



Year 9

Curriculum Booklet

2024-25

Raising Standards Leader - Mr P Huggens

Head of Year - Mr N Goldsmith

Pastoral Support Manager - Mrs S Gappa

Our full curriculum information is available on our website.



Key Dates and Events

Term	Events
1	Data reports Reading Tests
2	Data reports
3	15th January Parents' Evening 12th February Online Options Evening
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5	Internal exams
6	Internal exams Data reports 3rd July Prize Evening

Message from the Raising Standards Leader:

We hope you find the information enclosed useful. Please feel encouraged to contact myself or your child's teachers should there be any questions or concerns.

Supporting your child

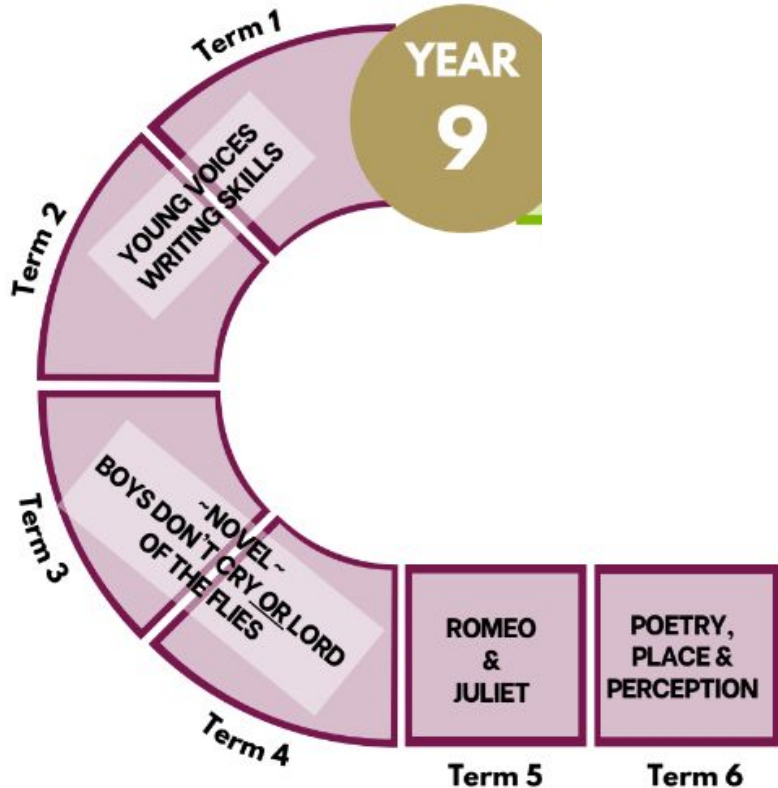
Research suggests that the following four routines have the biggest impact on children's development, self esteem, physical and mental health;

- 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.

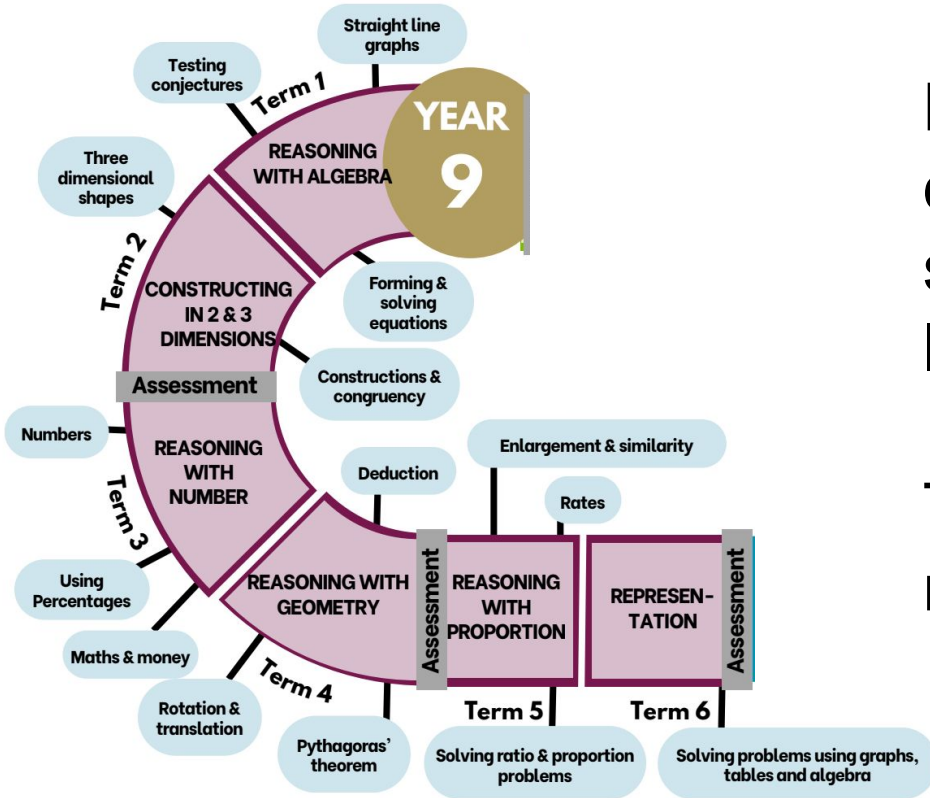
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English



