

Curriculum Overview / Revision Guide

Year 4	Subject – Mathematics	Term – Lent & Trinity
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Topics covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Word problems with money • Metric measurement • Symmetry and reflection • Translation • Names of 3D shapes • Perimeter and area • Time (including conversion between 12-hour and 24-hour clock) • Functions • Negative numbers • Sequences • Mixed numbers and improper fractions • Adding and subtracting fractions • Fractions of amounts • Converting fractions to decimals / decimals to fractions • Drawing and measuring lines • Co-ordinates • Drawing and measuring angles • Angles on a clock and angles on a compass • Names of 2D shapes, diagonals, parallel and perpendicular lines <p>Please use <i>mymaths.co.uk</i> for helpful revision lessons and activities.</p> <p>login: wccs password: decimal</p>	
Trinity exam details	Exam format	1 hour – mixed questions on all topics
	Further revision required	There will also be a smaller number of questions on Michaelmas term topics

Please note that any topics that are not covered by the time of the exam will not be included in the exam. For more information about mathematics contact Julitta Heneage or Beth Marshall.

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Year 4	Subject – English	Term – Lent & Trinity
Topics covered	<p>Class texts <i>The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe</i> – C.S. Lewis <i>The Adventures of Robin Hood</i> – Roger Lancelyn Green</p> <p>Comprehension Boys will learn to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • find information or ideas • identify meaning beyond the literal • explain the effect of a writer’s choice of words (verbs, adjectives, adverbs) and imagery (similes, metaphors, personification) • analyse the text as a whole • select short quotations and embed them correctly <p>Composition Boys will learn to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • create a vivid and clear setting • describe characters • base ideas on personal experience • use literary devices (similes, metaphors, onomatopoeia) and a broad vocabulary • develop a simple plot with a short time frame • use a range of sentence structures and sentence lengths <p>Punctuation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full stops, capital letters, question marks, exclamation marks, direct speech, apostrophes, semi-colons and colons <p>Grammar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, pronouns, prepositions • Simple and compound sentences 	
Trinity exam details	Exam format	1 hour – prose comprehension 1 hour – spelling, punctuation and grammar; composition
	Further revision	In the Lent term there will be a 35-minute creative writing assessment in Week 8 and a 35-minute spelling, grammar and punctuation assessment in Week 9 to monitor progress

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Year 4	Subject – Science	Term – Lent & Trinity
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Topics covered	<p>Textbooks – <i>Year 4 Science textbook</i> & Purple CGP study book</p> <p>States of matter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solids, liquids and gases • Particles and changes of state • The water cycle: evaporation and condensation <p>Food chains</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Producers and consumers • Predators and prey • Building food chains <p>Teeth and digestion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different kinds of teeth • Tooth decay • Food in the body <p>Sound and hearing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vibrations • Volume • Travelling sounds • How do we hear <p>Experimental techniques</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning experiments • Safety concerns • How to make a fair test • Writing a method and conclusion 	
Trinity exam details	Exam format	45 minutes – short answer questions and some longer responses
	Further revision	None

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Year 4	Subject – French	Term – Lent & Trinity
Topics covered	<p>Vocabulary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • House and home • Voici/voilà • Routine • Telling the time • Weather expressions • Transport <p>Grammar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Articles: un/ une/ des • Plurals of nouns • -ER verbs • Basic prepositions • Reflexive verbs • Verb ‘faire’ • Negatives • Verb: aller <p>Non-examined topics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • William the Conqueror • The Palais des Papes at Avignon 	
Trinity exam details	Exam format	<p>30 mins</p> <p>Reading – gap-filling/ multiple choice/ matching pictures to descriptions</p> <p>Writing – writing phrases describing pictures</p> <p>Listening – short listening comprehension in class</p> <p>Speaking – dialogue/basic questions assessed in class</p>

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Year 4	Subject – Classics	Term – Lent & Trinity
Topics covered	<p>Lent – <i>Minimus</i> chapters 5-8</p> <p>Grammar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verbs, nouns and adjectives continued • Adverbs • Commands • Translation technique <p>Roman culture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roman numerals • Roman houses/baths • Roman travel • Diana and Actaeon <p>Trinity – <i>Minimus</i> chapters 8-12</p> <p>Grammar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verbs, nouns and adjectives continued • Prepositions • Conjunctions • Latin word order <p>Roman Culture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roman soldiers • Roman entertainment • Roman gods • King Midas 	
Trinity exam details	Exam format	<p>45 minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vocabulary questions and translation tasks involving grammar and vocabulary covered this year • Short-answer questions on Roman soldiers, Roman gods, King Midas and Roman entertainment
	Further revision	Grammar and vocabulary from Michaelmas term. A revision pack will be provided, including a list of words to learn

Please note that any topics that have not been covered by the time of the exam will not be included in the exam. For more information about classics contact Joshua Cleary.

