape: Investigating angles; Calculating space Number: Checking, approximating & estimating	Number: Calculating with fractions, decimals & percentages Probability: Understanding risk	Algebra: Solving equations & inequalities Shape: Mathematical movement
Science	6	Passport into Science; Neutralisation; Metals	Relationships in an ecosystem; Earth & its atmosphere; Space; Motion	Contact forces; Muscular skeletal system; Cells	Particles; Elements & compounds; Reproduction	Energy	Waves (sound); Electricity; Investigative science
History	3	Introduction & thematic study of lost in time (Medieval-Renaissance periods) E.g. 1066 context, Domesday	Lost in time (Medieval-Industrial) E.g. Elizabethan life, Victorian factories	Lost in Time (Industrial) E.g. Child labour, Choleration	Thematic study: Freedom & Equality (Industrial) E.g. The slave trade & civil rights	Freedom & Equality (Industrial & modern) E.g. The British Empire, US civil rights	Freedom & Equality (Modern) E.g. US Civil rights 1960's-present & comparison to UK civil rights
Geography	3	What is a Geographer? Map skills including grid references, scale, direction & aerial photos	Earth's Resources Energy sources, soil, water & food	Economic Activity Sectors & types of industry	Weather and Climate UK weather & global climate change	Russia Location, human interactions with environment & previously learned topics	Coasts Landforms, processes & their importance
Religious Studies	2	Why do beliefs and values matter? -How do people make moral decisions? -World religions -Religious festivals	What can religion and science teach us about the origins of the universe and life of earth?	The Buddha: how and why do his teachings have meaning for people today?	Was Jesus God on earth and do his teachings stand the test of time?	What is spirituality and how can we express it through Art? (NATRE Spirited Arts competition). Themes vary.	Should religious believers be greener than non-religious people?

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PSHE	2	What skills do we need to be successful students? How do we build positive relationships?	What is a healthy lifestyle? Part 1: healthy eating	How do we grow & develop through puberty? How do we handle personal relationships?	What are community, democracy and charity? How can we manage our money?	What is a healthy lifestyle? Part 2: mental health / exercise / drugs	What is financial responsibility? What is diversity?
MFL Main Lang. Other Lang.	2 1	All About Me Geography	Animals Food and Time	Leisure School	Weather School	Home Jobs	Festivals Technology
Art	2	Big Bang - Mixed Media - Leaves		Franz Marc – Oil Pastels - Animals	Abby Diamond – Watercolours - Birds	Carole Venables – Ceramic Sphere & Tonal drawing – Sea Life	
Music	2	Elements of Music - Looking at how music is written	KB Module	The Orchestra	Ensemble playing	Musicals	Jazz and Blues
Drama	2	Story-telling - A sense of imagination		Playful characters - Commedia	Playful characters - Strange Face	Suspending disbelief - War Horse	
DT	3	Three rotations of each D.T. Subject: Food Preparation & Nutrition; Product Design; Textiles <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food preparation & Nutrition: Healthy Eating • Product Design: Ergonomic Design & Biomimicry • Textiles: Hand Stitching & Surface Decoration 					
Computing	2	Induction to using computers at MOCS; E-Safety	Drag & drop programming; Computational thinking challenge	Data handling	Developing drag & drop programming; E-safety	Technical support; HTML and websites	Programming hardware - Micro bit
PE	4	Dance Rugby Badminton Netball	Dance Rugby Badminton Netball	Basketball Football Strategy Games Fitness	Basketball Football Strategy Games Fitness	Gymnastics Athletics Striking and Fielding Tennis	Gymnastics Athletics Striking and Fielding Tennis
Outdoor Ed.	1	The Rules of the Outdoor Classroom Year 7 Induction Tree Identification & Natural Art Work ACORNS	Shelter Building Knots ACORNS	Campfires ACORNS	Mini beasts Bird identification Signs of Spring ACORNS	Map Reading and Navigation Summer scavenger hunt ACORNS	Team Work ACORNS