Birch Wood Area Special school
Class 10EB
Summer 2025
Curriculum Newsletter









Dear Parents and Carers,

We have come to the end of the school year now and we are very proud of everything that Year 10 have achieved since September. Pupils continue to work hard in their options groups and have been resilient with their qualification pathways. This last term will be very busy with trips and celebration days so please keep an eye out in your emails and on social media.

Our class are following the Aspire Pathway. This means they are learning subject specific content which is personalised to their strengths and needs. The table below gives an outline of topics, content, knowledge and skills that we will be looking at over the next term.

N	Maths
Summer Term 1	Summer Term 2
GCSE Maths Students:	GCSE Maths Students:
Number	Geometry 2
Entry Level Students:	Enterprise and Budgeting
Fractions	Entry Level Students:
	Measure
E	nglish
Summer Term 1	Summer Term 2
Topic: Music.	Topic: Spoken Language Presentations – student choice of
Retrieval, inference, transactional and persuasive writing.	topics.
Entry Level and GCSE skills.	Entry Level and GCSE skills.
	 PSHE
Summer Term 1	Summer Term 2
Intimate Relationships,	Medicinal Drugs
consent and Contraception	Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco
Re	eading
Summer Term 1	Summer Term 2
KS4 Flue	ncy Pathway:
	of the week
Guided reading	
	e, levelled book
	ction articles
	owing Read Write Inc. Fresh Start
Summer Term 1	cience Summer Term 2
Inheritance and evolution	Chemistry of our atmosphere
Evolution by natural selection	Our evolving atmosphere
Selective breeding	Greenhouse gases
	Climate change

Summer Term 1	R.E.	
	Summer Term 2	
January 10.11. 1	Summer Ferm 2	
ASDAN: Beliefs and Value	ues: Module 2 Environment	
ICT		
Summer Term 1	Summer Term 2	
TLM - IT User Skills	TLM - IT User Skills	
Students will be working on their unit of work for their IT	Unit 7 (4 credits) - Word processing	
qualification		
Unit 12 (2 credits) - Presentation Software		
Cc	 pre PE	
Summer Term 1	Summer Term 2	
Net Games	Functional Movement	
(Tennis)	(Moving for Fitness and Athletics/ Sports day prep)	
Continued development of fundamental movement skills	Teaching Fundamental movement skills (e.g. movement	
specifically that of striking.	through space, jump, throw, balance and co-ordination)	
Further establishing rules and routines	Further establishing rules and routines	
Development of co-operational play and competition.	Development of co-operational competition.	
Sport a	nd Leisure	
Summer Term 1	Summer Term 2	
Unit 3: Coaching Principles		
Knowledge of the skills and responsibilities of a sports coach	n; understanding the coaching process; how to coach; review	
coaching performance; preparation for and completing con	trolled practical assessment.	
D	esign	
Summer Term 1	Summer Term 2	
Musical POS Stand:	Musical POS Stand:	
	Musicui i OS Stana.	
Research & Analysis; Themes, Techniques &	Explore Media, Initial & Developed Ideas;	
Artist/Designers	Explore Media, Initial & Developed Ideas; Explore ideas using a range of 2D media, materials and	
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Art		
Summer Term 1	Summer Term 2	
AO3 / AO4 'Food'	Project 2: Mock exam project	
Students record their ideas as the project develops and work	Students will engage with a second theme and run this in	
towards planning a final outcome on the theme of 'food'.	the style of a mock exam, with a timed final piece In	
Students work on a final piece which can be 2D (drawing /	Autumn Term 2 Year 11.	
painting or mixed media) or 3D (clay or card)		
Evaluate project and improve any gaps in order to enhance		
project grade.		
Hospitality		
Summer Term 1	Summer Term 2	
SAMs mock Controlled Assessment Task	Practical::	
Theory: Unit 1	2.3.1 How to prepare and make dishes	
1.3.1 Health and safety in hospitality and catering provision.	2.3.2 Presentation techniques	
2.3.3 Food safety practices	2.3.3 Food safety practices	
	2.4.1 Reviewing of dishes	
	2.4.2 Reviewing own performance	

If you are unsure about anything, please email us on <a href="mailto:saxbye@birchwoodschool.co.uk">saxbye@birchwoodschool.co.uk</a> or <a href="mailto:freemantlec@birchwoodschool.co.uk">freemantlec@birchwoodschool.co.uk</a>. We are always happy to help you with any questions you may have about your child.

A reminder that Emily will be leaving for maternity this term so please get in touch with the office in the first instance to report any absences etc. Thank you for your continued support it's been a great year and we look forward to Year 11!

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