The Thriftwood Code

As always, the Thriftwood Code forms a vital part of our ethos. The younger students often look towards Year 9 students to model exemplary conduct.

> Show respect Listen well Be kind Work hard Be friendly Tell the truth Look after property



UPPER SCHOOL CURRICULUM SUMMARY Thriftwood School Slades Lane Galleywood CM2 8RW Year 9 will learn to make simple snacks

Other parts of the curriculum include:

- Regular individual reading and guided reading and personalised spellings
- Twice weekly PE lessons
- Forest School and community visits
- Weekly topic lessons

Around the world

- Children will learn about lives and features in other continents
- Weekly computing lessons
- Twice weekly PSHCE sessions. We will prepare for the One Planning meeting by exploring *Personal Skills and Aims* and life choices
- Art -creating portraits using pastels and photography, exploring colour, textures and developing technical skills
- Technology-pupils will create a wall clock from wood.

Numeracy

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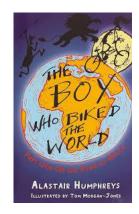






UPPER SCHOOL CURRICULUM SUMMARY

Autumn 2023



Our Literacy text this term

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This term we will be reading and exploring the travel theme of the "The Boy Who Biked the World books by Alistair Humphreys.

Students will work with the story, using the original text and adapted extracts to improve their vocabulary and comprehension of the story. They will be encouraged to develop their writing skills through guided writing

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Fundamentals For the Future (FFF)

We are working towards all students gaining life skills, developing greater independence and organization needed in adulthood. Skills provide preparation for pupils taking the opportunity of a residential visit, which is planned for the Spring Term.

See attached key skills document.

Your help in supporting the work we are doing in school will be vital to your child's success in gaining skills of independence.

Homework

- Practising skills taught in FFF.
- Encouraging independence
- Spelling practice
- Reading at home
- Using money
- Telling the time

School Trips

We will be undertaking trips out of school to enhance our curriculum.

Dates and venues to be confirmed