

Art

They are likely to exhibit some or all of the following attributes:

- Show a high level of understanding and working knowledge of art vocabulary and an ability to apply it. To make insightful use of this vocabulary when evaluating their own progress and that of others through discussion and the written word
- Demonstrate a consistently high command of materials and processes for a range of purposes
- The ability to research in a purposeful and self-directed way to inform their own practice
- An ability to problem-solve and take creative risks
- To enjoy challenge and be prepared to respond to spontaneity and make their own discoveries
- To show enthusiasm and curiosity
- To interpret independently, demonstrate originality and innovation
- To be actively seeking new ideas and engaging through gallery visits/reading exhibition reviews

Activities on offer for Art HA include:

Role model techniques
Art club
Challenge within lessons and leadership roles
KS3 Careers competition
Various competitions

Computing and ICT

They are likely to exhibit some or all of the following attributes:

- Produces comprehensive design work
- Implements complete, accurate and efficient solutions which are, where appropriate, aesthetically pleasing and easy to use
- Able to use a range of software to a high level
- Employs advanced techniques in their solutions
- Explains approaches taken with clarity and accuracy
- Is thorough in evaluating the effectiveness of solutions, explaining shortcomings and identifying future potential enhancements
- Demonstrates clear logic and efficiency in developing algorithms
- Shows prowess in creating computer programs
- Is able to guide and support other students
- Consistently attains high levels in theoretical aspects, as well as practical aspects of the subject

Activities on offer for ICT HA may include:

Bebras (computational thinking competition)

Cisco work experience

Opportunity to enter the Information Olympiad

Opportunity to enter Young Animator of the Year

Various Cybersecurity competitions (Cyberfirst being the main one).

Microsoft Digigirlz

Opportunity to attend EGX

Support in developing programming skills outside the classroom.

Design and technology

They are likely to exhibit some or all of the following attributes:

- Demonstrate high levels of technological understanding and application
- Display high-quality making and precise practical skills
- Work independently and get frustrated when required to follow rigid guidelines
- Have flashes of inspiration and highly original or innovative ideas
- Demonstrate different ways of working or different approaches to issues
- Enthusiastically, learning quickly how to use computer aided design software (CAD)
- Able to be reflective and thoroughly self-assess their own work
- Work independently to research subject matter
- Ask challenging questions

Activities on offer for Design and Technology HA include:

Trips

Textiles workshop

Helping with school production costumes

Challenge tasks in lessons

Drama

They are likely to exhibit some or all of the following attributes:

- Has a confident and secure understanding of how to make and devise work, which includes applying a range of techniques that create meaning and engage an audience.
- Works with absolute focus, enthusiasm and concentration.
- Works and performs in a mature, sensitive and professional manner, showing refined group work skills.
- Has a confident and sophisticated use of performance skills that create imaginative characters, which are fully sustained.
- Can consistently evaluate and respond to their work and that of others, using drama vocabulary, demonstrating a clear insight into the impact on the audience.
- Is able to write about drama in depth with a high level of understanding.

Activities on offer for Drama HA include:

Year 7/8 drama club
Year 9 improvisation club
Junior and Senior Dance company
School productions
Theatre visits
Visits from external organisations

English

They are likely to exhibit some or all of the following attributes:

- Producing creative writing which demonstrates inventiveness, originality, flair and/or humour to engage the reader.
- Reading widely, beyond what is expected in class, and being able to discuss themes and characters in these books fluently.
- Engaging listeners using humour, irony and a range of non-verbal features.
- Developing analytical writing in a coherent, structured manner, with a wide range of alternative interpretations throughout.
- Speaking articulately with an appropriate level of detail.
- Answering questions in an engaging manner which extends the listeners' understanding.

Activities on offer for English HA may include:

Year 10 HA Breakfast Club

EMC Subscription for KS4 and KS5 students

Massolit Subscription for KS4 and KS5 students

KS3 Writing Competitions e.g. Commonwealth competition

KS3 Intervention for Secure to Excellence in Mentor Time

Year 10 and 12 HA Reading Buddies (supporting KS3 reading in mentor time)

Geography

They are likely to exhibit some or all of the following attributes:

- An ability to apply geographical enquiry to an issue.
- A well-developed spatial awareness, understanding the relationship between places.
- An ability to present complex information visually, in a skilled way, linking text with images.
- An ability to summarise complex relationships, whilst distinguishing between known/uncertain relationships.
- An ability to make connections between geography, the sciences and arts.
- An ability to draw on attitudes/values, and to assess strengths of arguments and make judgements about them.
- An ability to evaluate solutions to plans and issues and explore the merits of each solution.

