

Brannel School Year 7 Curriculum Overview

	I learn during the Spring Term?		
Tutor Time	 Continue to build confidence, organisation and positive habits. Develop comprehension and expression through daily tutor-led reading. Personal Development Passport focus on wellbeing, friendships and making positive choices. Key assembly themes this term: Internet Safety and Holocaust Remembrance. 	English	 Study autobiographical writing to explore viewpoint, tone and personal voice. Learn how writers present their ideas and experiences through structure and language. Use model texts to write letters and opinion pieces expressing your own perspective. Read <i>The Bone Sparrow</i> and develop extended analysis of character and theme. Build confidence writing clear arguments supported by evidence.
Maths	 Learn how to find the area and perimeter of key shapes, including trapeziums. Apply algebraic skills to build expressions involving shapes and measurements. Solve linear equations, linking back to earlier work on laws of number. Develop confidence with fractions and percentages, including fraction division. Use scientific calculators accurately and apply number skills to problem solving. 	Science	 Study health, lifestyle choices and how microorganisms affect the body. Learn how the immune system works and how diseases spread. Explore forces including friction, stretching, air resistance and balanced vs unbalanced forces. Study the periodic table, metals/non-metals and patterns in reactivity. Learn about acids, alkalis, pH scale and simple neutralisation reactions.
Geography	 Investigate natural resources such as water, minerals and energy. Examine sustainability, scarcity and inequalities in global resource distribution. Learn how human activity depends on the environment and natural systems. Study coastal processes including erosion, transportation and deposition. Analyse how landforms are created and why coastlines constantly change. 	History	 Study power in the Middle Ages, including kings, nobles and the Church. Learn about the Magna Carta, early Parliament and ideas of justice and authority. Explore medieval health, sanitation, herbal medicine and the Black Death. Compare medieval and modern understandings of disease. Examine how evidence helps us understand change over time.
Spanish	 Learn to describe your house, rooms and where you live using the present tense. Use adjectives and agreements to give detail and accurate descriptions. Study vocabulary about towns, places and directions. Build confidence talking about school subjects, opinions and teachers. Learn useful verbs such as <i>ir</i> and practise high-frequency structures. 	Computing	 Learn sequencing, iteration and selection through block-based programming. Create animations, games and interactive programs using Scratch. Begin writing simple Python programs, including Turtle graphics. Learn to debug programs and solve logical problems. Build strong foundations for later algorithm and coding work.
RE	 Study Christian beliefs about the Trinity using Bible texts, art, prayer and hymns. Explore different interpretations across Christian traditions. Investigate why Jesus' teachings were considered radical in their historical context. Study parables, healing stories and ethical teaching such as forgiveness and justice. Build analytical skills to explain belief, context and impact. 	PSHE	 Learn how to spot fake news and avoid online scams Understand why people troll and how to respond safely Explore what democracy is and how Parliament and elections work Build confidence in expressing your views respectfully Strengthen your decision-making by thinking about consequences
PE	 Explore components of fitness and how the body responds to exercise. Develop balance, control and coordination through gymnastics sequences. Build fluency and movement technique through dance. Learn how to evaluate performance and identify improvements. Strengthen resilience, confidence and body awareness. 	Art	 Study how artists create meaning through colour, texture and mark-making. Explore expressive techniques inspired by Van Gogh. Develop mixed-media work inspired by artists suc as Yellena James. Learn to layer materials, create rhythm and build surface detail. Strengthen analysis skills to discuss artistic choices and intention.
Drama	 Study key extracts from Macbeth and learn how text becomes performance. Experiment with staging, voice and character intention. Learn about Elizabethan theatre and original performance conditions. Develop skills analysing live performance and using drama vocabulary accurately. Build understanding of how meaning is shaped in performance. 	Music	 Understand simple and compound time signature through rhythm work. Perform and create rhythmic patterns using layering and ensemble work. Explore the pentatonic scale and use it to composishort melodic ideas. Refine rehearsal skills by improving accuracy and coordination in group performances. Strengthen musical understanding through
Design Technology	 Review the first pewter product and identify areas to refine and improve. Strengthen accuracy, finishing and safe workshop practice through a second make. Develop understanding of iteration and how designs improve through review. 	Food & Nutrition	 listening and identifying rhythmic features. Extend understanding of healthy eating through studying nutrients such as vitamins and protein. Develop confidence preparing dishes such as pizzas, scones and muffins. Learn how ingredients behave and how to control texture, timing and accuracy.



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Build confidence using tools, materials and measuring techniques.	 Use nutrition knowledge to justify choices and evaluate outcomes.
	 Build early independence in planning and organising practical work.