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Year 11F Curriculum Overview Spring Term 2024

Subject	Area(s) of Study	Suggestions for Parental Support and Involvement at Home	Keywords
English Mrs Forbes AQA GCSE English Language AQA GCSE English Literature Pearson Functional Skills English	 We will be looking at unseen poetry, revisiting poems from the Love and Relationships section in the AQA Poetry Anthology and rereading An Inspector Calls For Functional Skills we will be using texts to explore key skills We will explore a variety of different strategies to use when unpicking unseen texts, for both Paper 1, Creative Texts and Paper 2 Viewpoints and Opinions We will spend time developing confidence in a personal and convincing response, using evidence from the text to support a personal point of view We will revisit A Christmas Carol and Macbeth, looking at themes, context, character, how Shakespeare uses language and developing essay skills using PETAZL We will work on exam questions, for both Language, Literature and Functional Skills using model answers and tackling these under times conditions 	 what she is doing in order to make progress, ask her what she has learned in lessons Read some stories with her and discuss the setting, characters and how the plot unfolds Discuss word choices and how they often make a picture in your head, how different words make the reader feel and explore links between words Talk to your daughter about her personal response to her current reading book Try to make sure that your daughter reads every day as this is a really useful way to build creative writing ideas and skills Encourage your daughter to make detailed references to what she is reading in order to back up her ideas or when she is expressing a point of view Discuss news stories, exploring language, 	Key Words: theme, explore, explain, personal opinion, character, plot, language, structure, setting, clues, example, social and historical context, Elizabethan, text, play, novel, poetry, stanza, gender, poverty, viewpoint, perspective, stream of consciousness. Key Words Extension: analysis, interpretation, dramatic irony, symbolism, moral, voice



Some students will be using the on technical accuracy, writt Letter/email/article in order Functional Skills pathway. Biology Mrs Meredith Pearson GCSE Biology Diffusion Circulatory system The Heart Respiration SB2, SB3, SB4 Revision. Exam Technique	ten forms e.g. to support a	oxygen carbon dioxide aerobic respiration surface area alveoli capillary artery vein concentration solution diffusion blood plasma red blood cell blood vessel platelets haemoglobin cardiac output anaerobic mitochondria
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Maths Mr McMillan Functional Skills: Pearson GCSE: OCR	Functional Skills Maths Entry Level 2 and Level 1 • Exam practice working towards relevant level functional skills qualification (revision of topics specific to students' needs; completing exam questions in a range of topics; past papers) • Working to develop skills in functional mathematics that are used in everyday life • Developing skills at interpreting practical/word problems to determine the maths required GCSE (Foundation & Higher) • Calculations • Pythagoras' Theorem • Combined events • Sequences GCSE (Higher) • Handling data	 reading both analogue and digital clocks. When cooking/baking get her involved in reading the instructions, following recipes, and weighing and measuring out ingredients. This will help her to become familiar with quantities, fractions, temperatures and cooking units. 	Functional Skills: Number: numbers, adding and subtracting, multiplying and dividing, rounding, fractions/decimals/percentage, ratio, formulas in words Measure, Shape and Space: money, time, units, length, weight, capacity, area, volume, 2D & 3D shapes, nets, plans and elevations, angles and bearings, maps and map scales Handling data: tables, charts and graphs, grouped data, mean and range, probability GCSE index, base, power, index laws, square root, cube root, terminating, recurring, standard form hypoteneuse, right-angle, square
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Point out what could go wrong if we don't use our Maths skills (e.g. miss the train, burn/undercook the dinner!)	
	sequence, term, position, term-to-term rule, position-to-term rule, nth term
	box plot, cumulative frequency, histogram, frequency density, scatter graphs, correlation, real-life graphs



Students are working towards a range of Science based AQA Unit Awards. Please ensure students are suitably dressed for the weather and for

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centre.co.uk/aqa-uas

Coursework and Exam project

Miss Grant

Art

AQA GCSE Art (Fine Art option)

- Refining coursework
- Canada Paranasa and an
- Completing personal responses
- Developing Ideas for the exam project

being outside, including waterproofs and gloves as required.

- Drawing skills
- Annotation
- Recording ideas
- Researching suitable artists
- Exploring materials
- Evaluating work
- Planning next steps
- Deciding on a personal response to the exam
- Students will prepare for their Art exam this term. This is 40% of their grade. Students will select a starting point from the Exam paper and then prepare a project. They complete their personal response to this project in the GCSE Exam.
- Students will also complete their coursework.

