

English

Term: Summer
Year: 7
Teacher: Ms Afshan Siddiqui

What will we be covering this term?

1st Half Term: Students will be reading the classic novel Robinson Crusoe by Daniel Defoe. They will have the opportunity of analysing the higher language used in the book to enhance their own vocabulary. Pupils will also write biographical pieces taking on board the feelings of the characters by using the skill of empathy. They will also examine character motives and develop their debating skills by arguing from different points of view. Students will look closely at persuasive language and techniques and apply these skills to write their own convincing and persuasive arguments. Students will further look at the features of film reviews and also write their own.

2nd Half Term: Students will be looking closely at the Quest genre. They will analyse the features of Quests and the characteristics of questers and their helpers. Students will examine the plots and moral purposes. They will examine the most important climax of the Quest- the battle scene- by examining, in depth, the language used to create the drama and tension. Pupils will then write their own Quest, taking on board all the characteristics and elements analysed.

How will my child be assessed this term?

Homework as well as classwork is an integral part of ongoing assessment. Please refer to your child's timetable for the days when homework is given. Students will be expected to contribute to class discussions and have weekly spelling tests. Overall performance will influence end of year reports.

How can I help my child in this subject?

Students will benefit from having a designated quiet space in which they can study. They should make a habit of working with a dictionary and thesaurus by their side. Please encourage your child to always read through their homework before handing it in as this will help them to self-correct any silly mistakes and is a vital element in their own self-assessment. Any missed homework will be flagged up through their diaries, so please do check them. Personal reading habits should also be encouraged; even ten minutes a day will improve their standard of English.

Who do I contact if I have concerns about my child's progress in this subject?

Please feel free to contact me at the school from 9.00-12:30 if you have any questions or concerns.

Mathematics

Term: Summer

Year: 7

Teachers: Mr A. Afzal and Mr S. Ahmed

What will we be covering this term?

Following topics will be covered from Book 2R:

1st Half Term:

Handling Data (Chapter 13) and Transformations (Chapter 11) with Mr A. Afzal
Positive and Negative Numbers (Chapter 8) and Number Patterns (Chapter 9) with Mr S. Ahmed

2nd Half Term:

Perimeter, Area and Volume (Chapter 15) with Mr A. Afzal
Averages (Chapter 16) with Mr S. Ahmed

How will my child be assessed this term?

Homework is an integral part of an ongoing assessment of the above mentioned topics. Please refer to your child's timetable for the days when homework is given. Students will be expected to contribute to class presentations as well. As the term progresses there will be class tests and the results will influence end of term reports.

How can I help my child in this subject?

Students will benefit from having a designated quiet space in which they can study. They would need their scientific calculators and geometry sets for some of the mentioned topics. They should make a habit of practising questions at home. Please also encourage your child to always check their homework before handing it in as this will help them to self-correct any silly mistakes and is a vital element in their own self-assessment. Presentation is very important. All the diagrams including construction work as well as graphs should be done with pencil only. Any missed homework will be flagged up through their diaries, so please do check them.

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History

Term: Summer

Year: 7

Teacher: Mr. Abdul Fattah Hussain

What will we be covering this term?

1st Half Term: This term the focus will be to continue to improve their written skills and continue to cultivate an interest in History. We will study the Medieval explorers, incl. The European and Muslim explorers, Crusades, The objectives will be to increase our understanding of world history, interpretation, independent thought, vocabulary and expression.

2nd Half Term: Pupils will study the Muslim Mali and Christian Ethiopia, The Black death and the Samurai. It is hoped that by the end of the term pupils will be able to express themselves better have the vocabulary to deal with more complex topics.

How will my child be assessed this term?

Pupils will be assessed on their written work, presentations as well as exams.

How can I help my child in this subject?

Read the work with them. Help them in their written work. See to it that they are using the computer for research only. Ensure that their folders are in order. If they miss a class it is up to them to catch up. Checking their homework diaries.

Who do I contact if I have concerns about my child's progress in this subject?

Please feel free to contact me at the school from 9.00-16:00 if you have any questions or concerns. Alternatively, leave a note in your son's homework diary and I will try to give you a written response on the same day. My email is tam_f_home@hotmail.com.

Geography

Term: Summer

Year: 7

Teacher: Ms Mariam Amele

What will we be covering this term?

1st Half Terms: Pupils will be studying the unit 'River flooding' this term. This unit is about the causes and effects of river flooding. Pupils will look at how flooding can affect people in different ways and suggestions how the risk of future flooding may be reduced. Pupils will also be learning about water cycle, looking at what happens to rain when it reaches the ground. Pupils will look at the causes of flooding and how individuals and communities respond to the problem. Finally pupils will look at how the risk of flooding can be reduced.

2nd Half Term: At the start of the second half term pupils will be studying the unit 'United Kingdom'. In this unit pupils will learn about the UK's physical and human geography. They will examine where people in the UK come from and will also look at the wealth of the country and how it is distributed. Pupils will finish off by looking at regional differences in the UK and take a closer look at our local area.

How will my child be assessed this term?

Homework is an integral part of ongoing assessment. Pupils will also be assessed through end of unit tests, which they will be notified about well in advance.

