

Bodmin College Curriculum Overview for Year 9 2024-2025



Year 9	Cycle 1		Cycle 2		Cycle 3	
English	Romeo and Juliet by William Shakespeare Writer's as social commentators and political protestors		Noughts & Crosses. The Play Writers as social commentators and political protesters		An Inspector Calls by J.B Priestley Writers as social commentators and politico protestors	
Mathematics	Area and Perimeter Expanding and Factorising	Circles Algebraic Graphs Analysing Data	Parallel and Polygons Displaying Data	Factors, Indices and Standard Form Surds (higher)	Algebraic Fractions (higher) and Equations Real life graphs (higher)	Compound Measures and Real- life Graphs Transformations
Science	Cell Biology Organisation The Atom and the Periodic Table Chemical Changes		Infection and Response Energy stores and Transfers Power, Efficiency and Resources Nuclear Physics		Chemical Analysis Fuels and the Atmosphere Ecology Waves	
Geography	Natural Hazards (Tectonics) & Natural Hazards (Atmospheric) Tectonic hazards mainly volcanoes and earthquakes Compare and contrast 2 earthquakes within an LIC/NEE and a HIC The different layers of the atmosphere Extreme weather within the UK and flooding along the Somerset levels		Climate Change & Living World Climate change Ecosystems at a local scale with a focus on ponds and hedgerows Tropical rainforests and desert Examine how both ecosystems can be managed sustainably		Resource Management The distribution of food, energy and water globally is not even Identify the global supply of food and the impact of food insecurity Increasing the food supply with an emphas on the Indus Basin Irrigation system and appropriate technology such as the sand dams within Makueni, Kenya	
History	How did Nazi Germany impact on the lives of millions? The impact of WWI on Germany Hitler and the Nazis Jewish life in Germany pre-1930 Persecution of the Jews and others by the Nazis The Holocaust The Nuremberg Trials		What did Black activism achieve for African Americans? The problems of enslaved Africans after emancipation The impact of the early activists; protest Achievements of the NAACP Martin Luther King, Malcom X, The Black Panther Party		How has Britain changed throughout the twentieth century? Women and the right to vote Developments of the Labour Party The impact of WWII The impact of migration The rights of the LGBTQ+ community The impact of technology	
French	Getting to Know You Personal Information Descriptions of people (our sponsored child) Family and relationships	Daily Life Around the World Daily routines Healthy lifestyles and wellbeing	School Life and Future Plans School description and facilities School subjects Uniform	The Importance of Languages and Future Aspirations Broadening horizons	Young People in Action Local area Children's rights Environmental concerns	Fluency and Retrieval

Spanish	My Summer Holiday Holiday activities Modes of transport The weather Booking a hotel	Around Town Town and local area Opinions Directions	Rules Ideal school Future study School Life and the Importance of Languages School description and facilities School subjects Describing teachers		World issues Charitable work		
RE	Hinduism Belief in God, Trimurti and Avatars Beliefs associated with life and reincarnation including the Ashramas Hindu places of worship, Murti, Puja practices and the festival of Diwali		The school day Sikhism Belief in Waheguru The impact of the 10 Gurus The Guru Granth Sahib and the Gurdwara The Khalsa and the 5Ks		Buddhism History of the Buddha Core Buddhist beliefs and principles Mindfulness and meditation practices including mandalas and prayer flags Zazen		
PSHE	Peers and PressureHealthy and unhealthy relationships including friendships and physical relationships, consent and the lawGangs and Knife CrimeThe reasons young people may join a gang or carry a knife, and consider the potential social and legal consequences of these actions		Introduction to Sexual Health and Relationships Focus on contraception, readiness for sex and focus on the idea "not everyone is doing it" Includes involvement from Brook		Healthy lifestyle and self-image Self-image and discuss issues around cosmetic surgery First Aid Lessons and activities based on statutory need for First Aid in PSHE		
PE	Core Sport: Dance, Rugby or Touch Rugby, Football, Netball, Gymnastics, Orienteering, HRE (short and long-term effects of exercise / components of fitness) Badminton, Athletics, Tennis, Cricket, Rounder and Softball						
Music	Blues and Ragtime Developing understanding of chords and extended chords within musical structures Exploring how the blues scale is constructed and used within blues/Jazz melodies and in improvisation Exploring Ragtime and the music of Scott Joplin		Reggae Exploring the music of the Caribbean and features of reggae (syncopation, riffs, grooves and structures) exploring the genre through the life of Bob Marley		Rap & Hip Hop Exploring Rap and the Hip Hop Culture and how immigration caused a new musical style to be born through protest song and lifestyle/voices being heard. Exploring the birth of hip hop and its origins, musical features including sampling, music technology and social political messages in music		

Art	Creatures from the Deep – Visual language and meaning Exploring the techniques of cyanotype, Mono- printing and screen-printing to illustrate a sea creature that explores the visual language of the sea and our decaying environment		Creatures from the Deep – Visual language and meaning Exploring the environmental impact of plastic and waste in the oceans by creating a visual narrative with symbolism that looks at life/death, mutation and surrealism		Monsters and Beasts – Understanding design and development Exploring a 3D surrealist sculpture inspired by wild beasts and the human form in combination to express the narrative of life and death often explored throughout history and in cultural folklore such as Mexican Day of the Dead Designing and creating a 3D ceramic and mixed media sculpture	
Computing	Cyber Security and Networks Exploring influential computer scientists Code Breaking World Wide Web Logic Gates Sorting Algorithms Network Design		Coding in Python Developing text-based programming skill by revisiting Python programming 'If Then Else statements 'For and While' loops		Project Developing for the web using JavaScript Enhancing web design by revisiting HTML and utilising JavaScript	
Design Technology	Energy and Mechanisms Researching and investigating the physics that occurs when designing a soap box racer	Designing Products Participating in creative design to develop a design idea to manufacture	Tools, Equipment and Processes Participating in the safe manufacture of a product using a variety of tools and processes	New and Emerging Technologies Researching and investigating how emerging technologies impact design development and manufacture	Materials and their Properties Researching and investigating materials and their properties in relation to racing (fire resistance, toughness, hardness, elasticity etc.)	Approaches to Design Creating a prototype
Food Technology	Commodity 1 - Fruit and Vegetables Participate in practical lessons and further develop an understanding of: Nutrition, where food comes from, diet and good health, food safety, food science and classification	Commodity 2 - Fats and Sugars Participate in practical lessons and further develop an understanding of: Nutrition, where food comes from, diet and good health, food safety, food science and classification	Meat, poultry, fish and eggs Participate in practical lessons and further develop an understanding of: Nutrition, where food comes from, diet and good health, food safety, food science and classification	Milk, cheese and yoghurt Participate in practical lessons and further develop an understanding of: Nutrition, where food comes from, diet and good health, food safety, food science and classification	Sya, Tofu, seeds, beans and nuts Participate in practical lessons and further develop an understanding of: Nutrition, where food comes from, diet and good health, food safety, food science and classification	Cereals Participate in practical lessons and further develop an understanding of: Nutrition, where food comes from, diet and good health, food safety, food science and classification
Drama	Theatre Production Roles Participating in a wide range of stand-alone fortnightly workshops on what various production roles involve Applying knowledge to a mini task to show understanding and skill relating to specific roles		A Twist in the Tail Exploring physical theatre and applying the methodology of 'Frantic Assembly' in the creation of a devised movement sequence on the theme of fairytales		Analysing Performance Describing, analysing and evaluating an actor's performance skills within a live theatre production	