**Thriftwood School**



**Curriculum Summary**

**Autumn Term 2022**

 **Secrets and Spies** Middle School

Jay, Rook, Magpie and Crow

**Educate, Challenge, Prepare**

Welcome back to the new term, we are very much looking forward to continuing your child’s educational journey with them.

We do ask that your child comes into school ready for the day and ensuring they have the items they need on a daily basis.

- Reading book and reading record

- Home School Diary

- Full PE kit

- Wellies to stay in school

- Appropriate clothing- we are an outdoor school so will be going outside in all weathers.

- Care bag (a separate letter will go home with equipment needed for this)

 This term we will be regularly sending homework home as well as spellings.

We will have opportunities to meet at Parents evenings and then again at the EHCP reviews. These are great opportunities to discuss your child at length to ensure we are all working together to meet the needs of your child in the best possible way.

Reinforce the **Thriftwood Code** and identify ways to help each other



**ART & DT**

Finger printing and patterns, Making and creating disguises, Camouflage

War paintings –St Pauls in the Blitz, Colour Wheels – mixing colours.

Photo booth –Spy disguise –Polaroid photos, junk Modelling, making Anderson Shelters.

**RE and PSHCE**

All about me

Zones of Regulation

Showing respect for others.

Christianity– Christmas

Judaism

Communism

The Thriftwood code

**History & Geography**

World War 2

Research about spies and their job. Why spies do what they do. Evacuation– Packing a bag, what is rationing? Anne Frank

Read maps, Grid references, create own maps. Where do I live? Where is Europe? Read maps from around school/ local area

Visit to Duxford Air Museum

Visit to Oaklands museum

Topic Day





**FOOD TECHNOLOGY** *Year 7 only this term*

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Year 7 Skills: Cutting, grating, arranging toppings/fillings, spreading, weighing/measuring, mixing, pouring, flipping, whisking, frying, mashing, boiling/simmering, dividing, forming and shaping, baking, rolling out, cutting out, spooning, folding.

Making: Toasted sandwiches, Omelettes, Quesadillas, Pizza muffins, Pancakes with gooey fruits, Biscuits, Fruit tart, Pasties, Samosas.

**MUSIC AND DRAMA**

Middle School assembly singing

Whole School Winter production

Role play, Charanga music, becoming a spy, War songs, taking on a disguise by dressing up.

LITERACY: Key Text: *Year 7* Anne Frank, *Usborne Spy’s Handbook*

*Year 8* Alex Rider – Stormbreaker

NUMERACY LINKS: In addition to Maths scheme of work: Codes, co-ordinates, time tables, Morse code.

SCIENCE: *Year 7: Skeletons, digestive system, diet, exercise, circulatory system.*

*Year 8: Living things and their habitats, classifying animals.*

**Computing**

Year 7 and 8 will be learning how to use a variety of sources to search for information, this will include websites, films and podcasts. They will consider how to select specific and relevant information and use menu functions on different devices. They will also explore how to manage online information safely, how to ensure that their online reputation is positive and how to seek help when needed.

**PE**

Year 7 and 8 will be focussing on developing hand-eye coordination, spatial awareness and teamwork skills.

Year 8 will be swimming once a week until February 2023

**Fundamentals for the Future During the Autumn term we will be focussing on developing the following fundamental skills **