

Inscape's Middle School Curriculum Termly Overview

English

This half term we will be studying the text: The Breadwinner. We will be looking at setting and characterisation as well as narrative structure.

For the context and Genre part of our study we will look at Taliban occupied Pakistan and the oppression of women, Gender and lived experiences and the impacts of war.

Science

In science this half term middle school will be learning about Particles in Motion. We will learn that almost everything is made of particles and that particles can be atoms, molecules or ions. We will explore through practical lessons that particles behave differently in solids, liquids and gases. As well as looking how the particle model explains the differences between solids, liquids and gases.

Humanities

This half term in history we will be looking at World War One and what the causes were, looking through different lenses to the outbreak. Who was on which side of the war, conscript, trench warfare, propaganda and the end of the war.

This half term in Geography we will be work, play and the rest of the UK. We will look at the changing employment, communication and transport in the UK and how people spend their free time.

Maths

This half term we will be continuing to work through the White Rose Curriculum at the student's level. Some students will be working on decimals whilst other will focus on length and perimeter.

The subject being covered is child focused depending on ability, but we will be applying the concrete, pictorial and abstract (CPA) approach to all levels.

RE

This half term in RE we will be looking at Religious Festivals.

Festivals being covered include Hanukkah, Diwali and Christmas.

We want students to engage in a real-life way with these celebrations and we will be bringing in lots of materials to enable students to do this.

PHSE

In PSHE this half-term our focus will be on influence and peer pressure.

We will be basing these lessons on a lot of class discussion of scenarios and how best to deal with these events in real life. We want to encourage students to form opinions

Art

This half term students will explore landscapes.

Learning to create realistic and abstract landscapes inspired by Joan Eardley, Cezanne, James Morrison and Barbara Rae.

ICT

This half term in ICT we will be looking at the information superhighway. Below is just a few topics being covered

- Understanding the internet
- Facts and Opinions
- Reliability and Validity of information
- Internet Search Techniques (Simple/Complex search strings)
- Boolean Operators
- Advanced Searches
- Research Project

Music

This half term we will be learning about Graphic Scores and nontraditional sounds based around the themes of Halloween, Bonfire Night, and Christmas. Pupils will explore how symbols can represent different sounds and will also use loops to compose a piece of music (using apps such as Launchpad, Garageband etc). We will also be looking at Christmas Music and preparing for the Christmas Carol Concert.

Health and Wellbeing

In Health and Wellbeing for Autumn 2, students will have the opportunity to focus on the Key Concepts and Processes of Netball. Pupils will learn the basic rules of the game, whilst practicing the fundamentals of passing, shooting, footwork as well as defending. Pupils will also be introduced to the positions of netball and how these have different limitations, and the skills required to play them successfully.