

# **Super-Curricular Challenges**

Term 4

Our subject leaders have put together some ideas for extra challenges and enrichment opportunities that you could undertake, to sit alongside your studies this term.

# **All Years**

#### Art:

Visit a local or national art gallery.
 Locally, <u>Modern Art Oxford</u> and the <u>Ashmolean</u> are a good starting point. Nationally,
 <u>Compton Verny</u> in Warwickshire often has interesting exhibitions, and London has many to choose from: the <u>National Portrait Gallery</u> would be a good starting point there.

## **Computer Science:**

Watch the Royal Society Christmas lecture about AI and intelligent machines. You could watch one episode or all three:
 <a href="https://www.rigb.org/explore-science/explore/video/truth-about-ai-13-2023-christmas-lectures-mike-wooldridge-0">https://www.rigb.org/explore-science/explore/video/truth-about-ai-13-2023-christmas-lectures-mike-wooldridge-0</a>

## **English:**

• Read at least two books from the <u>100 books to read before you leave Fitzharrys'</u> list.

## Geography:

- Visit Oxford Botanical Gardens or Harcourt Arboretum.
- Visit central London and observe the architecture, shops, businesses, and languages around you.

# **History:**

 Visit the <u>Ashmolean</u> and <u>Pitt Rivers</u> museums in Oxford, or <u>Blenheim Palace</u> in Woodstock.

### Music:

- Engage in extra-curricular music, either in the community or at school: see <u>Clubs</u> <u>Timetable</u>.
- Book and use rehearsal rooms at lunchtimes.

## PE:

 Aim to participate in some form of extra-curricular PE on a regular basis, by joining a club, either in the community or at school: see our school's <u>Clubs Timetable</u>



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# Year 7

## Drama:

 Improvise a comic scene with a group of students outside of the lesson and show your work to the class.

## **English:**

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## Maths:

Watch this video for Pi Day: <u>Hive Home Eco Tech – Solar (youtube.com)</u>

### Music:

• Listen to different genres of music.

## PE:

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## Science:

• Visit the Nature Discovery Centre between Thatcham and Newbury.

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# Year 8

### Art:

 Visit the <u>Ashmolean Museum's still life galleries</u> to see how symbolism is used in the paintings. How might this connect to our candy skull project?

## Drama:

 Imagine that you are an older person nearing the end of your life. Write a letter giving advice to the younger generation.

# **English:**

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## **History:**

Visit the <u>American Museum</u> in Bath.

#### Maths:

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### Music:

Listen to <u>Blues music</u>.

## PE:

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## Science:

 Watch the following documentary on BBC iPlayer: <u>Solar System</u>. You could watch the first episode about volcanic worlds, or all four!

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# Year 9

#### Art:

Visit the <u>Ashmolean museum</u> to see the ceramics and pottery in various galleries.

### Drama:

Choose an Eminem song & write a short monologue from one character's point of view.

## **English:**

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Read the book: <u>Alex's Adventures in Numberland by Alex Bellos</u>.

## Music:

• Listen to Minimalist music.

#### PE:

You will be learning in PSHE about your changing body and this part of our lives has a big
impact in the way your body moves. The growth spurt can create challenges. Try to stay
positive with your efforts and remember that PE means Positive Experience!

## Science

 Watch the documentary by Jim Al Khalili - Atom, Clash of the Titans. This will be useful for Chemistry and Physics!
 <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GOJFznzSZhM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GOJFznzSZhM</a>

## **Technology:**

• Be a part of Engineering Club (see <u>Clubs Timetable</u> for details).

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# Year 10

### Drama:

• Read the book: Sanford Meisner on Acting

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## Maths:

• Watch the film: <u>Moneyball</u>. Starring Brad Pitt, Jonah Hill and Chris Pratt, this film is based on a true story about the use of statistical analysis to create a winning baseball team, which revolutionised the sport. Currently available on Netflix, if you have a subscription.

#### PE:

Now you are studying for your GCSEs, your life will become busier. Try to maintain an
effort to use PE time well. You could also attend a regular sports club or fitness session in
the community, or one provided at school (see <u>Clubs Timetable</u> for details).

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# Year 11

#### Drama:

• Watch the musical West Side Story (1961 version) in its entirety.

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#### Maths:

 Attend Mr Smytheman's study sessions on Tuesday lunchtimes for support with exam questions.

### PE:

This term will be a very busy one for you as you prepare for your exams. Aim to stay
active and balance your healthy active lifestyle with your academic revision. Best of luck
from PE!

### Science:

 Watch the following documentary on BBC ilplayer: <u>The Incredible Human Journey</u>. Watch episode 1 - Out of Africa

## **Technology:**

 Source and use examples of designs from <u>3D Warehouse</u> as inspiration for your nonexam assessment (NEA).