



THE UPPER SCHOOL



In the Upper School we take our mission of 'Educational Excellence for Life and Leadership' seriously. In each of the three phases, students are guided in an ageappropriate way to develop our six leadership attributes.

Harrow Bangkok have adopted the High Performance Learning

philosophy and everything we do helps develop in our students the necessary Values, Attitudes and Attributes which allow for the development of Advanced Cognitive Performance skills.

Our ultimate aim is to lay the foundations for our students to lead and succeed in whatever pathway they choose. For our students to become strong future leaders, we need to make sure that they have the academic currency required to assume positions of leadership, therefore, at Harrow Bangkok, academic excellence is a moral imperative if we wish to succeed in our mission. Our students leave the school with the very

best academic results and year after year they take their place at top universities globally.

In the Prep Phase students develop a breadth of knowledge which lays the foundations for further study. As they progress into Shell, Remove and Fifth Form, we introduce the element of choice and students begin to specialise, allowing them to develop a greater depth of knowledge. In the Sixth Form, they specialise further and are ready to apply to top universities in their chosen disciplines.

A school is defined by its students. At our school in Bangkok, what does it mean to call yourself a Harrovian? Our students are confident without arrogance, highly knowledgeable and they use their knowledge compassionately to contribute to their community. Every year we celebrate their successes both within the school and beyond.

Paul Johnson Head of Upper School



SHELL CURRICULUM AND EXPERIENCE



The Shell year is an exciting and dynamic one, a year where students get to try new subjects, make decisions and continue to develop their leadership and academic skills for the future.

Building upon the firm foundations of the Prep Phase, our Shell Challenge curriculum prepares

students for the demands of the IGCSE programme in Remove and Fifth Form.

Whilst encouraging the development of literacy, mathematical and digital skills, our students are challenged and stretched academically throughout their courses, with many students being exposed to IGCSE content early. Students study English, Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, History, Geography, Religious Studies, Art, Music, Drama, Design Technology, Computer Science, Physical Education and a range of modern foreign languages, including French, Mandarin, Japanese and Thai. In addition, those students whose English language skills are emerging will take English for Academic Success lessons to enhance their ability to access the curriculum.

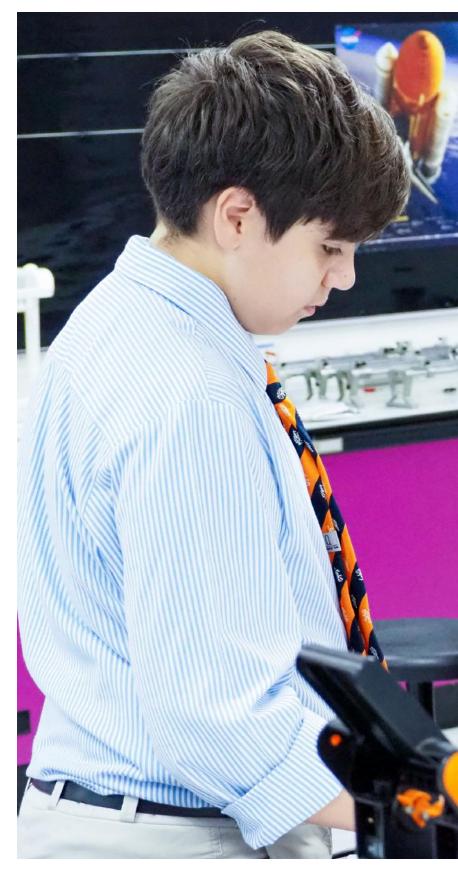
Continuing from the Prep phase, student's academic and linguistic skills are tested using the CAT4 benchmark tests which are then used to assess their potential and assess value added.

The Shell year is pivotal as students are required to select the IGCSE subjects that they will study in Remove. Students also receive careers education in Shell, with the completion of the career's investigator testing which judge their interests, skills and values and matches them to potential jobs.

Through the Co-Curricular offer, SR5 students gain a critical awareness of the world around them, helping them to develop into global citizens who are equipped with leadership skills to help build a better world.

More detailed information about the Options process and IGCSE courses offered can be found in the Remove & Fifth IGCSE Options booklet.

Andy Brown Head of SR5





THE HOUSE SYSTEM

The House System is at the heart of the students' lives at Harrow Bangkok and helps develop our students into becoming Leaders for a better world. It encourages teamwork and friendly competition within a supportive environment and instils into the students resolve, determination, cooperation, creativity, collaboration and an awareness of the importance of community.

Role of the Form Tutor

The first point of contact for a student is their Form Tutor. The Form Tutor registers students each morning and gets to know each student individually to help guide and support them. If you have a query or a minor concern you can direct this to your child's Form Tutor.

House Competitions

Students have a wide range of competitions that they can enter to represent their House, these generally take place after school or at lunchtime and include:

Badminton Scrabble Golf Volleyball

Dodgeball Sports Day (Athletics)

Boy Band or Girl Band Art
(pop groups) Football
Basketball Theatre Sports
Dragonboat Racing Table Tennis
Music Swimming Gala

Chess Film
Baking Softball
Touch Rugby Tennis
Cross Country House Shout

Head of House

The Head of House leads the House and provides pastoral oversight of all the students in their House. They will oversee academic monitoring and deal with any larger pastoral issues that may arise. If you have a larger concern then you should direct this to your child's Head of House.

All students are allocated to a House, all with names that reflect leaders with courage and determination. These include the Old Harrovians and statesmen Winston Churchill and Pandit Nehru (India's first Prime Minister) as well as the poet Lord Byron. Thailand is honoured through its brave Queen Suriyothai and the public service of the Sonakul family. Finally, to complete the group, we have Helen Keller, who overcame physical adversity to become a renowned author and human rights campaigner. Each of these individuals displayed qualities of leadership that we hope will inspire our young Harrovians to become the leaders of their generation.



CO-CURRICULAR OFFER

At Harrow Bangkok, fostering leadership is central to our mission. We have defined six leadership attributes that students will develop through following our Leadership in Action Curriculum:

- Contributing positively to the community
- Applying knowledge with compassion
- Solving problems collaboratively
- Solving problems creatively
- Making just and responsible choices
- Facing challenges with determination

All students take part in an expedition every year and enrol in a minimum of two activities each week with numerous opportunities for service, charitable work, creativity and teamwork. Through the Leadership in Action Curriculum, both inside and outside of the classroom, students have opportunities to move out of their comfort zones and undertake new experiences. Whether it be attending a Harrow Bangkok Ocean Warrier beach clean up, trying to earn the minimum wage by cutting sugar cane, acquiring new skills such as first aid or lifeguarding, or conquering a 40 metre Tyrolean rope climb, pupils are increasingly able to develop and demonstrate the six leadership attributes.



