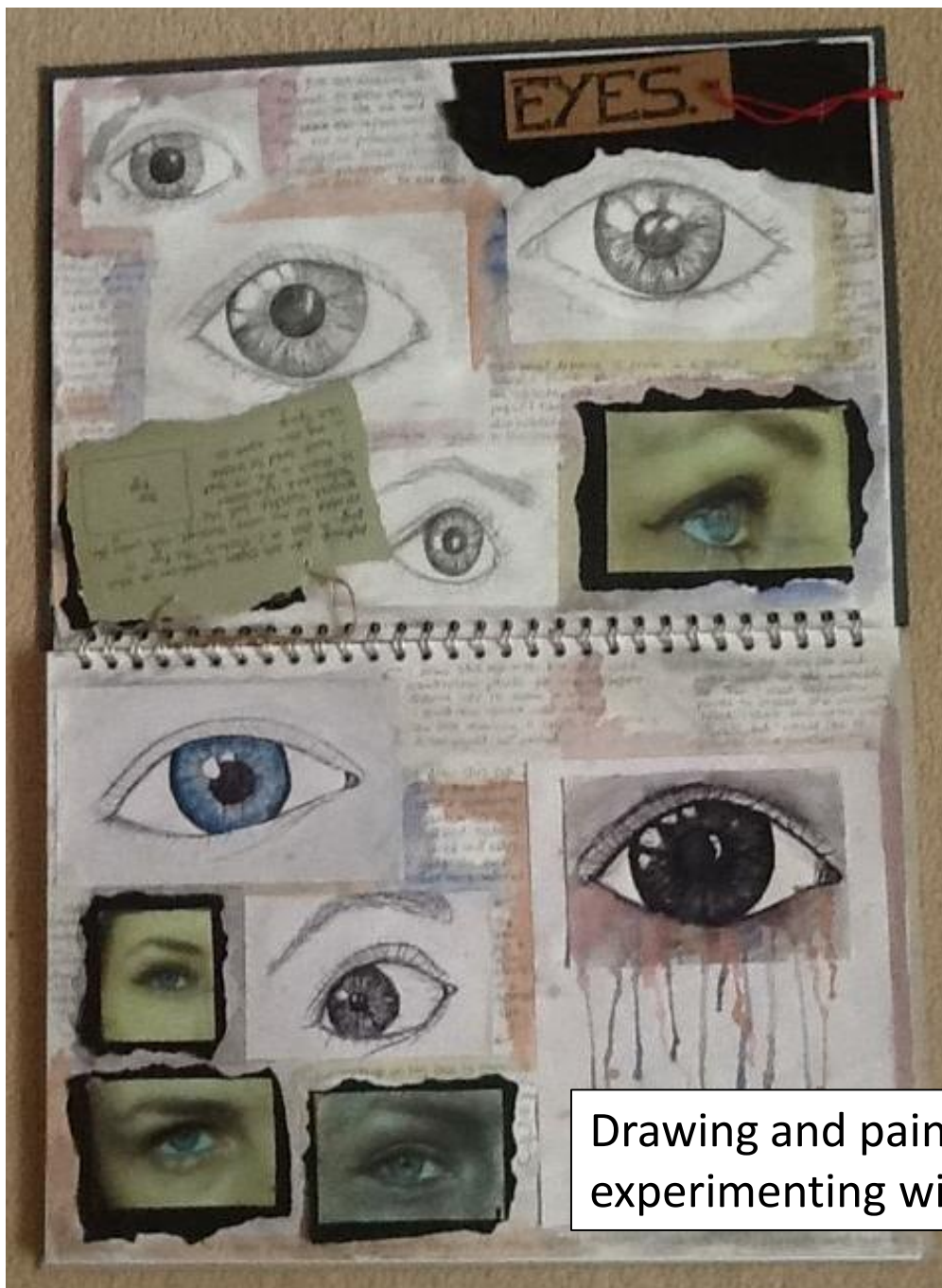
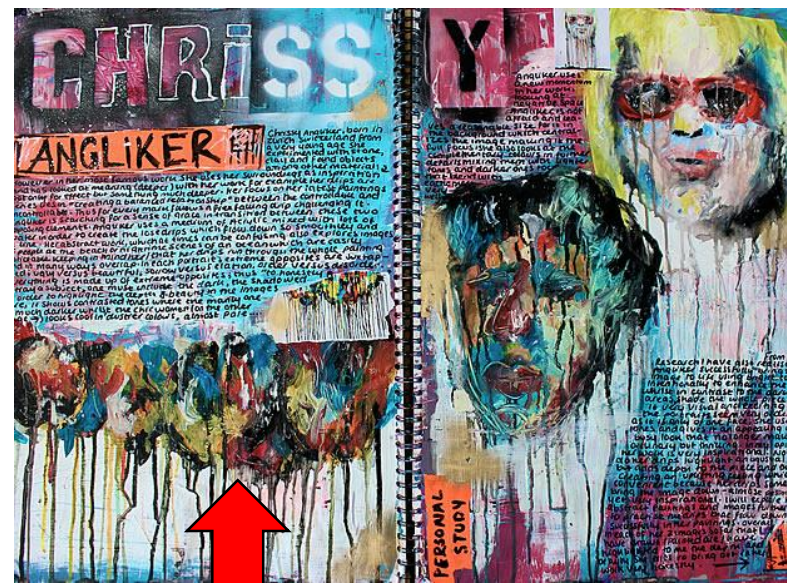


