



# Year 7 Home Learning Guide for Parents

**Summer Term 2023** 

Our teachers continue to work hard to identify any remaining gaps in knowledge stemming from the coronavirus pandemic and adapt their curricula to fill them.

This booklet provides information about what your daughter will be learning this term in each of her subjects. It also gives some guidance on how you can best support her.

If you have any queries or need some further support, please contact Mrs Howarth, Vice Principal at your earliest convenience <a href="mailto:rhowarth@bggs.com">rhowarth@bggs.com</a>

#### Art

## **Subject Content**

Summer Half Term 1	Summer Half Term 2
<ul> <li>Cultural Identity Project</li> <li>Masks around the world- knowledge and understanding</li> <li>Artist research- Modigliani and Picasso - knowledge and understanding</li> <li>Presentation skills</li> <li>Key words</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Designing an African Mask</li> <li>3D card construction- making</li> <li>Embellishment through paint media</li> </ul>

## How parents/carers can help

Each week students should attend the live session where the teacher presents a powerpoint which states the learning objectives and the class tasks. Teacher demonstrations may take place and videos watched during the session. Each lesson has an appropriate time given to ask questions and then to leave the meeting and continue with tasks independently.

Tasks are set as assignments which can be viewed, and the due date is clearly stated. Some assignments have specific rubrics and criteria attached to them which feeds into the awarding of a grades from 1-4. Finished completed work should be uploaded through assignments so written feedback can be given. This requires students taking a photograph of their work with a mobile device and sending this image to their OneDrive so they can then upload to assignments.

Within Class Notebook, both the task and the powerpoint can be accessed through clicking on the link if students are unable to attend live session.

#### **Useful Resources**

- Links to useful videos to watch or tutorials are always embedded into powerpoints where appropriate.
- www.zyama.com
- Modigliani <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n1MoBohEzqE">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n1MoBohEzqE</a>
- Pablo Picasso <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V9RrO0dtu5M">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V9RrO0dtu5M</a>

## Computing

Summer Half Term 1	Summer Half Term 2
<ul> <li>Understanding Computer Systems</li> </ul>	Programming using Microbits

#### How parents/carers can help

- Each week students should attend live lessons and complete all work set by the teacher.
- Students should check Class Notebook on Teams for resources for the lessons.
- All resources used in the lessons are also placed on SharePoint, split by lessons.
- Encourage students to practice skills learnt in lessons using Scratch.

#### **Useful Resources**

- https://scratch.mit.edu/
- <a href="https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/programming-essentials-in-scratch-part-i-b4aa">https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/programming-essentials-in-scratch-part-i-b4aa</a>
- https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/programming-essentials-in-scratch-part-ii-02a3

#### **Drama**

#### **Subject Content**

Summer Half Term 1	Summer Half Term 2
Musical Theatre Project	Musical Theatre Project

Throughout this term we will studying Musical Theatre. Each lesson the pupils will learn the choreography for the performance of Radio Gaga from We Will Rock You. All pupils have been invited to perform this in the summer concert. The lessons will result in a class performance which will be recorded for assessment purposes.

## How parents/carers can help

- Please help them to learn the lyrics to the song so that they know them off by heart.
- Please ask them to rehearse their actions.

#### **Useful Resources**

• Radio Ga Ga (2012 Remaster) - YouTube

# **English**

## **Subject Content**

Summer Half Term 1	Summer Half Term 2
<ul> <li>Creative writing – myths and legends</li> <li>Introduction to Greek tragedy Medea</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Romeo and Juliet by Shakespeare</li> <li>An introduction to Shakespeare and study of key extracts from the play</li> </ul>

#### How parents/carers can help

- If your child is stuck with her work, ask her to check Class Notebook on Teams for resources for the lessons.
- Encourage reading for pleasure: the expectation is that students read for 20 minute every day and quiz on the books read by logging on to Accelerated Reader.

#### **Useful Resources**

- As a parent you can login in to Accelerated Reader to view your child's reading progress: <a href="https://Ukhosted33.renlearn.co.uk/2260566/HomeConnect">https://Ukhosted33.renlearn.co.uk/2260566/HomeConnect</a>. Ask your daughter for her login for AR which you can use for Home Connect
- Explore the range of resources from the Royal Shakespeare Company: https://www.rsc.org.uk/shakespeare-learning-zone/romeo-and-juliet

# **Food and Nutrition**

## **Subject Content**

Summer Half Term 1	Summer Half Term 2
<ul> <li>Continuing to develop practical skills such as:         weighing and measuring, safe use of knives,         methods of cooking.</li> <li>Food provenance and sustainability in food</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Continuing to develop practical skills such as:     weighing and measuring, safe use of knives,     methods of cooking.</li> <li>Sensory testing</li> </ul>

## How parents/carers can help

- Encouraging students to join in with shopping for food and to identify where their food comes from.
- Involving students in preparation and production of meals
- Ensure that students complete homework tasks on Class charts to help to develop their subject knowledge