- Discuss ideas for a new project with your daughter. There are many starting points on the exam paper and they can be interpreted in lots of different ways. It's important that your daughter chooses a subject matter that she is interested in and that shows her skills!
- Encourage your daughter to attend any extra workshops/after-school sessions
- Remind your daughter that working at a steady pace and getting images completed each week will help her achieve. Every piece of work counts towards the GCSE!
- Support your daughter in finding time to relax and de-stress.
- Encourage good drawing practice:
 - o Using a sharp pencil
 - o Including as much detail as possible
 - Using the full tonal range to show form
 - o Blended and directional shading
- Mark-making to show texture.

recording observing

detail

form

subject matter

context

theme

annotation

jotting

explaining

meaning

clarifying

relevant

refining

purposeful exploratory

selective

expressive

mood



Independence	Some Year 11 students will be spending time part	icipating in activities that link into the Independer	nce and Communication strands from our	
Mrs Smart	WACI curriculum. Students will have lessons on their timetable dedicated to practising independence skills. The tasks are designed to develop skills and push students out of their comfort zone in a safe environment, and to enable them to start managing their own lives and making their own decisions. Students will spend time offsite, to carry out activities such as using public transport, visiting restaurants, supermarkets and retail outlets and participating in scenarios that will challenge them. We will also use the facilities in our residential area where the students can practice essential life skills such as cooking and other domestic tasks.			
PE	Spring 1 – Teams and tactics (Through varied	• Ensure students have full PE kit, hair band,	passing	
Miss Kenyon	 sports and activities) Development of static skills Passing Receiving Controlling the ball Decision making Outwitting an opponent Movement and agility Dribbling with the ball Keeping possession of the ball under pressure Passing and receiving on the move Competition and performance Small-sided conditioned games and drills. Communication and leadership Through drills and gameplay Practice games Competition and refinement of skills Competition/performance Gameplay and tournaments 	 water bottle, appropriate trainers and deodorant on her PE day. On the evening of PE day (Thursday), encourage students to do different stretches to ease potential muscle soreness Encourage students to be active over the weekend/ evenings Encourage a healthy lifestyle. Encourage them to watch sporting events live/ on TV/ on YouTube. Particularly of women in sport. Try to get outside once a day, either to walk or exercise 	receiving accuracy pace power control possession outwitting teamwork pose gesture dynamics aesthetics musicality body language expression warmup cooldown cardiovascular heart rate teamwork leadership	



	 Spring 2 – Movement and expression (Stability skills) (Through varied sports and activities) Development of static skills On the spot routines Movement and agility Routines including travelling Competition and performance Developing routines Communication and leadership Teaching sequences to another pair. Practice games Development of routines Competition/ performance Final routines 		choice challenge self-assessment refinement personal best
WACI Mrs Daniels and Miss Grant	 Job applications Personal qualities and CVs Fixed and Growth Mindset and Revision Techniques Relationships (recap) – family types, open, surrogacy and adoption Healthy relationship and reproductive choices, including abortion. Unhealthy relationships including stalking and blackmail. Bereavement and Grief 	 Use the 'Home' strand on the independence framework to identify skills that your daughter needs to develop. Encourage your daughter to create a revision timetable and use it! Talk with your daughter about her strengths and personal qualities. Support your daughter with developing independent travel skills on public transport. 	CV Employability Organisation Personable Planning Experience Strengths Burnout Motivation Mindset Platonic



	 Organ donation Basic First Aid 	 When watching TV programmes or films discuss the consequences of the character's behaviour. Take an interest in what your daughter does online. Talk to her about the games and social media apps she uses. 	Open Blended Fertility Trimester Choice Loss Counselling Support network
Work Experience Mrs Salter	Some students will be accessing work experience placements in the local community for a morning per week. The students will have th opportunity to apply skills they have developed in WACI lessons to the workplace. The specific knowledge they will acquire and the skills the will develop will depend upon their particular placement.		



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Religious Studies Mrs Wells

Spring 1: Matters of life and death- Christianity

- The origins and value of the universe
- The sanctity of life
- The origins and value of human life
- Abortion
- Death and the afterlife
- Euthanasia
- Responses to issues in the natural world

Spring 2: Peace and Conflict-Islam

- Peace and pacifism
- Just war theory
- Holy war
- WMD
- Costs of conflict- human and environmental
- Greater and lesser Jihad

- Encourage your daughter to read the news and discuss current affairs that relate to the environment, including pollution and net zero
- Use the textbook to test your daughter on the current topic
- Support your daughter to learn the keywords for homework which will be tested regularly in class.
- Use YouTube clips linked to the exam board, they often give short clear explanations of the topics. Our exam board is Pearson's- Ed excel
- Encourage your daughter to use Seneca to revise key information. (They have been set up with an account in class and should know how to access the resources.)
- https://request.org.uk/ is a great resource for the Christian part of the course, watch videos on here about the topics covered in class
- Visit BBC Bitesize

moral value sanctity

universe

big bang

creationism

cosmology revelation

commodity

quality of life

abortion

personhood

evolution

pro life

prochoice

reincarnation

purgatory

near death experience

euthanasia

dignity

active euthanasia

passive euthanasia

living will

hospice

stewardship dominion