

Cumulus Spring 2 - 2019

<p>English Our focus this term is Paper One Section B. Cumulus will be working on techniques to establish a clear and compelling narrative to capture the interest of the reader. In addition to this we will be working on the speaking and listening element to the GCSE.</p>	<p>Science This term Cumulus will be finishing the DNA and Genetics topic and starting the final topic of their GCSE Biology; Ecosystems. This will include looking at adaptations of plants and animals, competition, predator-prey relationships and pollution.</p>	<p>Maths Cumulus will be undertaking a mock set of exam papers during this term. This will then be used to set the work for the remaining part of the term, before the GCSE next term. A variety of different topics will be covered depending on the particular needs of the individual student. Revision techniques and planning will be studied.</p>
<p>Art Cumulus have been working around the key work of “embellishment” this term, and have been exploring different methods of decoration. They have also been continuing to work on their long term projects around the theme of “self”. This term will have a particular focus on developing watercolour skills.</p>	<p>Cooking This term the students will be preparing recipes using pasta for main dishes, practicing the skills of boiling, simmering, sautéing and recognising when food is cooked (ie onions, mushrooms, bacon and mince). They will also be preparing a crumble practicing peeling, slicing and using the rubbing in method for making the crumble topping. Hygiene in the kitchen, safety when using the hob and oven and handling and storing sharp knives will also be discussed and practised by the students. The students will also start to think about the 2 courses they would like to cook in their Btec assessment.</p>	<p>PSHE Cumulus have two PSHE lessons a week. In one lesson a week Cumulus will be doing some practical activities. They will be given the chance to plan and implement a community based project and explain its effects on how it is benefiting the community. In the other lesson the students are continuing to work towards an AQA Award in PSHE. This term we are looking at Emotional Wellbeing. The students will explore different emotions, how to maintain mental wellbeing and where to go for help when needed.</p>
<p>SALT The class are currently taking part in Critical Thinking sessions delivered as part of SALT and have been focusing on social thinking, being approachable, different perspectives and opinions, friendships and current debate topics.</p>	<p>ICT Pupils will learn to refine searches to find, select and use information, and present it in the appropriate way. They will learn key formatting skills needed in Excel and how to successfully use a range of formulas and currency/number formats.</p>	<p>PE Cumulus will be looking at personal fitness this term. They will be going to the local gym and looking at personal fitness and how this benefits a healthy lifestyle. They will plan/use a personalised training programme that focuses on targets set by the students themselves as to what they want to achieve.</p>