ART GCSE YEAR 10

- You will need to be working in a sketchbook developing your ideas relating to the overall theme of IDENTITY.
- At the start of the course we will do some drawing and painting practice, and experiment with different art materials.
- The next stage will be to research the work of other artists, and make links to your own ideas about Identity.
- You will then start developing your own ideas. You will have to think about what statement you want your artwork to make.
- The final stage will be to create a “Final Piece” based on all the preparation work you have done. This final piece could be a painting, collage, print or a mixed media piece.



Drawing and painting practice – experimenting with materials

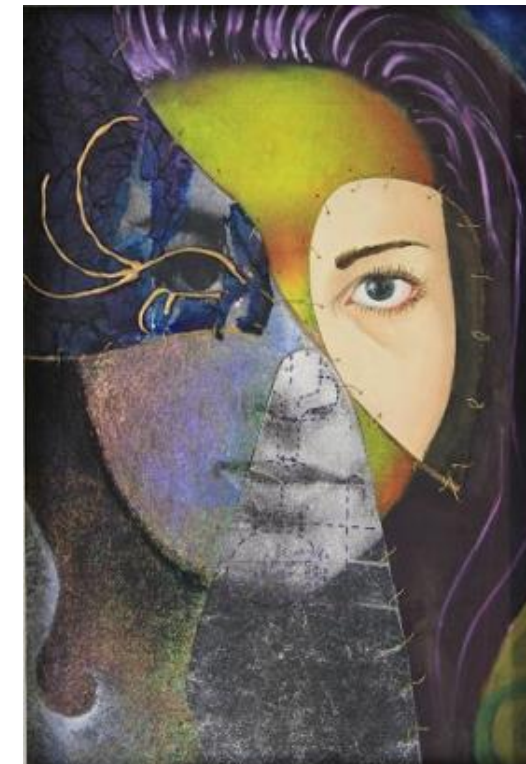
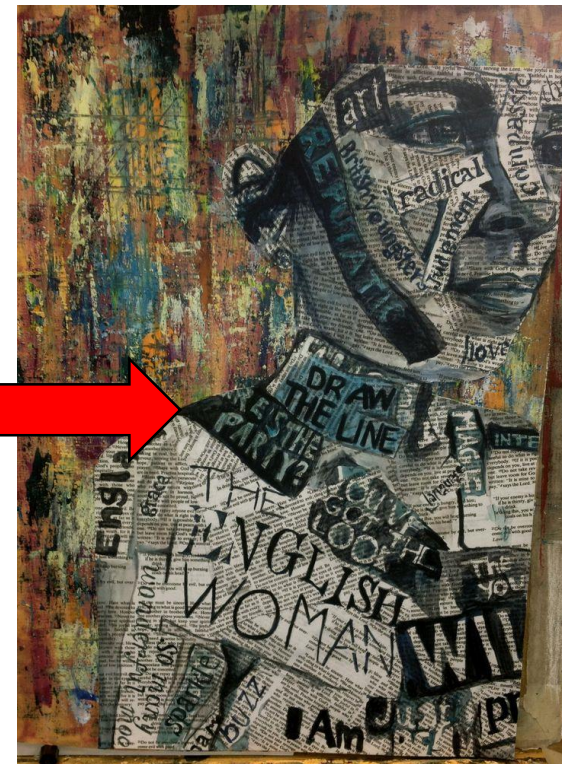


