

Year 7 Curriculum

RESPECT. ENGAGE. ASPIRE.

The HMS curriculum is sequenced to build on learning prior learning. Staff develop a coherent understanding of curricula across the Partnership as part of our ongoing working groups. At HMS, teachers plan in the long, medium and short-term to ensure consistency in the learning experience for all children. The long-term mapping details the sequence of learning in each subject, the key themes, how reading and literacy are developed, how our personal development curriculum is embedded and the key assessment strategies to ensure that staff and pupils know the security of learning. The curriculum is planned with ambition for all learners at its core and those with additional needs are empowered to succeed. Pupils learn about the influence of significant people both in history and in the modern world so that they develop an appreciation of the world in which they are living. Detailed medium-term planning is produced for effective implementation and consistency giving teachers the understanding of why learning happens when it does, what pupils should already know, how they will build on this learning and the required end-points (in terms of knowledge, skill and understanding).

Subject	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Personal Development	Assembly Themes including:	Assembly Themes including:	Assembly themes including:
	Democracy in action; Will there ever be world	 Aiming High/Aspirations; Lunar New Year; 	William Shakespeare; Interrogating integrity;
(2 hours)	peace?; Sustainability in our school; Dealing	Holocaust Memorial Day; Diversity and	Islam's holiest day; Florence Nightingale; Mary
	with our emotions; Firework safety; Building	Inclusion; Safer Internet Day; Love in Literature;	Seacole; Protected Characteristics: The Equality
	bridges not wall Armistice Day; Anti-bullying –	Lent; National Careers Week; Red Nose Day;	Act; Biodiversity; Caring for others; Magna
	being generous and showing courage; Advent	Earth Hour; Easter Story	Carta; Alan Turing's Example; Was Henry VIII a
			good leader?; Skills Builder
	Character Education:	Character Education:	
	Courage	• Justice	Character Education:
	 Generosity 	Humility	 Integrity
			Honesty
	Skills Builder:	Skills Builder:	
	 Speaking 	Aiming high	Skills Builder:
	Listening	Staying Positive	Creativity
			 Leadership
PSHE/RSE	Living in the wider world	Citizenship	Relationships
	 What influences my decisions? 	What is Parliament?	Respectful relationships
(2 hours)	 Why do my decisions matter? 	 What does the Government do? 	 Conflict resolution including online
	 How can I make informed decisions? 	The election process	Equality and diversity
	 How can I manage financial risk? 	The role of the police	Tackling prejudice-based bullying and
	 Piracy – what's the big deal? 	British Law	discrimination

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	Health and Well-being Physical and mental well-being Self-care	Living in the wider world	 Tackling bullying online Managing 'group-think' and persuasion about gender identity, transphobia and gender-based
	 Building connections First aid: basic life support First aid: bleeding 	 Personal qualities and skills Finding careers information Career management Character traits and skills Action points 	discrimination; homophobia and biphobia; racism and religious discrimination and disability discrimination.
Reading – key texts (Whole class reading sessions)	During whole class reading, children read a wide range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry. As well as whole texts, children also engage with extracts and linked texts to broaden their vocabulary, comprehension and contextual understanding.	During whole class reading, children read a wide range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry. As well as whole texts, children also engage with extracts and linked texts to broaden their vocabulary, comprehension and contextual understanding.	During whole class reading, children read a wide range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry. As well as whole texts, children also engage with extracts and linked texts to broaden their vocabulary, comprehension and contextual understanding.
Art (2 hours)	Impressionism Studying the work of Vincent Van Gogh. Developing oil pastel techniques. Developing their interpretation of 'The Starry Night'. Mark making Blending Accurate pastiche	Mixed media of a landscape from the Lake District. Using three different mediums within one artwork to emulate the style of artists studied. Understanding perspective. Developing water colour techniques.	 Greek Mythology Print making using foam boards. Creating designs with pattern. Designing and creating character. Understanding the Greek culture.
Computing (2 hours)	Computing System and Networks Introduction to school systems Components of a computer The CPU	Programming	Data and Information
	Creating media • Audio in computing	Mathematical operators	