FACULTY OF ENGLISH

ENGLISH FIRST LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

Course outline

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
People and Power: The Language of the Media Students start the year with a non-fiction scheme of work focusing on the power of language used in newspaper and television reporting.	The Lord of the Flies Students explore the famous novel by William Golding. It explores what happens to a group of young boys stranded on a desert island, where the normal social rules and bounda- ries set by adults are removed.	War poetry Students explore a collection of poetry on the theme of war and conflict. They write their own poems and participate in a poetry recital.
An Inspector Calls	Or	
Students study the classic play by J B Priestley which explores power relationships within society in the year leading up to the First World War. They learn about the context of the play, how to analyse language and debate social responsibility.	Animal Farm Students explore the classic novel by George Orwell. It explores the impact of power and corruption in society through the extended meta- phor of a farmyard. The novel study includes skills relevant to IGCSE, including language analysis and descriptive writing.	

Language requirements

Students studying the challenging literary texts in Year 9 will need a high level of English. They should be fluent speakers of English, be able to read with inference and write with precision and accuracy.

Assessment

Students will be assessed at the end of every term. They will have an end of year examination testing both their English language and literature skills.

Homework

Students will be set weekly homework, focused on the current topics they are studying in lessons. They should also read independently and regularly.

Recommended reading and resources

For all English courses, it is recommended that students read challenging, quality literature in English regularly. In Shell we would recommend at least 20 minutes independent reading a day. Your child's teacher and the librarian will be able to recommend suitable book choices. It is also useful to read non-fiction texts regularly, including English language newspapers and internet sites.

Parent involvement

Parents can encourage their children to read regularly and widely. Try watching television programmes in English together, or discussing what your child is reading. Re-

search shows that a strong first language is the foundation for excellence in English, and therefore it is vital to keep developing student's first language at home, encouraging them to talk about academic areas they are studying in their home language.

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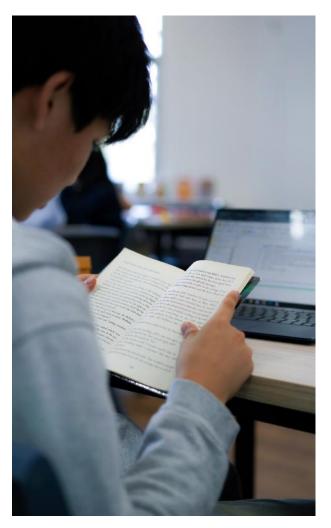


LANGUAGE SUPPORT

ACADEMIC ENGLISH

Course Outline

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	
A number of themes are covered	A number of themes are covered with explicit focus on the Academic English skills required to succeed within subjects across the curriculum.		
 Identify and present factual information Identify main points, supporting ideas and relevant examples Define and explain concepts and key information Recognise and add descriptive detail within text Describe visual data using comparison and contrast 	 Express stance and supporting evidence Present ideas from a range of perspectives Structure a well-organised paragraph Summarise information in a text Paraphrase information Describe a past narrative Describe a process 	 Recognise key cause and effect relationships Describe a cause and effect relationship Identify main arguments and supporting evidence Recognise the structure of a well-reasoned argument Evaluate the strengths of arguments Develop a well-structured essay 	



Language requirements

Students studying this course should be English as a second language learners and possess a pre-intermediate level of English with a minimum Cambridge English Scale score of 145.

Assessment

The school common assessment schedule is followed with a focus on assessing the skills developed in class and linking these to subject-specific topics where appropriate.

Homework

At least one substantive homework task is set each week. This could be a written or reading task or involve research and the creation of a presentation to be delivered to the class. In addition, students are expected to be reading in English on a regular basis.

Recommended reading and resources

In order to facilitate language development, we recommend wide reading of both fiction and non-fiction texts.

Parent involvement

Parents can support their child by encouraging and monitoring reading in English; by checking the completion of homework to a high standard and, where possible, by encouraging the use of English at home.

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FACULTY OF MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTING

MATHEMATICS

Course outline

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
Number Fractions and decimals Percentages 1 Expressions and formulae Simplifying, expanding and solving linear equations Changing the subject of the formula Angles, triangles & polygons Indices, powers & roots Straight line graphs Standard form	Pythagoras' theorem Trigonometry Percentages 2 Simultaneous equations - graphical, elimination & substitution method Quadratic expressions and factorisation	Constructions and scale drawings Handling data Stem and leaf diagrams Cumulative frequency and box plots Revision

Language requirements

Students require an intermediate level of English proficiency in speaking, listening, reading and writing to access the IGCSE Mathematics curriculum.

Assessment

Classwork, homework, topic tests, common assessment examinations and ability to understand new material in lessons are all taken into account when assessing progress and understanding of the curriculum. Students will have common assessments during the year and one during the examinations week in Term 3. Topic tests are normally set towards the end of Term 1a, 1b and Term 2b.

Homework

Students should be spending around 50 minutes per week outside lesson time studying Mathematics. They will be supported in this by their teachers with weekly structured homework.

Recommended reading and resources

Parents can encourage their children to read regularly and widely. Try watching television programmes in English together, or discussing what your child is reading. Research shows that a strong first language is the foundation for excellence in English, and therefore it is vital to keep developing student's first language at home, encouraging them to talk about academic areas they are studying in their home language.

Parent involvement

Parents are encouraged to discuss with their child what he/she is learning in Mathematics lessons. In addition to this, they should monitor that their child is putting a high level of effort into their homework and revision. Parents should ask their child to speak to his/her teacher for fur-



ther guidance if he/she is finding any of the assigned work too challenging.

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FACULTY OF MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTING

COMPUTING

Course outline

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
Introduction to Python Programming Students are introduced to the high-level language Python. Apply- ing the concepts of assignment and selection to a number of tasks.	Further Programming Students develop their program- ming skills further using an online course that covers assignment and selection to a higher level as well as introducing iterations.	Encryption Students look at the history of encryption starting with Caesar ciphers and substitution ciphers. They work towards learning about modern encryption techniques like asymmetric keys.
Harrow Hunger Games: Students use spreadsheets to model multiple different scenarios.	Game Development Students develop their programming skills further by learning how on-screen graphics work, and how 2D games and controls can be programmed using the Python module Pygame	

Language requirements

Each unit of work has specific key terminology. These can be found on the department website at codingatschool. weebly.com as well as all the resources for the lessons.

Assessment

Continuous assessment is carried out during lessons by observing the quality of the completed task and whether the student has met or tried to go beyond the standard level expected.

Homework

Homework is not given regularly and is often used to make sure students do not fall behind if they have not managed to complete the task in class.

