

# SPRING 2015 Year 8

#### **COURSE CONTENT BOOKLET**

Information for parents and guardians on the topics your daughter will study

in each subject over the Spring term

#### INTRODUCTION

Asslamualaikum,		

This booklet has been designed to assist parents and guardians in supporting their daughter during her time at MIHSG.

Throughout this booklet you will find information about:

- The subjects your daughter is studying
- Each of the topics that are covered during the Spring term
- Additional information about the topic and what she is expected to have achieved by the end of the term

Please do not hesitate to contact the school should you have any further queries with regards to your daughter's progress or the topics she is studying.

You will also find information regarding your daughter's target level, current level and termly assessment levels in her exercise book. This is a good indicator of your daughter's progress and the feedback and support the teacher is providing for her.

Insha'Allah, you will find this booklet beneficial and it will help as a reference point in supporting your daughter to fulfil her potential.

Walaikumsalam,

Mrs E Smart

Assessment Co-ordinator

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### **ARABIC**

#### **NATIVE SPEAKERS**

**Teachers:** Mrs F Barbash

Mrs A Hussein

Topics	Key Content
Arabic stories	Pupils select a story to read, translate and summarise
Relevant grammar	Past and present tense Possessive endings
Creative writing	Pupils to practise reading and understanding skill to develop their writing skills by writing their own story.
Cultural and historical awareness	Pupils learn about famous Arab inventors, describe their inventions and discuss how their work has benefitted the world.

### **ARABIC**

#### NON-NATIVE SPEAKERS

Teachers: Mrs F Barbash

Mrs A Hussein

Topics	Key Content
School life and routine.	Opinions of school subjects
School subjects (likes and	Daily routine activities – in the canteen, at the tuck shop,
dislikes)	Sports Day.
Time.	
Food and Drink	Places to eat and drink.  Types of food and drink  Meals
Jobs	Different jobs for feminine, masculine and dual.
Relevant Grammar	Form sentences using first, second and third person.
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### **ART**

**Teacher:** Ms B Hockwart

Topics	Key Content
Puppets	Research and investigate puppets, their many aspects and functions. Rod, shadow, sock, finger, arm, foam and marionettes.
OR	Design and plan a puppet: function, style, size, shape, materials used, facial and hand features and attire. Performance.
	Research recycled bags and materials.
Bags recycled materials	Design and plan a bag using measurements, shape, colour, materials, appliqué, style and function.

### **ENGLISH**

Teacher: Mrs M Ahmad
Mrs J Chowdhury
Miss R Warner
Ms H Appleton
Number of lessons per week: Four

Topics	Key Content
Novel/ Shakespeare:	Understand the main ideas in the play
	Look at how characters develop and change
Much Ado About Nothing/	Look at how the writer uses language
The Tempest/	Consider how the playwright uses dramatic devices
Tulip Touch/	Consider how audiences respond to the play /drama
Holes)	Take part in Speaking and Listening activities such as a performance/drama /debate

### **FRENCH**

Teacher: Miss H Hassan

Number of lessons per week: One

Topics	Key Content
	Name different types of house  Describe your house: size, type, number of rooms, garden, garage
House	List the furniture in different rooms
	Describe your bedroom—décor, furniture, where things are
	Give opinions
	Describe your morning routine, after school activities and how you spend the evenings
	(Present tense of reflexive verbs/time phrases)
Daily Routine	Talk about after school activities
	Describe what you do at the weekend
	(Present tense of regular and irregular verbs/Connectives)
	Say what you and others do to help at home
	Say what you don't do
Helping at home	(Negatives – ne pas, ne jamais/Vocab relating to frequency)
	Say what you are going to do tonight, tomorrow, next weekend, etc
	(Future tense)

**NB** – as there is only one lesson per week, some of the above may not be completed during this term and will be covered at the start of the summer term

