



Year 9

Curriculum Booklet

2023-24

Raising Standards Leader - Mr P Huggens

If you have concerns about your child's academic progress contact us [here](#).

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Head of Year - Miss L Hodd

Pastoral Support Manager - Mrs N Wahab

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Key Dates and Events

Term	Events
1	
2	6.12.23 - Progress report 7.12.23 - Parents' Evening
3	29.1.24 - Internal Assessments
4	18.3.24 - Progress report 21.3.24 - Options Evening
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6	2.7.23 - Progress reports

Message from the Raising Standards Leader:

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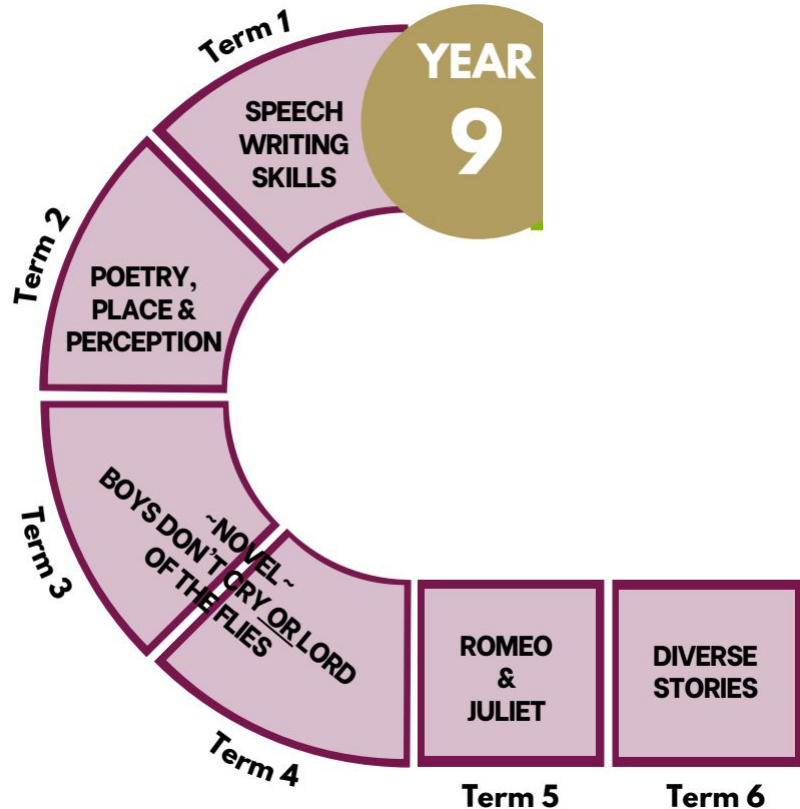
Supporting your child

Research suggests that the following four routines have the biggest impact on children's development, self esteem, physical and mental health;

- Eating a healthy meal (especially breakfast) and drinking at least 2 litres of water a day.
- Exercising for at least 60 minutes per day
- Sleeping for at least 8 hours per day
- Minimising screen time to 2 hours per day

