

The Term Ahead



Year 9

Curriculum overview and upcoming events



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Message from Mrs Gallie



“ Year 9 have got off to an incredible start this term. I am really proud of how they have risen to our expectations and are consistently showing us how they can be their best selves both in and out of the classroom. There have been some wonderful personal achievements including Year 9 successes in some of the House competitions, great displays of sporting ability and TEAM v values, as well as a number of the year group securing roles in the next school production. We have clocked up an impressive 17,652 positive points as a year group since the start of

September, many of which have been in recognition of motivation shown in the classroom and club attendance. I have been really pleased to see how many of our students have embraced the extracurricular offer with so many of them participating in lunchtime and after school activities.

Looking ahead to next term we are really excited to see the re-launch of our library. Mrs Watson has got lots of brilliant things planned to mark this including plenty of competitions and prizes to keep students busy! Students will also be rotating around to their next 'enrichment' block giving them a taster of another subject they could potentially opt for at KS4.

As always, please don't hesitate to get in contact with the pastoral team if you have any concerns or queries.

Wishing you all a happy and restful half term,
Mrs Lucia Gallie.



“No excuses”

Tenacity

Allowing excuses perpetuates inequality. We will hold **everyone** to the same high standard, so that everyone achieves.



“Tough love”

Empathy

Those who need us most are often those who 'opt out.' We will show that we care by doing what is right, not easy, and by telling the truth, rather than what people want to hear.



“The best you can be”

Aspiration

Everyone deserves to succeed and to be celebrated for their achievements. We will not accept anything less than 100% effort, 100% of the time.



“Make it count”

Motivation

Education is the way to transform lives. We will not waste a minute and will stand firm in our high expectations for all.



What are we learning in Autumn 2?

English	Animal Farm; War and Conflict: Crimean, WW1, Suffrage
Maths	Fractions; number properties; Angles
Science	Energy stores; energy transfer; thermal insulators; power and efficiency; nuclear radiation; decay equations; background and uses of radiation
History	The Global Challenge to democracy: Hitler and totalitarian rule
Geography	Our World of Water: rivers; water insecurity; climate crisis; water conflict and politics; River Tamar study
French	C'est comment chez toi? Vocab related to house and home; local area; BRAGS adjectives; adjectival agreement; gender; opinions
German	Weihnachten in Deutschland; food; drink; free time activities; modal verbs; opinions
Computer Science	PRIMM and BEBRAS challenge
Art	Drawing & Painting: Colour; booklets; artist study
Drama	Frantic Assembly: Students will work together to explore Mark Wheeler's 'Theatre in Education' script 'Too Much Punch for Judy' which tackles the theme of drink driving
Music	Latin America: Tango and 7 th chords; Bass clef and tab; Latin chord progression; Havana band
D.T.	Food: curry, pasties, food styling, cheesecakes; Graphics: vacuum forming; packaging nets; production lines; Product: acrylic; materials; completion of assembly;
R.S.	Nature of God, creation; Word; Incarnation; Salvation; Resurrection; Ascension; Afterlife
P.E.	Outwitting Opponents; Fit for Life; Game Sense (various sports and use of gym)
P.D.	Sexual health; contraception; abortion; pregnancy and miscarriage; parenting; marriage



Upcoming events



Sleep over in school!

Take part in The Big Sleep!
Sleep outdoors in the Quad.
In the Sports Hall if it's raining – but it will be cold!

FRIDAY 17th NOVEMBER – 6pm
Until SATURDAY 18th NOVEMBER – 9am

We have partnered with St Petrocs who are the leading charity in Cornwall to tackle homelessness.

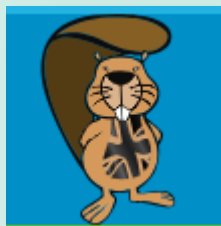
Demonstrate your empathy and help those in need.

Raise £20 to take part – the money will then go to the Charity.

See Mr Oakes to collect a letter for further details.