#### **Useful Resources**

www.nhs.uk/live-well/eat-well/the-eatwell-guide/www.bbc.co.uk/food

www.foodafactoflife.org.uk www.fairtrade.org.uk

# **French**

## **Subject Content**

Summer Half Term 1	Summer Half Term 2
<ul> <li>Description of bedroom: furniture/</li> </ul>	Places in town
prepositions: under, on, behind in front.	<ul> <li>Vocabulary for different building in town</li> </ul>
Revision of colours	Saying where you go
<ul> <li>Verbs for likes and dislikes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>What you like/ don't like in town</li> </ul>

## How parents/carers can help

- Check vocabulary/ grammar is learnt
- Check homework is completed
- Encourage daughter to read French work aloud, to practise vocabulary aloud.
- Check presentation of work in exercise book
- Encourage daughter to use: linguascope.com to practise their vocabulary independently
- Discourage daughter to use Google translator: it has been a real issue since Live lessons have started.

#### **Useful Resources**

- Textbook: Allez-y
- Website: <u>www.languagesonline.org.uk</u> (free, no password required): vocabulary and grammar
- www.Linguascope.com to practise and help with vocabulary retention

# Geography

Summer Half Term 1	Summer Half Term 2
Earthquakes and Volcanoes	Weather & climate
The structure of the Earth and plate movement	Observing & recording weather
<ul> <li>Location of earthquakes</li> </ul>	What are clouds
Causes of earthquakes	Types of rainfall
Tsunami's	High & low pressure

- Why live near volcanoes
- Super volcanoes

- Extreme weather (beast from the east)
- Climate zones and focus on tropical climate

## How parents/carers can help.

- Watch news reports about recent earthquakes and volcanoes
- Research different volcanoes around the world
- Research where super volcanoes (calderas) are located around the world.
- Watch the Countryfile weather for the week ahead forecast.
- Ask your daughter to check the weather forecast before a day out.
- Measure the temperature in different parts of the house/garden.

#### **Useful Resources**

- https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/
- https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zx38q6f
- Explore volcanoes BBC Bitesize

# History

# **Subject Content**

Summer Half Term 1	Summer Half Term 2
Key theme – Power and Protest	Key theme – Life and society
How did the power of the king change over time?	What was it like to be a woman in the 16 <sup>th</sup> and 17 <sup>th</sup> Centuries?
<ul> <li>The reign of King John.</li> <li>The Magna Carta.</li> <li>Causes of consequences of the Peasants Revolt.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The reign of Elizabeth I and challenges to her rule.</li> <li>The Witch Craze and the role of Matthew Hopkins as Witchfinder General.</li> </ul>

#### How parents/carers can help

- Please encourage your daughter to complete the work set and revisit work between lessons.
- Please check homework as this will often involve revision and recall and will be revisited regularly in class.
- Work set on Class Charts should be returned by the specified date for assessment and feedback.

#### **Useful Resources**

#### Medieval power:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zcyx2v4/articles/zcg66g8 https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z93txbk/articles/zyb77yc

## Women in 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> Century:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zwcsp4j/articles/zg7d8hv

https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/history-ks3--gcse-why-were-there-witch-hunts-in-the-seventeenth-century/zcxrf82

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z3jb3j6/revision/6

# **Maths**

#### **Subject Content**

Summer Half Term 1	Summer Half Term 2
<ul> <li>Constructing, measuring and using geometric notation – draw and measure angles, constructing triangles, pie charts.</li> <li>Developing geometric reasoning – using angle facts to solve problems including angles on parallel lines and in a polygon</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Developing number sense – estimation, factors, mental arithmetic and applying these to algebraic facts.</li> <li>Sets &amp; probability</li> <li>Prime numbers and proof – using counter examples to disprove a theory.</li> </ul>

## How parents/carers can help

If your child becomes stuck on a particular part of the lesson/worksheet, please refer them to the video's that can be found on Class Notebook. This can help the student to be able to recap the learning objectives set and follow the worksheet. Sometimes being able to see the problem can help too with students.

#### **Useful Resources**

- <a href="https://whiterosemaths.com/resources/secondary-resources/">https://whiterosemaths.com/resources/secondary-resources/</a> this helps with the knowing the Schemes of learning and can offer advice on the new techniques.
- www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zqhs34j can show different methods that are acceptable.
- <a href="https://hegartymaths.com/">https://hegartymaths.com/</a> has videos and quizzes

#### Music

## **Subject Content**

Summer Half Term 1	Summer Half Term 2
<ul> <li>Musical Theatre – learning one key song from</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Musical Theatre – learning one key song from</li></ul>
We Will Rock You to perform at the end of the	We Will Rock You to perform at the end of the
term as a class with choreography. Also	term as a class with choreography. Also
learning about Musicals and how they have	learning about Musicals and how they have
developed.	developed.