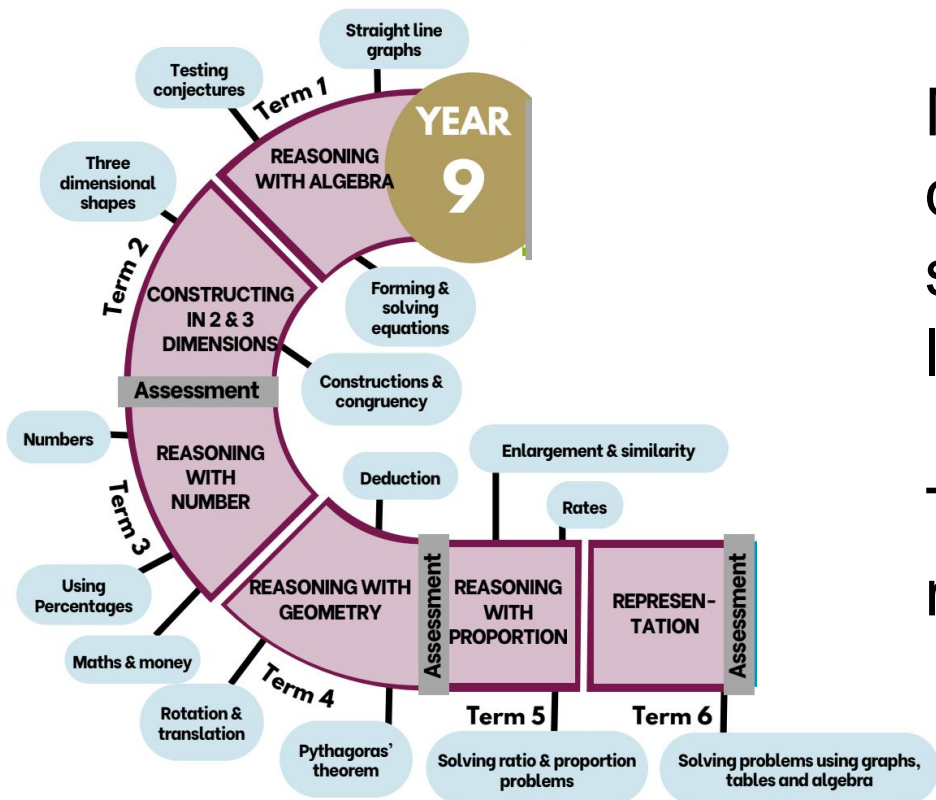
Ensuring your child has the correct equipment to learn will support teachers in getting the best results for your child.

English



In English lessons students explore a range of texts including poetry, Shakespeare and a novel. They also develop their oracy and speech writing skills.

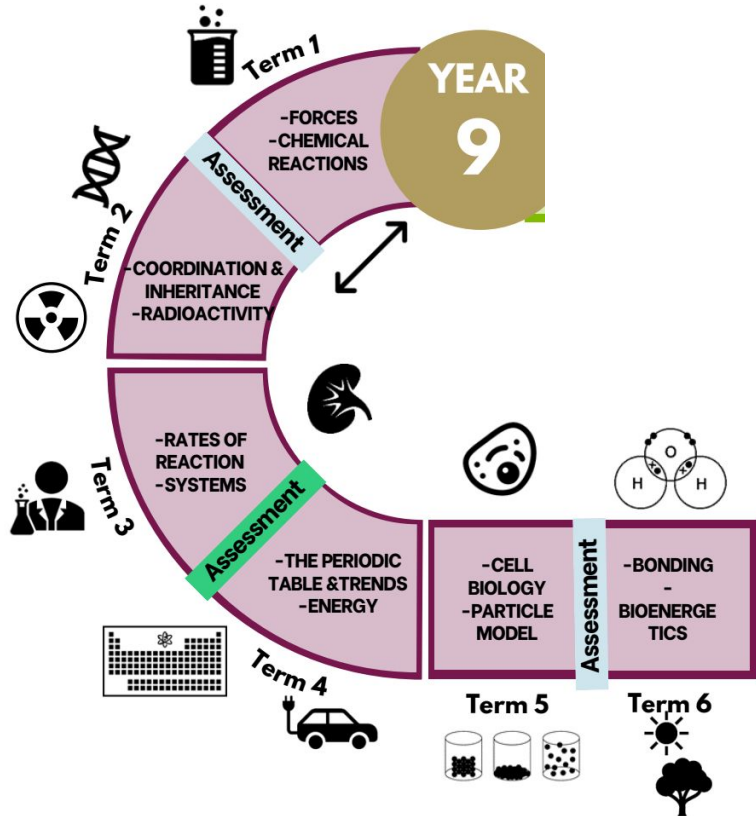
Maths



Maths lessons focus on developing understanding of shape and number, making links to the real world.