### **GEOGRAPHY**

Teacher: Mrs C Pennington

Topics	Key Content
	Explain how global temperatures have changed since the end of the last ice age.
	Predict six ways in which climate change will affect our world.
	Predict four ways in which climate change will affect the UK.
Global	Explain what greenhouse gases are – and name at least two of them.
warming	Explain why carbon dioxide emissions are a particular concern for us.
	Explain how the burning of fuels in one country affects people in other countries.
	Describe four actions we can take as individuals to reduce carbon dioxide emissions.
	Describe two actions which governments could take, and two actions which scientists could take, to reduce carbon dioxide emissions.
	Know what GIS stands for and the four components of GIS.
	Know what is meant by software and data – and provide three examples of data.
	Explain that the data in GIS is shown in layers and provide examples.
	Understand why it is important to keep different kinds of data in different layers.
GIS maps	Explain what are meant by coordinates when using GIS and how coordinates are obtained.
	Describe five uses of GIS.
	Explain how using GIS is different from using paper maps.
	Explain some reasons why using GIS is better than using paper maps.

# **HISTORY**

Teacher:	Ms E Jeremy
	Miss H Hassan
Number of lessons per week:	Two

Topics	Key Content
Tudors and Stuarts	Mary Queen of Scots
	The Spanish Armada
	The Beginning of Empire

#### **ICT**

Teacher: Mrs S Shaheen

Topics	Key Content
	This is a one term project where pupils will be working independently to understand the key components of a computer and what is needed for a computer to work.
How to build a computer	Pupils begin to develop their understanding of the different hardware and software devices, the type of devices they are [e.g., input, output or storage], the different types of software that is required [e.g., systems software and applications software] and the different memory capacities of a computer.
How to write a for- mal report using word processing software	Based on this, pupils will put a project together, choosing a particular business to build a computer system for. They will then need to select the correct devices that the business will need to operate and justify their choices.

# **MATHEMATICS**

Teachers: Mrs T Anani
Mrs T Vadiya
Mrs K Khalaf
Number of lessons per week: Four

Topics	Key Content
Surface area and volume of prisms	How to covert metric units for area and volume, to calculate the surface area of a prism, to calculate the volume of a prism
Graphs	How to work out the gradient of a linear graph, to work out an equation of the form y=mx+c, how to draw graphs of quadratic equations, to solve a quadratic equation from a graph, to draw graphs to illustrate real life situations.
Number	How to multiply and divide by negative powers of 10, to round numbers to a specific number of significant figures, to write large numbers in standard form, to multiply numbers in standard form.
Interpreting data	How to interpret statistical diagrams, to construct pie charts relative to total frequency, to construct scatter graphs, to draw and use lines of best fit, to understand correlation.
Algebra	How to use and simplify expressions involving all four operations, to simplify expressions that have a number of terms, to multiply out brackets in algebraic expressions, to identify equivalent expressions, to write algebraic

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Teacher: Ms A Towe

Topics	Key Content	
	Games: Football	
Outwitting Opponents (Games)	Dribbling / Turns / Passing and moving / Development of shooting / Developing attacking play / Outwitting opponents / Teamwork / Defensive strategies / Tactics / Small sided games	
	Games: Netball	
	Development of a full sided game / Tactics / Team play	
Health and Fitness	Skill related and health related fitness tests / Sustained running  – Cooper Test / Measuring resting and working pulse rates /  Basic circuit training / Skill related circuits / Components of health related fitness / Fitness taster sessions / Methods of training – interval training	
Outdoor and Adven- turous Activities	Problem solving / group skills / teamwork / OAA challenges	

