

### The KS3 Curriculum – An Overview

The vast majority of Year 7/8/9 students study a 3 year broad and balanced curriculum model which covers subjects as follows:

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Number of Periods (1 hour lessons per fortnight)</b>
<i>English</i>	9 hours
<i>Mathematics</i>	7 hours
<i>Science</i>	7 hours
<i>MFL</i>	4 hours
<i>Geography</i>	3 hours
<i>History</i>	3 hours
<i>Religious Studies</i>	2 hours
<i>Computer Science</i>	2 hours
<i>Art</i>	2 hours
<i>Drama</i>	2 hours
<i>Music</i>	2 hours
<i>Design &amp; Technology</i>	3 hours
<i>Physical Education</i>	4 hours

In Year 8 currently the talented linguists follow a slightly modified curriculum with additional time for MFL to allow them to study a second language. These students are identified by MFL and English staff.

In Year 9, students are then allocated an additional 2 lessons of science, allowing each science discipline of Biology, Chemistry and Physics to be allocated 3 hours per subject. By this stage Performing Arts students have specialised into either Drama or Music.