Year 8 – What will my child learn this half term?



Subject	Content
Art	Totem poles:To learn new techniques in oil pastel, adding tone and texture.Appreciating other cultures and beliefs while studying non-UK based artists.Experimenting with pattern work to enhance shape and composition using a large range of materials.
Computing	Communication & Networks - Web Design CSS How can we control the style of an entire website in one click?
DT Product Design	Product- Be Seen Project and Headphone holder driving testKnowledge of materials and manufacturing:Using risk assessment tablesAdvanced Hegner saw and sander skills developed while mould makingIntroduction to electronics, learning solderingSublimating and forming thermoplasticsSimple electronic components and their functionsHow the circuit is powered and controlled.
DT Food	Food- Nutrition for LifeKnowledge of materials and manufacturing:Develop a greater knowledge of a wider range of specific nutrients and where they can be found in food. GelatinisationIncrease knowledge of cooking methods – rubbing inMake an increasing complex range of dishesInvestigate the role of different sugars in the sensory analysis of a simple cake recipeWhat is a staple foods. Safe storage of foodKnowledge of design:Draw and label ideas for productsEvaluate using star profiles and a greater range of sensory descriptors
DT Textiles	Textiles- Knowledge of materials and manufacturing:More complex construction techniquesApplying elastic Precision construction and decorative techniquesMore advance decorative techniquesKnowledge of design:Using a theme to inspire designs
English	Introduction to the NovelIntroduction to the novel. Extracts from early novels.Of Mice and Men – John Steinbeck3: Analysis4: Structure & coherence6: SPaG7: Spelling

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	BV = Democracy
French	Module 4: Le monde est petit Where you live
German	Unit 4: Klassenreisen machen Spaß! Going on a school trip
Geography	What is Africa like? How big is it? How diverse are its people and landscapes? What challenges does the continent face and why?
History	the development of Church, state and society in Britain 1509-1745 - The Effects of Civil War and the Unification of the Kingdom 1650-1745 BV = Democracy
Maths	Developing number : Fraction and Percentages, Standard Index Form, Number Sense
Music	Classical Music - Mozart, Haydn & Beethoven Fur Elise performance Classical Genres inc string quartet, concerto, symphony Theme & variations composition
PE	Healthy, active, lifestyle, Decisions, Coaching (analysing & evaluating) - Netball, Badminton, Gym, Fitness & Dance.
RE	Sacred Earth - Reverse creation, OfGod, Stewardship, Endangered Species
Science	Respiration : Structure of the Human Gas Exchange System, Ventilation, Alveoli & Gas Exchange, Effects of Smoking, Lung Disease (Data Analysis), Graphs & Anomalies
	Composite Materials : Rocks and metal Extraction of metals, Corrosion, Metals and their uses Extracting metals, Recycling Metals, Transitions metals, Graphs and anomalies
	Heating and Cooling : Internal energy Specific Heat Capacity, Changing state, Evaporation, Graphs and anomalies

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