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UK Bebras

All students studying Computer Science from Year 7 – Year 11 will take part in the Bebras computational thinking national challenge at the start of November in their lessons. The students will have 40 minutes to solve a variety of problems in order to gain as many points as they can. Those who qualify will then go on to compete in the next round. All details and practise tasks can be accessed at <https://www.bebas.uk/>



The science department is running the CREST awards. These are recognised achievements in the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) field, and we would love to see the students' tenacity and aspiration; using knowledge, creativity and teamwork to overcome 'real-life' obstacles, trial new ideas and evaluate how well they did (or did not!) work. This opportunity will run at Break 2 and will be in Room 18. If your child would like to be involved, or would like anymore information please contact Mr.Flaherty (nflaherty@saltashcloud.net)



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Geography fieldwork

Year 11- fieldwork trip to Millbay, Plymouth

Year 9- on site, water landscapes of the river Tamar

Year 8- on site, renewable energy

Year 7- on site, plastic pollution survey



Inter- house cross country

This will take place in P.E. lessons after half term.
Give it your all- it's a great event!



Year 7 University Passport

Watch this space for the launch of the Children's University Passport scheme!

Introducing our new Houses...



UPCOMING EVENTS: TEAM Library

LIBRARY AND READING CELEBRATION WEEK: OCTOBER 30TH – NOVEMBER 3RD

Monday: Saltash Story Selfies

Come and have your photo taken in our photo booth with your favourite book. Sign up your quiz team and join our book club.



Tuesday: Halloween Horrors!

Join Mr Ward as he reads and discusses some Spooktacular literature.

Wednesday: Special Guest

David Orton, from Saltash Community Library, comes up to talk about everything on offer at our local library.



Thursday: Monthly Reading Quiz

This month's quizmaster, Mrs Oates, will be quizzing teams on Roald Dahl's short story 'The Sound Machine'. You've got to read it to win it!

Friday: Literary Scavenger Hunt

Become TEAM Saltash's own Sherlock Holmes, as you discover new literature whilst hunting down the answer to the clues.



LIBRARY READING QUIZZES

Every month, the library quiz will focus on a piece of reading set by that month's quizmaster!

This month, all the questions will be on Roald Dahl's short story 'The Sound Machine'.

This month's quizmaster is Mrs Oates!

Sign up your team (max 4) in the library before spaces run out!



FANTASTIC BOOKS AND WHERE TO FIND THEM BOOK CLUB

Monday lunch week B.

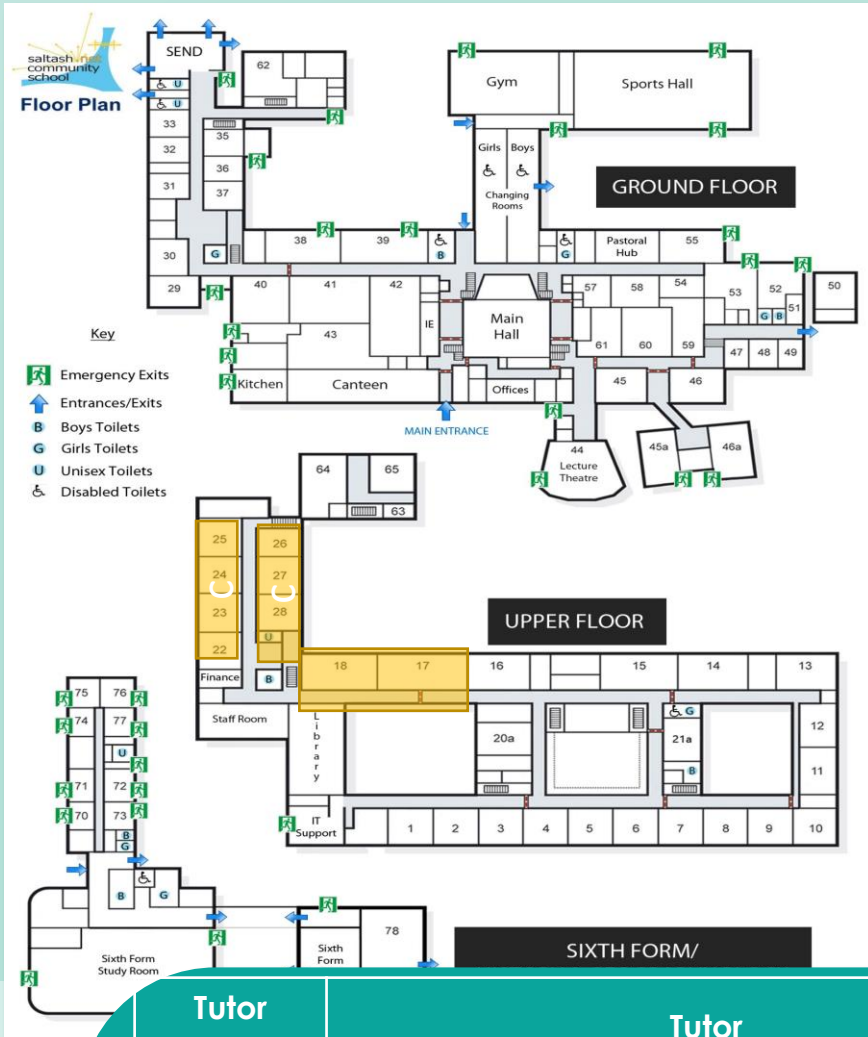
Led by Mrs Wise.

