Principal: Julie Caddell



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Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Curriculum Bulletin Year 8

As part of our continued efforts to improve communication with parents and support our students learning we would like to share with you our first curriculum bulletin. This will move to being a half termly bulletin but in this, the first one, you should get an idea of what your child has covered in each subject area since Christmas and what they will cover up until Easter. This is displayed on the reverse of this letter (On Page 2).

Our vision is that our young people will 'Live life to the full'. This means that they will make the most of opportunities and will enjoy the challenges that they present. Our curriculum must mirror this vision.

We also believe that our curriculum comprises of everything a child experiences during their time with us. We strive to ensure that the design of the curriculum at Barlby focuses on maximising the outcomes for all students. This means that we need to develop high aspirations for our students by providing them with a breadth of opportunity, development of skills and a rich knowledge base enabling them to succeed and progress. To do this our curriculum must be broad, responsive to student need and inspiring, allowing a meaningful set of learning experiences and opportunities.

As always if you have any questions please contact your child's form tutor in the first instance or for more subject based questions their class teachers or Faculty Leads.

Yours sincerely,

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Subject	Topics being covered this term
English	Y: Atmospheric and immersive writing
	O: Atmospheric and immersive writing
	R: Atmospheric and immersive writing
	K: Atmospheric and immersive writing
	Moving to
	Y: Of Mice and Men
	O: Of Mice and Men
	R: Of Mice and Men
	K: Of Mice and Men
Mathematics	Fractions and some algebra work, they are moving on to shape work
	including circles.
Science	Work, heating and cooling, types of reaction and chemical energy,
	evolution and inheritance
Geography	Hazardous Earth (Natural Hazards)
History	The Holocaust (Life in Nazi Germany, Kristallnacht, Life in the ghettos,
	Einsatzgruppen, Final Solution, Jewish Resistance, Righteous Among
	the Nations, Memorials to the Holocaust)
French	Healthy living they will then be moving onto Jobs and Future Ambitions
Music	Reggae & Offbeat Music
Drama	Investigative Drama
Art	The Sea
DT	Garden Trowel 'Metal Work'
Food	Food science investigations (fats), amino acids, proteins, using food
	tables to create 'balanced' menus, portion control, enrobing moving on to
	higher level skills (jointing a chicken), functions & uses of vitamins and
	minerals, shaping & layering, food science investigation (gelatinisation)
PE	Trampolining/Circuits
IT	Introduction to Python moving to HTML and website development
PSHE/RE	Sex and relationships

