

Curriculum Overview / Revision Guide

Year 4	Subject – Mathematics	Term – Michaelmas
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Topics covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Place value (Chapter 1) • Addition (Chapter 4) • Subtraction (Chapter 5) • Addition and subtraction (Chapter 6) • Multiplication (Chapter 9) • Division (Chapter 10) • Scales, estimation and rounding (Chapters 2 & 22) • Introduction to decimals (Chapter 17) • Decimal addition and subtraction (Chapter 18) • Multiplication and division of a decimal number by 10, 100, 1000 (Chapter 18) • Multiplication and division of a decimal number by a one-digit whole number (not in textbooks) • Inequalities (not in textbooks) <p>Please use <i>mymaths.co.uk</i> for helpful revision lessons and activities.</p> <p>log-in: wccs / password: decimal</p>	
	Christmas exam details	Exam format
	Further revision required	Times-tables 2 to 12 (Chapter 8)

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 Beth Marshall or Josh Cleary.

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Year 4	Subject – English		Term – Michaelmas
Topics covered	<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 etc) and imagery (similes, metaphors, personification etc) • 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 etc) and a broad vocabulary • develop a simple plot with a short time frame • use a range of sentence structures and sentence lengths <p>Punctuation Full stops, capitals letters, question marks, exclamation marks, direct speech, apostrophes, semi-colons and colons</p> <p>Grammar Nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, pronouns, prepositions, simple sentences and compound sentences</p> <p>There will be a 35-minute punctuation and grammar test in Week 4 and a 35-minute prose comprehension test in Week 5 to monitor progress</p>		
	Christmas exam details	Exam format	1 hour – prose comprehension 1 hour – punctuation, grammar and composition
Further revision required		None	

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Year 4	Subject – Science	Term – Michaelmas
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Topics covered	Biology The variety of living things <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classification • Classification keys Caring for the environment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Habitats • Pollution • Endangered species Physics Electricity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Static electricity • Series circuits • Electricity safety • Conductors and insulators 	
	Christmas exam details	Exam format
	Further revision required	None

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Year 4	Subject – French	Term – Michaelmas
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Topics covered	Textbook – <i>WCCS Year Four French Anthology</i>	
	Vocabulary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greetings/introductions • Numbers 1-30 • Language of the classroom • Animals • Colours • Asking someone’s age • Days of the week • Months of the year Grammar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nouns / articles (le / la /un / une) • Possessive articles (mon / ma / mes) • Verbs – avoir and être • Concept of ‘tu’ and ‘vous’ Non-examined topics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joan of Arc • Medieval French Knights 	
Christmas exam details	Exam format	30 mins Gap-filling / multiple choice / matching vocabulary items together / odd one out Basic translation / adapting example sentences/ short comprehension questions
	Further revision required	None

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Year 4	Subject – Classics	Term – Michaelmas
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Topics covered	Textbook – <i>Clarke's Latin I</i> (Chapters 1-4)	
	<p>Grammar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present tense of <i>amo</i> • Negatives • Co-ordinating conjunctions • Nominatives • Adverbs • Sub-ordinating conjunctions • Sentence analysis • Continuous prose translations. <p>Ancient World</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to the Latin language and its historical context • Derivations and the Latin origins of English • School • Women in the Ancient World 	
Christmas exam details	Exam format	45 minutes – a brief Latin story, sub-divided into sentences.
	Further revision required	Vocabulary and grammar materials from the chapters covered.

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Year 4	Subject – Religious Studies	Term – Michaelmas
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Topics covered	<p>Introduction to Catholicism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is religion? • Who is God? – The Holy Trinity • Revelation – Prophets and The Bible • The beginning of the Liturgical Year – Advent • Christianity and the Islamic faith – Saint Francis of Assisi and Al-Kamil • Jerusalem in the Medieval times <p>The Medieval Church</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary in the medieval Church • Medieval Saints • Relics • Medieval Christmas traditions <p>The New Testament</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Annunciation – Luke 1: 26-38 • The Visitation – Luke 1-5 • The Nativity – Matthew 1: 18-25 <p>There will be regular tests throughout the term to check understanding</p>	
	Christmas exam details	Exam format
Further revision required		Boys should read their Children’s Bibles and learn the stories in the Old Testament

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 Religious Studies contact Mimi Trevelyan-Davis.

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Year 4	Subject – History	Term – Michaelmas
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Topics covered	The Vikings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Vikings • Erik Bloodaxe • St Brice’s Day • Ethelred and Danegeld 	
	Age of Discovery <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mappa Mundi • Marco Polo • Henry the Navigator • Christopher Columbus • Life at sea • The dark side of discoveries • Pirates <p>Any material not covered will not be included in the Michaelmas exam</p>	
Christmas exam details	Exam format	45 minutes – multiple choice questions, short answer questions with some paragraph-long answers at the end of the exam
	Further revision required	None

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 History contact Ivo MacGreevy or Mimi Trevelyan-Davis.

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Year 4	Subject – Art	Term – Michaelmas
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Topics covered	<p>Christmas card project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design a Christmas card inspired by Medieval sacred art <p>Introduction to art</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is Art? The colour wheel How to describe art Introduction to medieval art and movements <p>Art of the Dark Ages</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Celtic and Viking Ornamentation Drawing Celtic knot work and interlaced patterns <p>Romanesque Art</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medieval Gargoyles Medieval beasts and bestiaries How to draw a medieval beast Design and make a Modroc model inspired by medieval beasts and creatures from The Sword in the Stone 				
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Further revision required	None				

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Year 4	Subject – ICT	Term – Michaelmas
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Topics covered	<p>General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internet Safety • WCCS ICT Policy • How to turn on/off the computer • How to log in/off the computer • Log-in details • Personal drive in the school network <p>MS Word</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction • Project ‘All About Me’ • Touch typing • Editing <p>MS PowerPoint</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction • Project ‘All About Me’ Continuation • Animations • Presenting work to others <p>MS Excel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic maths operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication, division • Averages • Charts <p>Internet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online safety • Internet browsers • Keywords and images from Google 	
	Christmas exam details	Exam Format
	Further revision required	None

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Year 4	Subject – Class Music	Term – Michaelmas
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Topics covered	Classical and Early-Romantic Periods <i>Development of the Classical tradition</i> History and Theory <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instruments of the Orchestra • Elements of Music • Grade 1 theory, including writing music on the page; time signatures and key signatures • Composing four-bar melodies Singing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Music by Mozart and Haydn, including <i>Ave Verum Corpus</i> and <i>The Heavens are Telling</i> • Traditional carols, including <i>Personent Hodie</i>, <i>The Holly and the Ivy</i>, <i>Noel Nouvelet</i> Listening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Symphony no. 41, 'Jupiter'</i> (Mozart) • <i>The 'London' Symphonies</i> (Haydn) • <i>Symphony no. 5</i> (Beethoven) • <i>The Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra</i> (Britten) • <i>Symphony no. 9, 'From the New World'</i> (Dvorak) Performance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior choir • Junior ensembles • One recital class per term 	
	Christmas exam details	Exam format
	Further revision required	None

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