Artist research



Developing your idea

Final pieces



ASDAN is a course where you will have the opportunity to show your strengths while working in a more practical way.

You will gather lots of evidence of your work to build a portfolio to show the examiner rather than sit an exam.

We will choose challenges that allow you to develop skills such as communication and improving the way you learn. In previous years we have organised Christmas parties, learned about first aid, held tea and coffee mornings, organised a football tournament and improved our knowledge of Welsh culture by visiting St Fagans Museum.

We have had the opportunity to visit local areas to study wildlife or carry out a survey. We develop presentation skills and discussion skills and have had the opportunity to cook and enjoy a healthy meal.



Computer Science - Year 9

- ★ For Year 10 we will concentrate on Unit 1 and Unit 2
- ★ We will wait for clarification on Unit 3 (Python NEA)
- ★ Unit 1 is the theory exam (50%)
- ★ Unit 2 is the onscreen exam (30%)
- ★ We will be concentrating on theory topics and Greenfoot / HTML and sort/search algorithms

Year 10 Construction

- Year 10 work will include covering the health and safety theory topics required for the examination which will hopefully be sat in Summer 2021.
- There are three practical skills that you need to demonstrate competence in, namely carpentry, tiling and electric wiring.
- However, it is most likely that we will then move on to Unit 3 until we are able to access the workshops and resume practical work. That being said, there is a certain amount of research that needs to be completed before practical work begins so we can be prepared for when we can resume the practical work by doing this. There will be a new google classroom for those who have opted for construction coming soon.

GCSE DRAMA

MIXING PRACTICAL & ACADEMIC

The Year 10 GCSE Drama course fosters students' creativity, personal growth, self-confidence, communication and analytical skills.

Throughout Year 10, you will be given opportunities to participate in and interpret your own drama and study the work of other directors. You will also investigate the forms, styles, and contexts of drama practitioners.

By studying the 3 units outlined below I hope you will learn more about the subject and its contribution to social and cultural commentary and will come to appreciate that drama, whether intended for audiences or not, provides significant opportunities for expressing cultural and personal identity.

Unit 1: Devising Theatre

Creating, performing and writing about a performance you have made yourself.

Unit 2: Performing from a Text

Performing extracts from a script to an examiner.

Unit 3: Interpreting Theatre

*Written Exam on a practical study of the play *Two Faces* by Manon Steffan Ros and a review of a live performance.*