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English		Websites HTML Text Images Hyperlinks Digital Citizenship al themes such as: self-image and identity; online relationshiealth, wellbeing and lifestyle; privacy and security; copyright Reading – texts	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
(8 hours)	 War Horse by Michael Morpurgo Wilfred Owen letters Poetry: Exposure; Who's for the game?; Dulce et Decorum Est Charge of the Light Brigade Reading Comment on the effect of narrative perspective (analysis) Confidently select and explain evidence from a text Writing Write a speech from Albert's father to his son justifying why he sold Joey. Write a description of the battlefield. Write a letter home from the trenches. 	Romeo and Juliet by William Shakespeare Shakespeare's Globe Shakespearean Costume Shakespearean sonnets Reading Understand how Shakespeare shows the changing character of Juliet. Understand the context of the play and modern audience reactions Consider the play as a drama performance – how can it be interpreted on stage in different ways Understand and explain increasingly complex language, in particular layers of meaning in language Track development of characters throughout a whole text	Sherlock Holmes: The Adventures of the Speckled Band by Sir Arthur Conon Doyle The Bruce Partington Plans by Sir Arthur Conon Doyle About His Person by Simon Armitage Reading Evaluate: Is Dr Roylott a typical Victorian villain? Understand and explain increasingly complex language, in particular layers of meaning in language Apply analysis skills to an unknown text Critically evaluate how effective a writer has been in meeting their intentions Writing Writing an opening to a new Sherlock Holmes
	 Spelling, punctuation and grammar Revision of Key Stage 2 terminology and knowledge to ensure retention Identify and explain the impact of grammatical features of texts read 	 Writing Writing to recount – newspaper article writing Summarise key events from a play and present in an alternative form 	 story Adapting narrative into playscript Understand and apply conventions of Sherlock Holmes story Be able to transform content from one literary form to another

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	Apply grammatical knowledge to analyse more complex literature	Use language and structure to create deliberate effect on a particular audience and purpose Spelling, punctuation and grammar Revision of Key Stage 2 terminology and knowledge to ensure retention Identify and explain the impact of grammatical features of texts read Apply grammatical knowledge to analyse more complex literature	Use language and structure to create deliberate effect on a particular audience and purpose in writing Spelling, punctuation and grammar Revision of Key Stage 2 terminology and knowledge to ensure retention Identify and explain the impact of grammatical features of texts read Apply grammatical knowledge to analyse more complex literature
Drama (1 hour)	Introduction to drama and working together Group working skills Trust Co-operation (physical theatre) Give and take (careers acting) Devising – making drama Responding to stimulus Applying new techniques Music Physical skills Narration and still image Characterisation and hot seating Costume	Scripts – Blood Brothers Characterisation Stereotypes Social status Applying techniques Rehearsing and performing Split stage	Live theatre evaluation and design: Shrek the Musical Design roles Design elements Symbolism on stage Technical theatre terminology Analysing Writing Evaluating Performance skills Workshops exploring technical theatre
French	School	Where I live	En ville
(2 hours)	 Opinions with reasons School subjects Numbers to 60 Telling the time 	 Where I live My region Types of house Rooms in the house 	 Type of town Places within town Aller Je vais and place

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	School timetable	In my bedroom	Invitations
	Er verbs	Prepositions	Directions
	School routine	Ideal house	Grammar: Etre and adjective; Il y/Il n'y a pas de;
	• Colours	• Grammar: Avoir – first and third person; Il y a/ Il	aller; je vais + au/ a la/aux; questions
	School uniform	N'y a pas de; etre and preposition; adjectival	
	Grammar: Il estheures; er verbs – jouer,	agreement with colours and furniture; er verbs	
	porter; conjunctions; frequency words;	– habiter	
	adjectival agreement with colours and clothing.		
Geography	Water challenges		Why are some countries more developed than others?
	 Case study – Ogallala (USA) 	Settlement	Understanding what life in poverty is like
(3 hours)	 Issues surrounding bottled water – Fiji water 	 The settlement hierarchy 	Methods of reducing poverty
	Aquifers	 Recognising settlement size on maps 	Use development indicators to determine how
	Water shortages	 Function of a settlement 	developed a county is
	Human planning	 Recognising functions on OS maps 	Life expectancy
		 Designing sustainable settlements for 	GNP per capita
	Weather and climate	Newcastle and The Tyne Valley	• HDI
	Air pressure		Case studies: African nations
	How air pressure influences types of weather		
	Air masses of the UK		Coasts
	Climate graphs		Explain how coastal features are formed
			Understand the effects of storm surges
			Analyse the impact of climate change on the
			coastal areas of the UK.
			Understanding coastal protection methods and
			future-proofing.
History	The Norman Conquest	The Power of Kings in the Middle Ages	English Civil War
(3 hours)	Explore the events of 1066.	Understanding the power of monarchs.How power is influenced by the church and	Understanding the causes of The English Civil
(5 Hours)	Understand how William the Conqueror came	How power is influenced by the church and society.	War.
	to seize the throne.	 Understand the impact of different monarchs. 	Understanding the consequences of the war.

