

Year 7 Subject Specific End of Academic Year Expectations

There are six academic stages in year 7

- **FOUNDATION** you are currently finding it difficult to access the year 7 curriculum in this subject.
- **BEGINNING** to acquire the knowledge and skills you need in order to progress towards year 7 expectations
- **DEVELOPING** your knowledge, understanding and skills in order to reach year 7 expectations.
- **SECURE IN** your knowledge, understanding and skills and meeting year 7 expectations.
- **EXTENDING** your knowledge, understanding and skills and broadening year 7 expectations.
- EXCELLING in your knowledge, understanding and skills and surpassing year 7 expectations.

Each subject is divided up into specific areas and each area has a set of criteria. At each reporting stage students are assessed against the criteria and assigned an academic stage.

The criteria for **SECURE IN** are what a student is expected to be able to do by the end of the academic year. On the following pages you can see what the **SECURE IN** criteria are in each subject.

Art

Understanding Art and	Using Materials	Drawing	Ideas and Creativity
Artists			
Can analyse art work using subject specific vocabulary. Secure knowledge of key ideas, explained verbally and in writing. Written work is clearly presented. Visual responses are completed and show sound understanding.	Is secure in using a wide range of art materials and techniques.	Shows secure skill and understanding of observational drawing from primary and secondary sources.	Can make some good independent decisions. Has a firm grasp of techniques and can apply drawing, practical skills and imagination to tasks.

English

Drama	Spoken Language (Speaking	Writing	Spelling, Punctuation and	Reading & Comprehension	Literature
	& Listening)		Grammar		
Secure ability to sustain a	Secure ability to speak in	Secure ability to produce	Secure ability to use	Secure ability to read and	Secure ability to be able to
role; to work within a group	both formal and informal	coherent texts; to use	vocabulary, sentence	understand a range of fiction	analyse and evaluate the
and to analyse and evaluate	situations; to use Standard	effective literary, rhetorical	structure, grammar and	and non-fiction texts, to	language, form and structure
own work and that of	English where appropriate	and structural devices; to	punctuation for effect. Spells	select information, identify	of texts; to use literary
others.	and to respond to questions	write in a range of forms and	regular words and some	key points and to summarise	terminology and support
	and to the views of others.	for a variety of audiences.	irregular words accurately.	accurately.	opinions with apt textual
					references. Secure ability to
					make clear links and
					comparisons between texts.
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Modern Foreign Languages

French & Spanish

Listening	Speaking	Reading	Writing	Translation
Can understand the overall message and key vocabulary in a long recording (a paragraph) including opinions, using clear and familiar language. May need to hear it twice.		Can understand key vocabulary and the overall message in a long text including opinions using familiar language.	Can write 3-4 sentences from memory to give facts and opinions on one topic.	Can translate short sentences from French/ Spanish into English

Geography

Places	Skills	Geographical	Geographical Aptitude
		Understanding	
Can locate the places studied and describe them at a range of scales. Can demonstrate a sense of place.	Can use many OS mapwork skills and use different maps appropriately. Can use a limited number of simple presentation techniques. Shows awareness of simple GIS. Can communicate effectively. With help can use simple mathematics. Can extract some useful information from research sources. With support can conduct primary research.	Uses some geographical vocabulary appropriately. Understands some simple geographical concepts. Can transfer some skills to new circumstances. Begins to see links between physical and human geography. Can describe some human and physical geographical features.	Asks questions. May make some links with experiences outside the classroom. Some evidence of teamwork. Enthusiasm for some topics.

History

Chronology	Historical understanding	Interpretations of history	• •	Organisation and communication
Usually able to use dates,	Usually able to identify	Is aware that the past can be	Can extract relevant	Can communicate historical
terms and conventions of	reasons for, and results of,	represented in different	information from sources to	information in a structured
historical periods.	historical change and	ways.	find out about the past.	way. Few errors in spelling,
	continuity.			punctuation and grammar.