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

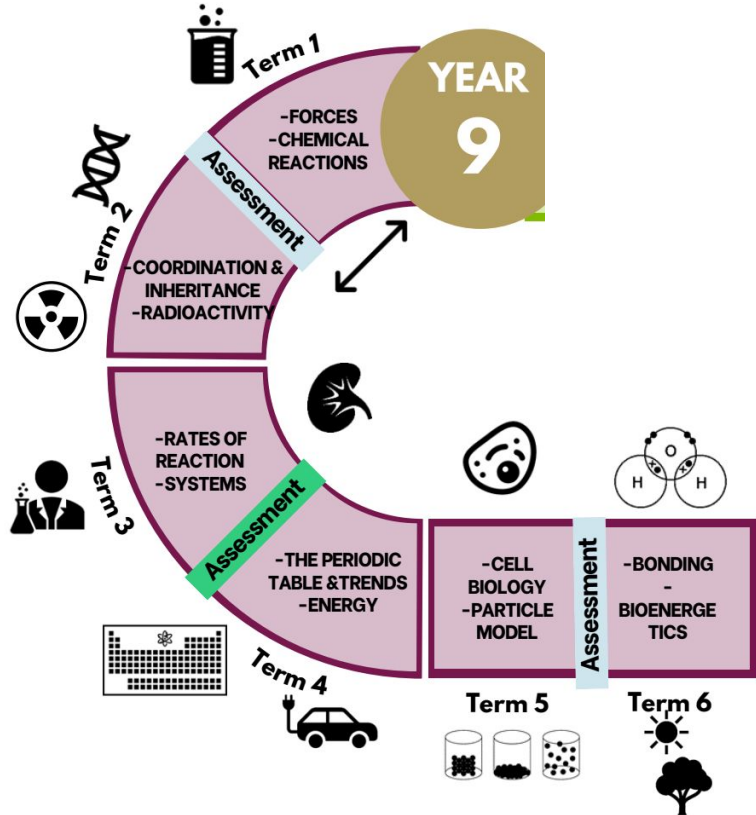
Maths



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

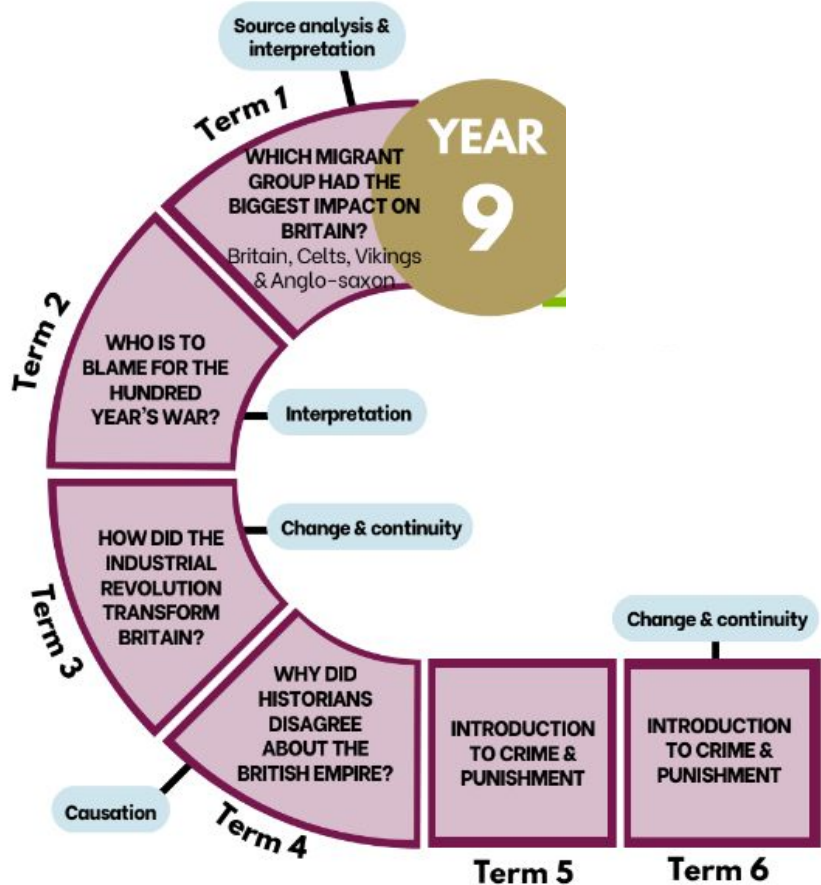
They follow the White Rose maths curriculum.

