



EMPOWER Curriculum - Parent Overview

Upper School - Summer Term i 2024

English, Language and Communication

- **In Speaking, Listening and Communication (SLC)** students will focus on discussion skills about topical events. Students will also learn about the exam topics refining their questioning and discussion skills.
- **In English** there will be a focus on functional reading and writing skills such as invitations, emails, completing forms and creating leaflets and posters to enable students to develop confidence and fluency in, and a positive attitude towards, English. Students will continue to develop knowledge and skills to be able to competently use English in the real world. In English there also will be a focus on preparing students for exams.

Mathematics and Science

- **In Maths** students will start the term with revision revisiting the maths topics and embedding their maths skills before getting prepared for their exams. They will continue to develop their understanding of money and its uses, practising paying for items and giving change wherever possible. Students will also continue with weekly lessons focussed on time and/or money this half term.

Personal Development and Physical Literacy

- **In ICT** we will be following planning on logging on and off a desktop safely as well as continuing to use email (outlook) and developing our understanding of online safety.
- **In PSHE** we will be learning about the effects, risks and consequences of drug and alcohol use. Students will look at health and legal issues.
- **In Sport and Leisure**, the focus will be on healthy living and fitness. Students will alternate between walking, basketball, badminton, fitness, and cycling. These activities will change every half term.

Opportunities to Learn About the World Around

- **In RE** students will think about a big question - 'Good or bad, right or wrong? How do I decide?'
- Please see the Summer Term options list for details of Humanities, Land Studies and Environmental Studies, this term.

World of Work and Independent Living

- **In WRL** students will be working on a project to develop their Enterprise Skills. They will be raising money for Leavers Week.
- Please see the Summer Term options list for details of Food Studies, Child Care, Life Skills, Hair & Beauty, MVS, Multi-Trades, Hospitality and Animal Care.

Engagement in the Arts

- Engagement in the Arts is delivered through our options curriculum. Please see the Summer Term options list for details of Art, Music, Media and Drama this term.

Real Life Contexts

- Our context this term is **Topical Events: The Olympics 24 and The Euros 24**
- We will be preparing for our functional skills exams in May 2024.
- We will be focussing on transition activities for Year 11 students.
- We will be preparing Year 10 students for their work experience placements in July.