ICT

Digital Literacy	Computing	ICT	E-safety
Uses search tool, search	Computational abstractions -	Hardware and software - is	Considerately recognises a
engines and Boolean logic	is able to produce algorithms	able to name components	range of ways to use
correctly. Selects, uses and	using flowchart symbols.	and what they are used for.	technology safely,
combines a variety of	Programming -	Understands basic network	respectfully, responsibly and
software correctly to	demonstrates a good	topologies and networking	securely. Knows the need
complete projects. Knows	understanding of how to	components.	for, and implications of, not
and takes into account	program solutions to		protecting their online
copyright when using	problems using Scratch and		identity and privacy.
information from the web. Is	HTML. Can convert		
a competent user of the	independently between		
school network for	denary and binary number		
accessing, creating,	systems.		
modifying and saving files.			

Mathematics

Number	Algebra	Ratio, proportion and rates	Geometry and measure	Probability	Statistics
		of change			
Orders, adds and subtracts	Constructs and expresses in	Reduces a fraction to its	Understands and uses the	Uses probability scale from 0	Understands and uses the
negative numbers in context.	symbolic form, collects like	simplest form by cancelling	formula for the area of a	to 1.	mean of discrete data.
	terms and uses simple	common factors.	rectangle and triangle.		
	formulae involving one or				
	two operations.				
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Music

Composing and Arranging	Performing	Listening and Appraising
Secure in the skills needed to	Secure in the musical skills to	Secure in using musical
use short ideas expressively	perform with accuracy and	language. Recognises and
within simple musical	fluency as a soloist or in an	describes simple musical
structures	ensemble.	elements and their
		expressive character

Physical Education

Use of Tactics	Techniques	Dance techniques	Analysis of Performance	Outdoor Adventurous	Knowledge of fitness and
				Activities (OAA)	health
Ability to make tactical and	Trampolining: Drops	Competent in copying basic	Able to identify what is good	Start to make decisions of	Give reasons why warming
strategic decisions.	(minimum one) -	travel, stepping and	about another student's	how to overcome problems	up before an activity is
Demonstrates some	front/back/seat.	pathways.	performance.	in OAA activities	important, and why physical
technique and accuracy in	Skateboarding - confident,				activity is good for their
the performance.	fast pushes on board;				health.
Occasionally demonstrates	up/down ramps on own;				
ability to select and apply	drop in from mid leg height;				
appropriate skills.	can tik-tak				
Occasionally outwits					
opponents.					

Science

Chemistry	Biology	Physics	Investigations	Working with Data
Can use the particle model	Can describe the main	Can state definitions of some	Can make simple predictions	Can identify independent,
to explain diffusion and why	features and functions of	physical quantities and their	and can design a method to	dependent and some control
different materials have	cells, organs and systems	units. Can identify examples	test the prediction. Can set	variables. Can present data
different properties. can	used in plants and animals,	of balanced and unbalanced	up equipment and carry out	in a table and a graph. Can
identify elements within	especially those relating to	forces and how they affect	investigations safely.	identify patterns or trends
compounds and use	reproduction, the skeletal	objects. Can interpret		from data.
conservation of mass to	system and digestion.	distance-time graphs. Can		
calculate masses in		use some equations		
reactions. can use patterns		appropriately. Can describe		
to predict properties of		examples of how energy is		
elements. Can describe how		transferred or stored		
pH changes during		including electricity		
neutralisation reactions and		generation and waves. Can		
the difference between		describe the main properties		
concentrated and dilute		of light.		
solutions of acid.				

Technology

Designing	Making	Evaluate	Technical Knowledge
Is able to explore the	Is able to select	Can analyse the design	Evidences basic technical
themes posed by the task	appropriate tools and	features in existing	understanding including
to generate a range of	materials to manufacture	products and critically	how the properties of
feasible ideas and	outcomes that meet the	evaluate their strengths	materials, manufacturing
develop designs using	main requirements of the	and weaknesses.	processes, mechanical
basic mathematical	task. Products are made	Evaluation of their own	systems and
modelling which meet the	safely and demonstrate	work is objective and	computerised
brief.	attention to detail and an	shows an understanding	technologies can be used
	awareness of quality.	of the need to meet set	to manufacture a range of
		criteria.	items. Can apply
			appropriate subject
			specific vocabulary.

Theology

Using key words	Explaining beliefs		Applying ideas to life, self and others	Evaluating ideas
1		lifestyle, give range of	ideas and express them in people's lives.	Can give arguments for or against an idea and come to a conclusion about which idea is the better.