Year 10 GCSE Drama

**IMPROVES
COMMUNICATION &
CONFIDENCE.**

**PROMOTES
CREATIVITY; TEAM
WORK & PROBLEM
SOLVING.**

**FOSTERS TOLERANCE,
EMPATHY &
UNDERSTANDING.**

**DEVELOPS YOUR
UNDERSTANDING OF
WHO YOU ARE AS A
PERFORMER.**

GCSE DRAMA

KEY FACTS AND INFORMATION

What kind of things will I study this year?	You will develop your own acting and performing skills this year, as well as your confidence, team work and communication skills. You will also study the play <i>Two Faces</i> and look at different genres and practitioners who have worked and shaped theatre over history.
Are there any external exams for you in Year 10?	No, but you will have a mock exam in each 3 Units.
What is the split between practical lessons and theory lessons?	You will have 5 lessons a fortnight, 4 will be practical and 1 will be theory based. Unit 1 and 2 are both to be taught during the practical lessons and Unit 3 will be taught in theory lessons.
What else can you expect to develop in Year 10 Drama?	The course will improve your communication skills, confidence and team working skills, problem solving and creativity. Both courses promote empathy, tolerance and understanding. Moreover, you should have FUN!

Electronics- Year 9

- ★ For Year 10 we will be working through **Component 1 (Unit 1 to 5)**.
- ★ **Y10 Component 1** is a **theory exam** worth **40%**.
- ★ **Y11 Component 2** is a **theory exam** worth **40%**.
- ★ **Y11 Component 3** is **coursework** worth **20%**.
- ★ The code for the **Google Classroom** is **af2indn**.
- ★ We will be using **Live Wire** to software model and to design electronic circuits.
- ★ We will be building the circuits that we design using **Breadboard**.



Fashion and Textiles

The topics that we will cover:

Design and Technology in the 21st Century

2.1.1 Core knowledge and understanding is presented in six distinct topic areas:

- impact of new and emerging technologies
- evaluation of new and emerging technologies
- energy
- modern and smart materials
- ecological and social footprint
- investigating and analysing the work of others

2.1.2 In-depth knowledge and understanding is presented in distinct topic areas related to fashion and textiles:

- Natural, synthetic, blended and mixed fibres
- Woven and non-woven, and technical textiles
- Modern and smart materials
- The sources, origins, physical and working properties of materials, components and systems



Research Designers

Designers

You will investigate and analyse the work of past and present professionals and companies in Fashion & Textiles in order to help inform and develop your own ideas.

Investigating the Designers:

Stella McCartney
Orla Kiely

Investigating the Company:

Laura Ashley

pattern cutting



construction techniques



decorative techniques

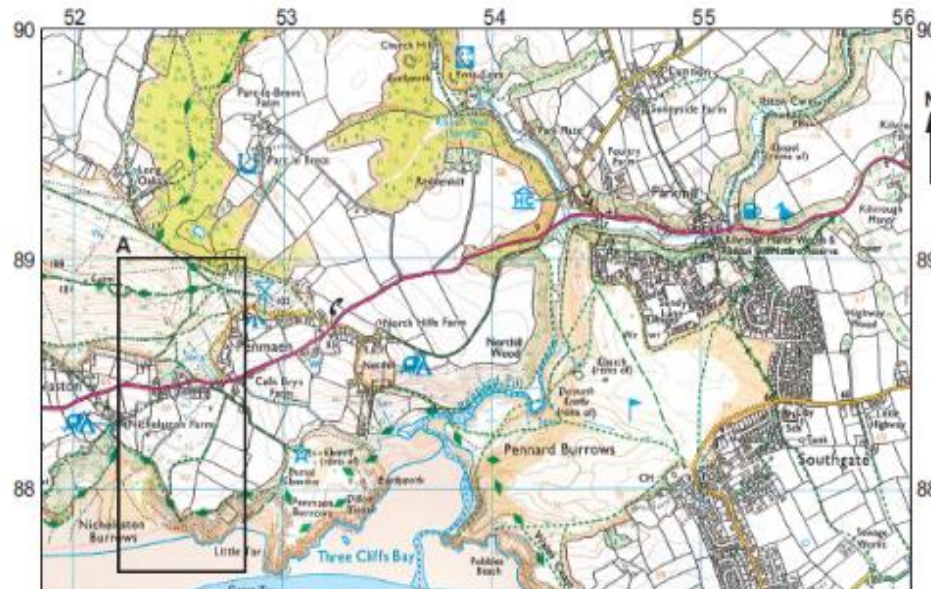
Year 9 taking GCSE Geography

In year 10 Geography we cover 3 different themes. These themes are Landscapes and Physical Processes, Rural – Urban links and Tectonic Landscapes and Hazards. To give you a flavour of these themes, tasks will be uploaded each week until the end of term to get you researching around each theme.