Activities on offer for Geography HA include:

Extra challenge in lessons

Reading lists

Climate conference

Iceland Field Trip

History

As such, they are likely to exhibit some or all of the following attributes:

- Engagement in the topics covered in lesson and able to contribute to class discussions.
- Reads around the subject and extend knowledge beyond the basic details
- Engages with primary sources and be able to analyse how they are useful to historians.
- Has an awareness of historical debates

Activities on offer for History HA include:

Extra challenge in lessons

Reading lists

Club run by the Sixth Form

Maths

They are likely to exhibit some or all of the following attributes:

- The ability to use logic, critical, and analytical thinking skills and abstract reasoning to interpret and evaluate Mathematical problems.
- The ability to use appropriate mathematical language to explain how to solve complex problems to others.
- Display resilience and perseverance and when faced with challenging problems

Activities on offer for Maths HA include:

Junior Maths Challenge (KS3)
Intermediate Maths Challenge (KS4)
Senior Maths Challenge (KS5)
Team Maths Challenge (KS3)
Senior Team Maths Challenge (KS4-5)

MFL

They are likely to exhibit some or all of the following attributes:

- The ability to understand a detailed text/recording by using appropriate reading and listening strategies.
- The ability to communicate with ease through clear, spoken language and accurate pronunciation and intonation.
- The ability to produce a detailed written text using a wide range of accurate language as well as more complex language/structures.
- The ability to accurately conjugate a range of verbs in a range of tenses, using different pronouns.
- A strong interest in and understanding of different cultures.

Activities on offer for MFL HA include:

Mandarin Excellence Programme (offered in year 7 and all the way up to year 11)

Stretch and challenge opportunities/ tasks in class

We have previously taken part in a Mandarin speaking competition

Trips abroad to France, Spain and China

Music

They are likely to exhibit some or all of the following attributes:

- A confident and secure understanding of how to compose and perform music, which includes applying a range of techniques that create meaning and engage an audience.
- Works with absolute focus, enthusiasm and concentration.
- Works and performs in a mature, sensitive and professional manner.
- Can consistently evaluate and respond to their work and that of others, using musical vocabulary, demonstrating a clear insight into the use of musical elements to create meaning.
- Is able to write about Music in depth with a high level of understanding.
- Is able to appreciate a range of musical genres
- Creates polished and musical performances, demonstrating creativity, flair and technical skill
- Is engaged in Music in an extra-curricular context

Activities on offer for music HA may include:

Choirs
Barbershop
Flute ensemble
Funk and Soul
Orchestra
External visitors
Drum workshops

PE

As such, they are likely to exhibit some or all of the following attributes:

- Combines movements in a precise and fluent manner within a range of contexts/sports/activities.
- Makes good decisions within a range of contexts showing autonomy, independence and leadership.
- Is able to successfully lead groups & teams through good communication and organisation
- The ability to form, adapt different tactics and strategies.
- Shows innovation and creativity within independent and small group activities.
- Understands the rules and regulations of many individual and team sports
- Demonstrates good sportsmanship at all times
- Understands the important role physical activity has on mental, social & physical health & wellbeing
- Displays a keen interest in the application of theory in sport and physical activity
- Is able to apply theory knowledge using practical examples

Activities on offer for PE HA include:

Role model correct technique
Nomination for regional and county competition
Sports House captains - 6th form
Leadership in lesson and extra-curricular activities

RE

They are likely to exhibit some or all of the following attributes:

- Enquiring mind – asking questions, challenging teacher and students
- Showing empathy-kindness and working well with others
- Debating skills – sustaining an argument whilst appreciating and anticipating other view points
- Knowledge and Understanding of the wider world- enjoying learning about other cultures
- Interest in current affairs

Activities on offer for RE HA may include:

Subscription to online resources through Kerboodle for KS4 Ethics students

Subscription to online resources through Dynamic Learning for KS4 Citizenship students

Opportunities for different levels of challenge built into every lesson with high achievers encouraged to develop analytical skills

Use of P for C (philosophy for children)

Trip to Oxford University to explore Philosophy with Peter Vardy for KS5 students

Science

They are likely to exhibit some or all of the following attributes:

- Show a passion for science
- Have a curiosity of the world around them
- Excellent communication skills using scientific terminology
- Recall scientific words and equations and apply them to a real life situation
- Make links between science subjects and cross curricular
- Process, synthesise and apply scientific concepts to new situations

Activities on offer to science HA include:

Biology Olympiad

Salter's Festival of Chemistry

Baylab Trip

British Physics Olympiad

UK Chemistry Olympiad

Science Club

Year 12 Crest Award