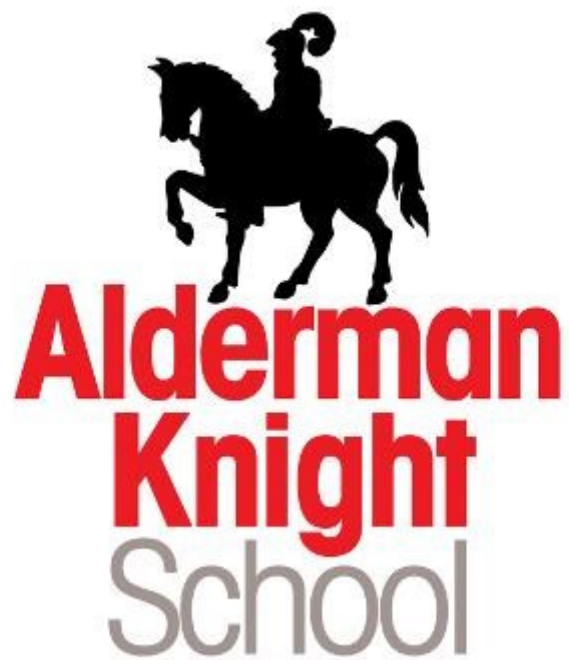


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Alderman Knight School
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Introduction

This document is set out to guide and inform those parents/carers whose child is following a two year programme of study at Key Stage 4 starting in September 2021. Throughout years 10 and 11 it is our intention to develop pupil's full academic potential within an environment which supports and prepares them for post 16 placement in full-time education or educational training. Each pupil will be offered accredited courses and life skill units appropriate to their needs and abilities. Within this document parents/carers are given an outline of each area of the curriculum that is on offer to your child.

Key Stage 4 Curriculum

At Alderman Knight School we are committed to providing the very best education we can for all our pupils. Because of the wide range of individual needs, we believe that a 'one size fits all' curriculum model is not appropriate and cannot meet the differing needs of all our pupils. As a result we have always tried to provide a curriculum as flexible and personalised as possible.

Our aim is to provide a meaningful and relevant set of learning experiences which together provide an engaging curriculum enabling both participation and achievement for all our pupils whilst preparing them for the future.

Following consultation with staff and pupils this year we feel the most beneficial route for your child include the following subjects English, Maths, Science, Food, Personal Social Development, Physical Education, Art and Design, Expressive Arts, Computing and RE. All pupils are offered accreditations in these subjects at an appropriate level.

Work Experiences

Pupils in this tutor group will get the opportunity to visit different places of work to find out what it is like to be part of this community and how it is different from the school environment. If it is felt appropriate pupils are given the chance to go out to work in places in the immediate local community e.g. working at the Touching Souls Tea Rooms at Tewkesbury Abbey on the days that the school run these.



College links

Many pupils leave Alderman Knight School to continue their education with the local college providers. During Years 10 and 11 pupils can experience taster days at the colleges they are interested in studying at. Within these link taster days pupils not only gain a feel for the colleges but experience learning within classes. Furthermore, college assessments are conducted to assess the extent to which each college is able to meet every child's needs.

In October, we invite local colleges into school to participate in the first parents evening. This is an opportunity to allow parents of pupils in years 9,10 and 11 to speak to each provider to see what post-16 education opportunities are on offer for their child.

Accreditations at Key Stage 4

Pupils following this curriculum are entered for accreditations at levels appropriate to their abilities. Entry Level is the lowest level in the National Qualifications Framework. Courses at this level recognise basic knowledge and skills and the ability to apply learning in everyday situations under direct guidance or supervision.

<u>Qualification Title</u>	<u>Level of accreditation</u>	<u>Subjects offered at this level</u>
Entry Level Certificate	Entry Level 1, 2 or 3	Maths English Science Personal Social Development Computing PE
Unit Awards	Pre Entry & Entry Level	Art Religious Education Food Technology DT
ASDAN Short Courses	Non specific	Gardening Expressive Arts

In addition to the subjects above that are accredited, your child's timetable will include a range of other opportunities to ensure they have a broad and balanced curriculum providing them with skills to support them in their transition to Post 16 provision and towards greater independence. These opportunities will include activities such as Forest school, work experience, animal care, working with the community and additional classroom based sessions such as basic skills in IT, work skills and life skills.