Science



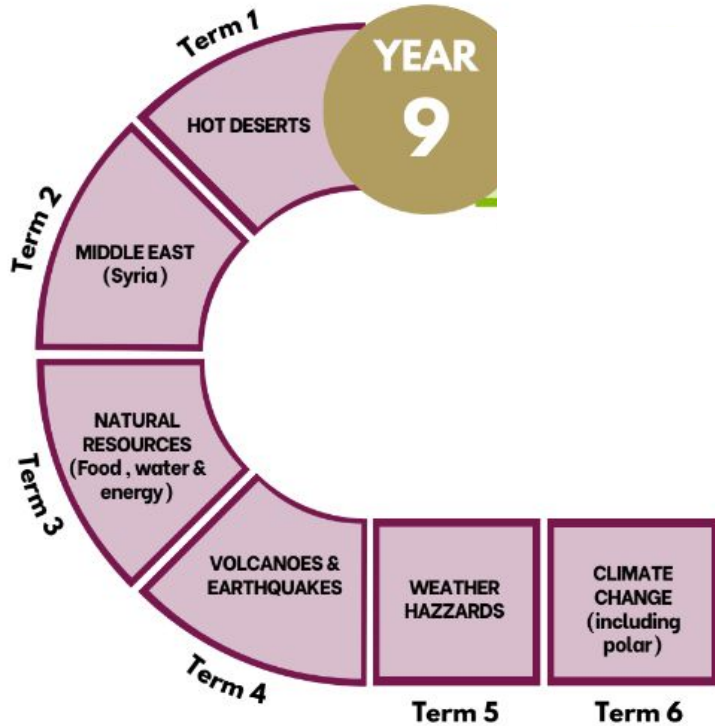
In Science lessons students continue to develop their understanding of Biology, Chemistry and Physics. They study topics such as Chemical Reactions and Cell Biology.

History



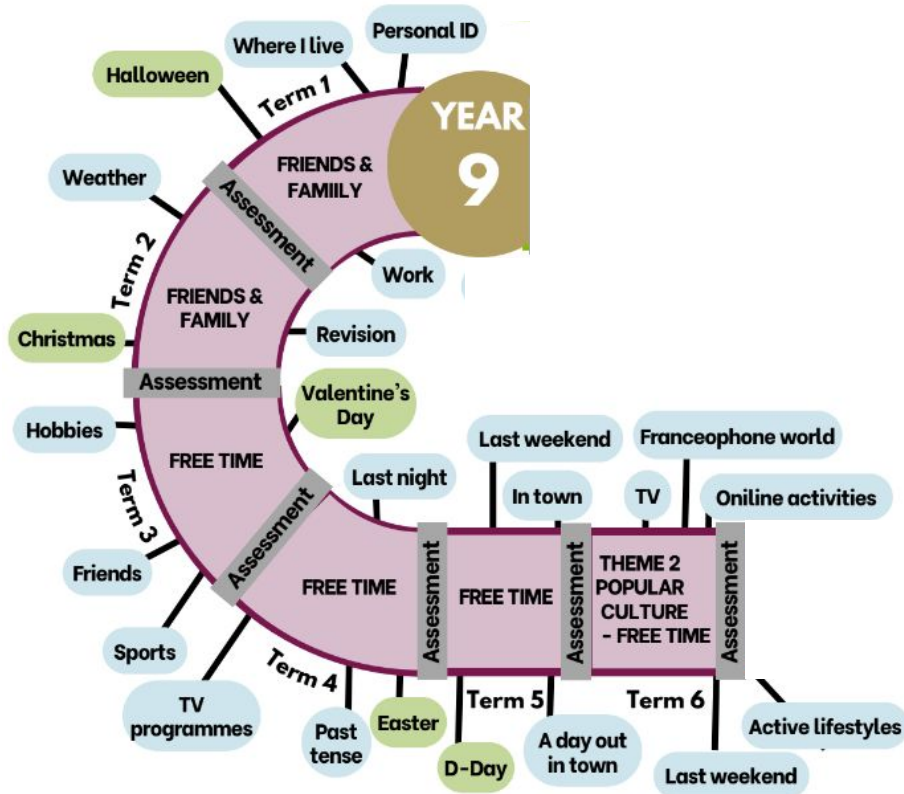
In History students begin to develop their skills for GCSE by completing thematic units looking at change and continuity over time. They also develop their source evaluation and causation skills.

