

HIGHDOWN SCHOOL AND SIXTH FORM CENTRE CURRICULUM OVERVIEW: YEAR 8

	ENGLISH Adventure and Mystery	MATHS Representation	SCIENCE			GEOGRAPHY Superpowers	HISTORY From superstition to Science	ETHICS
			Biology	Chemistry	Physics			
TERM 1 & TERM 2	English and the world of work, British 20 th century novel	Equations & inequalities and graphical representations	Evolution, Inheritance	Elements, periodic table,	Contact Forces, pressure,	Exploring Lifestyles! Development A River Story! Physical Landscapes	Medieval c.1250 – c.1500 The power of the Church; ideas about science and medicine; were the Middle Ages miserable or merry?	Christianity Jesus Afterlife Views of the soul
TERM 3 & TERM 4	Macbeth, Commonwealth Prose	Proportional reasoning and representations Reasoning with data	Breathing, Digestion	Types of reaction, Chemical energy	Magnetism, Electromagnets, Work	7 Billion People and Counting! Population Geography Mega Cities, Mega Issues! Settlement	Renaissance c.1500-1700 The 'rebirth' or ideas in science; superstition and witchcraft; how progressive was the Renaissance	Ethics, values, symbolism and meaning from comparative humanist and Sikh perspectives
TERM 5 & TERM 6	Graphic novel and protest poetry	Angles, area, volume and surface area	Respiration, Photosynthesis	Climate, Earth resources	Heating and cooling, Waves	Powerful Weather! Weather and Climate	Industrial Era and Modern Era c.1700—2000 The Enlightenment and the age of revolution; the growth of the cities; public health and medicine; leisure time; identity	Role models, media and social change

	MFL	ART	COMPUTING	DRAMA	D&T NB. Students on a carousel	MUSIC	PHYSICAL EDUCATION
TERM 1 & TERM 2	Family Members and Relationships Food, drink and eating out	Global Citizenship Education	Cyber Security Animation for the Web E-Safety	Documentary Drama Script Study	<u>Food:</u> nutritional needs of babies and children, ingredients, modifying a recipe, high risk foods	Chords and Songs Baroque, Romantic and Classical Eras	Fitness Fortnight, Hockey, Swimming, Gymnastics, Football Fitness Fortnight, Rugby, Hockey, Swim, HRF

TERM 3 & TERM 4	School, Leisure, Festivals	Culture	Video Editing Web Design Project Management	Ways into Drama House Drama	<u>Textiles:</u> Batik, transfer print, tie dye, applique, how to create a patchwork, 2D-3D	Ground Bass and other structures Game Music	Netball, Dance, Handball, Basketball
							Football, Handball, Gym, Orienteering
TERM 5 & TERM 6	Weather, Seasons, Sickness	Pop Art	Duke of York Award Python Programming	Theatre in Education Physical Theatre	<u>D&T:</u> Woodwork, designing for a customer, workshop machines, manufactured boards	Musical Theatre Music for Adverts	Rounders, Tennis, Fitness, Athletics
							Cricket, Tennis, Athletics, Softball