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Year 4	Subject – Religious Studies	Term – Lent & Trinity
Topics covered	<p>Introduction to Catholicism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The birth of Christianity and the medieval church (not examined) • How we can follow the ten commandments • Sacrament of reconciliation • Mary • The importance of pilgrimage in the medieval church (not examined) <p>The New Testament</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nativity, infancy and childhood of Jesus • Parables & miracles • The last supper • The passion • Stations of the cross • The resurrection • The holy spirit • Pentecost <p>There will be regular tests throughout the term to check understanding</p>	
Trinity exam details	Exam format	<p>45 minutes</p> <p>Section one Define key terms</p> <p>Sections two and three Focusing on a topic above, boys will be asked to describe a bible story using a painting and own knowledge, and answer both short comprehension questions and opinion-based questions</p>
	Further revision required	Boys should read their Children’s Bibles and learn the stories in the New Testament

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Year 4	Subject – History	Term – Trinity only
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Topics covered	The Tudors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wars of the Roses • Henry VIII • The Reformation • Edward VI • Elizabeth and Mary • The Counter Reformation • Mary Queen of Scots 	
Trinity exam details	Exam format	The paper is divided into Geography (from Lent Term) and History (from Trinity Term), 60 minutes in total
	Further revision required	n/a

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Year 4	Subject – Geography	Term – Lent only
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Topics covered	<p>Where in the world are we?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Human, physical and environmental Geography • The solar system • Countries of Europe • The United Kingdom <p>The advance of geographical knowledge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medieval maps, differences and similarities to today's maps • Medieval Arctic expeditions • Medieval Antarctic expeditions • William Barents and Arctic survival 	
Trinity exam details	Exam format	The paper is divided into Geography (from Lent Term) and History (from Trinity Term), 60 minutes in total
	Further revision required	n/a

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Year 4	Subject – Art	Term – Lent & Trinity
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Topics covered	<p>Lent</p> <p>Cartography</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early explorers and the history of map making • Medieval maps – Mappa Mundi and Catalan Atlas • Cartographers form the Age of Discovery including John White • How to design a map of the world using watercolours <p>Religion in Art</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medieval to the Renaissance period • How has Jesus been depicted in art • Draw one of the Stations of the Cross in a medieval style <p>Trinity</p> <p>Heraldry</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is heraldry and its significance throughout history? • The heraldry rules and terminology • Coat of arms design and watercolour technique • Shield design and acrylic painting 	
Trinity exam details	Exam format	<p>1 hour</p> <p>Section 1 Short answer questions on Cartography and the history and rules of heraldry</p> <p>Section 2 Practical piece to design a coat of arms or a medieval map and use watercolours to decorate</p>
	Further revision required	None

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Year 4	Subject – Reasoning	Term – Lent & Trinity
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Topics covered	<p>Topics for verbal reasoning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alphabetical order • Jumbled words • Single & double letter series • Compound words • Simple letter codes • Change one word into another • Using letters for numbers • Moving one letter to make two new letters • Complete the two words • Finding the hidden words • Using grids for information • Matching pairs • Three missing letters make a word <p>Topics for non-verbal reasoning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How many fit inside? • Which shape is similar? • Which one is different? • Find the shaded fraction of equal value • Where is it hidden? • What comes next? • Give the next number • Which shape is the same but facing the opposite direction? • How does it look, folded in / opened out? • Give the next number & supply the missing numbers • What shape now, after adding / subtracting? • Which completes the matching pair? • Which two shapes are exactly the same? • Fill in the addition table 	
Trinity exam details	Exam Format	No exam
	Further revision	N/A

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Year 4	Subject – Class Music	Term – Lent & Trinity
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Topics covered	<p>Singing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Songs from musicals, including <i>The Wizard of Oz</i>, <i>Singin’ in the Rain</i>, <i>West Side Story</i>, <i>Matilda</i>, <i>Cats</i>, <i>Oliver!</i> • Folk songs, including <i>Londonderry Air</i>, <i>Loch Lomond</i>, <i>Sumer is icumen in</i>, <i>Scarborough Fair</i> (Trad.), <i>O Waly Waly</i> (arr. Britten), <i>The Salley Gardens</i> (arr. Britten) <p>Music Theory</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade I Music Theory • Key signatures (C, F, G, D) • Composing a song for a musical • Italian performance directions • Composing a folk song melody <p>Music History</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Musicals, and music for the stage • Folk Songs <p>Listening</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>West Side Story</i> (Bernstein) • <i>Cats</i> (Lloyd Webber) • <i>Sweeney Todd</i> (Sondheim) • <i>Oliver!</i> (Bart) • <i>English Folk Song Suite</i> (Vaughan Williams) • <i>Famous Folk-Settings</i> (Percy Grainger) <p>Performance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior choir • School musical • One recital class per term 	
Trinity exam details	Exam format	No exam
	Further revision required	n/a

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