Geography



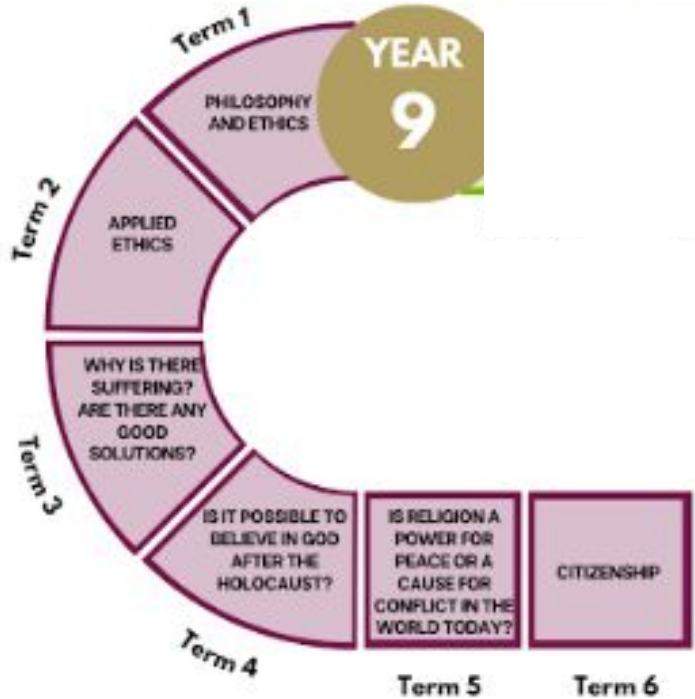
Students explore a range of tectonic and weather hazards, and consider their impact on our world. They also complete a focus study on climate change, and the geography of the Middle East.

French



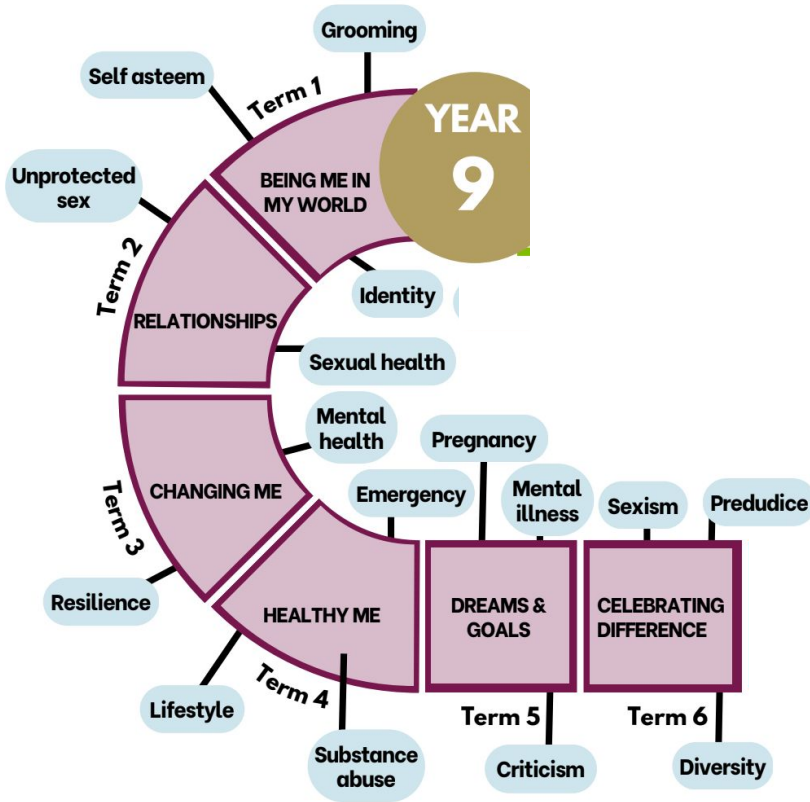
In French students explore a range of topics to support their understanding across the four disciplines of reading, writing, speaking and listening.