GCSE Geography: Distinctive Landscapes Taster for Year 9

Distinctive Landscapes is the first topic we cover at GCSE. Please read each question carefully below and try to answer the questions to the best of your ability. You may want to use the internet to research some of the answers.

(A) Study the OS map extract below.



This was posted on 1st July 2020.

Additional tasks to be posted

Task	Date
Rivers & Coasts	By 10 th July 2020
Population	By 17 th July 2020
Tectonic Hazards	By 17 th July 2020

If you are opting for GCSE Geography please ensure you are in the GC and complete the set tasks.

GC Code
mzoktrq

Useful Websites



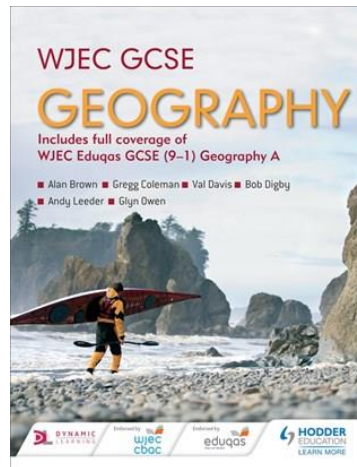
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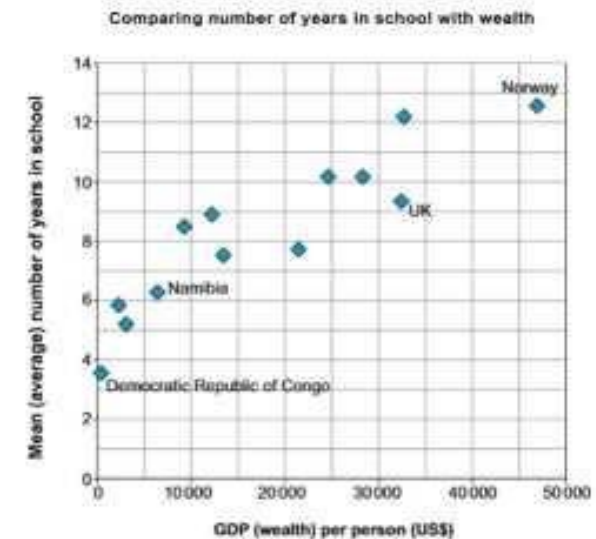
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<http://distinctivelandscapes.org/>



http://resource.download.wjec.co.uk.s3-eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/vtc/2017-18/17-18_2-6/public/_eng/index.html



<https://resources.wjec.co.uk/Pages/ResourceSingle.aspx?rliid=2731>

Health and Social Care

The course is made up of:

- 40% written examination
- 60% NEA
- You will hopefully, sit the written examination in June 2021. If you pass the exam, 40% of the course will then be completed.
- Towards the end of Year 10 and during Year 11 you will complete the remaining 60% of the course which is made up of 2 pieces of coursework
- 20% NEA (services available to people throughout life and job roles within health/social/education sector)
- 40% NEA (health campaigns, such as those to encouraging people to stop smoking, taking drugs, eat healthier..)
- These are individual research tasks, which will then be completed in timed examination conditions

What can you do now?