## How parents/carers can help

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# **Useful Resources**

- BBC Bitesize <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z3dqhyc/articles/zbhqjhv">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z3dqhyc/articles/zbhqjhv</a>
- <a href="http://www.misswardmusic.com/musical-theatre.html">http://www.misswardmusic.com/musical-theatre.html</a>
- Youtube: Radio Gaga (We Will Rock You) performance and lyrics videos

# **Physical Education**

#### **Subject Content**

Summer Half Term 1	Summer Half Term 2
<ul> <li>Striking and fielding activities in games lessons</li> <li>Outdoor and Adventurous Activities, athletics</li> <li>OR swimming</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Striking and fielding activities in games lessons</li> <li>Outdoor and Adventurous Activities, athletics         <u>OR</u> swimming     </li> </ul>

#### How parents/carers can help

Encourage your daughters to spend time each day being physically active, whether that be through using the variety of resources provided by the PE team on MS Teams, or completing other physical activity at home with the family.

#### **Useful Resources**

All students will have access to a bank of ideas and resources through MS Teams and SharePoint. Other useful resources for physical activity ideas can be found here:

- Youth Sport Trust Website
- YouTube PE with Joe
- Change4life Website

# **Religious Studies**

## **Subject Content**

Summer Half Term 1	Summer Half Term 2
Judaism: Beliefs, Teachings and Practices.  Introduction to Judaism – establishing prior knowledge.  The covenant between God and Abraham  Jewish artefacts – how do these reflect Jewish beliefs?  The Exodus	Judaism: Beliefs, Teachings and Practices.  Celebrating Pesach The Ten Commandments Jewish food laws (Kashrut)

## How parents/carers can help

- Please encourage students to complete the work set and read back through their work between lessons.
- Encourage students to check Class charts for homework or revision tasks.

#### **Useful Resources**

• BBC Bitesize <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z4hg9j6">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z4hg9j6</a>

## Science

Note: If your daughter has more than one teacher for science it may be that they are studying different areas of the topic with each teacher.

Summer Half Term 1	Summer Half Term 2
Forces: <ul> <li>Gravity</li> <li>Mass and weight</li> </ul> <li>Reproduction:         <ul> <li>Flower structure and pollination</li> <li>Fertilisation, germination and seed dispersal</li> <li>Male and female reproductive systems</li> <li>Fertilisation and implantation</li> <ul> <li>Development of the foetus</li> <li>Adolescence and the menstrual cycle</li> <li>Variation</li> </ul> </ul></li>	<ul> <li>Electricity and static electricity:</li> <li>Circuit symbols and diagrams</li> <li>Series and parallel circuits</li> <li>Constructing circuits</li> <li>Current</li> <li>Potential difference</li> <li>Resistance</li> <li>Static charge</li> </ul>

## How parents/carers can help

- Encourage your daughter to read through the lesson content and instructions on class notebook prior to the lesson so she is familiar with what she will be learning.
- Promote resilience with problem solving by suggesting she uses her science textbook to help her with any challenging tasks in the first instance.
- If possible, have access to graph paper and a calculator for Spring-term 2 to allow maximum progress in the force lessons.
- Regularly ask your daughter to explain to you what she has been learning. This extra recall activity will help to strengthen her subject knowledge and understanding.

#### **Useful Resources**

- AQA Activate 1 textbook (students have their own personal copy)
- Doddle learn website www.doddlelearn.co.uk/
- Oak national academy online lessons and resources www.thenational.academy/
- Kerboodle online resources-AQA Activate 1 www.kerboodle.com
- BBC bitesize www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zng4d2p

# **Spanish**

## **Subject Content**

Summer Half Term 1	Summer Half Term 2
Free time activities	Assessment, Revision and Consolidation.
<ul> <li>Describing hobbies</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Linking topics together</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Reviewing the present tense</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reviewing key grammar</li> </ul>

## How parents/carers can help

- Encourage ongoing revision of vocabulary (regular practice).
- You could quiz your daughter if she gives you a list of words/phrases in English that she has to translate into Spanish.
- When completing work independently your daughter needs to use all the resources she has (her own exercise book, Class Notebook, Claro 1 (Spanish textbook).

#### **Useful Resources**

(In addition to textbook provided)

- <u>www.kerboodle.com</u> goes with our textbook, has great additional resources and revision exercises to do
- www.wordreference.com/ online bilingual dictionary
- <u>www.linguascope.com/</u> very helpful with vocabulary acquisition and retention
- https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zfckixs KS3 Spanish revision on BBC Bitesize

# **Textiles**

Summer Half Term 1	Summer Half Term 2
<ul> <li>Design skills</li> <li>Felting and machine stitching</li> <li>Embellishment with hand stitching</li> </ul>	Construction and make up of a door hangar Nancy Nicholson inspiration

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