How can I help my child in this subject?

It is recommended that each pupil develops their own glossary. Encourage your child to learn the meaning and the correct spelling of key geographical terms. Please ensure that your son is up to date with his homework.

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Arabic

Term: Summer

Year: 7

Teacher: Mr. S Y Ali

What will we be covering this term?

1st Half Term: Students will be studying Arabic from the book العربية بين يديك (Al-Arabuyyatu bayna Yadayk). In this half term we will be covering chapter 5 الطعام و الشراب (Food and Drink). We will cover new target language associated with this topic then cover exercises designed to improve students listening, reading and writing skills.

2nd Half Term: In this half term we will study chapter 4. Chapter 6 الصلاة (Prayer). The chapter will introduce new target language for the students to be able to converse about the particular situation. There are additional exercises for students to improve their pronunciation and handwriting. Various grammar components will also be continued in this term.

How will my child be assessed this term?

Pupils will be assessed using a combination of classroom participation, homework, class tests and end of term exams.

How can I help my child in this subject?

Keeping in mind that most parents will not have the ability to offer extensive help to their children in this particular subject, it is imperative that you insure that they complete the work they are set for homework. The dialogues in each chapter have audio files associated with them. These files have been given to each student with the text book. Please try to ensure your son regularly listens to the dialogues and reads the text to improve pronunciation and to aid memorisation of the vocabulary.

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Religious Studies

Term: Summer

Year: 7

Teacher: Mr. S Y Ali

What will we be covering this term?

1st Half Term: Students will be studying the Tafseer (explanation) of Juz Amma (The last volume of the Quran. We will aim to cover Surah Al-Humazah, Al-Asr, At-Takathur and Al Qariyyah. We will also cover supplications from the book Hisn Al-Muslim related to Salat and stories from the Ahadith of the Prophet SAW and the lives of the companions of the Prophet SAW.

2nd Half Term: We will study the next four surahs in the Quran. We will also cover supplications from the book Hisn Al-Muslim again related to prayer and stories from the Ahadith of the Prophet SAW and the lives of the companions of the Prophet SAW.

How will my child be assessed this term?

Your son will be assessed through class participation, memorisation of the supplications and the end of term test.

How can I help my child in this subject?

Your son will benefit from having access to Tafseer books either at home or Tafseer websites. You can also help them by listening to the supplications they are supposed to memorise. It would be advisable for parents to regularly ask their children about the ahadith and stories we study at school as a way of helping them revise and analyse what they are taught.

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ICT

Term: Summer
Year: 7
Teacher: Ms A Mohamed

What will we be covering this term?

1st Half Term: E-SAFETY

In this unit students will learn about cyber bullying via text messages and the web. They will also learn about how to keep themselves safe whilst online. Students will be aware of potential risk to their safety and well being and of steps they can take to reduce these risks. Following some research and planning, they will go onto create an information advertisement using Windows Moviemaker.

In addition all students will be given a workbook to help support the teaching and learning of this topic. There are two workbooks, one for the majority of students and the second for lower ability students. Both workbooks will provide clear indications National Curriculum levels and a wide range of tasks and activities for students to work through independently.

2nd Half Term: TECHNOLOGY IN THE FUTURE

Students will learn to identify current technologies and those that may appear in the future. They will undertake independent research in order to find out about possible developments in the future. They will learn to design a presentation on Prezi (a Flash-based presentation system) about future technologies.

How will my child be assessed this term?

Homework is an integral part of ongoing assessment. Please refer to your child's timetable for the days when homework is given. In addition to this, your son will also be assessed by weekly homework assignments and end of unit project which will be handed in.

How can I help my child in this subject?

Please ensure that your son is up to date with weekly assignments. Your son will need to access to All work is carried out using Microsoft 2007 so it would be of benefit for your son to have the same software package at home. For majority of lessons students are emailed electronic copies of homework along with other worksheets.

Who do I contact if I have concerns about my child's progress in this subject?

Please feel free to contact me at the school from 11.20-11.40 and 13.20-14.20. You may also leave a written message in your son's homework diary or email me at afsha.alkhair@googlemail.com. The best method to contact me is via email.

Science

Term: Summer

Year: 7

Teacher: Mr. S. Ahmed

What will we be covering this term?

1st Half Term: Students will study the units on energy resources and the solar system. Know why fuels are useful. What are fossil fuels, renewable and non renewable energy resources . Using energy and how living things use energy.

What the solar system consists of. What causes seasons. What is beyond the solar system . Stars and what is beyond the solar system.

2nd Half Term: Pupils will study the units on Food and digestion and Respiration. Pupils will learn what our food contains and how test for different types of foods. Balanced diet. What do parts of the digestion system do? How the food is digested.

Pupils will learn about Aerobic and anaerobic respiration and what happens to products of respiration. How gases are exchanged and how much air is inhaled and exhaled.

How will my child be assessed this term?

Pupils will be assessed using a combination of classroom participation, homework, class tests and end of term exams.

How can I help my child in this subject?

Students must go over their work every day and can visit the local library and read scientific magazines. Pupils must read through their work every night and ask him what has he learnt today.

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