- Join the Health and Social Care classroom, code koqmyzq, for information and research tasks in readiness for September

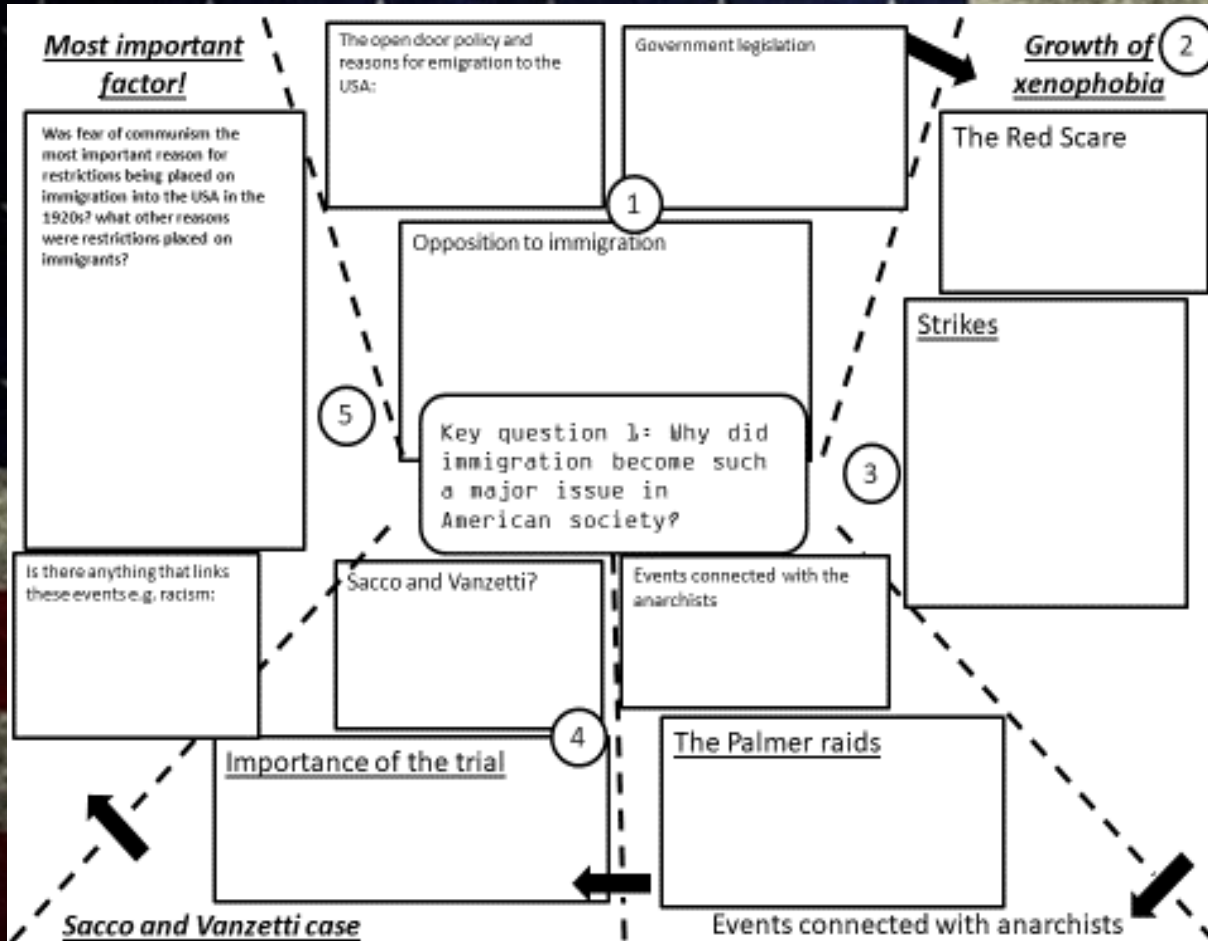
History Yr 10 - USA 1919-1929



Next year pupils will study the problems and challenges facing the USA such as restrictions on immigration, racism towards black Americans, Prohibition and the rise of the gangsters, and the threat of Communism in the 1920s.

Pupils will also study culture and society in the USA while learning about Charlie Chaplin and the cinema, Louis Armstrong and the jazz music, as well as sport stars such as Babe Ruth. The rise of the American economy will also be studied including the rise of the motorcar and the stock market, as well as the end of the boom period with the Wall Street Crash of 1929.