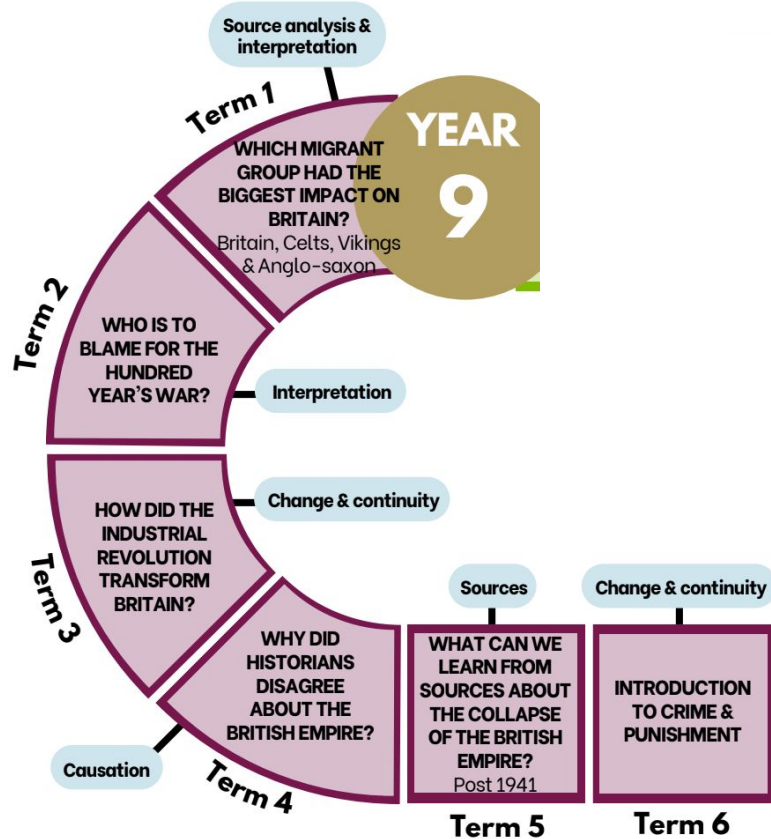
They follow the White Rose maths curriculum.

Science



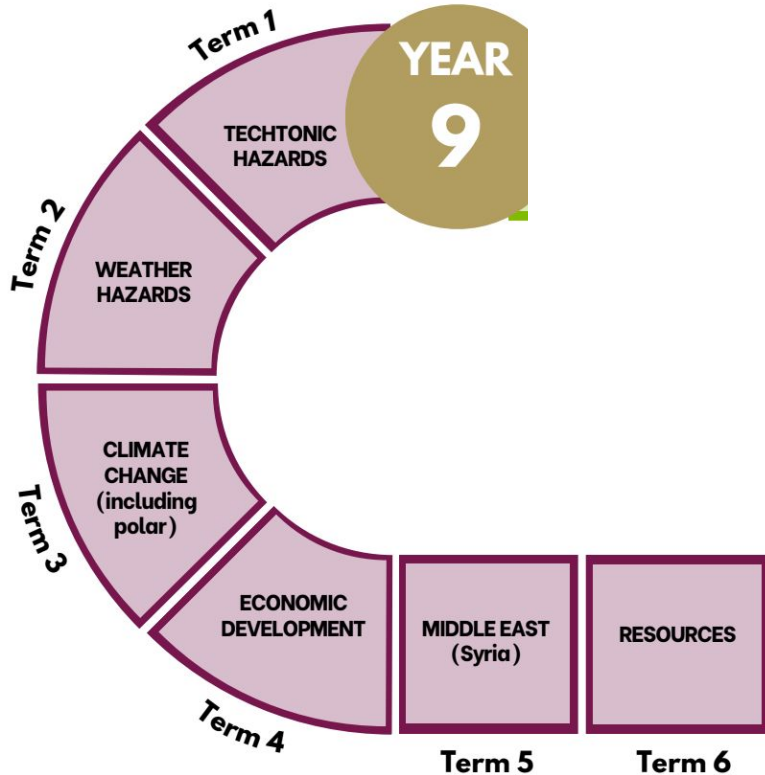
In Science lessons students continue to develop their understanding of Biology, Chemistry and Physics. They study topics such as Chemical Reactions and Cell Biology.