English

Overview of subject	<p>Entry Level Certificates are nationally recognised qualifications that give learners the opportunity to achieve a certified award.</p> <p>Entry Level learners will develop the skills they need to read and understand a range of texts as well as to write clearly, coherently and accurately using a range of vocabulary and sentence structures.</p>
Exam board, qualification title and level	<p style="text-align: center;">AQA Entry Level Certificates: Step Up to English Silver Step: Entry Level 1 to 2</p>
Qualification overview	<p>Silver Component 1: Literacy Topics (x 2 = 50%) Spoken language task • Presenting • Responding to questions and feedback Reading tasks Three transactional texts Writing task Transactional writing</p> <p>Component 2: Creative Reading and Writing (50%) Section A Reading Two literary texts Section B Writing Creative writing</p>
Assessment	<p>Silver Component 1: Literacy Topics x 2 Externally-set non-exam assessment: up to 1 hour and 30 minutes. Internally assessed, externally moderated. Spoken language: One task linked to topic(s) Reading: three linked reading tasks and short form questions Writing: one longer form writing task</p> <p>Silver Component 2: Creative Reading and Writing x 1 Section A Reading: two literary texts Section B Writing: creative writing Externally-set non-exam assessment: up to 1 hour and 30 minutes. Internally assessed, externally moderated. Reading (30 marks) • two linked texts • short form questions Writing (30 marks) One longer form writing task</p>

Maths

Overview of subject	This course provides basic relevant mathematical skills building confidence in the pupils' ability within this subject. This course enables pupils to engage, explore, enjoy and succeed in maths.
Exam board, qualification title and level	AQA Entry Level Certificate Levels are awarded by the exam board on the number of marks pupils achieve in the various units of work.
Qualification overview	Units of work studied may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- The properties of number- The four operations- Ratio- Money- The calendar and time- Measures- Geometry- Statistics
Assessment	Learners compile a portfolio comprising eight components of work made up of between four and eight external assignments, the remaining components made up of internally set classwork.

Science

<p>Overview of subject</p>	<p>Pupils study broad and balanced Science courses, covering aspects of Biology, Chemistry and Physics. They also develop their practical skills, learning how to use what they have found out in their lessons to plan and carry out experiments.</p>
<p>Exam board, qualification title and level</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">AQA Entry Level Science Double or Single Award</p>
<p>Qualification overview</p>	<p>This course has been designed in six small unit sections so pupils can learn a small section of science at a time. Each unit has an externally set exam (ESA) and an internally set experiment and write up called a Teacher Devised Assessment (TDA).</p> <p>The units taught are as follows:</p> <p>Unit 1 - Biology – The Human Body</p> <p>Unit 2 - Biology – Environment, Evolution and the & Inheritance</p> <p>Unit 3 - Chemistry – Elements, Mixtures and Compounds</p> <p>Unit 4 - Chemistry – Chemistry in Our World</p> <p>Unit 5 - Physics – Energy, Forces, and the Structure of Matter</p> <p>Unit 6 - Physics – Electricity, Magnetism and Waves</p>
<p>Assessment</p>	<p>Single Award</p> <p>6 assessments; One ESA and one TDA from a biology unit, a physics unit and a chemistry unit.</p> <p>Double Award</p> <p>12 assessments; An ESA and a TDA from every unit listed above.</p>

Food Technology

Overview of subject	Our aim is to help equip students with the ability to prepare simple nutritious meals for themselves throughout life. We therefore focus on basic transferable life skills and recipes that students will be able to build on. Over the 2 years pupils have the opportunity to gain additional recognition for their achievements, appropriate to their level of ability.
Exam board, qualification title and level	AQA Unit Awards
Qualification overview	Examples of typical units studied over the course may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- International Food: Asian Food- International Food: British Food- International Food: European Food- Making and decorating a rich fruit cake- Introduction to Safety and Hygiene in the Kitchen- Basic Skills used in Food Preparation- Seasonal Foods
Assessment	100% internally assessed through course work.

Design Technology

Overview of subject	In Design and Technology, the pupils will cover a range of topic areas such as Textiles, Resistant Materials and Graphics. The pupils will gain the knowledge of the importance of research and designing to create a product. They will have use of the Design Technology workroom and be able to develop the use of tools and skills, whilst using the appropriate health and safety measures.
Exam board, qualification title and level	AQA Unit Awards
Qualification overview	Examples of typical units studied over the course may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Designing and making a bagDesigning a logoDesigning and making a metal productDesigning and making a bird house
Assessment	100% internally assessed through course work.