Preparation for year 10



On the year 9 History google classroom code: dds3tzv there is an assignment called year 10 preparation.

You will need to complete the PowerPoint named **Year 10 Key Question 1-7** using the document named **USA scanned textbook**.

You will need to read about each event and then write a description of that event and include some facts.

Year 10 – Hospitality and Catering

- The course is made up of;
- 40% written examination
- 60% NEA (coursework and the cooking exam, you will develop 2 dishes, plus accompaniments that can be served in a bistro restaurant at a holiday park)
- You will hopefully sit the written exam in June 2021. If you pass the exam, 40% of your course will then be complete.
- During year 10 you will have 5 lessons over the 2 week timetable. We will aim to cook with you every other week during the double lesson. You will be, expected to bring the ingredients to school for all cooking lessons.
- During other lessons you will complete theory work to sit the exam next June.
- In year 11 you will start the NEA. This is your coursework, which involves researching nutritional needs, menu planning, and eventually a cooking exam. This will make up 60% of your final grade
- **What can you do now?**
- Join the year 10 September 2020 hospitality classroom code, 475gu3x for information and research tasks in readiness for September

ICT - Year 9

- ★ For Year 10 we will concentrate on Unit 1 and Unit 2
- ★ Unit 1 is the theory exam worth 20%
- ★ Unit 2 is a controlled assessment worth 30%

- ★ Unit 3 is a theory exam worth 20% and will be taken in in Year 11
- ★ We will be concentrating on theory topics for both exams and the controlled assessment for Desktop Publishing, Spreadsheets and Databases
- ★ Unit 4 will be dropped for this year, giving learners longer time to improve grades in Unit 2

Music GCSE - 2 years

Course requirements

70% Coursework:

- 30% Performing
- 30% Composing
- 10% Essays

30% Listening Exam

Including 2 'set works'

Skills / equipment you need

- A love of music!
- Patience
- Determination
- Ability to play an instrument to a good standard
- Some ability to read music / TAB
- Method of learning new pieces e.g. video tutorials if you don't read music or have lessons
- Some piano keyboard skills
- Some ICT know-how

Recording equipment:

- Phone
- Computer
- Headphones

Instrument at home

Assessment options

- Perform on any instrument
- Sing
- Perform as a DJ
- Beatbox / Rap
- Perform on Launchpad
- Accompany yourself (e.g. Play guitar and sing)

ALL assessed work is recorded

Extra support

Peripatetic lessons (with specialist instrument teacher e.g. flute)

We will give you

Printed theory book to help with notation reading

Printed music terminology book

Access to sound editing software (internet based)

Access to notation software (internet based)

Google classroom portal

Live google meets and pre-recorded lessons through classroom

Support whenever needed

Music: 5 hours a fortnight

Year 10 - What we will learn / do

Music Theory

Record **solo** piece (own choice)
Record **ensemble** piece
(own choice with discussion) - can be done virtually

Composition 1 (own / free choice) and series of lessons on how to create a piece from scratch, step by step.

Overview of set works:

Manic Street Preachers Everything Must Go,
Edvard Grieg - Anitra's Dance

Listening **terminology** & topics (areas of study)

500-100 words **essay** on 1 recorded piece

Topics you will learn about:

1. Forms and Devices (evolution of classical music)
2. Music for Ensemble (Musical Theatre, Jazz & Blues, Chamber Music, Welsh Music)
3. Film Music
4. Rock and Pop

Year 11 - Coursework Heavy

Record **solo** piece 2 (own choice)

Record **ensemble** piece 2
(own choice with discussion) - can be done virtually

Composition 2 (WJEC set brief - choice from 4 topics)

500 - 100 word **evaluation essay** of your composition

Detail of set works

Manic Street Preachers Everything Must Go,
Edvard Grieg - Anitra's Dance

Further, detailed listening **terminology**

Listening Exam (approx 1 hour)



