



The Oakwood
Academy

The Oakwood Academy Curriculum Guide

Principles

We will:

- Provide a broad and balanced curriculum for all students
- Ensure our curriculum content meets statutory requirements.
- Ensure our curriculum offers equal opportunities to all our students; including students with special and additional needs and students of all abilities.
- Regularly review our curriculum, respond to recent developments and incorporate best practice.
- Offer a curriculum that fosters students enthusiasm for learning and recognises progress and achievement.
- Encourage students to continue their learning outside of timetabled lessons through independent research/study and high quality extra-curricular activities and opportunities.

How is the Curriculum Organised?

Key Stage 3

Key Stage 3 students in Y7 & 8 have 25 hours of timetabled study per week. This comprises of 5 one hour lessons per day. The allocation of these hours to subject areas is shown below.

Subject	Year 7	Year 8
English	4	4
Maths	4	3
Science	3	3
History	1.5	2
Geography	1.5	2
Religious Education	1	1
Spanish	2	2
Design Technology	2	2
ICT	1	1
Art	1	1
Drama	1	1
Music	1	1
PE	2	2
Literacy*		
Wider Curriculum**		

* On a withdrawal basis depending on the set

** Delivered through tutor time, assemblies and other opportunities throughout the year.

Key Stage 4

Key Stage 4 students in Y9, 10 & 11 have 25 hours of timetabled study per week. This comprises of 5 one hour lessons per day. The allocation of these hours to subject areas is shown below:

Core Curriculum – followed by all students

Subject	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
English	5	4	4
Maths	4	4	4
Science	5	5/6*	5/6*
RE/PSHE	1	0.5	0.5
PE	2	0.5/1.5**	0.5/1.5**
Wider Curriculum***			

* Separate Science students have an additional science lesson.

** Dependent on Science qualifications studied.

*** Delivered through tutor time, assemblies and other opportunities throughout the year.

In addition to the subjects above, Key Stage 4 students also choose 4 guided option subjects. Each individual option subject is studied for 2 hours in Year 9 and for 2.5 hours in Year 10 & 11. The options subjects offered to students are listed below.

History GCSE	Computer Science GCSE
Geography GCSE	Dance GCSE
Spanish GCSE	Drama GCSE
Art GCSE	Food & Nutrition GCSE**
Business GCSE	Health & Social care BTEC
Child Development GCSE***	ICT GCSE***
CIDA	Music GCSE
Construction BTEC***	Product Design GCSE***
Travel & Tourism BTEC***	Religious Education GCSE*
Design Technology GCSE**	

* Y10 only

** Y9 & 10 only

*** Yr11 only

Curriculum Information

For each subject area and year group more detailed curriculum information can be found in the curriculum area of the school website. In addition, further information can be provided on request from specific subject leaders. Subject leader details are provided below:

Subject	Subject Leaders
English	Ms E. Murray
Maths	Mr D. Sandhu
Science	Dr W. Inglis
History	Mr T. Luckhurst
Geography	Ms N. Lewis
Religious Education	Mr T. Luckhurst
Spanish	Ms L. Blasco-Albeda
Design Technology	Mr J. Hayes
ICT & Business	Mr R. Harbour
Art	Mr D. Tebbs
Drama	Mrs N. Johnson
Music	Mr S. Gillott
PE	Mr D. Burrows