# **QUR'AN**

Teacher: Mrs N Malek
Mrs F Barbash
Mrs A Hussein
Number of lessons per week: Two

Topics	Key Content	
FOUNDATION:  RECITATION  Juz 27	Pupils learn to recite Surah Al-Dhariyat with tajweed and correct pronunciation.	
	The tajweed rules the pupils will cover are:	
	'maad,' 'ghunnah,' 'kalkalah,' 'idhaar,' 'meem-mushaddah,' 'nun-mushaddadah,' 'noon-sakinah and tanween' and 'meem-sakinah and tanween.'	
	(No memorisation, so pupils can perfect their tajweed, pronunciation and fluency in the recitation of the Qur'an)	
HIGHER:	Pupils recite with correct pronunciation and tajweed Surah Al-Mursalat and Al-Insaan	
RECITATION	Pupils learn the rules of 'nun-sakinah and tanween,' 'kalkalah,'	
Juz 29	'meem-mushaddadah' and 'nun-mushaddadah'	
	Surah Ad-Duha, Al-Layl and Ash-Shams	
HIGHER:	Pupils learn to memorise in Arabic and English with the correct	
MEMORISATION	tajweed and pronunciation.	

### **RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

Teacher: Mrs S Malek

Topics	Key Content	
Death	Understand and explain the Muslim belief about death	
	Name some of the signs of the day of judgement	
	Descriptions of heaven and hell	
	Comparison of these beliefs with other world religions	
Seerah of the Prophet	Recall key events in the life of the Prophet (SAW) from Hijrah to his death	
Charity: Different	Understand and explain the different types of charity such as sa-	
Charity: Different forms	Understand and explain the different types of charity such as sadaqah, zakah, Lilla waqf	
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# **SCIENCE**

**Teacher:** Miss M Rashid

Mrs S Tahir

Mr U Adeyemi

Topics	Key Content	
	Photosynthesis	Leaves
BIOLOGY:	Plant minerals	Chemosynthesis
Ecosystem	Aerobic respiration	Anaerobic respiration
processes	Food chains and webs	Disruption to food chains and webs
	Ecosystems	
	Ecosystem processes revision/ summary and assessment	
	Acids and metals	Metals and oxygen
CHEMISTRY:	Metals and water	Metal displacement reactions
Metals and	Extracting metals	Ceramics
acid	Polymers	Composites

# **SCIENCE**

**Teacher:** Miss M Rashid

Mrs S Tahir

Mr U Adeyemi

Topics	Key Content
	Food and fuels
	Energy adds up
	Energy and temperature
Energy transfer: Particles  PHYSICS:	Energy transfer: Particles
Energy	Energy transfer: Radiation
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	Energy and power
	Work, energy and machines

#### URDU

Teacher: Mrs S Akhtar

Mrs S Noreen

Number of lessons per week: Three

Topics	Key Content	
Hobbies	Name different hobbies in Urdu and give your opinion about hobbies. (Personal and Possessive nouns)	
Health and	Say how we can keep ourselves healthy.	
Fitness	Describe the things which are not good for our health.	
Celebrations	Exchange information about different celebrations: Eid, Birthday, Wedding. (Past Tense)	
Holidays	Exchange information about holidays giving opinion about different means of transport, locations, and activities.	
	Pupils will extend their previous vocabulary learning new words about following topics:	
Vocabulary	Subjects Relations	
	Places Professions	
	Numbers 76-100	

Pupils studying Urdu will be preparing to take their Urdu GCSE at the end of Year 9.

#### **KEY ASSESSMENT DATES**

#### WEDNESDAY 1ST APRIL

Year 7 - Interim Reports to Parents

Year 8 - Interim Reports to Parents

Year 9 - Full Annual Reports to Parents

#### TUESDAY 28TH APRIL

Year 9 - Options Afternoon (Lesson 5 and 6)

Year 7 - 10 - Cause for Concern Parents Evening

#### MONDAY 18TH MAY - FRIDAY 22ND MAY

Year 7 - 10 - End of Year Exams

#### FRIDAY 19TH JUNE

Year 7 - 10 - Exam Results to Parents

#### WEDNESDAY 8TH JULY

Year 7 - Full Annual Reports to Parents

Year 8 - Full Annual Reports to Parents

Year 9 - Interim Reports to Parents

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