Recommended reading and resources

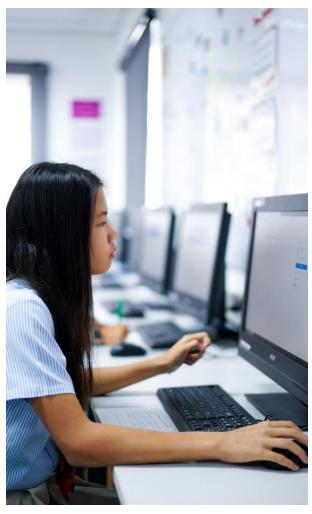
Online websites like Codecademy which have Python programming courses are recommended. Magazines like Wired are useful for keeping up to date with the latest technology news.

Parent involvement

Making sure students have access to a computer and a decent internet connection is important as all our materials and student work is now kept online in a paperless environment.

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FACULTY OF SCIENCE

BIOLOGY (Pre-IGCSE)

Course outline

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
Classification of living organisms. Vertebrates, invertebrates, arthropods, binomial system and use of keys Test on Classification. Cells (animal and plant) and specialisation into tissues and organs, organ systems. Specialised cells and levels of organisation eg Cells, tissues and organs/organ systems. The processes of diffusion in Biology Examples of diffusion in Biology. Factors affecting the rate of diffusion. Experiments on rates of diffusion Test on Classification, Cells and Diffusion	Diet and Nutrition, balanced diet and energy needs. Deficiency diseases. Food test investigations - Biuret, Benedict's, iodine solution, DCPIP, ethanol. Human alimentary canal - Digestive system organs and functions to include chemical digestion and mechanical digestion, ingestion, egestion.	Mechanical digestion- teeth structure, decay, fluoridation. Absorption and large intestine- features of intestines (villi), lacteals, diarrhoea, cholera and oral rehydration therapy, Visking tubing diffusion experiment of starch and amylase. Test on Diet and Digestion.

Language requirements

Students should ideally have a good command of the English Language as there is a high level of specialist vocabulary in IGCSE Biology.



Assessment

Regular topics test (1-2 per term on average) and an end of year examination of 1 hour

Homework

Essential Biology for Cambridge IGCSE (2nd Edition)
Cambridge Complete Biology for IGCSE (2nd Edition)
Recommended reading and resources
www.cie.org.uk

http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/z9ddmp3

Recommended reading and resources

Parents can encourage their children to read regularly and widely. Try watching television programmes in English together, or discussing what your child is reading. Research shows that a strong first language is the foundation for excellence in English, and therefore it is vital to keep developing student's first language at home, encouraging them to talk about academic areas they are studying in their home language.

Parent involvement

Two parent consultations per year. Direct communication as necessary via email and Engage.

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FACULTY OF SCIENCE

CHEMISTRY

Course outline

Term 2 Term 3 Term 1 The fundamentals of atomic struc-Students begin Year 9 by complet-Students begin the Rates of Reacing an independent studies pack ture, deriving chemical formulae, tion topic in Term 3. designed to consolidate knowledge writing equations and the principles from Year 6-8. This includes states of conservation of mass along with They look at collision theory to of matter, particle theory, diffusion identifying physical and chemical explain why particles react before completing a series of investigations and simple separation techniques. changes are all covered. into the effects of temperature, The focus of Year 9 is to develop Students will apply these principles concentration, surface area and catpractical skills whilst assimilating by investigating the reactions of alysts on the rate of reactions. some core chemical knowledge. metals with air, water and acid. They Students are introduced to apwill consider these reactions in the An emphasis is placed on graph proaches to designing investigacontext of the reactivity series and drawing skills, analysis of data and tions, carrying out experimental use experimental data to draw conbeing able to explain trends by tasks, recording data and analysing clusions about the relative positions linking observations to theoretical trends. of metals, and to predict the outprinciples. comes of displacement reactions. Students study advanced separa-Understanding of these principles tion techniques with an emphasis on builds on existing knowledge from chromatography, filtration, crystalli-Year 6-8 and students should alsation and distillation. ready have a sound grasp of some of the concepts covered.

Language requirements

Students should ideally have a good command of the English Language as there is a high level of specialist vocabulary in Chemistry. Vocabulary lists are given to students in workbooks that accompany areas of study each term.

Assessment

Regular end of unit tests, approximately 2-3 per term

Homework

Approximately 40 minutes per week

Recommended reading and resources

No set textbook.

Course notes will be given in the form of worksheets and topic workbooks

A useful website is BBC Bitesize KS3 and GCSE Chemistry.

Parent involvement

Two parent consultations per year. Direct communication as necessary via email and Engage.

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FACULTY OF SCIENCE

PHYSICS

Course outline

Term 2 Term 1 Term 3 How do we get to Space How do we observe Space? What's in Space? In this first term of the course we In this course, we introduce the Building on their Prep foundations explore the size of the universe as concept of Forces to students. For of their understanding of light we well as the things within it. Experithe first time, we include matheextend the students into the conmatics to help them make accurate cepts needed for IGCSE. We focus mental work focuses on developing predictions about the motion of on the application of light to optics, skills learned in the prep phase and linking these to mathematics. Key objects. This is a great introduction including telescopes and cameras. skills developed are standard form to a topic that carries on at all levels Towards the end of the unit stuand units, graphing skills as well as in both Mathematics and Physics. dents will be exploring how the light work linking to previous and new Students will be applying their mewe observe allows us to understand ta-cognition skills as they plan and the origins and age of the universe. knowledge as well as analysing information. The final part of the carry out an assessed investigation Throughout the course we will be unit focuses on meta-thinking and at the end of the unit. focusing on students becoming creating skills as we consider the hardworking and agile performers possibility of alien life. by challenging them with new ideas.



Language requirements

There are a large number of technical concepts described with specialist terminology so support is often needed.

Assessment

We perform regular assessments (around 1 per term) and give regular feedback on student's performance.

Homework

Students complete weekly assessments of the material covered each week. They also have access to a wide range of revision material which can be utilised throughout the year.

Recommended reading and resources

All Reading resources for the course will be shared with students via their Google Classroom. Including extension tasks and videos.

There are many other good titles as well in our library, available on request.

Parent involvement

We encourage our students to reflect openly and honestly with their parents on how much effort they are making and how they can improve their understanding. We very much appreciate feedback from parents on any concerns they have and how we can assist the students further.

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FACULTY OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORT

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Course outline

Physical Education in Shell is designed to give students the opportunity to develop and refine their skills relating to performance and tactics in a wide range of physical activities and in roles such as participant, official and leader. Students will have the opportunity to refine their leadership skills through the delivery of the 'Play Maker' course to students in Year 4 and 5 in the Lower School.