History



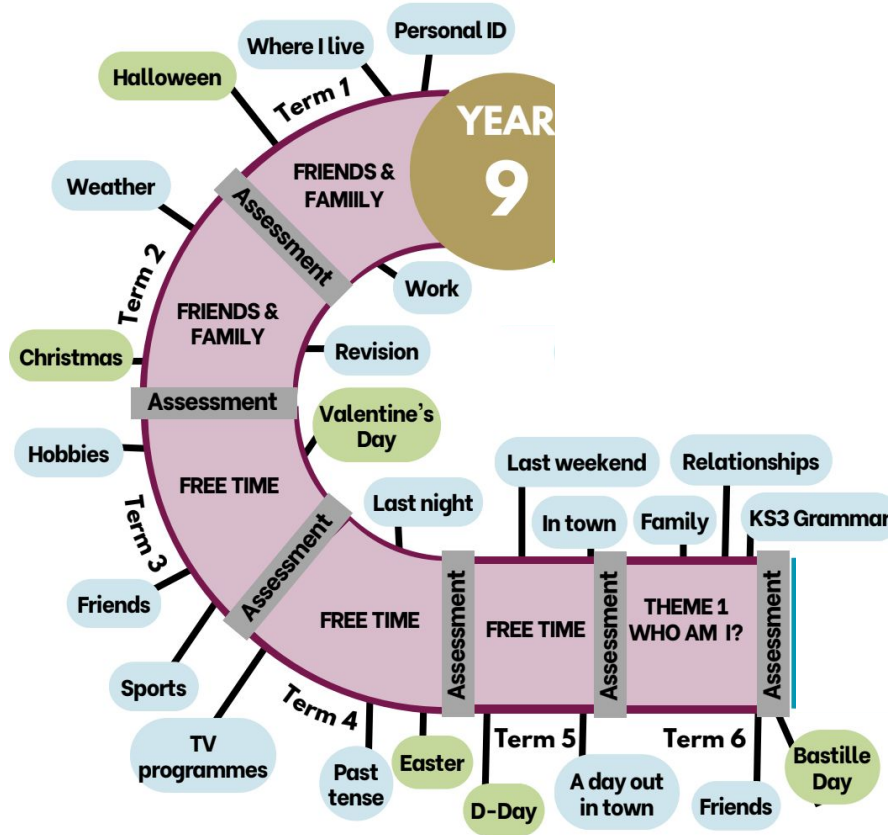
In History students begin to develop their skills for GCSE by completing thematic units looking at change and continuity over time. They also develop their source evaluation and causation skills.

Geography



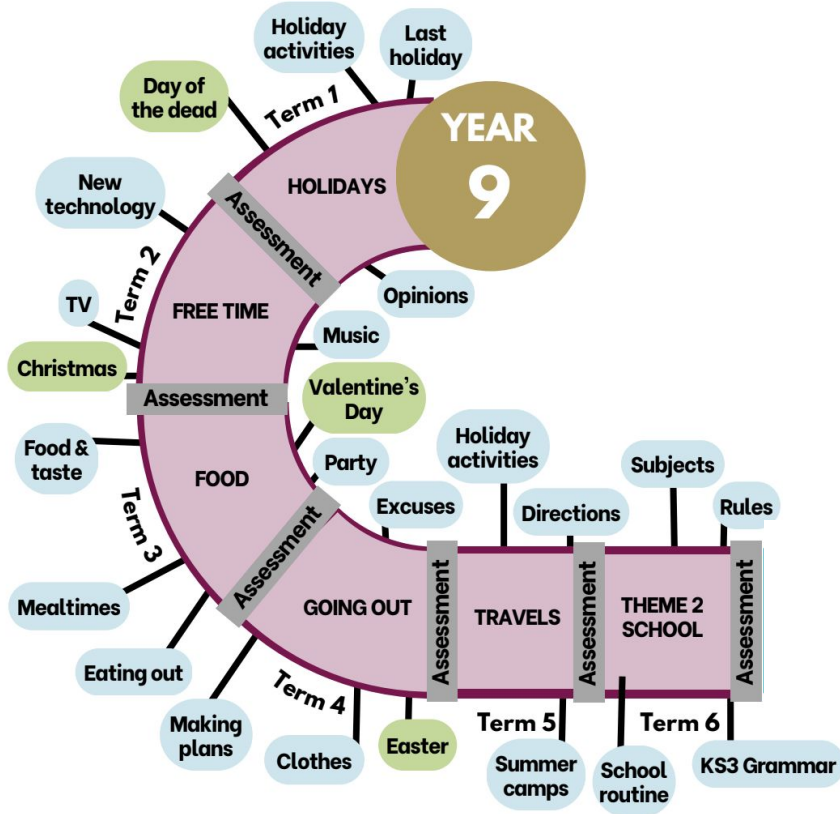
Students explore a range of tectonic and weather hazards, and consider their impact on our world. They also complete a focus study on climate change, and the geography of the Middle East.

