BOURNVILLE SCHOOL

CURRICULUM GUIDE FOR PARENTS & CARERS

Autumn Term 1	In PSHE, students will learn about the range of different skills they can work on and improve through their time at school.	In careers education, students will focus on ambition and future pathways.
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Subject	Curriculum Focus	Homework and useful weblinks
Art	Students will learn about the proportions of the human face through exploring the work of artists such as Leonardo dd Vinci and Chuck Close.	Homework set on Satchel One KS3 Art and Design - BBC Teach Tate Kids
Computing	Students will develop their skills in using spreadsheet by learning how to use more advanced functions. E.g. the use of macros and creating drop down lists	
Drama	Students will study extracts from 'The Secret Life of Walter Mitty' in order to develop their ability to use contrasts.	Homework set on Satchel One
English	Students will learn about the gothic genre. They will study a range of gothic texts, whilst developing thei writing skills by writing their own gothic stories	Homework set on Satchel One
Geography	Students will study natural hazards including earthquakes and volcanoes and how the impacts will be different depending on development.	Further tasks set to help apply new knowledge.
History	Students will investigate the living and working conditions of ordinary people during the Industrial Revolution. This wi include a trip to the Black Country Living Museum!	When was the industrial revolution? - BBC Bitesize
Maths	Students will focus initially on ratio and scale. This will lead on to multiplicative change. They will finish the half term considering fractions, specifically multiplying and dividing with them.	
Music	Students will learn about the history of American Music focusing on African origins and percussion and Blues music	Homework set on Satchel One
PE	Students will look at a range of sports this term. The focus will be invasion games, and sports include; handball, netball, basketball, hockey and football.	
RS	Students will learn the meaning of philosophy and ethics, with a first dive into philosophical theories for the existence of God.	Homework set on Satchel One
Science	Students will learn all about the transfer of thermal energy; the difference between acid and alkaline substances; and how the human digestive system works.	Homework set on Satchel One
Spanish	Students will learn how to say what they and others do in their free time, depending on the weather.	Sentence builders with activities KS3 Bitesize Learning Apps
Technology (Rotation)	Students will learn about the properties of materials and will generate their own ideas. In Food, students will learn the functions of food and build on their knowledge of food safety.	Oak National Academy

Character Education	In form time and in lessons, the character trait students will focus on this half
	term is using their initiative .