Students will expand their knowledge and understanding of how a healthy, active lifestyle contributes to the growth and development of body systems, the impact of physical activity and exercise has on these systems and also how lifestyle choices (such as exercise, diet, rest) affect fitness levels and the mind and body in general.

The below list outlines the range of sports that students will take part in throughout the year.

Games	Striking and Fielding	Net Wall	Health and Fitness	Aesthetics
Basketball	Softball	Badminton	Fitness	Trampolining
Football	Rounders	Tennis	Athletics	
Rugby/Touch	Cricket	Volleyball	Military Fitness	
Ultimate Frisbee		Table Tennis	Life-Saving	

Language requirements

Each activity has subject-specific terminology that students are exposed to and encouraged to use. Students will become familiar with the key terms to use to describe the skills, rules, tactics and officiating in a range of sports and activities, as well as developing some key IGCSE terminology.

Assessment

Students will be assessed on their ability to demonstrate effective and suitable skills and tactics, in isolation and/or competitive situations, knowledge of the rules/regulations of selected physical activities, and how these relate to, and affect, participation as appropriate. The student's overall grade card will be assessed by averaging their top four activities in line with GCSE PE criteria

Homework

Along with being encouraged to take part in regular physical activity outside of Physical Education lessons, students will also receive a half termly piece of electronic homework designed to further their knowledge and understanding of leading a healthy and active lifestyle.

Recommended reading and resources

Students are encouraged to read around the rules and regulations of the sports they are studying as well as a specific articles relating to their homework.

Students are encouraged to read around the snapshot IGCSE topics that are incorporated into practical Physical Education lessons.

Parent involvement

Parents should encourage their children to take part in both recreational and competitive sport in as many activities as possible. Taking part in sports activities each season is a great way to be involved in additional activity at Harrow Bangkok.

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ART AND DESIGN

Course outline

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
Post Box Sculpture In this unit, students learn to construct a 3D form inspired by local post boxes and urban street art. Students build realistic surfaces and weathered patterns such as rust using paper, sand, and cardboard. They also introduce a digital element into their work that focuses on characters and text. Throughout the project, students refer to the work of Jasper Johns, Kurt Schwitters and Michael Craig Martin. There is also regular emphasis on formal visual elements such as composition, sur- face, and texture.	Crustaceans In this unit, students develop their knowledge of drawing, painting and sculpture whilst becoming increasingly fluent in their command of formal visual elements such as line, shape, form, tone, colour and composition. Students take inspiration from crustaceans and other sea creatures whilst creating a series of drawings and watercolour paintings. Students then move towards sculpture by making a final piece from clay.	Cellular forms In this unit, students explore the relationship between Art & Science by using a microscope to study interesting cellular forms. Students begin by drawing in pencil, then working through a range of media whilst developing their knowledge of textiles. Students are introduced to printmaking and felting before constructing a final piece.

Language requirements

Each scheme of work has subject-specific terminology that students are expected to recall and use during peer and group discussions. Students are given key vocabulary and literacy scaffolds, and they are also taught how to analyse works of art.

Assessment

Assessment in Art and Design is ongoing throughout the year and focuses on each student's command of the formal visual elements such as line, shape, form, colour, tone and composition. Students are also rewarded for their use of imagination and ability to think creatively. In addition to teacher assessment, there are also opportunities for self-evaluation and peer assessment.

Homework

Relevant and appropriate homework tasks are set on an occasional basis to consolidate and challenge student learning.

Recommended reading and resources

We recommend that students visit our Dashboard page for extension work and information about useful websites. We also recommend students log on to our Harrow Pinterest account for artists' work and inspiration. In addition, we have some excellent books in our school library ranging from fine art (drawing, painting, printmaking and sculpture) to other creative pathways such as fashion, film, photography, architecture and textiles.

Parent involvement

Art and Design is a wide-reaching and diverse subject. Encourage your child to draw, paint, print, collage, stitch, photograph and use Art-based apps and technology to express their thoughts, interests and ideas.

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DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

Course outline

Project 1 - Resistant Materials	Project 2 - Ergonomics in Textiles	Project 3 - 3D Design Prototyping
Working Like an Engineer - Focused Practical Task Students will be introduced to the subject through a making exercise where they have to use an engineering drawing to produce a product. They will learn how an engineering drawing works and be encouraged to adapt the drawing to suit their chosen design. This project is based on improving student's theoretical knowledge of working practices and processes as well as developing problem-solving abilities. They learn about the source of the material and sustainability issues surrounding the materials. The students will focus on attention to detail.	Working like a Fashion Designer - Focused Practical Task Students learn about design constraints and strict tolerances in the design world. They will use accurate toiles and templates to create a product that will match their own ergonomic and anthropometric parameters like a true designer. Students will be able to work accurately and with precision, and will be introduced to the use of the CAM embroidery machine to add visuals to their work.	Students will explore ergonomics in more depth and delve into the world of Block Modelling in Product Design. They will use a variety of methods adopted in the real design world to understand how product designers adapt and continuously develop a product's form before manufacturing.

Language requirements

Students are expected to recall subject-specific terminology and use during questioning, teacher discussions and peer/group discussions. Students are given key vocabulary, literacy scaffolds, language structure and terminology and are taught how to analyse products, materials, processes and techniques.

Assessment

Assessment begins with a baseline assessment and grading from the previous year, which is then used as an initial starting point for all students. We use progression charts throughout the year to have a clearer insight into student performance. Assessment is ongoing and focuses on ability, command of the theory, practical knowledge and the application of skills. Students are required to demonstrate creative input, improve confidence and make connections with the work of existing designers. In addition to teacher assessment, there are opportunities for self and peer assessment.

Homework

Relevant and appropriate homework tasks that consolidate and challenge the students' learning in class will be set occasionally and will always reflect the work we produce in class. We would also expect all DT students to

sign up to at least one enrichment activity to practice and hone their skills, knowledge and understanding to aid them with their work.

Recommended reading and resources

We recommend that students visit the Google Classroom for extension work and visit useful web sites. In addition to this material, we have some excellent books in our dedicated DT and STEaM library.

Parent involvement

Design Technology is a wide-reaching and diverse subject, with many opportunities for cross-curricular links. Encourage your child to sketch, investigate, dismantle, build, photograph and use Design-based apps and technology to help them express their thoughts, interests and ideas. Bangkok's dynamic and exciting design scene offers valuable opportunities to explore Design Technology first hand, through visits to galleries, museums, workshops and observing the ever-changing skyline of Bangkok.