French



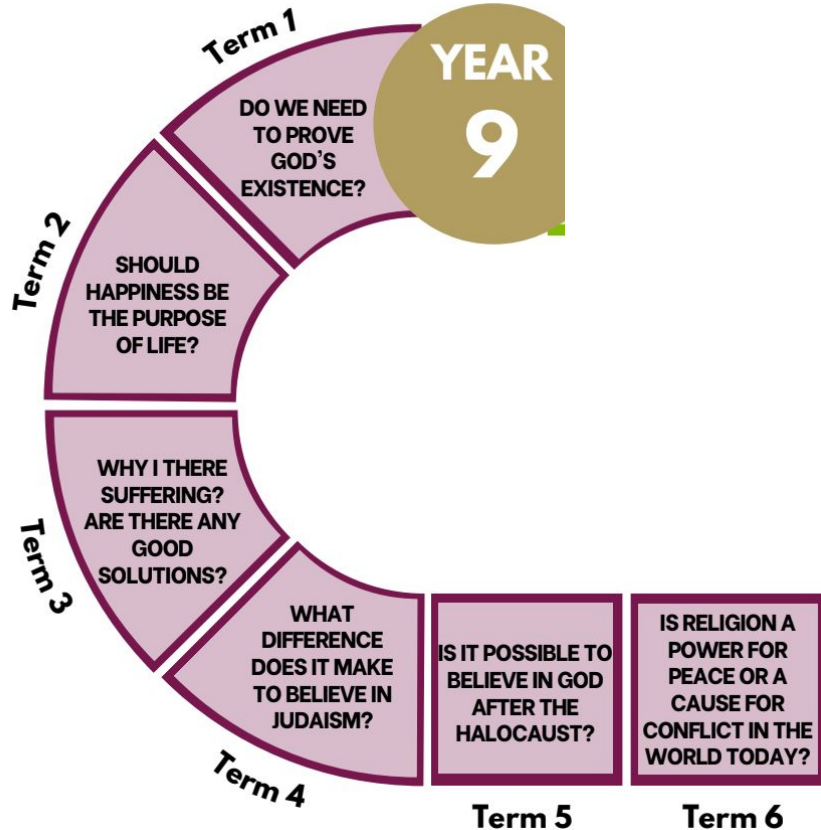
In French students explore a range of topics to support their understanding across the four disciplines of reading, writing, speaking and listening.

