YEAR 8 CURRICULUM – SPRING TERM 1				
ENGLISH	MATHS	SCIENCE	GEOGRAPHY	HISTORY
Poetry Unit: An Introduction to Poetry Developing the skills of academic writing. How does the writer use language to present a theme?	Percentages (including simple interest, multipliers, increase and decreases) Area and Perimeter of 2D Shapes (including surface area and composite shapes)	Extended STEM PROJECT Unit 3 – Movement and Organisation Unit 4 – Reactions, Metals and Acids Unit 5 – Genes and Reproduction	Hot Deserts: students drawing on prior learning of Biomes to explore the weird and wonderful hot deserts of our planet, animal adaptations and key features.	Slavery, Empire & Industry  – delving into the lives of enslaved people. Should we be proud of the British Empire?.
ART	COMPUTING	CORE PE	DRAMA	ETHICS
Portraits: Colour theory, shape, Value through the use of Colour Pencil, Flats of colour, colour theory Inside out project: Surface pattern designs to create a garment. Line, implied texture, Shape, Space.	Modelling data using spreadsheets, using formulas, functions & formatting techniques.  Computing systems: Understanding the parts of the computer.	Influencing others: students will be developing their understanding of team games through a 'Sport -ed' Model, and developing their leadership through Orienteering	Crime Genre - We create drama through a serious lens. Looking into true case studies and the importance of being accurate Design Skills - we take a look at key roles in a theatre production such as costume sound lighting and set designer also props master.	Students will be exploring Core and Diverse Islam: looking at similarities and differences within the Muslim community. Students will consider what it is like to be a British Muslim in 2025.
FRENCH	LIFESKILLS	MUSIC	TECHNOLOGY	
'Family Life' Who is who? Where do you live? What you do together? What you eat for breakfast? Present tense, 'There is' and 'There are'	Healthy Me: Living a healthy lifestyle, having healthy relationships Careers: Exploring aspirations, building skills, understanding strengths/areas for development. Options process and future careers. Talks: Vaping, Female Health (girls only), Effects of Drugs and alcohol. Violence against Women	Film Music – Students listen to and evaluate a variety of film music themes focussing on the great film composers. Blues & Jazz – developing improvisation skills using the 12 bar structure of blues. Whole class performance using ukuleles & keyboards.	Textiles: Machine sewing skills and biomimicry design. Food: Advance cooking skills and learning about nutrients. Construction: Making mood lights and learning how to solder. Modelling: Graphic drawings and creating 3D cardboard models.	