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DRAMA

Course outline

Term 1
Unit 1: Introduction to Modern Theatre
Styles + Devising Practitioners
Unit 2: Political Theatre: Devised Work
+ The Works of Banksy

Unit 1 gives students the opportunity to experience a range of practitioners and theatre companies who are major influencers in the 20th and 21st century

Unit 2: Students will use the street art of Banksy as a starting point to develop their own devised piece of theatre. They will be expected to show some of the practitoners they have studied in Year 8 and the beginning of Year 9.

Term 2 Unit 3: Text Work: Naturalism Vs. Epic Theatre

Student will build on their knowledge of An Inspector Calls which they have been taugtht in English to explore the style of naturalism. They will compare these studies to an Epic play style, Tracey Lockett, in order to understand how genre affects the exploration of themes.

Term 3 Unit 5: Design Work

In Term 3, students will have the opportunity to explore the semiotics of set, costume and lighting design

Language requirements

Students are required to focus on their spoken English and how the use of voice affects how language conveys meaning. There is also a focus on how physical expression and staging. Students will be taught subject specific vocabulary which they will need to learn and which they will be expected to use both during rehearsals and when evaluating their work and that of others.

Assessment

Students are regularly assessed both formatively and summatively on a range of areas from the use of techniques and creating characters to responding to texts and group work.

Homework

Students in Shell are expected to complete one homework every week. These range from written evaluations to research projects.

Recommended reading and resources

In Shell, students are recommended to read play texts of their choice which can be found either in the school library or the department's own library. Students should also take the opportunity to visit any live theatre productions which are on offer either in Harrow Bangkok, other international schools or in the wider theatre world. Students will receive home learning activities and other reading or video examples on Google Classroom

Parent involvement

Parents can support their child by asking about homework and, if the work is practical in nature, watching and listening to what they have to perform. Other ways may

include discussing what they have done in drama or even going to watch the live theatre performances which can be found in Bangkok. Finally, Harrow Bangkok have their own large-scale and class productions which parents are more than welcome to attend.

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MUSIC

Course outline

Term 3 Term 2 Term 1 Unit 1: Arranging the Popular Song Unit 3: Ground Bass Unit 5: Creative Arts Week Students will explore the exciting and familiar genre This unit builds upon previous Depending on the theme chosen, work done on understanding of popular music through playing in a band. They will students will experience a variety be taught how to recognise song structure and chord chords and chord progression of creative workshops related progressions and they will develop their performing and works towards and underto the theme. Following this skills on an instrument/virtual instrument of their standing of the relationships initial exposure, in each of the choice. The unit culminates in the production and between chords and melody and Arts subjects, Students will then recording of a cover version of their chosen song. the use of chord notes and passelect a preferred specialism for Students will learn to use music technology to multiing notes through the popular the creative arts week. The Art's track and record. Baroque form. curriculum is combined and all Unit 2: Sound Tracks (Film Music) Unit 4: Samba and Tango students experience an intense Students learn how music can enhance the visual Students are introduced to the week in their chosen artform. images and dramatic impact of film and can reflect exciting rhythms of Latin Ameri-Where possible we invite an artist the emotional and narrative messages of the drama. can Music including Samba, Salsa. in residence to work alongside They also learn how timing is a crucial factor in the They will come to recognise the curriculum staff to bring new composition and performance of music for film and the key characteristic rhythms energy and expertise to the week. how to create an effective musical narrative for a film and instruments and develop an On the final day of the week, understanding of the social and scene using appropriate musical techniques students collaborate across the cultural context of these musics. arts in a showcase event

Language requirements

Each unit of work has specific key terminology including some Italian musical vocabulary that students are expected to use when discussing and describing the music that we play and listen to. Students are given the key language list at the beginning of the unit to be glued in their online Music booklet.

Assessment

Assessment in music is on-going and focuses on the development of performing, composing and listening and understanding skills. Typically, each topic features a listening test, a solo or ensemble performing opportunity and a creative composing task that will be assessed towards the end of the unit.

Homework

Homework tasks that consolidate and challenge the student's learning in class will be set fortnightly (approx. 30 minutes).

Recommended reading and resources

We recommend that students visit the google classroom for supporting materials and supplementary extension work. In addition to this material, we have some uptodate musical scores and books in our department as well as the school library.

Parent involvement

If your child is learning to play a musical instrument, please listen to them play and encourage their progress. Addi-

tionally, Bangkok offers a great variety of live classical and popular music concerts: one of the best ways to develop an appreciation of music is to experience this live. Harrow itself offers an extensive after school programme that features exciting musical experiences: involvement in one of our reputational extra curricular activities would certainly enhance and enrich pupils' academic achievement as well as their holistic growth.

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FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

HISTORY

Course outline

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
 Causes of the First World War The assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand Chronology of events leading up to the outbreak of war Other causes of the war: militarism, alliances, imperialism, and nationalism How significant was the assassination as a cause of war? Life in the Trenches Reasons soldiers enlisted in the army (including conscription) Propaganda and recruitment Daily life in the trenches The Battle of the Somme Experiences of returning home at the end of the war. 	 Life in the Trenches (continued) Including the Home Front during World War One and the role of women. 3. Impact of Dictatorship Types of government, including democracy, dictatorship and oligarchy. The similarities and differences between dictatorships and democracies. Case studies of Soviet Russia and Nazi Germany. Independent dictatorship research task (which includes route to power, nature of rule, national and international impact). Comparing dictatorships. 	 4. Attaining Equality The position of women at the start of the twentieth century. The different methods used by campaigners to achieve votes for women (including the Suffragettes and the Suffragists). The role of key individuals (including Emily Davidson, the Pankhursts, etc.) Exploration of the main reasons why women were able to achieve the vote and why they were resisted Black Civil Rights in America Revision and Internal Examinations.

Language requirements

Students are expected to have a confident level of English proficiency in all of the four skill areas (speaking, listening, reading and writing) as this is a language-rich course with some complex concepts and terminology to grasp. The internal examination is a combination of knowledge recall, source interpretation and comparison and essay writing skills.



Assessment

History is assessed through a bespoke 'Skills Ladder' aimed at providing specific, detailed feedback to students to ensure that progress is efficient and clear to all. The skills that we focus on are knowledge and understanding, writing, research, note taking, public speaking, source skills and interpretation. Students also complete 'common assessment tasks' usually towards the end of units. These

are assessed formally and go a long way to informing the marks that students receive on their grade cards. In addition to these, there are many smaller tasks that are self, peer or teacher assessed, most of which will be in student books.

Homework

Students will receive regular and varied homework tasks throughout the year. Homework tasks will include research tasks, assessment preparation tasks and projects. During Term 3 homework will be preparatory for examinations.

Recommended reading and resources

The main textbook used is Technology, War and Independence by Aaron Wilkes. An extension list of additional reading is available on the History Dashboard page which identifies those books available in the school library.