Spanish



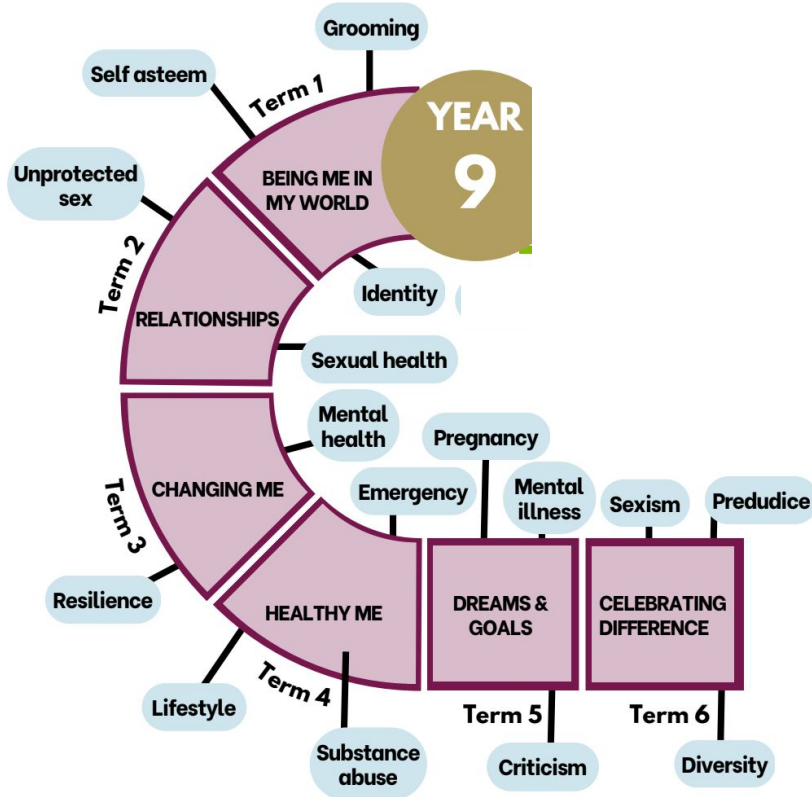
In Spanish students explore a range of topics to support their understanding across the four disciplines of reading, writing, speaking and listening.

Philosophy



The Philosophy curriculum brings together Religious Education and Citizenship. Students cover a range of religions and ethical issues, developing their understanding of the world around them.

Personal Development



Students have a weekly lesson of Personal Development. In these lessons they explore Personal, Social, and Health education, as well as Relationships and Sex Education. These lessons are designed to help students understand their world, and how to keep themselves safe within it.

PE

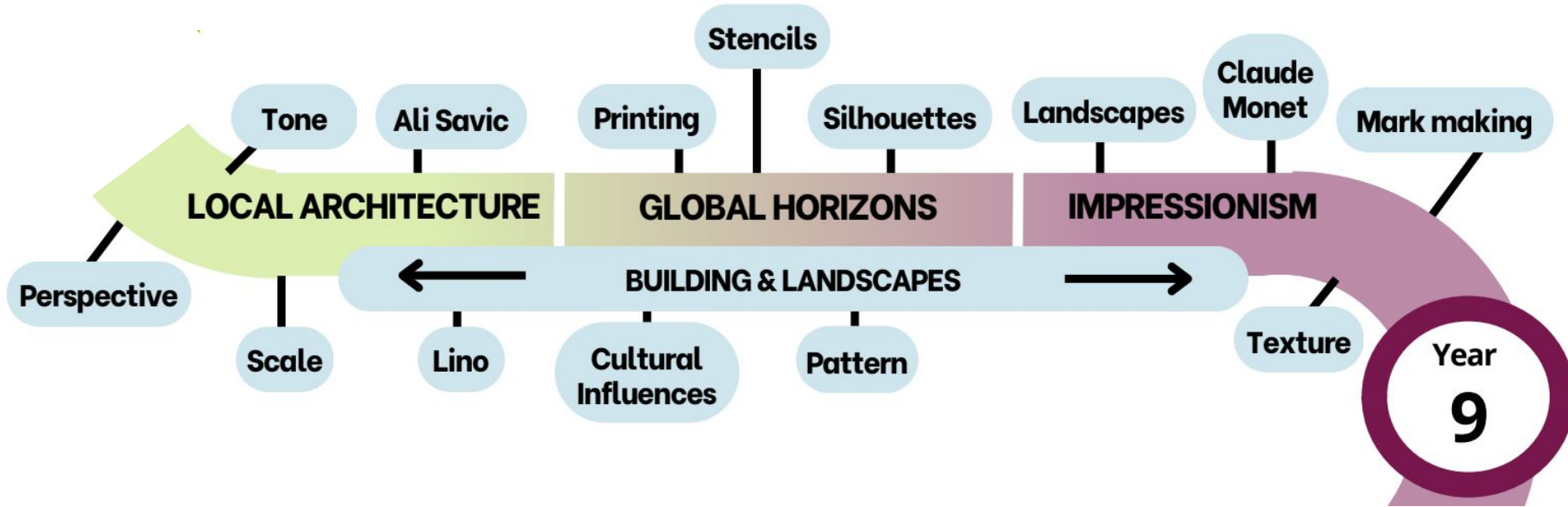


REFINING AND APPLYING BASIC AND COMPLEX SKILLS, TACTICS AND STRATEGIES IN GAMES AND COMPETITIVE SITUATIONS.