You are expected to work hard at home:

Practise your chosen instrument

Work on compositions

Listen to lots of music - sometimes music you don't naturally like

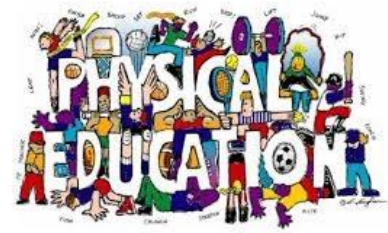
Record (especially when distancing laws apply)

*Complete all homework / google assignments given - sometimes more than 1
a week*

Contribute to / be involved in showcase events / concerts when they resume



Year 10 GCSE PE



What can I expect in GCSE PE?

- > You will develop your skills, techniques and tactics in both team and individual sporting activities - **3 Practical assessments** = 50% of course
- > You will understand the contribution physical activity and sport make to your health, fitness and well-being - **Personal Fitness Plan coursework** = 8%
- > You will develop theory knowledge (**50% theory exam** in year 11) on factors that influence physical activity and sport - **Unit 1** Health, fitness and exercise and **Unit 2** Anatomy & Physiology, both in year 10.

What can I do to prepare myself for GCSE PE?

- > Access BBC bitesize - WJEC PE specification and get familiar with the topics.
- > Access WJEC GCSE PE Specification online and save a copy to your a Google drive.

... **what do we expect from you** - To be fit, sporting role models, have 100% participation records, to be highly organised for both theory and practical lessons and show a commitment to extracurricular school teams / activities!



Product Design

Year 10 will include covering a range of Theory topics (see below) accompanied with a range of practical and CAD/CAM tasks in order to develop the necessary skills for Yr 11. Obviously, this will be dependent on when we are able to get back into our workshops. In the meantime, feel free to access DTSource.org and have a look at the theory topics we will be covering, also keep an eye out for a new google classroom in which further guidance and work will be located. **It would also be beneficial if you could download a software package called Fusion360. This is a 3D design package that is free for students. When you have downloaded it, follow a range of tutorials on Youtube called 'Fusion 360 in 30 days'.** This will put you in a great place for drawing your designs when we embark on our project work.

Theory topics include:

- The impact of new technology
- Evaluating new technology
- Energy
- Ecological and social footprint
- Airbus
- Bethan Gray and James Dyson
- Types of Materials
- Physical and Working properties of materials
- Scales of production
- Specialist fabrication techniques
- Surface finishes



Religious Studies GCSE



Year 9 Information

In Year 10 you will cover 4 topics:

- ❖ Christianity
- ❖ Islam
- ❖ Issues of Life and Death
- ❖ Issues of Good and Evil

More details about what each topic involves can be found in the Year 9 RE Option Google Classroom. There are also some tasks for you to have a go at completing.


If you just want to read about some of the topics you can have a look on BBC Bitesize. Just click on: [Wales > GCSE > Religious Studies > WJEC](#) and have a read through. You only need to look at Unit 1 topics for Year 10 and only Christianity and Islam.

We don't know yet exactly what will be happening with exams next year but usually you would sit one exam at the end of year 10 and one at the end of year 11 so we will work on the assumption that this is what will be happening!

Google Classroom Code

erqkuxl

Any work you complete
can be Emailed to Miss
McAllister for feedback.



What can I expect from Sociology next year?

Sociology is the study of human social relationships and institutions in our society. In your studies of sociology you will gain knowledge and understanding of key social structures, processes and issues through the study of the family, education, crime and deviance and social stratification.

There will be two examinations both worth 1hr 45 minutes (both worth 50% of the GCSE) which will take place at the end of year 11.

During Year 10, we will focus on the study of social structures, the family and education. To prepare you for next year, there is an introduction to sociology booklet which can be completed in preparation for September. There is also a google classroom: 733qhv5.

We look forward to seeing you next year! (The Sociology department).