Computing/Information Technology

Overview of subject	The structure of the INGOTS ITQ units enables progressive formal qualifications for pupils with varying experience. It is a wide ranging suite within which students have a wide choice of units that combine to create the qualification at various levels.
Exam board, qualification title and level	Entry Level 1- 3 ITQ Units. For each unit completed, a unit award is issued. Each unit is worth a varying number of credits, at a given level. When a certain number of credits are gained, the Award is issued. For pupils who work at an accelerated pace, the extended Certificate may be achieved.
Qualification overview	Units that are taught may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Using Word Processing Software- Using Presentation Software- Using Spreadsheet Software- Using ICT for Safe Working Practices- Using ICT to Find Information- Using ICT in the Workplace- Online Basics- Online Safety- Programming a Computer Game- Video- Digital Imaging- Desk Top Publishing- Audio Software- Setting up an IT system- Hardware and Software- Cyber Security
Assessment	This course emphasises practical work and the demonstration of skills and knowledge. Work will be assessed internally and moderated externally. This is by submitting electronic evidence. There are no written examinations.

ASDAN Expressive Arts Short Course

Overview of subject	The Asdan Expressive Arts Short Course provides opportunities for pupils to develop their Expressive Arts knowledge and skills, and to take part in Expressive Arts activities such as drama, art, animation, costume/set design, music, dancing etc.
Exam board, qualification title and level	Asdan Asdan Expressive Arts Short Course Up to 6 credits
Qualification overview	While studying for the Asdan Expressive Arts Short Course, pupils will take part in a range of Expressive Arts activities, and create a journal stating the activities they have taken part in, and what they have learnt. Pupils will also learn a new Expressive Arts skill, such as animation, design, circus skills, dancing etc, and keep a record of what they have learnt. Finally, pupils will identify their achievements, and reflect on their accomplishments in the form of a short presentation; sharing with others what they have enjoyed and/or achieved through completing their Asdan Expressive Arts Short Course qualification.
Assessment	100% Coursework

ASDAN Short Course Gardening

Overview of subject	This course will enable you to learn and demonstrate skills and techniques needed in gardening, give you an awareness of how gardening promotes healthier lifestyle and have a positive impact on mental health and wellbeing.
Exam board, qualification title and level	ASDAN Short Course Gardening
Qualification overview	This course has 8 modules covering the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planting in the garden • Growing food on an allotment • Working undercover • Wildlife in the garden • Using your produce in the kitchen • Construction in the garden • Art in the garden • Careers in gardening
Assessment	100% Practical of portfolio evidence

Personal Social Development

<p>Overview of subject</p>	<p>Personal & Social Development education is a fundamental entitlement of our pupils and is considered a core subject at Alderman Knight School. Pupils build on their knowledge, skills and understanding to help them to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - stay safe, - build and develop friendships, - equip them for living in the wider world. <p>Ultimately with the aim of working towards achieving fulfilling voluntary or paid work.</p>
<p>Exam board, qualification title and level</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">ASDAN</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Entry Level 2 Award/ Certificate in Personal Social Development</p>
<p>Qualification overview</p>	<p>Over the two years pupils will complete seven units which will enable them to gain a certificate level qualification. They are able to make use of ICT, video and photographic evidence to present their work. Pupils work will then be marked against set objectives for each unit.</p> <p>Units are selected from the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Parenting awareness - Healthy living - Individual rights and responsibilities - Preparation for work - Making use of leisure time - Managing own money - Using technology in the home and community
<p>Assessment</p>	<p>100% internally assessed through course work.</p>

PE

Overview of subject	PE is a very important part of the curriculum and pupils participate in a varied curriculum to ensure they are given every opportunity to succeed and find an activity that will lead them into lifelong participation. In addition to the normal PE lessons which take place during the week, pupils have the opportunity to take part in regular swim sessions. During KS4 pupils have the opportunity to gain additional recognition for their achievements in PE appropriate to their level of ability.
Exam board, qualification title and level	OCR Entry Level 1/2
Qualification overview	Examples of typical units studied over the course of the 2 years may include: - Athletics Skills - Learning and performing a dance routine based on a theme - Gymnastics: Basic Floor Work
Assessment	100% internally assessed through course work.

Religious Education

Overview of subject	Religious Education is a statutory subject for all pupils. All pupils have the chance to gain recognition for their achievements, appropriate to their level of ability. Pupils will study Unit Awards which include the study of Christianity and at least one other principle religion.
Exam board, qualification title and level	AQA Unit Awards: Pre Entry and/or Entry Level Unit Awards
Qualification overview	Examples of typical units studied :- <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction to Religious Art• The Life of Moses• Introduction to Christianity• Religion & Science :Creation
Assessment	100% internally assessed through course work.