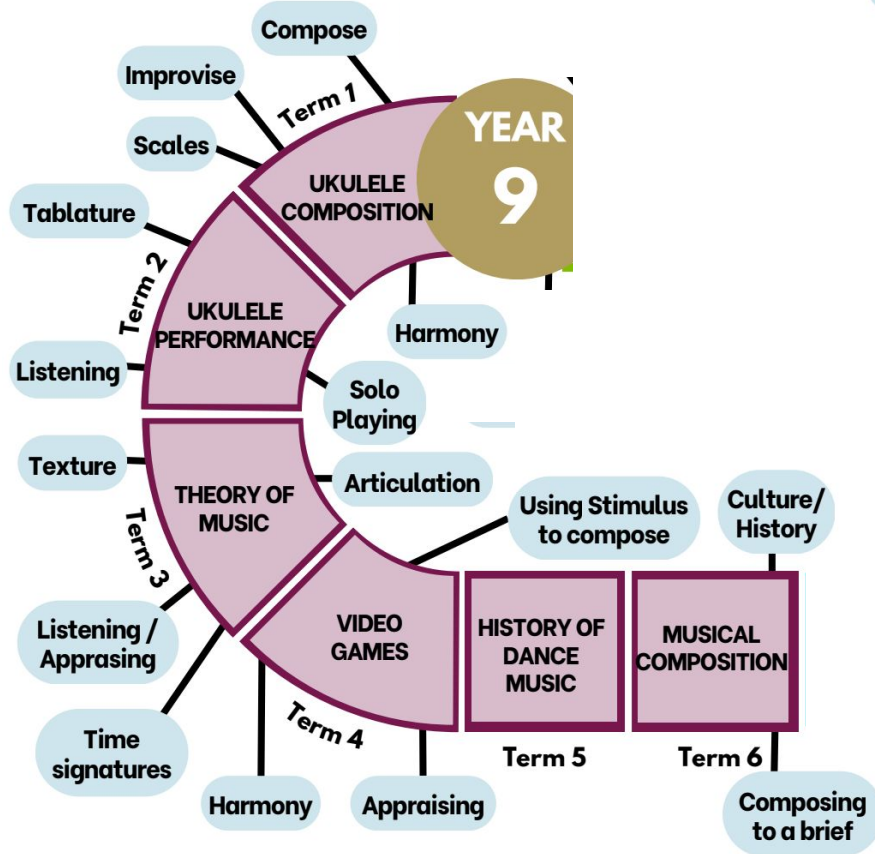
Students continue to develop their physical skills in a range of sports and physical activities whilst developing their understanding of tactics and strategies in a curriculum which promotes participation and encourages students to lead healthy, active lives.

Art



In Art lessons students focus on buildings and landscapes to develop a range of techniques relating to texture and perspective.

Music



Music lessons focus on a mixture of theory and performance, looking also at the history of music over time. Students continue to develop their musical composition skills.



Carousel - IT, DT, Dance, Food Technology



Students also complete lessons from across our practical carousel. The IT curriculum covers programming, online safety and software design.

Students will cover line dancing as well as street dance.

Food lessons include developing knowledge of dishes from around the world, as well as considering the impact of the food industry on our environment.

Homework



In Key Stage 3 students receive weekly homework from English, Maths, Science, History, Geography and Modern Foreign Languages. They can also be set homework from subjects such as Art and Technology. Each piece should take between 20 and 30 minutes to complete if done to a good standard.

All homework is set via Google Classroom. Homework can be a mixture of online activities, project work, and specific tasks as assigned by the teacher.



You can find further information about our Key Stage 3 or Key Stage 4 curriculum on our website.

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