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

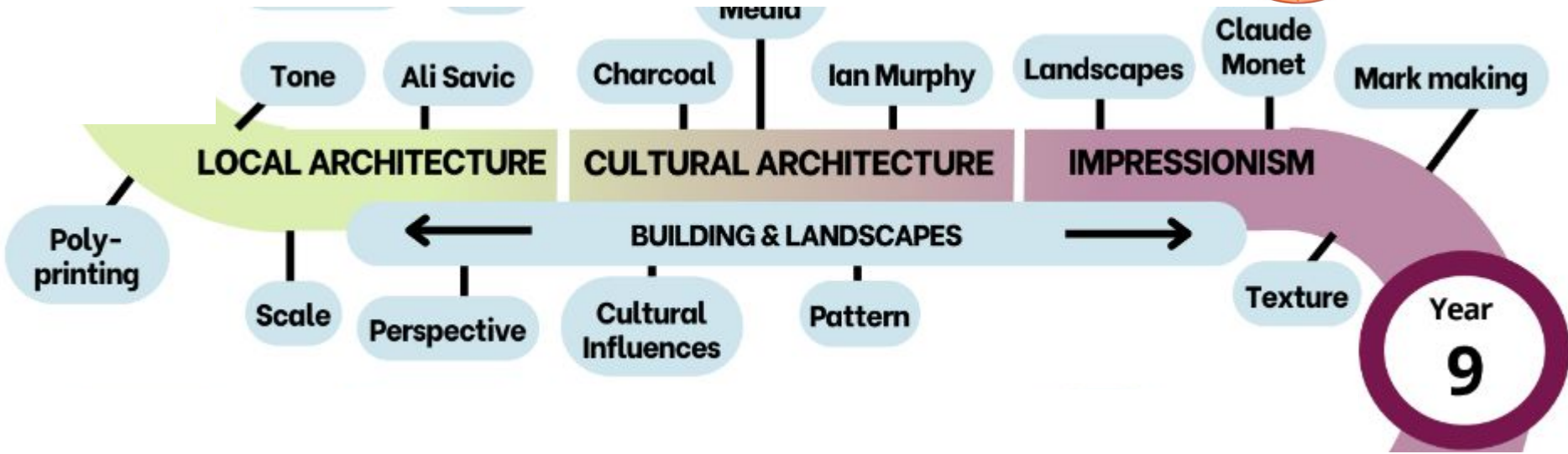


REFINING AND APPLYING BASIC AND COMPLEX SKILLS, TACTICS AND STRATEGIES IN GAMES AND COMPETITIVE SITUATIONS.



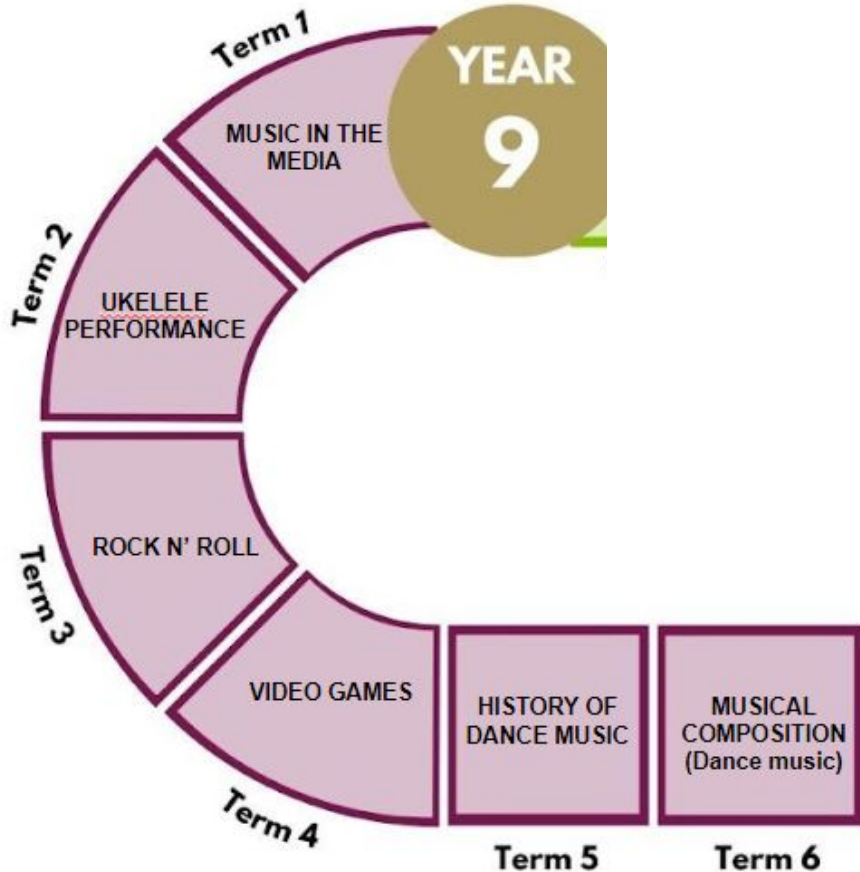
The PE curriculum is designed to support participation for all. Students develop a range of skills across a variety of sports, to help develop their understanding and encourage them to build healthy lifestyles.