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Maths	 Understand the consequences this had for England. Focus on the impact on a local area. Understanding the link between causes. Exploring Sequences	 Analyse what makes the monarchs significant rulers. Identifying and explaining similarities, change and differences over time. Evaluating the change of power over time. Multiplication and Division 	 Exploring the Interregnum and the historical significance of Oliver Cromwell. Evaluate how significant people in power cause change over time. Geometric Reasoning
(8 hours)	 Describing and continuing sequences, explain term-to-term rules, recognise different types of sequence, represent sequences as graphs Understanding and Using Algebraic Notation Function machines, understand and use algebraic notation, substitute into simple expressions (positive numbers only), simplify expressions, expanding and factorising single brackets, problem solving Equality and Equivalence BIDMAS, solving one and two step equations, solving equations with single brackets, problem solving Expanding and factorising single brackets if students are ready Form and solve equations Place Value Rounding numbers to powers of 10 and decimal places 	 Factors and multiples, area of a rectangle and parallelogram, problem solving Fractions and Percentages of an Amount Calculate a fraction/percentage of an amount, calculating with percentages over 100, using a calculator, problem solving Directed Number Order and compare directed numbers, use all four operations with directed number, use a calculator with directed number, understanding that positive numbers have more than one square root, higher powers and roots with directed numbers Fractional Thinking Compare and order fractions, convert between mixed numbers and improper fractions, add and subtract fractions, linking fractions and decimals, equations with fractions, problem solving 	 Basic angle facts, angle sum of polygons, angles in parallel lines, problem solving Developing Number Sense Estimation for sense checking, multiplying and dividing decimals and integers, using a calculator Sets and Probability Basic probability, sample spaces, Venn Diagrams Prime Numbers and Proof Work with prime, square and triangular numbers, HCF and LCM, product of prime factors (index form), proof and conjectures, problem solving

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	 multiplying and dividing by powers of 10, solving problems Fractions, Decimals and Percentages Convert fluently between FDP, FDP on number lines, FDP over 1/100, problem solving Addition and Subtraction Financial maths problems, timetables, frequency trees, perimeter, problem solving 	Label geometric figures, draw and measure angles (over 180°), identify parallel and perpendicular lines, types of triangles and quadrilaterals, identify polygons, construct triangles	
Music	Tonality	Impressionism	Music in advertising
(2 hours)	 Major minor scale construction Aural exercises for chords and keys Description in listening - reducing the description to specific elements by teacher questioning Keyboard skills Ensemble Playing as part of an ensemble Whole class – C major scale - for technique and construction understanding – leading to major scale construction in different keys Tonic and dominant – finished and unfinished endings Compose and perform two melodies in different 	 Extended listening – Debussy Chromatic scale Whole tone scale construction and impact Composition Performance of techniques Ostinato Cluster chords Texture to highlight mood 	 Awareness of music in media Composing background music Creating jingles How music relates to a product

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PE (4 hours) (Due to groupings and facility access, some classes may do sports in different terms)	 Netball Tchoukball Cross Country (Run for fun) Outdoor and Adventurous Activity 	DanceRugbyTennis	AthleticsCricketRounders
RE (2 hours) The RE curriculum is based on the locally-agreed syllabus.	Sikhism Origin story Beliefs Sacred texts The Five Ks Guru Granth Sahib The gurdwara and why it is important Khalsa Equality, community and service	God and the meaning of life Beliefs about life after death The value of human life How do fundamental beliefs impact action Theist Atheist Agnostic	 Was Jesus a radical? Knowledge of the teachings of Jesus including: Authority Wealth Poverty Justice How do Christians respond? Are Jesus' teachings too radical?
Science (6 hours)	The particle model, including changes of state and diffusion Separation techniques, including filtration, evaporation and distillation and chromatography Organisms Levels of organisation and cells Movement: the skeletal and muscular organ systems	Reactions	Earth The structure of the Earth Sedimentary, igneous and metamorphic rocks The rock cycle Genes Puberty and adolescence Human reproductive systems, fertilisation and implantation Gestation and foetal development The menstrual cycle

