

# Bishop Heber High School

## Year 9 Curriculum Information



## 2025-2026

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In Year 9, all students study the National Curriculum subjects. This booklet has been produced to provide you with information about what your son/daughter is learning in school during the current academic year. We hope that the more information that you have about what your son/ daughter is learning, the more you will be able to support and enhance the learning. This may be through support with homework, discussion or identifying relevant books and websites.

## Year 9 Subjects Studied

| Year 9 Subject        | Number of periods<br>(per fortnight) | Teaching Groups          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| English               | 6                                    | Ability sets             |
| Mathematics           | 7                                    | Ability sets             |
| Science               | 6                                    | Ability sets             |
| Art and Design        | 2                                    | Mixed ability            |
| Computer Studies      | 3                                    | Mathematics ability sets |
| Design and Technology | 4                                    | Mixed ability            |
| Drama                 | 2                                    | Mixed ability            |
| Geography             | 3                                    | Mixed ability            |
| History               | 3                                    | Mixed ability            |
| Languages             | 5 (German or Spanish)                | Ability sets             |
| Music                 | 1                                    | Mixed ability            |
| Physical Education    | 4                                    | Ability sets             |
| PSHCE                 | 2                                    | Mixed ability            |
| Religious Education   | 2                                    | English ability sets     |

## Assessment

In Year 9 we measure students' process against expected outcomes (above, at or below expected). Progress is measured against the particular skills, knowledge and understanding which a student has reached in each subject. Teachers will regularly assess each student's progress and their attainment will be reported to you in their reports twice each year.

## Homework

All staff set homework on a regular basis. To keep a record of homework set this is recorded in Teams. In addition, students have a diary in which teachers may ask them to write down the homework and the date it is due in. All students will be issued with a homework timetable at the start of the year, which, in Year 9, indicates which day homework should be set in each subject. Parents will automatically receive a weekly email, detailing the homework which has been set during the previous week and details about whether that homework has been submitted punctually. The summary also contains due dates for homework which is not yet due to be submitted, to aid efficient planning of workload. This data is private to each individual student and is only shared with parents/carers.

## Detailed Subject Information

This is available under each subject