Parent involvement

We encourage parents to discuss current affairs and events of historical significance with their children. We would also suggest that you provide them with opportunities to expand their understanding of the past through extra reading, visits to museums and historical sites.

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FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

GEOGRAPHY

Course outline

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
 Tectonic hazards Plate boundaries and their distribution Causes of earthquakes and volcanoes Different types of volcanoes Opportunities and threats of seismic events Management of tectonic events Superpowers How borders are created opportunities and hazards of borders How superpowers are created The one global superpower The growth of China The BRICs The MINTS The MINTS	The difficulty of achieving sustainability Humans and the climate crisis Humans and the plastic crisis Humans and the coral reef crisis Humans - the conflict creators Management strategies Biomes Global distribution reasons why they exist Surviving the landscapes Threats to biomes Opportunities of biomes	Climate change and global warming Our impact on global warming Natural climate change Greatest threats of climate change Migration and climate change Feedback loops and climate change Mitigation and climate change Mitigation and climate change Think global, act local

Language requirements

The subject of Geography has a high literacy demand with the language being used often being scientific in nature. This means that we focus on supporting students with their ability to structure extended writing and their ability to argue their points of view. We do this by providing writing frames (when necessary), key term glossaries and opportunities in lessons to strengthen their oral skills.

Assessment

These subjects are assessed through a bespoke 'skills lad-



der' aimed at providing specific, detailed feedback to students to ensure that progress is efficient and clear to all. Students also complete a series of tasks common across all classes throughout the year. These 'common assessment tasks' usually occur toward the end of units. These are assessed formally and go a long way to informing the marks that students receive on their grade cards. In addition to these, there are many smaller tasks that are self,

peer or teacher assessed, most of which will be in student books. The aim of the assessments is to highlight strengths of each student and celebrate them while offering them guidance on where they can strengthen other aspects and skills needed to be successful within the subject.

Homework

Homework is set at the discretion of the class teacher and will usually consist of an approximately twenty-minute task each week. Students are given a minimum of three days to complete their work ready for submission.

Recommended reading and resources

Google classroom is used to store and share all relevant lesson resources to support the students learning. The use of the library to increase the students independent research and ability to read around the core topics is recommended as it will increase their conceptual learning. Certain applications for iPads are used on a regular basis and we suggest that all students have the following applications downloaded, Edpuzzle, Google Drive, Puffin Browser, Kahoot, Minecraft and Google Slides.

Parent involvement

We encourage parents to get involved with their children's learning. This could be in the form of taking an interest in the topic being studied, researching topics together, asking questions and watching documentaries on television.

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FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

RELIGION, ETHICS AND PHILOSOPHY

Course outline

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
 Are religion and science in conflict? Where did the world come from? Should we use medical procedures to create a life? Should humans donate their organs to others? Is it morally acceptable to use the organs of animals for humans? Is it morally right to modify genes? Is it morally acceptable to clone? What do religions teach about crime and punishment? What are the causes of crime? What are the different types of crime? What are the different forms of punishment? Is the death penalty justified? 	Is there life after death? Is there life after death? What do Christians teach about the afterlife? What do Buddhists teach about the afterlife? What do Hindus teach about the afterlife? What do Sikhs teach about the afterlife? What do Muslims teach about the afterlife? Is it pointless to believe in life after death? How do we make moral decisions? Should moral decisions focus on the needs of the many? What does it mean to be morally good? Is it easy to develop moral virtues? Should we make moral decisions based on rules? Should we take a teleological or deontological approach to morality?	How can we use money ethically today? Is poverty the result of a lack of social responsibility? Should religious people be wealthy? Do religious believers have a duty to help the poor? Is ethical consumerism really possible today? Does globalisation encourage or discourage ethical business? Should businesses be motivated by money or ethics?

Language requirements

Students will be gradually introduced to a number of key terms and vocabulary to support their study of global, philosophical, ethical and religious perspectives. At the beginning of each new topic students will be provided with a glossary of key terms to support their learning which will be reviewed at the end of each topic to ensure understanding.

Assessment

A variety of assessment methods will be used in Religion, Ethics and Philosophy, in keeping with the Humanities Skills ladder. Assessed pieces will include projects, presentations, essay responses, posters and interpretation



and evaluation tasks. Assessments cover a range of skills throughout the year: Knowledge and Understanding, Writing, Note taking, Research, Public Speaking, Source Skills, Empathy and Interpretation.

Homework

Students will complete varied tasks for homework. They will typically complete one piece a fortnight. This will include pre-reading, writing and research tasks, documentaries as well as a range of optional extension tasks.

Recommended reading and resources

All reading and resources will be available to students on their Google Classroom, as well as suitable extension tasks. The library also has a range of resources suited to Religion, Ethics and Philosophy which students will be guided towards for further reading and research.

Parent involvement

Religion, Ethics and Philosophy includes the exploration of a range of culturally and religiously sensitive issues and topics. We would encourage parents to promote positive discussion of these issues at home. Pupils would also benefit from being encouraged to engage in the world around them by watching the news.

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FRENCH

Course outline

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
French course: Studio 3 Rouge Module 1 - Ma vie sociale d'ado Students will talk about they use social media. They will give their opinions on other people's person- alities. They will learn how to make plans to go out and describe a date they've been on or music event they attended. Module 2- Bien dans ma peau In this unit students will revise parts of the body, talk about fitness and healthy choices in their lives.	Module 3 - A l'horizon Students will discuss the importance of learning languages and the type of jobs they would like to do. They will explain how they used to be when they were younger compared to now and talk about their future plans. Module 4 - Spécial vacances Students will discuss different types of holidays and what they need to bring with them. They will learn to describe a trip they went on and give their opinion on a tourist at- traction they visited.	Module 5 - Moi dans le monde For this unit, students will discuss what they are allowed to do by their parents and get to explain what is important for them in their lives and the world they live in. They will also get to describe what makes them happy in life. Students will also get the opportu- nity to revisit all modules covered throughout the year during struc- tured revision lessons. This prepares them thoroughly for our internal end of year examination.

Language requirements

French vocabulary and language structures are introduced progressively through the year with each unit having its own focus. Students learn vocabulary in a number of ways and develop their comprehension skills through reading and listening. Listening to others and practising speaking at every opportunity in class is crucial in improving confidence and students also learn how to write in more detail and with increasing accuracy. Those who commit to learning new words and work hard to understand the grammar that underpins the language will make the most progress.

Assessment

Assessment in language learning is a continuous process, with students evaluating their knowledge and understanding through self-evaluation and peer assessment in class. Teacher assessment takes the form of regular vocabulary



and grammar tests and end of unit assessments in the four key skills of listening, reading, speaking and writing.

