

SRS Secondary Curriculum KS3 and KS4

KS3 Curriculum

The KS3 curriculum is effectively taught at a level to suit the learning needs of our pupils. Learning has to be contextual and relevant, and cross-curricular links are important to establish links to the real world. As well as all core subjects areas such as English, Maths, Science, ICT and Humanities, pupils engage in a range of subjects including: PE, Design and Technology, Food Technology, Dance, Drama, Art and Music. All subjects focus on a specific topic for the term so pupils can learn to transfer information into different contexts.

<u>Literacy</u>	As well as 3 discrete English lessons a week, in KS3 and KS4 all pupils are streamed for a daily Ruth Miskin Literacy Programme, which is a complete phonics package. Pupils are reassessed every half term and those not making expected progress receive 1-1 support within lessons. The competition of this programme means pupils have functional reading and writing skills. All our staff are trained to teach Ruth Miskin Phonics so this level of literacy support continues in every lesson to support pupils with their acquisition of reading and writing skills. Pupils also have 5 guided reading sessions a week in afternoon tutorial.
<u>Speaking and Listening</u>	We deliver Philosophy for Children sessions once a week to help pupils develop their speaking and listening, reasoning and debating skills. Pupils in KS3 also have 1 drama lesson a week to develop their confidence in performing and talking in front of others. The Speech and language therapist works very closely with the staff team to ensure all pupils make excellent progress towards their communication targets.
<u>Mathematics</u>	In KS3 pupils have 3 discrete Mathematics lessons following the new curriculum at the appropriate level as well as one additional session a week using Mathletics which is our online homework programme which helps pupils consolidate their learning and independence in mathematics.
<u>PSCHE</u>	Pupils have one session a week on PSCHE as well as topic days when we look into some topics as a whole school project. The learning covered in these sessions links directly to the current whole school communication and speech and language interventions.

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At SRS KS4 classes follow 2 separate pathways depending on the SEN needs of individual learners.

Pathway 1

Pupils following Pathway 1 will take English (Entry Level, GCSE or Level 1) , Mathematics(Entry Level, GCSE or Level 1), Science, (Entry Level or Level 1) Computing(Entry Level or Level 1 at the appropriate level and PE .

Pupils will also follow an Arts Award Course at Entry 3 or Level 1, a certificated personal development programme and an independence development programme.

Pathway 2

Pupils following Pathway 2 will chose from 2 options, 1 from each group. Some of these options combine towards a final examination and some are discrete 1 or 2 year courses. Staff support pupils with option choices and parents are also involved in this decision.

Depending on personal pathway some pupils will also follow a 2 year ASDAN course at Bronze or Silver (Entry 3) or COPE (GCSE) level.

Pathway 1	Drama Entry level - Entry Pathways Design and Technology BTEC Entry 3 / Level 1 BTEC Fashion and Clothing Level 1 Music Entry 3 Entry Pathways.
Pathway 2	Catering BTEC Entry 3 / Level 1 Sports Science BTEC Entry 3 / Level 1 Hair & Beauty BTEC Entry 3 / Level 1 Design and Technology BTEC Entry 3 / Level 1.

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<u>Speaking and Listening</u>	<p>We deliver Philosophy for Children sessions once a week to help pupils develop their speaking and listening, reasoning and debating skills.</p>
<u>Mathematics</u>	<p>In KS4 pupils have 3 discrete Mathematics lessons following an examination curriculum at the appropriate level as well as one additional session a week using Mathletics which is our online homework programme which helps pupils consolidate their learning and independence in mathematics.</p>
<u>PSCHE</u>	<p>Pupils have one session a week on PSCHE as well as topic days when we look into some topics as a whole school project.</p> <p>In year 11, all pupils complete a 2 week work experience programme either independently or with support.</p> <p>We also offer a travel-training programme to support pupils become independent when they are ready.</p>