



Curriculum Policy for Years 7 - 13

Owner: Leadership Team
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Curriculum Intent

The curriculum has been designed to ensure all learners inspire and challenge all learners and prepare them for adult life. The school aims to develop a broad and balanced curriculum that helps all our pupils to become successful learners through the Catholic Social Teachings of...

1. Solidarity

The belief that decisions should be made for the benefit of all people, not for individual advantage

2. Dignity of work and rights of workers

The belief that workers' basic rights should be respected, including the right to fair wages, productive work, and the ability to join unions

3. Option for the poor and vulnerable

The belief that society should consider the needs of the poor first, in imitation of Christ's love for them

4. Dignity of the human person

The belief that human life is sacred and a gift from God, and that all people share the same human dignity from conception to death

5. Rights and responsibilities

The belief that everyone has the right to life and the duty to protect it, and the right to human decency and the duty to provide it for others

6. Care for God's creation

The belief in respecting the natural world, safeguarding the environment, and ensuring that everyone shares in the earth's resources fairly

The school day for academic year 2024-2025

Times of Day	Students	Staff
8.45 a.m. – 9.00 a.m.	<u>Ready to Learn</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Time for breakfast • Toilet Stop • Visit Locker • Be in perfect uniform 	Monday - Briefing
		Tuesday - Department Meeting
		Wednesday - Wednesday Word
		Thursday - Year Team Meeting
		Friday - Mass
9.00 a.m. – 9.30 a.m.	Together for Good	
9.30 a.m. – 10.25 a.m.	Lesson 1	
10.25 a.m. – 10.40 a.m.	Break (Year 13,11 & 10)	
11.20 a.m. – 11.35 a.m.	Break (Year 12, 7, 8 & 9)	
10.25 a.m. – 11.35 a.m.	Lesson 2	

11.35 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.	Lesson 3	
12.30 p.m. – 1.30 p.m.	Lunch for all students Canteen Entry 12.30 p.m. Lunch (Year 11 and 10) 12.45 p.m. Lunch (Year 7) 1.00 p.m. Lunch (Year 8 & 9)	Staff Lunch 12.30 p.m. – 1.00 p.m. Staff Lunch 1.00 p.m. – 1.30 p.m.
1.30 p.m. – 2.25 p.m.	Lesson 4	
2.25 p.m. – 3.20 p.m.	Lesson 5	Staff to remain on site until 3.30 p.m.
3.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.		Thursday - CPDF – All Staff

The Curriculum is organised into a two week timetable and number of periods per subject is shown below

Key Stage 3 Curriculum Structure

Year 7	
English	6 periods
Maths	6 periods
Science	6 periods
Religious Studies	5 periods (10%)
Physical Education	4 periods
Art	2 periods
Computing	1 period
Design Technology	2 periods
Drama	1 period
Food & Nutrition	2 periods
French	2 periods
Geography	4 periods
History	4 periods
Music	2 periods
Spanish	2 period
Personal Development (Week A Period 1 with Form Tutor)	1 period
Total	50 periods per fortnight

Year 8	
English	6 periods
Maths	6 periods
Science	6 periods
Religious Studies	5 periods (10%)
Physical Education	4 periods
Art	2 periods
Computing	1 period
Design Technology	2 periods
Drama	1 period
Food & Nutrition	2 periods
French	2 periods
Geography	4 periods
History	4 periods
Music	2 periods
Spanish	2 period

Personal Development (Week A Period 1 with Form Tutor)	1 period
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Year 9	
English	6 periods
Maths	6 periods
Science	6 periods
Religious Studies	5 periods
Physical Education	4 periods
Art	2 periods
Computing	2 periods
Design Technology	2 periods
Drama	1 period
Food & Nutrition	2 periods
Spanish	3 periods
Geography	4 periods
History	4 periods
Music	2 periods
Personal Development	1 period
Total	50 periods per fortnight

Key Stage 4 Curriculum

Year 10	
English	8 periods
Maths	7 periods
Science	7 periods
Religious Studies	6 periods
Physical Education	3 periods
Personal Development	1 period
Options (Pupils Select Three of the following Subjects)	6 periods per subject = 18 periods
Total	50 periods per fortnight

Year 11	
English	8 periods
Maths	8 periods
Science	7 periods
Religious Studies	6 periods
Physical Education	2 periods
Personal Development	1 period
Options (Pupils Select Three of the following Subjects)	6 periods per subject = 18 periods
Total	50 periods per fortnight

Key Stage 5 Curriculum

Year 12 – pupils select 3 subjects from the courses offered	
All subjects (A Level, BTEC and Cambridge National)	10 periods per subject = 30 hours
Core Mathematics (AS level) – optional	6 periods
Personal Development & Enrichment	1 period
Core Religious Education	2 periods
Independent Study	17 periods
Total	50 periods

Year 13 – pupils select 3 subjects from the courses offered	
All subjects (A Level, BTEC and Cambridge National)	12 periods per subject = 36 hours
Core Religious Education	2 periods
Personal Development	1 period
Independent Study	11 periods
Total	50 periods