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Spanish	Forces Balanced and unbalanced forces Calculating speed, distance-time graphs Mass, weight and gravity Fundamentals	 Sound waves, amplitude, frequency The ear and hearing Light waves, reflection, refraction How we see colour The eye Family and Descriptions	 Energy Energy costs, food and fuels, energy and power Energy stores and energy transfer Weather and Countries
(2 hours)	 Where is Spain? An introduction to phonics Greetings and how are you? Name and spelling Age and numbers up to 20 Months and birthdays Days of the week Where I live Pencil case items Colours La Navidad en Espana Grammar: Me llamo; tengo/no tengo; tiene; vivo en; vive en; soy de; es de Spanish Themed Lunch in the Dining Hall 	 Family members Pets Hair and eye colour Other physical description Height and weight Simple personal descriptions Pascua en Espana Grammar: Tengo/No Tengo; Soy/No Soy; Es/No Es; adjectival agreements; linking sentences; first and third person. 	 Spanish towns Compass points Weather phrases Seasons and days of the week Weather in Spain Weather in the Spanish world Weather forecast Grammar: Esta; hace; hay; linking sentences; forming longer sentences
Design Technology (2 hours)	Acrylic Egg Cup The students can identify and use specialist tools, techniques, processes, equipment, and machinery precisely. Understand the properties of plastics and their performance Isometric drawing Knowledge and use of tools and equipment suitable for working with plastics. Marking out processes.	Alessi Design Project	Understand how more advanced electrical and electronic systems can be powered and used in their products Select from and use specialist tools, techniques, processes, equipment Use a range of materials, considering their properties

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	 Wasting processes Thermoforming processes 	 Isometric drawing skills. Crating. Rendering. Thick and thin line technique. Shading. The difference between Zoomorphism and Anthropomorphism To be able to identify the key characteristics of a design style 	 Knowledge and use of tools and equipment associated with soldering. Knowledge and use of tools and equipment suitable for working with timber Marking out processes Wasting processes Wood jointing techniques Introduction to CAD software – 2D design The advantages and disadvantages of using CAD to design. The advantages and disadvantages of using CAM to make Basic functionality of 2D design software
Food Technology	Food preparation	Food preparation	Food preparation
(1 hour)	 Potato wedges, Scone based pizza, ginger cakes, shortcrust pastry triangles, sausage rolls, savoury rice, vegetable curry, toad in the hole, chocolate biscuits, Finish fruit plait, chapatti, chocolate crinkle biscuits, Minestrone, Spring Rolls. 	 Potato wedges, Scone based pizza, ginger cakes, shortcrust pastry triangles, sausage rolls, savoury rice, vegetable curry, toad in the hole, chocolate biscuits, Finish fruit plait, chapatti, chocolate crinkle biscuits, Minestrone, Spring Rolls. 	 Potato wedges, Scone based pizza, ginger cakes, shortcrust pastry triangles, sausage rolls, savoury rice, vegetable curry, toad in the hole, chocolate biscuits, Finish fruit plait, chapatti, chocolate crinkle biscuits, Minestrone, Spring Rolls.
			Skills
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			Food Provenance and Nutrition
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	 Seasonality 	 Seasonality 	

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 Chinese food and culture 	 Chinese food and culture 	 Chinese food and culture
 Nutrients and why they are needed for the body 	 Nutrients and why they are needed for the body 	Nutrients and why they are needed for the body
 Vitamins and minerals 	 Vitamins and minerals 	Vitamins and minerals
The exact teaching sequence and ingredients needed for	recipes will be shared by the class teacher in advance of ses	ssions. If you need any support with providing ingredients,
please contact us. Schoo	I will always have ingredients to ensure that all lessons are	inclusive for all learners.