Read, discuss and debate a range of exciting reading texts.

Sign up in the library on Monday 30th October.



Year 9 tutors



Tutors play an important role in the communication between school and home. Please feel free to contact your child's tutor at any time by phone or email if you have any queries, whether this be pastoral, academic or a general enquiry.

8:35am	Line up
8:40-9:00	Tutor time
9:00-10:00	Period 1
10:00-11:00	Period 2
11:00-11:20	Break 1
11:20-12:20	Period 3
12:20-13:20	Period 4
13:20-14:00	Break 2
14:00-15:00	Period 5

Tutor group	Tutor	Room
9CEH	Mr Chris Henderson / Mr Gareth Davies gdavies@saltashcloud.net	17
9JEF (EEP)	Mrs Jen Farr / Mrs N Bovey jfarr@saltashcloud.net / nbovey@saltashcloud.net	18
9LXB	Mr Lewis Barnes lbarnes@saltashcloud.net	22
9SAS	Ms Sandra Schön sschon@saltashcloud.net	23
9CES (HEM)	Mrs Corinne Shepherd cshepherd@saltashcloud.net	24
9NCL	Mr Nigel Lutey nlutey@saltashcloud.net	26
9PMB	Mr Phil Birch pbirch@saltashcloud.net	27
9SMO	Mrs Samantha Oates soates@saltashcloud.net	28

Head of Year: Mrs L Gallie

Uniform

There are no major changes to our uniform policy from previous years, but as we strive for excellence and equity, we will enforce our policy with 'no excuses' to ensure that we hold every student to the same high standard. Tutors will check uniform at line up each morning. Please support us in setting the tone by ensuring your child comes to school in the correct attire.



Saltash School blazer



Blue shirt or blouse



Black V-necked jumper with sky blue stripe



Saltash School tie



Black tailored trousers or shorts (no leggings, jeans or jeggings.)



Black drop waist pleated skirt

We do not allow:

- Piercings
- Jewellery (except one pair of studs in the ears and one watch.)
- Acrylic or painted nails
- Excessive make-up or unnatural hair colours

If children do not attend in the correct uniform, they will be issued with a letter giving 7 days to correct the uniform infringement. After those 7 days, they will be expected to wear items issued by the school on that day. If a child refuses to wear these items, this will be dealt with in line with our behaviour policy for non-compliance. Jewellery will be confiscated and held at reception for collection.



Black, flat- heeled, polishable school shoes- NO TAGS!

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PE Uniform

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NEW
Loose fitting, black PE shorts (not lycra.)



Black and gold T-shirt with school motif



Black and gold multisport top



Black and gold training top with school motif

Students will also require:

- Black sports socks
- White socks
- Shin pad
- Gum shield
- Football boots
- Trainers (must be suitable for all weather pitches)
- Black leggings / sweatpants for outdoor P.E.

Don't forget we run a pre-loved uniform shop where all items are free of charge.

We are always looking for donations, especially from younger year groups. Please contact Dani King dking@saltashcloud.net for information.



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Equipment

It is important that all students arrive to school fully equipped to learn. It is advisable for students to bring a bag and refillable water bottle to school.

They must also bring the following compulsory items: 1x clear pencil case ; 2x black or blue pens ; 1x purple pen; 1x pencil; 1x ruler; 1x eraser; 1x scientific calculator.

Compulsory items



Desirable items



Equipment will be checked by tutors at line up in the morning. If students fail to bring the correct equipment, they will be issued with the missing items for the day. Students who continually fail to bring equipment will be issued with detentions. This is about **'making it count'**- bringing the right equipment ensures no time is wasted, and shows that students value their learning.

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