Homework

A variety of homework tasks are set which balance the need to consolidate learning and develop independent language learning skills. Students will be issued with a textbook which may be used for classwork and homework but will also have access to online activities, specifically tailored to the course, which will allow them to receive instant feedback on their learning.

Recommended reading and resources

Studio 3 textbook - ActiveLearn interactive tasks - Linguascope and Quizlet applications. Teachers will also suggest ways in which students can supplement their learning out of class and develop a greater cultural appreciation of the language and countries where it is spoken.

Parent involvement

If your child is learning vocabulary or preparing for a speaking test, parental support can be greatly beneficial, even if you have no knowledge of French yourself. Ask them to 'teach you' every week. Encouraging children to adopt a 'little and often' approach makes learning more efficient and more fun.

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MANDARIN AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Course outline

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
Unit 5 - House, Furniture, Neighbourhood	Unit 1 - Relatives, Appearance, Seeing a Doctor	Unit 2 - Seasons, Occupations, Hobbies
This is the last unit of Textbook 2. In this unit, students will learn to describe rooms and furniture in their houses, including home appliances. This unit also includes the Neighbourhood topic and students will learn to read and write Chinese characters on public places and directions.	After completing Textbook 2, students in Year 9 will start learning vocabulary on the extended family tree, including uncles, aunties and grandparents on both parents' sides. They will then further extend to describing relatives' appearance. In connection with the previous topic in Year 8 on Sickness, students will explore further details about seeing a doctor for medical prescriptions.	In the last term, the topics of seasons, weather, occupations and hobbies will be reinforced in further detail, including suitable clothing for the weather, occupation, leisure activities in different weather conditions, and shopping for seasonal clothing items. This is a unit for reinforcement, revision and further extension in vocabulary and sentence structures for the preparation of the IGCSE course.

Language requirements

Chinese characters and sentence structures are introduced progressively through the year with each unit having its own focus. Students learn vocabulary using a range of methods and develop their comprehension skills through reading and listening activities. Listening to others and practising speaking at every opportunity in class is crucial in improving confidence and students also learn how to write in Chinese characters and with increasing accuracy. Students who commit to learning new Chinese characters and practise their writing regularly will make the most progress.

Assessment

Assessment in language learning is a continuous process, with students evaluating their knowledge and understanding through self-evaluation and peer assessment in class. Teacher assessment takes the form of regular vocabulary and grammar tests and end-of-unit assessments in the four key skills of listening, reading, speaking and writing.

Homework

A variety of homework tasks are set once a week, with a guidance time of 30 minutes. The tasks balance the need for consolidation of learning, challenging students to stretch themselves and developing a cultural appreciation of the Chinese speaking world. They will be issued with a textbook, which may be used for classwork and homework but will also have access to online resources which will allow them to receive instant feedback on their learning.

Recommended reading and resources

Easy Steps to Chinese Textbook & Workbook 1 and 2, Quizlet and other materials. Teachers will also suggest ways in which students can supplement their learning out of class and develop a greater cultural appreciation of the language and the countries where Mandarin is spoken.

Parent involvement

If your child is learning vocabulary or preparing for a speaking test, parental support can be greatly beneficial, even if you have no knowledge of Chinese yourself. Ask them to 'teach you' every week. Encouraging children to adopt a 'little and often' approach makes learning more efficient and more fun.

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JAPANESE

Course outline

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
Prologue: Katakana. Pupils will be introduced to a wide range of Katakana in four distinct phases: Foods, Sports, Countries and Fairgrounds. Module 1 My Past. Ii tomo 3.1 Asking and talking about past events. Saying when you did something for the first time. How old you were when you did it for the first time. Oitachi - my past record. Module 2 Explaining positions and describing a holiday destination. This module focuses on the standard prepositions, and how to put together ga arimasu and ni arimasu sentences to explain positions. We also look at the plain form, verb groups and how to use koto to explain hobbies/skills and what you like/are able to do.	Module 3: Nanigo wo hanashimasuka? Students will cover languages and nationalities. They will be able to say where they were born and grew up. Pupils will learn the te form as well as reprising a large range of subject vocabulary. Module 4: Is fast food healthy? The students will talk about whether they are healthy, discuss their favourite fast food and compare fast food in Japan and in other countries. Pupils will also prepare for the exchange event with Traill International School.	Module 6: Doko de kaimono wo shimasuka? Students will discover department stores in Japan. They will learn how to ask and say where they shop, how much something costs, on which floor of a department store something is etc. Module 7: Minna de wai wai Students will explain what they do in their free time. They will also practice making, accepting and declining invitations. They will also suggest an alternative and arrange an outing. They will practice using the plain form of verbs.

Language requirements

Japanese vocabulary and language structures are introduced progressively through the year with each unit having its own focus. Students learn vocabulary in a number of ways and develop their comprehension skills through reading and listening. Listening to others and practising speaking at every opportunity in class is crucial in improving confidence and students also learn how to write in more detail and with increasing accuracy. Those who commit to learning new words and work hard to understand the grammar that underpins the language will make the most progress.

Assessment

Assessment in language learning is a continuous process, with students evaluating their knowledge and understanding through self-evaluation and peer assessment in class. Teacher assessment takes the form of regular vocabulary and grammar tests and end of unit assessments in two of the key skills.

Homework

A variety of homework tasks are set which balance the need for consolidation of learning, challenging students to stretch themselves and developing a cultural appreciation. They will be issued with a textbook which may be used for classwork and homework.

Recommended reading and resources

It is highly recommended to read Japanese stories and watch films with subtitles on DVD or the internet. The textbook we are using is "ii tomo". Pupils have their own version of the textbook.

Parent involvement

Parents should encourage students to watch Japanese TV and films, to attend Japanese cultural events and read any Japanese bilingual books. Parent consultation, Daybook and emails if necessary to support the students.