Art



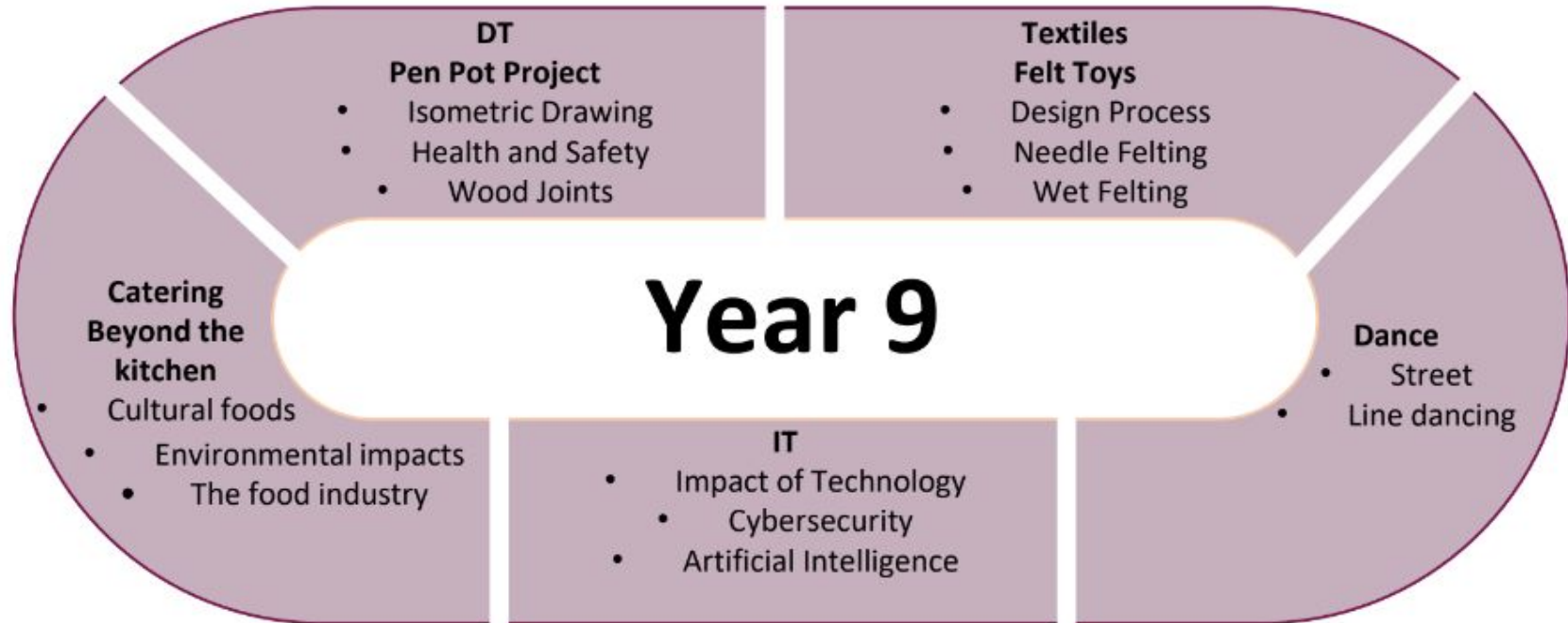
Students will further develop their technical skills and refine their application of materials by exploring a challenging collection of artists, styles and movements relating to a consistent theme of buildings and landscapes.

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



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.

Access the Year 9 Homework area on our website [here](#).