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THAI HOME LANGUAGE

Course outline

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
นักเรียนจะได้เรียนรู้เกี่ยวกับความสำคัญของจดหมาย ประเภทต่างๆ การใช้คำขึ้นต้นและคำลงท้าย การใช้สำนวนภาษาในการเขียนจดหมายแต่ละประเภท อย่างเหมาะสม รวมถึงการสรุปความตามประเด็นที่กำหนดเพื่อนำไปใช้ ประกอบในการเขียนจดหมาย นอกจากนี้นักเรียนจะได้ เรียนรู้เกี่ยวกับคำประเภทต่างๆ ได้แก่ คำซ้ำ คำซ้อน คำอุทานและคำอุทานเสริมบท รวม ทั้งได้ฝึกพูดแสดงความคิดเห็นและโต้วาที สำหรับทักษะการอ่าน นักเรียนจะได้ศึกษาวรรณคดีที่มีชื่อเสียงของไทยเรื่อง "พระอภัยมณี" ตอนพระอภัยมณีหนีนางผีเสื้อสมุทร	นักเรียนจะได้อ่าน "เรื่องสั้น" เรื่องต่างๆ และฝึกตอบคำถามจากเรื่อง วิเคราะห์องค์ ประกอบของเรื่องสั้น เช่น ตัวละคร ฉาก แนวคิด ปมปัญหา จุดสุดยอดของเรื่องและ เทคนิคในการเขียนเรื่องสั้น เพื่อเป็นพื้นฐานของการเขียนเล่าเรื่องให้น่า สนใจ นอกจากนี้นักเรียนจะได้ฝึกการเขียน เล่าเรื่องจากประสบการณ์ของตนเอง	นักเรียนจะได้เรียนรู้หลักและวิธีการเขียนบท สัมภาษณ์และการใช้ถ้อยคำในการเขียนที่ เหมาะสม นักเรียนจะได้ศึกษาตัวอย่างและชมวีดี ทัศน์ของการสัมภาษณ์ที่ดี รวมทั้งได้ทำ โครงการสัมภาษณ์บุคคลที่น่าสนใจเพิ่มเติม เพื่อฝึกการเขียนบทสัมภาษณ์และการ ทำงานอย่างเป็นระบบ นอกจากนี้นักเรียน จะได้เรียนรู้เกี่ยวกับประเพณีสำคัญของไทย และประวัติศาสตร์ไทยสมัยกรุงรัตนโกสินทร์ ตอนต้นอีกด้วย

Language requirements

ในระดับชั้นนี้นักเรียนจะได้อ่านบทสัมภาษณ์ วรรณกรรมที่น่าสนใจ บทความที่หลากหลายและเรื่องสั้น นักเรียนควรเรียนรู้ความหมายของถ้อยคำและสำนวนที่ปรากฏในเรื่อง รวมทั้งสังเกตและจดจำลักษณะสำนวนภาษาที่สละสลวยเพื่อนำไปใช้ในการเขียน นอกจากนี้ควรหาความหมายของคำคัพท์ที่ไม่ทราบความหมายจาก พจนานุกรม

Assessment

ครูจะประเมินผลการเรียนจากพฤติกรรมการเรียน งานที่ทำในห้องเรียนและ การบ้าน เมื่อจบบทเรียนแต่ละหัวข้อจะมีการทดสอบ เพื่อวัดและประเมินผลว่า นักเรียนมีความรู้ความเข้าใจในเนื้อหาที่เรียนมากน้อยเพียงใด ครูจะนำผลการ ประเมินมาใช้ในการปรับปรุงและพัฒนาความรู้ความเข้าใจของนักเรียนต่อไป นอกจากการประเมินผลจากครูแล้ว นักเรียนจะมีโอกาสได้ประเมินผลงานของ ตนเองและของเพื่อนอีกด้วย

Homework

นักเรียนจะได้รับการบ้านสัปดาห์ละ ๑ ครั้ง ใช้เวลาทำประมาณ ๔๐-๕๐ นาที นักเรียนควรทำการบ้านให้เสร็จสมบูรณ์และนำมาส่งครูในสัปดาห์กัดไป นอกจากนี้ นักเรียนยังมีการบ้านอ่านหนังสือภาษาไทยอย่างน้อยสัปดาห์ละ ๑๕ นาที

Recommended reading and resources

นักเรียนควรเข้าไปดูรายชื่อหนังสืออ่าน เว็บไซต์ หรือแอพพลิเคชั่นต่างๆ ที่ครู แนะนำใน Google Classroom ซึ่งนักเรียนสามารถที่จะฝึกฝนและพัฒนาการ อ่านภาษาไทยเพิ่มเติมได้ นอกเหนือจากนี้ ห้องสมุดของโรงเรียนก็ยังมีหนังสือ ภาษาไทยที่น่าสนใจและมีประโยชน์จำนวนมากให้นักเรียนได้เลือกอ่าน

Parent involvement

ผู้ปกครองควรดูแลให้นักเรียนทำการบ้านให้เสร็จสมบูรณ์ตามกำหนดและนำ เอกสารประกอบการเรียนมาทุกครั้ง นอกเหนือจากนี้ควรส่งเสริมให้นักเรียน ได้ใช้ภาษาไทยที่บ้านและอ่านหนังสือภาษาไทยอื่นๆ เพิ่มเติม เพื่อที่จะได้ฝึกฝน และพัฒนาทักษะการใช้ภาษาไทยได้อย่างต่อเนื่อง

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THAI FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Course outline

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
Unit 1: Tourism - Students in Year 9 will start learning how to talk about things they like to do in Thailand as a tourist. They will discuss the tourist attractions and Thai geography. They will also describe a past holiday combining different tenses.	Unit 2: Work - In this unit, the students will discuss the different jobs and occupations that they might be interested in, and they will learn how to write their Thai CV. They will also discuss what their parents do for a living, and what they would like to do when they are older.	Unit 3: Special occasions - The purpose of this unit is to give students the opportunity to use their previously learnt language and to create a party invitation. Students will be required to plan and make arrangements for the party. Students will also revisit all modules covered throughout the year during structured revision lessons. These will thoroughly prepare them for our internal end of year examination.

Language requirements

Thai vocabulary and language structures are introduced progressively through the year with each unit having its own focus. Students learn vocabulary in a number of ways and develop their comprehension skills through reading and listening. Practising speaking and listening at every opportunity in class, is crucial in improving confidence. Students also learn how to write in more detail and with increasing accuracy. The most progress is often made by those who commit to learning new words and work hard to understand the grammar that underpins the language.

Assessment

Assessment in language learning is a continuous process, with students evaluating their knowledge and understanding through self-evaluation and peer assessment in class. Teacher assessment takes the form of regular vocabulary and grammar tests and end of unit assessments in the four key skills of listening, reading, speaking and writing.

Homework

A variety of homework tasks are set which balance the need for consolidation of learning, challenging students to stretch themselves and developing a cultural appreciation of Thailand. They will be issued with a textbook which may be used for classwork and homework but will also have access to online activities, specifically tailored to the course, which will allow them to receive instant feedback on their learning.

Recommended reading and resources

Thai Language and Culture Textbook & Workbook 2, Active Learn interactive tasks, Quizlet, Teachers will also suggest ways in which students can supplement their learning out of class and develop a greater cultural appreciation of the language and countries where it is spoken.

Parent involvement

If your child is learning vocabulary or preparing for a speaking test, parental support can be greatly beneficial, even if you have no knowledge of Thai yourself. Ask them to teach you every week. Encouraging children to adopt a little and often approach makes learning more efficient and more fun.

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